

*Texas Association
of
Free Will Baptists*



1969

MINUTES
of the
FIFTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION
of the
TEXAS STATE ASSOCIATION
of
FREE WILL BAPTISTS
when convened with
FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
HOUSTON, TEXAS
July 29-31

The next session will be held with the
Mission Quarterly Conference in Cen-
tral Texas District at Corpus Christi,
Texas.

TEXAS STATE ASSOCIATION

of

FREE WILL BAPTISTS

1969-70

OFFICERS

MODERATOR:

Rev. Everett Hellard; P. O. Box 1472, Conroe, Texas

ASSISTANT MODERATOR:

Rev. J. E. Judd; 2205 W. 7th, Odessa, Texas

CLERK:

Rev. Eugene Richards; Rr. 2, Box 276K-149, Plano, Texas

ASSISTANT CLERK:

Rev. Raymond Getz; 7420 Ashville Avenue, Ft. Worth, Texas

PARLIAMENTARIAN:

Rev. M. L. Crosby; P. O. Box 224, Crowell, Texas

EXECUTIVE-SECRETARY:

Rev. Bobby Ferguson, 7731 Schneider Road, Houston, Texas

BOARDS

Missions-Church Extension

Rev. H. Ray Berry (Chairman).....	1972
Mr. Sherman North.....	1971
Rev. Allen Moore.....	1970
Mr. Bob Harless.....	1970
Mr. Charles Denman.....	1971
Mr. A. V. Jennische.....	1971

Christian Education

Rev. Bobby Joe Davis.....	1971
Rev. Eugene Richards.....	1970
Rev. W. H. Bostic.....	1971
Rev. Roy Norie.....	1972
Rev. Leroy Cutler.....	1972

Superannuation

Rev. Harold Teague.....	1971
Rev. Elvis Fielding (Chairman).....	1970
Rev. Homer Tumbleson.....	1972
Rev. L. C. Lynch.....	1972
Rev. Leroy Anderson.....	1970

MINUTES
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FIRST CHURCH HOUSTON
July 29-31, 1969

Proceedings

Tuesday Evening, July 29, 1969

The fifty fifth annual session of Texas Association of Free Will Baptists opened by congregational singing led by David Hellard with Everyl Getz at the piano and Marilu Richards at the organ. Prayer was led by Rev. Harvey Aguirre.

The host pastor, Rev. Bobby Ferguson, welcomed the group in behalf of Central Texas District and the Houston Church.

The moderator, Rev. Herbert Richards, brought a short message from II Timothy, chapter 3. He then appointed the committee on committees and nominating committee. (see reports.)

Rev. Leroy Cutler was appointed parliamentarian until one is elected and Mrs. Ava Hellard, assistant clerk.

The service was then turned over to the young people with Rev. Thomas Marberry in charge. Congregational singing was led by David Hellard and Rev. Don Lombard led in prayer.

Special song was sung by Ann Morris and Cynthia Cutler. After announcement by Bro. Marberry, David Hellard sang a special. Judy Smith gave her testimony and then Rev. Marberry brought the evening message using Galatians 4 as his Scripture. Prayer was by Rev. Marberry. An invitation song was sung. An offering was received with Rev. Burton Hughes praying the offeratory prayer.

Visitors were recognized and Mrs. Bettie Ferguson assigned homes to those who needed places to stay. The committee on committees gave a report which was adopted. (See reports.) After a prayer by Bro. Samuel Johnson the association adjourned until the next morning.

Wednesday Morning, July 30, 1969

The session opened with singing led by Mr. Raymond Lee with Mrs. Lee at the organ and Mrs. Ava Hellard at the piano. Prayer was by Rev. Rudd. After another hymn, Rev. Troy Harp read the Scripture and led in prayer.

Time was given to Bro. Sam Johnson from the National C.T.S. Department. He brought greetings and spoke in behalf of C.T.S.

A partial report of General Board concerning some changes in Constitution and By-Laws, was read. Item No. 1 - Article 10, section 7 was tabled (see reports). Item 11 - Article 11, section 3 was tabled. (See reports.) The Credential Committee gave a partial report. They reported that 27 churches and 5 districts reported with proper dues except 3 districts. Motion carried to seat delegates and those short in dues be asked to make up the proper amount. (This was done.) Superannuation report was read and accepted. A letter was read from Rev. Coffey.

Rev. Bill Jones gave a report from Foreign Missions which was accepted. Credentials Committee gave further report that the Union Arbor Church be seated. Motion carried to accept report.

A report from Registration Committee was read and accepted. After Mr. Lee led a chorus, Rev. Halbrook led in prayer. A report was given by Woman's Auxiliary. Motion to accept report carried. (See report.) Prayer was led by Rev. Charles Reeves and recess was declared.

Morning worship service began with congregational singing and prayer by Rev. Knott. An offering was received with Rev. Moore praying the offeratory prayer. Special music was by Rev. Everett Hellard. Dr. L. C. Johnson brought the morning message on, "What we need in local church". Prayer was by Dr. Johnson. After announcements Rev. Jones led the prayer and asked God's blessings on the food.

Wednesday Afternoon, July 30, 1969

The afternoon session opened with singing, Scripture reading and prayer was by Rev. Allen Moore.

The nominating committee gave a report which was received and the following officers were elected: Moderator; Rev. Everett Hellard, Assistant Moderator; Rev. J.E. Judd, Clerk; Rev. Eugene Richards, Assistant Clerk; Rev. Raymond Getz, Parliamentarian; Rev. M. L. Crosby, Missions-Church Extension Board; Mr. Sherman North (1971), Mr. A. V. Jennische (1971) and Rev. H. Ray Berry (1972). Christian Education Board; Rev. Bobby Joe Davis (1971)

Motion passed to postpone election of Executive Secretary until next day. Motion passed to postpone election of Superannuation Board. Motion carried to table rest of nominating committee report. Partial report of General Board was given and received to be acted upon item by item. Items I, II, V, VI, VII carried. Items III - IV, previously tabled, were taken from table and passed. Item no. VIII was tabled. Motion was made and carried that state executive committee set up a guide line for licensing and ordaining ministers in the state.

After a chorus was sung, Dr. J. D. O'Donnell led in prayer. The report of Christian Education was given and accepted.

Resolutions Committee gave a partial report which was received and acted upon item by item. All items carried. (See reports.)

Temperance Committee gave a report which was accepted. (See reports.)

The election of officers was taken from the table. Elected to Christian Education Board were: Rev. Roy Norie (1972), Mr. I. C. Ferguson (1972), and Rev. Leroy Cutler (1970).

Time was given Dr. Johnson to talk about our Bible College in Nashville.

The Executive Secretary gave his report. Motion to receive passed. Motion was made and seconded to hire a full time executive secretary. After much discussion, motion was defeated. Motion to adjourn carried and prayer was by Rev. H. Ray Berry.

Wednesday Night, July 30, 1969

Body was called to order and a motion passed to table constitutional change of article 10 section III.

Singing was led by Bro. Lee and prayer by Dr. O'Donnell.

The Moderator turned the service over to the president of ministers and deacons and he presented the Minister and Layman of the year. The Minister of the year, Rev. Eugene Richards received a plaque. A plaque was also presented to Bill Johnson as Layman of the year.

The choir presented special music. Other special music was by Ann Morris and Cynthia Cutler with Dane Hawkins at the piano. Rev. H. Ray Berry gave a brief look at missions. He then gave Missions-Church Extension Board report which was accepted. The Moderator introduced the speaker, Rev. Bill Jones. After a song, "To the Regions Beyond", was sung by the congregation, Rev. Jones spoke on, "What We Need to do about the Great Commission". After an invitation song, Rev. Jones led in prayer. A special offering was received with Rev. Berry praying the offeratory prayer. Motion to adjourn passed and Rev. Norrie led the dismissal prayer.

Thursday Morning, July 31, 1969

After congregational singing the Moderator called the body into session. Dr. O'Donnell brought the devotion using Psalm I as his Scripture. He led in prayer and also spoke about Oklahoma Bible College. Obituary Committee gave a report and it was accepted. Rev. Kennedy led in prayer.

Motion passed to remove from table constitutional change of article 10, section III. Motion to adopt carried. (See reports). Resolutions Committee gave final report which carried. (See report.) Motion passed to pay expense of youth program and also for film. Rev. Marberry gave report on youth programs which was received.

A resolution was given from floor as follows: Be it resolved that a letter from this body be written to Oklahoma Bible College asking them to enthusiastically encourage their graduates to continue their education at our Bible College in Nashville. Motion to adopt carried.

Motion carried to take from table the rest of nominating committee report. Rev. Bobby Ferguson was elected Executive Secretary. He was also elected to be a General Board member of the National Association of Free Will Baptists. Rev. Roy Norie, Jr. and Rev. Bobby Ferguson were elected to the Oklahoma Bible College Advisory Board. Superannuation Board members elected were: Rev. Homer Tumbleson (1972) and Rev. L. C. Lynch (1972).

The budget as recommended by General Board was read. Motion passed to accept in its entirety. Request was made to break it down. All items of budget carried (see reports). Motion passed to accept national recommendation of state quota and strive to raise this amount. Motion passed to give Moderator power to appoint some person in each district to promote a plan through which we might hire a full time Executive Secretary next year (see reports). Motion carried to adopt recommendation of General Board concerning breakdown of co-operative money (see report). Mission Quarterly Conference invited next State Association. Invitation was accepted. Motion passed to adjourn business and go into worship service.

Congregational singing led by Mr. Lee and special music was by Rev. Bobby Joe Davis. The Moderator introduced the morning speaker, Rev. Ken Eagleton. Rev. Eagleton spoke on, "What We Need to do about Christian Education". Prayer by Rev. Eagleton.

The Moderator stated that if anyone thought he might be hasty in giving invitation to State Meeting that Mission Quarterly Conference would yield, but we need to know within three weeks. This is to be left in hands of Executive Committee.

Rev. Raymond Getz asked that thanks be expressed to out going officers.

Prayer and blessings on food was by Rev. Cutler.

Those from each district to promote plan to hire full time Executive Secretary next year were appointed by new moderator, Rev. Everett Hellard as follows: East Texas District; Rev. Harold Teague, Midessa; Rev. J. E. Judd, West Fork; Rev. H. Z. Cox, Central Texas; Rev. Gaston Clary, North West Brazos; Rev. Troy Harp.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Gaston Clary - Clerk
Rev. W. H. Richards - Moderator

GENERAL BOARD REPORT

The General Board of the Texas State Association met at the First Free Will Baptist Church in Houston at 10 O'Clock on July 29, 1969. Rev. Herbert Richards, the moderator, read II Timothy 2:1-10 and Rev. Allen Moore led in prayer. The executive secretary gave his report which was received. Rev. Rashie Kennedy reported on response to letters sent churches concerning hiring a full time executive secretary. The response was very poor. The Missions-Church Extension report was read and received. The General Board recommended to the body the following items:

Item I - That a walk-in book store be authorized if details can be worked out. Item No. I carried.

Motion to adjourn until 3 O'Clock passed and Rev. J. E. Judd led in prayer. Meeting reconvened at 3:45 with Rev. Gaston Clary leading in prayer.

Item II - That we increase from 3 to 5 members of the Christian Education Board and let each person specialize in a particular area. Each district will be asked to recommend a representative to state nominating committee. It is hoped the board will consist of one member from each district. Item No. II carried.

Item III - That Article 10 Section 7 of Constitution be changed leaving out every - thing after related schools and colleges. Item No. III carried.

Item IV - That Article XI Section 3 of Constitution be changed to omit State Church Training Service Director. Item No. IV carried.

Item V - That \$3.00 monthly be sent from each church to Christian Education Board earmarked for contestants to be sent to National Association. Item No. V carried.

Item VI - That executive committee work with the Superannuation Board this coming year and make recommendation to body next year. Item VI carried.

Item VII - That paragraph E, chapter II Section 1 of 1969 revised edition of National Free Will Baptists Treatise regarding acceptance of ministers by churches be given publicity and recommend that districts follow this procedure in accepting new ministers into their districts. Item No. VII carried.

Item VIII - That Section III Article 10 of Constitution be changed by adding to, or except by approval of State Executive Committee. Item No. VIII carried.

The meeting adjourned with prayer by Rev. Eugene Richards. Meeting reconvened at 6:10 with prayer by Mrs. Gaston Clary.

We recommend the following budget:

Missions-Church Extension.....	\$6500.00
State Office.....	5000.00
Christian Education.....	3000.00
Superannuation.....	325.00
National Allocation.....	2250.00
Total	\$17075.00

We recommend that the percentage of the co-operative money remain the same, 30% to State Office, 30% to National Office, 25% to Missions-Church Extension, 10% to Christian Education and 5% to Superannuation.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

Committee on Committees; H. Ray Berry, Everett Hellard, and Homer Tumbleson
Nominating Committee; H. Z. Cox, Charles Denman, M. L. Crosby
Credentials Committee; Leroy Cutler, Eugene Richards, Rashie Kennedy
Resolutions Committee; Allen Moore, Charles Reeves, Raymond Getz
Obituary Committee; Ruby Maxwell, Rene Ferguson, Mildred Rivette
Temperance Committee; Everett Hellard, Keith Phipps, Bobby Joe Davis

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE REPORT State Association, July 30, 1969

In as much as, our Free Will Baptist Church Covenant is quite comprehensive in matters regarding temperance, we recommend that this body institute a plan for its distribution. This should include a variety of sizes, such as, billfold sizes, home wall sizes and banner sizes for church walls.

Your temperance,
Everett D. Hellard
Bobby Joe Davis
Keith Phipps

OBITUARY COMMITTEE REPORT State Association, July 30, 1969

We submit the following report of those who have passed on: Midessa District (2) Mrs. C. D. New, Bible Church, Odessa; Mr. Roy Hearon, Bible Church, Odessa. East Texas District (3) Blacky Tillison, Good Hope Church, Henderson; Doris Connally, Mt. Union Church; Hubert Howard, First Church, Henderson. North West Brazos (4) Bro. "Pirk" Hickey, Vernon, Texas; Bro. T.A. Blackwood, Vernon, Texas; Sister "Granny" Pool, Pampa, Texas; Bro. E. M. "Ern" Cox, Crowell, Texas; West Fork (?) Central Texas (14)

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. C.R. Maxwell
Mrs. C. F. Ferguson
Mrs. R. D. Rivette

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT Partial Report

- (1) Be it resolved that all State Association Boards & Executive Secretary be paid 10¢ per mile for mileage to and from meetings. Carried.
- (2) Whereas, our nation is going through a period of inflation, be it resolved that we encourage all our churches and people to stay abreast in order not to place undue burdens on our pastors and employees. Carried.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE Final Report

(3) Be it resolved that the Texas State Association express appreciation for the fine hospitality of the Central Texas District and its host church.

Submitted by,
Allen Moore
R. D. Getz
Charles Reeves

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT

Churches

Calvary, Houston	Proper Dues	Proper Delegates
Trinity, Ft. Worth	Proper Dues	No Delegates
First Church, Wichita Falls	Proper Dues	No Delegates
Bright Light	Proper Dues	No Delegates
North Zulch	Proper Dues	No Delegates
Oakdale	Proper Dues	No Delegates
First, Dallas	Proper Dues	Delegates
Bayshore	Proper Dues	Delegates
Zion, Corpus Christi	Proper Dues	Delegates
Austin	Proper Dues	Delegates
Pleasant Mound	Proper Dues	No Delegates
North Amarillo	Proper Dues	No Delegates
Seminole	Proper Dues	No Delegates
Crowell	Proper Dues	No Delegates
Faith, San Antonio	Proper Dues	Delegates
Pine Prairie	Proper Dues	Delegates
Easley's Chapel	Proper Dues	Delegates
Cross	Proper Dues	No Delegates
First Houston	Proper Dues	Delegates
West Side Midland	Proper Dues	Delegates
Evergreen	Proper Dues	Delegates
First Odessa	Proper Dues	Delegates
First Dennison	Proper Dues	No Delegates
Christ Corpus Christi	Proper Dues	Delegates
First Bryan	Proper Dues	Delegates
Mt. Olive	Proper Dues	Delegates
Union Arbor	Proper Dues	Delegates

Districts

East Texas	\$10.00 (Need \$15.00)	No Delegates
Midessa	\$10.00 (Need \$15.00)	No Delegates
Central Texas	Proper Dues	Delegates
West Fork	\$20.00 (Need \$5.00)	No Delegates
North West Brazos	Proper Dues	Delegates

Submitted by,
W. E. Richards
Rashie Kennedy, Sr. Leroy Cutler

THE MISSION-CHURCH EXTENSION BOARD REPORT

- Item 1 - That the Mission - Church Extension Board members be assigned a District or Districts and promote the work of the Board in that area.

West Fork Rev. Allen Moore

Bro. Bob Harless

Midessa & N.W. Brazos . . Bro. Sherman North

East Texas Rev. H. Ray Berry

Central Texas

Mission Q. C. Bro. A. V. Jennische

Friendship Q. C. . . . Bro. Charles Denman

Bro. Berry was elected as the "overall" promotional man by the board.

- Item 2 - That the "overall" promotional man be available to meet with any district assigned man when deemed necessary.

- Item 3 - That the overall promotional man keep in touch with all our new works at least once a month by letter, telephone, & automobile.

- Item 4 - The proposed budget for 1970 is \$6,500.00. The breakdown of the budget is as follows:

\$3,500.00	New Works
1,500.00	Buildings and Rent
500.00	Travel and Office Supplies
1,000.00	Promotion, advertising, & survey work
<u>\$6,500.00</u>	

This amount is to be raised through co-operative giving and promotional work.

We, the Mission-Church Extension Board, recommend the preceeding for your consideration.

- Item 5 - That we give Bro. Bill Jones and Ken Eagleton \$35.00 each to help share their expenses to the State Meeting.

- Item 6 - That 50% of the Wednesday Night offering be kept in the Board's treasury and the 50% be sent to Ken Eagleton's accounts status.

Respectfully submitted,
H. Ray Berry
Charles Denman
Allen Moore

MISSIONS - CHURCH EXTENSION BOARD TREASURER'S REPORT

January 1, through December 31, 1968

Bank Balance January 1, 1968 \$ 1,338.07

Receipts During Year:

Cooperative Plan	\$ 1,358.30
Woman's Auxiliary	295.27
Missions Offering at State Meeting	163.64
West Fork Home Mission (Austin)	119.70
Good Hope Church (Austin)	19.00
North West Brazos	9.30
Central Texas District (Austin)	16.00
Central Texas District	42.40
Bayshore Church	20.40
First Church Henderson	5.78
Rev. H. Ray Berry	5.00
State Executive Secretary	203.32
State Executive Secretary (Austin)	13.66
First Church Weatherford	100.00

Total Receipts \$ 2,371.77

Balance on hand plus receipts \$ 3,709.84

Disbursements:

Salary, Rev. Rashie Kennedy	\$ 1,375.00
Designated for Austin Work	191.45
Travel Expense for Board Members	227.05
National Home Mission Board	86.32
National Foreign Mission Board	79.32
Bond for treasurer (Rev. A.F. Ferguson)	5.00
Rev. A.F. Ferguson, Postage & Misc. Exp.	7.50

Total Disbursements \$ 1,971.64

Balance in Bank December 31, 1968 \$ 1,738.20

We are grateful to Bro. Kennedy who is leading in the work in Austin and for everything that is being done there. May the Lord continue to bless as they labor there.

Again this year we are happy to hear of new works being started on the District level, but the fields are still white and ready for harvest by Free Will Baptists through out the great State of Texas, so as we look forward to another year, continue to support the Mission - Church Extension Board with your prayers and finances.

Submitted by,
Charles Denman
Treasurer

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION REPORT FOR THE YEAR 7/1/68 THRU 7/1/69

Beginning Balance 7/1/68	\$ 44.17
Deposits	627.62
Total to Account for	<u>\$ 671.79</u>

Checks Drawn	
Rev. Roy Norie	\$ 30.00
(Registration Fee for C.T.S.)	
Rev. Roy Norie	105.16
(Trophies & Medals C.T.S. Awards)	
Rev. Roy Norie (3 phone calls)	5.00
Mary McCown	40.00
Patty Isaacs	40.00
Lynn Baker	40.00
Mary Cates	40.00
Kathleen Lawson	40.00
Darwin Dobbs	40.00
Dane Hawkins	40.00
Roger Ferguson	40.00
Brenda Buchanon	40.00
Opal Davis	40.00
Larry Dorsey	40.00

Cash Paid Out	
Rev. Getz (Speakers Honorarium)	15.00
Rev. Roy Norie (Phone calls & Travel)	<u>17.62</u>

Total Spent	\$ 612.78
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Balance 7/1/69	\$ 59.01
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Submitted by Mackie B. Adams

SUPERANNUATION BOARD REPORT

Balance on Hand as of January 1, 1968	\$ 464.73
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Expenditures	
Sister Tom Smith	\$ 60.00
National Superannuation	27.47
Mailing Expense	1.15
	<u>\$ 88.62</u>

Received of Texas Coop for the Year	\$ 274.71
Total	<u>\$ 739.44</u>
Balance on Hand	\$ 650.82

Again this year, I received no applications for this service. I recommend we consider changing the Texas budget to discontinue allocations to the Supperannuation Fund. At the present time we have funds to last several years.

Due to government regulations and changes I feel we are only building up a cash reserve rather than offering real functional service to the retirees. Under the present allotment of one receipt we have funds available for the next eight years.

Yours for Christ, Rev. Elvis Fielding

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT

During the last two years serving you has been a real challenge. It has challenged time, strength and resources. Writing, printing and mailing the Challenge has been the greatest challenge.

Serving you has been a real blessing. You have prayed, given of your time and money to make this work possible. You have expressed your love and appreciation. You have been a real friend. Thank you and to God be the Glory.

Travel for our work in Texas has been 9956 miles since the last State Association.

All of our Districts are supporting our State work through the Coop Plan. Some are supporting through special gifts to the State Office.

There is a need in the State for a full-time Executive Secretary. More time is needed in the office to get out a better publication. More time is needed on the field working with and encouraging the pastors and churches. More time is needed for correspondence. Secretarial help is needed to produce the Challenge, to take care of the correspondence and other detail work with the books. Space for printing and for office is needed.

The State work cannot continue as it now is without a real setback. With all the things mentioned above full-time is needed. Half-time would be a compromise.

I - SUGGESTIONS FOR FULL-TIME

1. Get a man with a burden for Texas.
2. Give him full prayer and financial support.
3. Help him plan ways and means to raise the budget.
4. This is active faith for Texas.

II - SUGGESTIONS FOR HALF-TIME

Same as above

III - SUGGESTIONS FOR RAISING BUDGET

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| 1. Revivals | 4. Special gifts, (a) Individuals, (b) Churches |
| 2. Institutes | 5. Larger coop percent |
| 3. Film Services | 6. Book and Supply Sales. |

<u>RECEIPTS BY DISTRICTS</u>	<u>COOP</u>	<u>CHANNELLED</u>	<u>DESIGNATED</u>
Central Texas	\$ 1,420.64	\$ 2,921.28	\$ 471.59
West Fork	1,046.16	3,609.18	35.85
East Texas	803.44	409.89	141.50
Midessa	2,223.79	63.20	5.00
North West Brazos	214.20		183.09
Auxiliary & Other Sources		108.40	394.94
Totals	\$ 5,708.23	\$ 7,111.95	\$ 1,231.97

Total Coming Through State Records \$ 14,052.15

DIVISION OF COOP

State Office Account (30%)	\$ 1,712.53
National Association (30%)	1,712.41
State Missions (25%)	1,427.03
State Christian Education (10%)	570.83
State Superannuation (5%)	285.43
Total Coop	<u>\$ 5,708.23</u>

CHANNELLED CHECKS

Foreign Missions	\$ 4,328.54
F.W.B. Bible College	1,034.70
State Home Missions	316.74
O.B.C.	768.49
National Home Missions	61 5.79
National Association	30.31
National C.T.S. Dept.	7.66
National Superannuation	9.72
Total Channelled Checks	<u>\$ 7,111.95</u>

DESIGNATED RECEIPTS

Foreign Missions	\$ 143.43
National Home Missions	36.02
O.B.C.	43.19
State Missions	211.84
State Superannuation	5.00
Total	<u>\$ 439.48</u>

STATE OFFICE RECEIPTS

Coop Percentage	\$ 1,712.53
Dues From State Meeting	235.00
Offering At State Meeting	99.06
Designated Gifts	458.43
Total	<u>\$2,505.02</u>

BALANCE IN BANK JANUARY 2, 1969

DISBURSEMENTS OF COOP

National Association	\$ 1,712.41
State Mission Board	1,427.03
Christian Education Bd.	570.83
Superannuation Board	285.43
Total	<u>\$ 3,995.70</u>

DESIGNATED CAUSES

State Missions	\$ 211.84
State Superannuation	5.00
O.B.C.	43.19
National Home Missions	36.02
Foreign Missions	143.43
Total	<u>\$ 439.48</u>

OTHERS

State Fee to National	\$ 50.00
Clerks Fee	60.00
Printing 1967 Minutes	246.00
Equipment Debt	311.50
Executive Sec. Salary	650.00
Printing & Repairs	192.70
Supplies	259.51
Postage	255.66
Travel	590.78
Phone Bills	21.28
Total	<u>\$ 3,076.91</u>

TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$ 6,940.20
BAL. IN BANK	
Jan. 1, 1968	<u>\$ 210.92</u>
TOTAL TO ACCT.	
FOR	\$ 7,151.12
Checks Drawn	<u>7,072.61</u>

\$ 78.51

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY REPORT FOR 1968

Submitted by: Mrs. Charlene Denman

We went calendar year this year with only 4 districts reporting, but actually only 3 filled out the forms correctly, so our statistical report is way off this year. Our theme was "Fruitful Unto Every Good Work" and our guest speaker was Mrs. Joy Jones. She spoke on the Africa Woman.

Highlight Giving:

Africa Literature	\$ 300.00
Pre-Thanksgiving Week of Prayer	182.74
Pre-Christmas Week of Prayer	119.03
Pre-Easter Week of Prayer	90.10
State Home Missions	112.50
State Project for 1968 (Missions Church Ext.) (State H.M.)	760.50

Total Giving This Year \$ 3,019.66 Giving For 1967 \$ 2,605.12

Project for 1969 - \$ 50.00 per each local auxiliary for Bible College Expansion Program.

Membership	200
Average Attendance	98
Number of tithers beginning year	81
New tithers	10
Present number of tithers	91
Study courses conducted	32
Total attendance	298
Daily Bible Readers	85
Special Programs held	11
Observing Prayer Fellowship	47
Number subscribers to Contact	86
Number subscribers to Co-Laborer	181
Number subscribers to State Paper	88
Number participating in Special Missions Emphasis	133
Number reading Heartbeat	125
Number reading Mission-Grams	87
Number contributing to Missionary Provision Closet	71
Number A standard auxiliaries reported	2
Number B standard auxiliaries reported	4
Number C standard auxiliaries reported	2
Number engaged in personal service	118
Number making soul-winning contacts	97
Number souls won	24
Articles written for publication	29
Letters and cards	206
Church bulletins and posters	42

New Officers: Installing Officer - Mrs. Marvis Eagleton

President - Mrs. Lela Clary	Asst. Sec.-Treas. - Mrs. Avery Belle
Vice President - Mrs. E. M. Lewis	Study Course - Mrs. Peggy Ferguson
Secretary-Treas. - Mrs. Charlene Denman	Stewardship - Pr. - Mrs. Everyl Getz
Corresp. Sec. - Mrs. Dora Johnson	Personal Service - Mrs. E. Cutler
Missions Chairman - Mrs. Ava Hellard	Field Worker - Mrs. Asa Berry
	Historian - Mrs. Elizabeth Brandon

CENTRAL TEXAS DISTRICT

MODERATOR: Brother Ed Morris, 1311 E. 29th Street, Bryan, Texas 77801

CLERK: Mrs. Charlene Denman, 6507 Texas Avenue, Houston, Texas 77011

Number of Quarterly Conferences	2	Total Income	\$ 108,504.73
Number of Churches	19	Paid to Coop	2,953.13
Mission	1	Paid to Evangelist	2,636.91
Number of members	1,238	Paid to Pastors	42,101.30
Number of Deacons	59	Paid to Denominational	
Number of Ministers	30	work	9,172.01
Value of Properties	\$ 414,000.00		
Number of Sunday Schools	17	Total Enrollment	893
Average Attendance	643		
Number of C. T. S.	13	Total Enrollment	410
Average Attendance	325		
Number of Woman's Aux.	11	Total Membership	112
Number of Master's Men	3	Total Membership	28
Number Conversions	47	Members Transferred	48
Received by Baptism	53	Members Deceased	14
Received by Letter	35	Revivals Held	12
Received by Statement	25		

Submitted by, Mrs. Charlene Denman, Clerk-Treasurer

FRIENDSHIP QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

CHURCH	MINISTER	CLERK
Bayshore Grand Ave. Bacliff, Texas 77518	Rev. Everett Smith P.O. Box 20 Bacliff, Texas 77518	Mrs. Billie Smith P.O. Box 20 Bacliff, Texas
Blue Lake	Rev. Leroy Cutler 312 Laurel Bryan, Texas 77801	W.K. O'Brien Route 1 Anderson, Texas 77830
Bright Light Bryan, Texas	Rev. Don Lombard Route 3, Box 250 Bryan, Texas 77801	Mrs. Glenn Hyden Route 3, Box 250 A Bryan, Texas 77801
Calvary 815 Count St. Houston, Texas 77028	Rev. Keith Phipps 438 Glenburnie Houston, Texas 77022	Mrs. Jack Nimmo 2823 Bennington Houston, Tex. 77016
Cedros Del Libano 1220 Beck St. Bryan, Texas 77801		Mrs. Olga Cortinas 1641 W. 28th St. Bryan, Texas 77801

CHURCH

MINISTER

CLERK

Cross
Iola, Texas 77861

Rev. Gaston Clary
Route 1
Iola, Texas 77861

Mrs. Melvin Nevill
Route 1
Iola, Texas 77861

Evergreen
Iola, Texas

Mrs. C.E. Dudley
Route 2
Iola, Texas 77861

Fellowship
1504 Ursuline Avenue
Bryan, Texas 77801

Rev. Melven L. Knott
1604 E. 26th Street
Bryan, Texas 77801

Mrs. Lyndel Beene
1212 Garden Lane
Bryan, Texas 77801

First Bryan
30th & Parker
Bryan, Texas 77801

Rev. Leroy Cutler
312 Laurel
Bryan, Texas 77801

Mrs. Barbara Williams
1014 A E. 23rd Street
Bryan, Texas 77801

First Houston
7719 Schneider Rd.
Houston, Texas 77016

Rev. Bobby Ferguson
7731 Schneider Rd.
Houston, Texas 77016

Mr. Charles Denman
6507 Texas Avenue
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Huntsville
Huntsville, Texas

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4522 Cedar Bayou Lynchburg
Road
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Mrs. Ann Graham
4522 Cedar Bayou
Lynchburg Road
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North Zulch
North Zulch, Texas 77872

Rev. Alvin Halbrook
800 N. Coulter
Bryan, Texas 77801

Mrs. Carrie Casey
Route 1
North Zulch, Tex. 77872

Pasadena
2232 Strawberry St.
Pasadena, Texas 77501

Rev. Doyle Shepherd
3305 Earle St.
Pasadena, Texas 77503

Mrs. Irene Adams
8253 Baker Drive
Houston, Texas 77017

Pine Prairie
Huntsville, Texas 77340

Rev. Larry Mckay(licensed)
1531 Oxford
Houston, Texas

Mrs. Linda Clements
Route 3, Box 331
Huntsville, Tex. 77340

Conroe Mission
Conroe, Texas 77301

Rev. Everett Hellard
P.O. Box 1472
Conroe, Texas 77301

Mrs. Jewell Gregory
113 Chambers
Conroe, Texas 77301

OTHER MINISTERS

Rev. J.L. Bounds, 307 Laurel Street, Bryan, Texas 77801
Rev. Bobby Joe Davis, 7210 Dearborn Street, Houston, Texas 77055
Rev. Danny Davis (licensed), Bryan, Texas 77801
Miss Tommie Franklin, 807 E. 26th Street, Bryan, Texas 77801
Rev. C.B. Thompson, 1206 Pinewood, Pasadena, Texas 77501
Rev. E.J. Vaughn, 2303 Sandy Lane, Bryan, Texas 77801
Rev. Bill Zamora (licensed) 807 Boulevard, Bryan, Texas 77801

MISSION QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

CHURCH	MINISTER	CLERK
Austin Pleasant Hill Civic Club Eberhart La. Austin, Texas	Rev. Rashie Kennedy, Sr. P.O. Box 3101 Austin, Texas 78704	Mrs. Rashie Kennedy, Sr. 4503 Gillis Austin, Texas 78745
Christ's Corpus Christi, Texas	Rev. Herbert Richards Box 476 Fulton, Texas 78358	Mrs. Dale Long 1237 Dona Corpus Christi, Texas 78407
Faith 704 W. Gerald Ave. San Antonio, Texas 78221	Rev. H. Ray Berry, Sr. 704 W. Gerald Ave. San Antonio, Tex. 78221	Mrs. V. Byrd Anderson 704 W. Gerald Ave. San Antonio, Texas
North Crest Victoria, Texas	Rev. Albert Keech, Jr. 1704 N. East St. Victoria, Texas 77901	Mrs. Jackie Lehr 402 Dover Victoria, Texas 77901
Zion 1126 Stone St. Corpus Christi, Tex. 78418	Rev. Charles Reeves 222 Glenoak Corpus Christi, Tex 78418	Mrs. Avery Bell 4657 Cosner Drive Corpus Christi, Tex.

OTHER MINISTERS

Rev. J.L. Brandon, Weatherford, Texas
 Rev. Jimmy Brown, San Antonio, Texas
 Rev. W.A. Gray, Route 4, Box 796, Fayetteville, North Carolina 28304
 Rev. Charles E. Hampton, 4510 South 3rd. Street, Austin, Texas 78745

EAST TEXAS DISTRICT

MODERATOR: Rev. Harold Teague, 501 Russell, Henderson, Texas 75652
 CLERK: Mrs. Belton Green, Route 4, Box 24, Henderson, Texas 75652
 PROMOTIONAL SECRETARY: Mr. Elbert Nations, Carthage, Texas 75633

Number District Associations	1	Mid-Week Service Average Att.	20
Number Churches	8	SPENT FOR LOCAL CAUSES:	
Church Membership	507	Pastor's Salaries	\$ 11,374.02
Number Parsonages	1	Evangelistic Work	237.50
Number Ordained Ministers	8	Building & Repair	2,616.24
Number Licensed Ministers	8	Literature	1,028.54
Number Ordained Deacons	26	Other	955.02
		Total Spent for Local Causes	\$ 16,211.32
Enrollment of Sunday School	292	SPENT FOR OUTSIDE CAUSES:	
Average Attendance S.S.	33	Cooperative Plan	\$ 822.27
		Foreign Missions	421.10
Enrollment of C.T.S.	120	Home Missions	248.46
Average Attendance C.T.S.	21	Bible College	168.27
		Orphanage	269.00
Enrollment Woman's Aux.	38	Assoc., State, Natl. Projects	22.00
Average Attendance W.A.	30	Total Spent For Outside Causes	\$ 1,951.10
		Total Expenditures	\$ 18,162.42

EAST TEXAS DISTRICT CONTINUED

Value of Church Property \$ 53,000.00 Value of Parsonage Property \$ 12,500.00

CHURCH	MINISTER	CLERK
Good Hope	Rev. D.H. Rudd 1903 E. Main St. Henderson, Tex. 75652	Mrs. Bill Burns Route 5 Henderson, Tex. 75652
Youngblood	Rev. Lee Roy Anderson Route 3 Carthage, Texas 75633	Mrs. Claud Thompkins Route 1 Box 172 Beckville, Texas 75631
Mt. Union	Rev. F.B. Welch 142 W. Cottage Road Carthage, Tex. 75633	Mrs. Gladys Lunsford Route 2 Garrison, Tex. 75946
First Carthage	Rev. J.M. Goode 707 W. Holly St. Carthage, Tex. 75633	Mrs. J.M. Goode 707 W. Holly St. Carthage, Tex. 75633
Mt. Olive	Rev. C.F. Ferguson Route 1 Laneville, Texas 75667	Mrs. Joe Ferguson Route 1, Box 137 Laneville, Texas 75667
First Henderson	Rev. Harold Teague 501 Russell Henderson, Texas 75652	Mrs. Patricia King Route 2 Henderson, Tex. 75652
Steward	Rev. L.K. Brasher Route 4 Henderson, Texas 75652	Mrs. Mike Fears Route 4 Henderson, Texas 75652
Buncombe		William T. Koonce Route 2 Henderson, Texas 75974
Rev. Ivan Godwin, Route 1, Box 211, Carthage, Texas 75633, Not Pastoring.		

OBITUARY REPORT

Good Hope Church - Blacky Tillison
Mt. Union Church - Doris Connally
First Henderson - Hubert (Jube) Howard

MIDESSA DISTRICT ASSOCIATION

MODERATOR: Rev. Earl Judd, 2205 West 7th St., Odessa, Texas 79760
CLERK: Mrs. Sherman North, Box 903, Ft. Stockton, Texas 79735

Value of Church Property \$ 125,000.00 Value of Parsonages \$ 11,000.00

MIDESSA DISTRICT CONTINUED

Number of Churches	6	Missions	1	SPENT FOR LOCAL CAUSES	
Number of Members			511	Pastor's Salaries	\$ 20,243.96
Ordained Ministers			7	Evangelistic work	665.00
Licensed Ministers			1	Building and repair	5,889.05
Ordained Deacons			15	Literature	1,867.18
				Other	5,365.48
Enrollment of Sunday Schools			405	Total spent for local causes	\$ 46,808.72
Ave. Attendance S.S.			47		
Enrollment C.T.S.			174	SPENT FOR OUTSIDE CAUSES	
Ave. Attendance C.T.S.			35	Cooperative Plan	\$ 1,855.68
				Associational, St., Nat. Pjs.	3,643.04
Enrollment Woman's Aux.			54	College	400.00
Ave. Attendance W.A.			50	Total spent outside causes	\$ 5,898.72

CHURCH	MINISTER	CLERK
Westside 1221 W. Hicks Midland, Texas 79701		Mrs. Bill Harmon # 4 Keenland Midland, Texas 79701
First 7th & Vine St. Odessa, Texas 79760	Rev. Earl Judd 2205 W. 7th St. Odessa, Texas 79760	Mrs. Weldon Huston 4500 Redbud Odessa, Texas 79760
Bible 49th & Bryan Rd. Odessa, Texas 79760	Rev. Gene Jackson 600 N. Graham Odessa, Texas	Doris Rousseau P.O. Box 6782 Odessa, Texas
First 1015 W. Campbell Kermit, Texas 79745	Rev. Dean Thompson 1015 W. Campbell Kermit, Texas 79745	Marjorie Costello 1018 Altman Kermit, Texas 79745
Faith Andrews, Texas 79714	Rev. Johnny Walker 409 S.E. Ave. C. Andrews, Texas 79714	Wilma Rogers 710 N.W. 5th Andrews, Tex. 79714
First Gary & Cornell St. Lubbock, Texas 79400		Cathy Banks 3106 3rd. St. Lubbock, Tex. 79400
Seminole Mission M.W. Ave. F. Seminole, Texas 79360	Rev. James Sturgill 803 N.W. Ave. K. Seminole, Texas	Eugene McCown Route 3 Seminole, Texas

DECEASED

Mrs. C.D. New, Bible Church, Odessa
Mr. Roy Hearon, Bible Church, Odessa

NORTH WEST BRAZOS DISTRICT

MODERATOR: Rev. Morace R. Hampton, 5813 N. E. 22nd St., Amarillo, Texas 79107
 CLERK: Mrs. Mae Rogers, 2107 Bismack St., Vernon, Texas 76384
 PROMOTIONAL SECRETARY: Same as clerk

Number of Districts	1	Pastor's Salaries	\$ 5,833.80
Number Churches	6	Evangelistic Work	415.19
Church Membership	299	Building & Repair	6,174.39
Number Ordained Ministers	8	Literature	630.94
Number of Parsonages	1	Youth Camp	124.50
Number Ordained Deacons	13	Utilities & Misc.	2,084.19
		Flowers	227.77
Enrollment in Sunday School	232	Total Spent for Local Causes	\$15,490.78
Average Attendance	161		
		Cooperative Plan	\$ 587.24
Enrollment of CTS	179	Foreign Missions	10.00
Average Attendance	94	Home Missions	4.75
		Other	2,092.08
Enrollment Woman's Aux.	36	Total Spent Outside Causes	\$ 2,694.07
Average Attendance	29		
Mid-week Average Atten.	97	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$18,184.85
		Value of Church Property	\$78,000.00
Submitted by: Mrs. Mae Rogers		Value Parsonage Property	5,000.00

CHURCH	MINISTERS	CLERK
Crowell Crowell, Texas 79227	Rev. M. L. Crosby Box 224 Crowell, Texas 79227	Mrs. Billy Ray Dunn Crowell, Texas 79227
Pampa 326 N. Rider Pampa, Texas 79065	Rev. L. C. Lynch 821 N. Dwight Pampa, Texas 79065	Mrs. Letty J. Lynch 821 N. Dwight Pampa, Texas 79065
North Amarillo 2502 N. Mirror Amarillo, Texas 79106	Rev. Maurice R. Hampton 5813 N.E. 22 Amarillo, Texas 79107	Mrs. Evelyn Hampton 5813 N.E. 22 Amarillo, Texas 79107
Oakdale Amarillo, Texas	Rev. Troy Harp 1415 Trigg St. Amarillo, Texas 79104	
Vernon 1300 Gordon Vernon, Texas	Rev. G.G. Garrett, Sr. 2705 Sherman St. Vernon, Texas 76384	

OTHER MINISTERS: Rev. Sis. J. B. Estes, % Joe H. Baten, Box 365, Clarendon, Tex. 79226, Rev. H. H. Haston, Guthrie, Rt. Box 49, Paddah, Texas 79248, Rev. Robert W. Witt, 1701 S. Highland, Texas 79107

DECEASED: Brother "Pink" Hickey, Brother T.A. Blackwood, Sis. "Granny" Pool, Brother E.M. "Ern" Cox

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE TEXAS STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

ARTICLE I. Name

This organization shall be known as the Texas State Association of Free Will Baptists.

ARTICLE II. Purpose

The purpose of this Association shall be to enlist the cooperation of all Free Will Baptists in Texas in sending the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all quarters, both near and far, in winning the lost through the preaching of the Gospel, and in teaching and training those who are saved to be holier and more efficient members of the body of Christ, thus advancing the interests of the Kingdom of God.

This Association shall produce literature, and establish and maintain such educational and benevolent institutions as needed to accomplish its purpose of winning this world to Christ.

ARTICLE III. Membership

Section 1. This Association shall be composed of the District Associations and the churches of Texas which are known to be orderly, duly organized, and conforming to the faith and usages of the Free Will Baptist Denomination as set forth in the treatise of the National Association of Free Will Baptists,

"A Treatise of the Faith and Practice of Free Will Baptists." All churches belonging to this State Association must be members in good standing of some regularly organized District Association. And church or Association conforming to the above regulations make proper application for membership in this Association, and, after satisfactory examination and recommendation by the Credentials Committee, be elected to membership in this State Association by a two-thirds majority vote of the body.

Section 2. All regularly ordained ministers and deacons, who are members in good standing of a local church belonging to this Association, are members of this Association.

ARTICLE IV. Representation

Section 1. Each District Association shall be entitled to one delegate for each one hundred members, or fractional part thereof.

Section 2. Each church shall be entitled to two delegates regardless of the number of its membership.

Section 3. Regularly ordained ministers and deacons who are qualified members of this Association shall be entitled to vote in all sessions of the Association.

Section 4. Elected delegates to the State Association shall be retained as standing delegates for special called meetings.

ARTICLE V. Finances and Statistics

Section 1. It shall be required of all District Associations that they represent themselves by delegates, and communicate by letter their standing, prospects, and statistics at each annual convention of this Association. Any District Association belonging to this Association, which shall fail to report itself for two successive sessions, may be dismissed from the Association by two-thirds majority vote of the members present in a regularly constituted session.

Section 2. It shall be required of all churches belonging to this Association that they communicate by letter of greeting, naming their delegates. It is strongly urged of each church that it represent itself by delegates.

Section 3. The letter of each District Association shall be accompanied by a registration fee of ten dollars for the first five hundred members, or fractional

part thereof, and five dollars for each additional five hundred members, or fractional part thereof.

Section 4. The letter of each church shall be accompanied by a registration fee of five dollars.

ARTICLE VI. Discipline

Section 1. The State Association shall investigate any question of discipline, doctrine, or practice that may come before it from any of the bodies comprising this Association and make recommendations to correct such erroneous views.

Section 2. In the event of any question of discipline, doctrine, or practice on the part of an associate Association, delegates of that Association or church shall not be seated until such error or erroneous have been corrected.

Section 3. Decisions of the Credentials Committee may be appealed: (1) to the State Association sitting as a committee of the whole, or (2) to a special committee.

Section 4. The State Association cannot discipline a local church, churches, or members of a local church except to discipline the District of which they are members. The Association does have the right to refuse to seat ministers or churches against whom charges are pending.

Section 5. This Association reserves the right to withdraw fellowship from any member District until such time as this Association is satisfied that discipline, doctrine, and practices are in conformity with the doctrine and practices of this Association; but in no case shall the Association assume authority to reverse the decisions or abrogate the autonomy of local churches or District Associations.

ARTICLE VII. Date and Location of the Annual Convention

Section 1. This Association shall convene at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday night before the first Sunday in August, and continue through noon on Thursday.

Section 2. Each District shall have the privilege of entertaining the State Association according to the length of time since it last entertained it, according to the orderly revolving list of all the Districts. Any new Association becoming a member of this State Association shall automatically

be placed at the bottom of the list. If the District next in turn to entertain this Association does not desire to exercise its privilege, it may voluntarily forfeit its privilege until its next regular turn to entertain.

ARTICLE VIII. Officers

Section 1. The officers of this State Association shall consist of a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Parliamentarian, and Executive Secretary.

Section 2. These officers shall be elected at each regular annual session of the Association except the Executive Secretary, who shall be elected every two years.

Section 3. The election of officers shall become the first item of business of the afternoon session of the second day.

ARTICLE IX. Duties of Officers

Section 1. The Moderator shall preside over all sessions of the State Association, the Executive Board, and the General Board. He shall work to promote the general welfare of the Association. The Moderator shall appoint committees as provided for in this constitution.

Section 2. The Assistant Moderator shall serve in all capacities of the Moderator in his absence, or upon the request of the Moderator.

Section 3. The Clerk shall make a legible, complete, and accurate record of all proceedings of the Association, and prepare a manuscript of the same for printing of the minutes. He shall make and keep on file minutes of all regular or called sessions of the Association, the Executive Board, and the General Board. He shall proof-read any minutes recorded by himself prior to relinquishing this responsibility to any duly elected successor.

Section 4. The Assistant Clerk shall work with the Clerk in every capacity when called upon to do so by the Clerk or Moderator.

Section 5. The Executive Secretary shall assist in the coordinating of the work of the various boards of the State Association and shall serve as State Treasurer. He shall promote, through his office, both the State and National denominational programs, and arrange or assist in the arranging of itineraries for State and National workers. He shall also assist, as far as is practical, in the

establishing of new churches and missions within the State. Furthermore, it shall be his duty to edit and publish our State paper, The Texas Challenge.

He shall receive, hold, and disburse money as is made available by the State Association to the various boards, offices, and departments as directed by the State Association.

He shall present a complete written report of all work done to each annual session of this Association with a financial statement of all monies received and disbursed to each board, National programs, etc.

The work of the Executive Secretary shall be under the supervision of the State Executive Board.

Section 6. It shall be the duty of the parliamentarian to thoroughly acquaint himself with good and accepted parliamentary rules that he may be prepared to rule on the order of any business procedure being transacted at any session of the Association. It shall be the privilege of the Chair to call for ruling from the Parliamentarian when he deems it necessary.

ARTICLE X. Standing Boards

Section 1. The standing boards of the State Association shall include the Executive Board, General Board, Missions-Church Extension Board, Superannuation Board, and Christian Education Board.

Section 2. Unless provided for elsewhere, all standing boards shall be composed of five (5) members each, who shall be elected to serve for terms of three (3) years.

Each board shall elect a chairman and clerk-treasurer to act for one year, and to be elected at the close of each annual State Convention.

The election of board members shall be the next item of business following the election of the State officers, and by the same procedure.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of all boards to receive, disburse, and account for all monies allocated to them from the State, or provided from any other sources. Each board shall keep a record of all meetings, all activities, and all work done under its jurisdiction, and shall make a full and complete report in writing to the annual convention of the State Association. No board shall purchase or sell any real estate property without the approval of the State Association, or except by approval of Executive Committee.

Section 4. The Executive Board shall consist of the Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Parliamentarian, Assistant Clerk, and Executive Secretary. It shall act in behalf of the Association when not in session, and shall have power to receive funds, to report and superintend such work for the State as may seem best and the means at hand may warrant, in order to fulfill the plans and undertakings of the State Association.

The Moderator and Executive Secretary of said Executive Board shall sign all deeds, bonds, notes, etc., and any other papers by which the State Association is to become legally responsible.

The Executive Board shall have the power to call the Association into conference by notifying each Associate District Association at least ten (10) days prior to conference.

Minutes of all meetings are to be recorded and reported to the Association in the next regular convention, and the report of the Executive Board shall be printed in the minutes of the Association.

Section 5. The General Board shall consist of each duly elected Moderator and one member from each Associate District Association; the chairman of each State standing board, and the State officers. The Moderator shall moderate at all meetings of this board.

It shall be the duty of this board to meet on Tuesday morning preceding the State Convention to hear reports of the standing boards and to make recommendations to the State Association. This board shall also serve as the Credentials Committee, and shall recommend a budget for adoption by the State Association.

Section 6. The Mission-Church Extension Board shall promote an active home and foreign missions program in and for the State of Texas. It shall correlate the work of the National Association for the extension of the Gospel. It shall arrange itineraries for missionaries, missions conferences, etc.,

Section 7. Christian Education Board shall promote any phases of Christian Education through the Sunday school, Church Training Service, workshops, institutes, and Free Will Baptist related schools and colleges

Section 8. The Superannuation Board shall, in cooperation with our National Superannuation Board, and our Associate District Associations, provide and

execute a definite program of superannuation for qualified Free Will Baptist ministers.

ARTICLE XI. Committees

Section 1. The Moderator shall appoint a Committee on Committees and a Nominating Committee during the first business session of the first day of each annual convention.

Section 2. The Committee on Committees shall nominate the following committees, consisting of three members each: Resolutions, Temperance, and Obituary.

Section 3. The Nominating Committee shall present nominations for the State officers, standing boards, and the Texas representative to the General Board of the National Association by the provisions of this constitution; but the Association shall in no wise prevent members from exercising their democratic privilege of nominating candidates from the floor.

Section 4. The Moderator shall appoint other committees as necessary, or unless otherwise provided for, which shall hold office until their assigned work is completed, or until their successors are appointed.

ARTICLE XII. Alterations and Amendments

This constitution may be altered or amended at any regular session of the Association by a two-thirds vote of all members present, provided the proposed alteration or amendment has been read before the body and has been placed on the table one day in advance of the time the vote is to be taken.

BY-LAWS

Section 1. The Moderator or Assistant Moderator, or in their absence, the senior minister in years, shall call the Association into conference, and if a quorum is known to be present the body may proceed with business according to an adopted program.

Section 2. Each meeting of each session shall be opened by reading a portion of the Bible and praying, and shall be closed with prayer.

Section 3. All persons declared by the credentials committee to be eligible to represent in the Association are hereby made and constituted members of this body, and are authorized to act in all respects according to the provisions of the constitution and by-laws under which this Association is governed.

Section 4. Delegates from corresponding bodies, and brethren invited to seats in the Association, shall be entitled to all privileges of the Association except voting.

Section 5. No person shall speak more than twice on the same question, nor over ten minutes at the time, without special permission of the Association; neither shall anyone be permitted to speak without first facing and addressing the chair by the appellation, "Brother Moderator", and shall not proceed with discussion or statement until recognized by the Chair.

Section 6. The business of the Association shall be governed by good parliamentary regulations at all times.

Section 7. No person shall be allowed to nominate more than one member of any office, board, or committee, provided the person nominated be elected. No person shall hold more than one office in the State at any time.

Section 8. This Association shall sit with open doors, except when it shall go into a committee of the whole.

Section 9. By a two-thirds vote of all members present, a ruling of the Moderator may be overruled.

Section 10. Minutes of each session shall be carefully read and corrected before final adjournment by the Clerk, Moderator, and the Executive Secretary.

Section 11. These by-laws may be amended at any regular session of the Association by a majority vote of the body, provided proposed amendment has been read before the body and placed on the table one day in advance of the time the vote is to be taken.

