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Texas State Association
of Free Will Baptists
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First Free Will Baptist Church, Duncanville, Texas

Yearbook 2002

Containing the 2001 State Minutes and
the 2002 Digest of Reports

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2001 Minutes of the State Association of Free Will Baptists

Wednesday Evening, June 6, 2001

The eighty-seventh annual session of the Texas State Association of Free Will Baptists met at the First Free Will Baptist Church in Houston, Texas, June 6 – 8, 2001 with James Taylor, pastor of Pleasant Mound Free Will Baptist Church presiding. The initial service began on Wednesday evening with R. L. Futch, pastor of Pine Prairie Free Will Baptist Church, leading the congregation and the Convention Mass Choir in congregational and special music. Allen King (organ) and Mitzi Burks (piano) ministered as instrumentalist. Doug Dickey, youth pastor of Fellowship Free Will Baptist Church, read Scripture and led in prayer to open the convention. A call to order was given by the State Moderator Keith Woody, pastor of Lakehills Free Will Baptist Church. Bobby Ferguson, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church, extended the welcome to Houston.

The moderator, Keith Woody, recognized the visitors and announced the Committee on Committees, the Nominating Committee, and the Credentials Committee.

Special music was presented by the Mass Choir and then by the Hubbard Family. Bro. Larry Powell, General Director of Free Will Baptists National Home Missions brought the keynote address on the subject of "Building Through Evangelism." The Obituary Committee and the Resolutions Committee was announced and the meeting was dismissed in prayer.

Thursday Morning, June 7, 2001

Bobby Ferguson presided over the first portion of the Pastor's Conference. The Conference was highlighted by special music from Richard Rust, pastor of Faith Free Will Baptist Church, David Holguin, pastor of the Tomball Free Will Baptist Mission, and Harold and Norma Teague, pastoring First Free Will Baptist Church – Henderson. Following was great preaching from Bill Adkisson, pastor of Evergreen Free Will Baptist Church, Frank Gregory, pastor of First Free Will Baptist Church – Duncanville, and Dale Smith, pastor of Folsom Free Will Baptist Church, Coleman OK.

The 11:00 a.m. session brought a Special TEAM Plan Report by the Mission Board.

Thursday Afternoon

The Thursday afternoon Business Session was called to order and presided over by Keith Woody, Moderator. Bro. Luther Sanders read Scripture and led in prayer. After the Moderator's messages a motion to receive and table a proposed constitutional change until the Friday morning session was passed. The moderator appointed Bro. Clarence Hearron as parliamentarian for this 2001 session. The following reports were given:

- The Credentials Committee report was given by Clarence Hearron with a motion for the church letters to be received and the delegates to be seated. The motion passed.
- The National Master's Men report was given by Bro. Kenneth Akers.
- The Berea Ministries report was given by Jeff Cates, pastor of Iglesia Bautista Libre – Weslaco.
- The Harvest Children's Home was given by Chris Dotson.
- The Free Will Baptist Family Ministries report was given by Dr. James Kilgore.
- The National Home Missions report was given by Larry Powell.
- A report on the Mexico Work was given by Dr. Thomas Marberry.
- The Free Will Baptist Bible College report was given by Tim Campbell.
- The Free Will Baptist Foreign Missions report was given by Eddie Payne

The afternoon session was dismissed in prayer.

Thursday Evening

Dr. Thomas Marberry, president of the Seminary of the Cross, presided over the Thursday evening worship service. Special music was presented by the Convention Mass Choir, and the Hubbard Family. Bro. Larry Powell spoke to the conference again on the subject "Building Through Evangelism." The evening service was dismissed in prayer.

Friday Morning, June 8, 2001

Moderator Keith Woody called the session to order and introduced Secundino Urena, pastor of the Spanish Mission at First Free Will Baptist Church – Houston to read scripture and lead in prayer. The following reports were given:

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| • The Texas Women Active for Christ – Judy Posner | Received |
| • The Registration Report – Chuck Vaughan | Received |
| • The State Office Report – Dwain Crosby | Received |
| • Financial Report – Dava Willis | Received |
| • 2002 Budget | Receive and adopt budget Passed |
| • The Nominating Committee Report – Allen Moore | Received |

State Officers

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| Moderator, replacing Keith Woody, Keith Woody | Elected |
| Assistant Moderator, replacing Clarence Hearron, Clarence Hearron | Elected |
| Clerk, replacing R. L. Futch, R. L. Futch | Elected |
| Assistant Clerk, replacing Chuck Vaughan, Chuck Vaughan | Elected |
| Hillsdale Trustee, replacing Dwain Crosby, Frank Gregory | Elected |

Mission Board

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| Chairman, replacing Robert Posner, Robert Posner | Elected |
| Treasurer, replacing Levan Hubbard, Levan Hubbard | Elected |
| 2002, replacing John High, Allen Moore | Elected |
| 2002, Bill Jones | |
| 2003, David Ferguson | |

Christian Education Board

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| 2002, replacing Jarvis Reed, James Taylor | Elected |
| 2002, Ken Austin | |
| 2003, replacing Frank Gregory, Jeff Blair | Elected |
| 2003, Marilu McDonald | |
| 2004, Teresa Voltz | |
| 2004, Allen King | |

Master's Men Senator

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| 2002, replacing, Charles Denman, Charles Denman | Elected |
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National Association General Board Member

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| 2002, replacing Keith Woody, Keith Woody | Elected |
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Respectfully Submitted,

Bill Jones, Chairman

Frank Gregory

Allen Moore

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| The Christian Education Report – Ken Austin | Receive and adopt budget - Passed |
| The State Missions Report – Robert Posner | Receive and adopt budget - Passed |
| The Hillsdale Trustee Report – Dwain Crosby | Received |
| The Obituary Committee Report – David Holguin | Received |
| The Resolutions Committee Report – Harold Teague | Received |

1. Be it resolved that the State Executive Board plan and prepare for the establishment of a nursery and pre-school ministry during the Wednesday and Thursday night services of the State Association Meeting. Passed

2. Be it resolved that we again take time today for special prayer for the Home Mission Family in Paducah, Kentucky (the Carltons) who lost their two-year-old child yesterday. Be further resolved that we take this request to our home churches and continue to support this family with our prayers and other condolences. Passed
3. Be it resolved that we give the Central Texas District and especially the First Free Will Baptist Church of Houston a standing vote of appreciation for their fine hospitality in hosting the 2001 Texas State Convention of Free Will Baptists. Passed

Respectfully submitted,
Harold Teague
D.B.S.
Richard Rust

There was a motion to remove the constitutional change from the table for discussion and disposition.
Article V Sections 3 and 4:

Section 3: The letter of each district association shall be accompanied by a registration fee of **twenty-five dollars (\$25.00)** for each church or mission which is a member of that district.

Section 4: The letter of each church or mission shall be accompanied by a registration fee of **fifty dollars (\$50.00)**.

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Also included in the motion was to keep the representation fees for both section of the constitutional change to \$50.00 each (not to be less than what is required in the future from the National Association of Free Will Baptists). Both items passed.

There was a motion to accept the invitation from the Duncanville First Free Will Baptist Church for the 2002 State Meeting. The motion passed.

There was a motion seconded and passed to recommend that all Texas Free Will Baptist churches use the Oklahoma Free Will Baptist Literature Distribution Center for their Sunday school and other literature needs with the proceeds from rebates to be used by the state.

A motion was made that the executive board recommend the allocation of the rebated monies from the Oklahoma Free Will Baptist Literature Distribution Center to the next state meeting. The motion passed.

There was a motion seconded and passed that the State Moderator be authorized to appoint delegates to the Free Will Baptist National Convention. The motion passed.

The slate of officers as presented by the Nominating Committee was duly elected.

Appreciation was expressed to Bro. Charles Denman for his faithful service.

Appreciation was expressed to Bro. Dwain Crosby for the Convention Arrangements.

The 2001 State Convention of Free Will Baptists was dismissed in prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
R. L. Futch, Clerk
Chuck Vaughan, Assistant Clerk
Texas State Association of Free Will Baptists

Resolutions Committee Report

June 6 – 8, 2001

1. Be it resolved that the State Executive Board include planning for and preparing for the establishment of a nursery and pre-school ministry during the Wednesday and Thursday night services of the State Association Meeting.
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Respectfully submitted,
Harold Teague
D.B.S.
Richard Rust

Nominating Committee Report

June 6 – 8, 2001

State Officers:

Moderator	replacing Keith Woody	Keith Woody
Assistant Moderator	replacing Clarence Hearron	Clarence Hearron
Clerk	replacing R. L. Futch	R. L. Futch
Assistant Clerk	replacing Chuck Vaughan	Chuck Vaughan
Hillsdale Trustee	replacing Dwain Crosby	Frank Gregory

Mission/Church Extension Committee

Chairman	replacing Robert Posner	Robert Posner
Treasurer	replacing Levan Hubbard	Levan Hubbard
2002	replacing John High	Allen Moore
2002	Bill Jones	
2002	David Ferguson	

Christian Education Board

2002	replacing Jarvis Reed	James Taylor
2002	Ken Austin	
2003	replacing Frank Gregory	Jeff Blair
2003	Marilu McDonald	
2004	Teresa Voltz	
2004	Allen King	

Master's Men Senator

replacing Charles Denman	Charles Denman
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National Association General Board Member

2002	replacing Keith Woody	Keith Woody
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Respectfully Submitted,
Bill Jones, Chairman
Frank Gregory
Allen Moore

Registration Report

Texas State Association of Free Will Baptists
June 6 – 8, 2001

1. Number of district associations represented by letter and representation fees:	3
2. Number of local churches represented by letter and representation fees:	31
3. Registration by district association:	
Central Texas:	138
East Texas:	12
Midessa:	7
Northwest Brazos:	0
Rio Grande:	7
West Fork:	25
National Office and Visitors:	<u>17</u>
Total:	202
4. Registration by delegate status:	
Ordained Ministers:	26
Ministers' Wives:	19
Ordained Deacons:	12
Deacons' Wives:	13
Visitor's	119
Missionaries:	3
National Department Representatives:	8
Hillsdale College Representatives:	<u>2</u>
Total:	202

Respectfully,

Chuck Vaughan
Charlene Denman
Joy Jones

Obituary Report

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We, the Obituary Committee, submit the following names of those who have gone to be with our Lord in the year 2000.

Central Texas District:

Bright Light FWB	Mrs. Bert Harper Marling
Eastside FWB:	Ann Graham Joycelyn Nelson Gordon Percival
Evergreen FWB:	Elwyn Trant Tim Burns
Fellowship FWB:	Ellen Capps Doris Thompson Walter Dessern Lillie Belle Kinne Marjorie Burkhalter Herman O. Cantey Rev. Alvin F. Halbrook
First FWB Houston:	Lillie B. Williams
Lakehills FWB:	Anita Alcantar
Tomball FWB Mission:	Jesse Stumpner
NorthPointe FWB:	Dennis Devos

East Texas District:

Buncombe FWB:	Gloria Belle Ritter
First FWB Henderson:	June Smith Futch May Ruth Clark
Lifegate FWB:	George Melton

Midessa District:

Bible FWB:	Ronald Van Dyke
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Northwest Brazos District:

Faith FWB:	Bessie Rolan
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Rio Grande District:

Primera Iglesia Bautista Libre:	Santeago Reyes, Sr. James Munsey
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West Fork District:

Collin Creek FWB:	Dane Johnson Terry Craig Leodia Shelton
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First FWB Duncanville:

Malcon May

Connally FWB:

Leroy Rancher
Louise Murphy

Cornerstone FWB:

Juanita Marie Hearron

First FWB Wichita Falls:

Opal Mullins

Respectfully Submitted,
David Holguin
Charlene Denman
Allen King

