

Program and Minutes
of the
Tex-Homa Ministers'
Conference

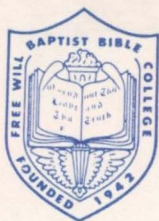
Winter and Spring Sessions
1950-51



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FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE

Presented by

Rev. Damon Dodd

Program for
TEX-HOMA MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

May 3-4, 1951

Keynote: "They Ceased Not to . . . Preach"
—Acts 5:42

Thursday Evening

- 7:45 Hymns and prayer, J. Reford Wilson,
Oklahoma City
8:15 Keynote message: "The Pattern of the
Preacher"—Rev. H. Z. Cox, Dallas, Tex.

Friday Morning

- 9:30 Devotions, Rev. Rufus Nall, Benjamin,
Tex.
9:45 Reading the minutes
Appointment of committees
Receiving of new members
10:10 Report of Simultaneous Revivals for
Central Region, Rev. Willard Day, We-
woka, Okla.
10:20 Review of Calendar of Summer Activi-
ties, Rev. H. E. Staires, Oilton, Okla.
10:30 Business Session
11:05 Hymns and prayer
11:30 Sermon: "The Power of the Preacher,"
Rev. N. G. Tuttle, Henderson, Tex.
12:00 Lunch and fellowship

Friday Afternoon

- 1:30 Hymns and prayer
Conference addresses on the theme:
"They Ceased Not to . . . Preach"
1:40 "Preaching through the Vacation Bible
School"—Mrs. Ralph Staires, Tulsa,
Okla.
"Preaching through Evangelism Pro-
grams"—Rev. A. F. Ferguson, Weath-
erford, Tex.

- 2:20 "Preaching through Public Relations"—
Rev. R. B. Crawford, Bryan, Tex.
- 2:40 "Preaching through Your Personal Life"
—Rev. E. E. Morris, Oklahoma City
- 3:00 "Preaching from the Pulpit"—Rev. John
H. West, Tulsa, Okla.
- 3:20 Miscellaneous business
- 3:30 Adjourn conference

MINUTES OF SESSION HELD

NOVEMBER 9-10, 1950

Thursday Night

The opening session of the Tex-homa Free Will Baptist Ministers' conference was introduced with singing led by Rev. W. S. Mooneyham and prayer by Rev. H. E. Staires. Following special music given by the Sulphur trio, the children of the Home gave several songs and choruses and Mary Alice Weatherman gave a solo, "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say."

The keynote message was brought by Rev. M. L. Sutton, Ft. Worth, on the subject, "That Thou Mayest Know How to Evangelize." The theme of the conference was, "That Thou Mayest Know How," taken from I Timothy 3:15.

Benediction by Rev. W. F. McDuffie.

Friday Morning

Singing for the morning session was led by Rev. W. S. Mooneyham, with prayer by Rev. Hattie Newman. Rev. Weldon Wood led the devotional.

In the absence of the president, Rev. E. E. Morris was elected as chairman pro-tem. On motion to select a program committee for the next session, A. F. Ferguson, W. S. Mooneyham and H. E. Staires were appointed.

Following the approval of the minutes of the last meeting, M. L. Sutton, F. A. McCage and M. T. Holley were appointed to the Business Committee.

An invitation was extended for new members, and the Credential Board recommended the following for membership: Weldon Wood, F. A. McCage, W. F. McDuffie, M. T. Holley, B. R. Nall, Roy J. Waddle, Frank Wharton, Eugene Riddle and W. F. Lee.

Rev. A. F. Ferguson gave a statistical re-

port of the work in Texas, and Rev. E. E. Morris reported orally on progress in Oklahoma. Motion carried that these reports be received.

A short recess was called to give ministers an opportunity to pay their dues. Following the recess, Mr. Haskell Evans, superintendent of the Ringling schools, brought the welcome address.

A trio composed of Mrs. LaVerda Mooneyham, Charlsie Mobly and Marilyn Gentry rendered two special songs: "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" and "Trusting Jesus." Another special song was given by Mrs. Rex Weatherman, Mary Alice Weatherman and A. F. Ferguson: "When the Saviour Reached Down His Hand for Me."

Following the theme of the session, Rev. W. F. McDuffie, North Zulch, Texas, brought the morning message on "That Thou Mayest Know How to Enlist." His text was Matthew 4:19. Benediction by Rev. H. E. Staires.

Friday Afternoon

After the opening exercises, with prayer by Rev. R. E. Conner, conference addresses were given following the theme, "That the Pastor May Know How."

Rev. E. E. Morris led with an address on "That the Pastor May Know How to Organize His Church." Proper organization in the choir, Sunday school, League, Woman's Auxiliary and Brotherhood was emphasized.

Rev. F. A. McCage followed with the subject "To Utilize Training Programs." He emphasized the importance of using all types of training programs to build the churches, stressing the necessity for correct home training.

"To Vitalize Visitation" was brought by Rev. Noah G. Tuttle: "Every organization of the church must have a visiting program," he said. "Regular visitation schedules by the

different auxiliaries pays off in the salvation of souls." Going after them with the message of God, highlighted his message.

Rev. W. S. Mooneyham followed with the subject, "To Publicize His Church." The church must use every media of advertising. Telephone brigades, word of mouth, parades, radio, street meetings and the newspaper were among those named. "Keep your church in the news—make friends for your church," highlighted Rev. Mooneyham's message.

"To advise through Counseling" was the subject used by Rev. H. Z. Cox. As a basis for his remarks he used I Thessalonians 1:3. The pastor must be able to counsel, to aid and assist at all times, he said. He must be an example to the flock, and seek to counsel with them and guide them in all circumstances of life.

After a motion to go into the election of officers, Rev. W. S. Mooneyham was elected president; Rev. H. E. Staires, vice president and Rev. A. F. Ferguson, secretary-treasurer. Elected to the Credential Board for a year were Rev. M. L. Sutton, Rev. Clay Richey and Rev. F. A. McCage.

Motion carried to receive report of the Business committee. The recommendation of the report was to allow the paying of printing and mailing the programs of this conference. The amount was \$8.40.

Motion carried that this body give a rising vote of thanks to the Home, the ladies who prepared meals and the surrounding community for the royal entertainment of the conference.

Rev. H. Z. Cox was elected to bring the introductory message at the next session, with Rev. N. G. Tuttle as alternate. Motion carried that the program of the next conference and the minutes of this one be printed together.

Conference adjourned.

MEMBERS

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Wood, Weldon, 420 S. Ash, Ada, Okla.

CONSTITUTION

Article 1

This organization shall be called the "Tex-homa Ministers' Conference." Its constituency shall be composed of all ministers, licensed and ordained, who are in good standing with their respective churches.

Article 2

Officers of this conference shall be composed of a President, Vice-president, Clerk, Assistant Clerk and Treasurer who shall be elected annually.

Article 3

This conference reserves the right to discipline its membership. All members of this conference should carry credentials of identification endorsed by the President and Clerk.

Article 4

This conference shall meet semi-annually, the place and date to be designated by the body in session.

Article 5

This Constitution may be amended at any regular session by a two-thirds majority vote of members present.

BY-LAWS

Article 1

It shall be the duty of each member of this conference to familiarize himself with these By-Laws and strictly adhere to same.

Article 2

It shall be the duty of the Clerk of this conference to ascertain if a quorum is present. If a quorum is present, the Clerk, Assistant Clerk, or if neither is present, the senior minister shall call the ministers into

conference. The President or Vice-president shall then take charge. If neither are present, the senior minister shall moderate until the arrival of the presiding officers.

Article 3

If for any reason the roll containing the names of the regular members of this conference should be absent or misplaced at the time of the opening session of this Conference, it shall be left to the honor of each minister present to declare his or her eligibility and standing in the Conference.

Article 4

No motion shall be sustained without a second.

Article 5

All members of this Conference shall obtain the floor by first addressing the chair, "Mr. President" or "Brother President." No one shall be allowed to proceed further until properly recognized by the chairman. (Chairman shall respond by repeating the name of the speaker, or if the speaker's name is unknown, he may reply in the following manner: "Proceed," "Continue," or "You are at liberty.")

Article 6

Subject matter in all motions must be clearly stated before discussions are allowed to proceed. Motions containing two or more points shall be divided at the request of any member present.

Article 7

Ministers wishing to become members of this conference shall make application to the Membership Committee, giving full proof of their ministerial activities, each minister should be actively engaged in some religious enterprise before being admitted to this con-

ference. (Aged, retired, and disabled excepted.)

Article 8

Members wishing to absent themselves from the session shall obtain permission of the chair.

Article 9

A portion of the scripture shall be read at the opening of each session, followed by prayer. Sessions shall also close with prayer.

Article 10

Members shall not be allowed to speak more than twice on the same subject without special permission of the chair.

Article 11

Personal reflections shall be avoided at all times in public debate.

Article 12

These By-Laws may be altered or amended at any regular conference by a two-thirds majority vote of the regular members present.

