## MINUTES OF THE

## Twenty-Fourth Annual Meeting

Of The

Of The
FREE WILL BAPTISTS

Of The STATE OF OKLAHOMA

**AUGUST 6, 1977** 

When Convened With
The
CLINTON FREE WILL BAPTIST
CHURCH

### **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

### Saturday Morning----10:00 O'clock

- ,1. Devotional
- 2. Reading of the minutes of last association
- 3. Call for Church letters
- 4. Seating of Delegates
- 5. Appointment of Pulpit Committee
- 6. Miscellaneous business
- 7. Adjournment
- 8. Short recess
- 9. Introductory sermon

### Saturday Afternoon

- 1. Devotional
- 2. Reading of minutes of morning session
- 3. Treasurer's report
- 4. Unfinished business
- Selection of place where the next association will meet.
- 6. Election of Officers
- 7. Extending a vote of thanks

### MORNING SESSION

The Yearly Associational meeting convened with the Clinton Free Will Baptist Church, August 6, 1977.

Meeting opened with prayer by Bro. L.C. Lynch, and congregational singing, "Love Lifted Me" and "Where He Leads, I'll Follow". Welcome and devotional was given by moderator, Bro. Odie Nunley. Devotional from James 5:13, followed by prayer.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Letters were read from nine churches. "Delegates" from Article III of the Constitution was read. The congregation sang "Trust and Obey" while the right hand of fellowship was given to the delegates.

The pulpit committee was appointed: Bro. Clarence Shepherd, Bro. Clifford Haggard, and Bro. Paul Epperly.

Treasurers report was given by Bro. Bob Barnett, who ask not to be re-elected as treasurer because of confilct of National Guard Meetings. Motion and second to accept the treasurer's report. Carried. Report from the Pulpit Committee; Bro. Bill Jones to bring the morning message.

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Nunley for a short recess.

Resumed services with specials by the Lynch Family, "Then I'll Have Everything," "The Time To Sing Praises" by Tareasa Klein and "A Brand New Touch" by Debbie Keys. Services turned over to Bro. Bill Jones, President of Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College, to bring the message. He used II Peter 1:5-10. "Seven Things To Add To Your Faith"! Prayer by Bro. Jones.

Dismissal prayer and blessing on the noon meal by Bro. Shepherd

### **AFTERNOON SESSION**

Afternoon session opened by moderator Bro. Nunley turning the services to the CTS president, Kathy Haney. The program started with singing of some of the songs learned at Youth Camp. A special was given by the Clinton Girls Group, "He Looked Beyond My Faults" and "One Day At A Time". A talk "Why Every High School Graduate Should Go To Hillsdale" was given by Bro. Jones. A Special, "I Should Have Been Crucified", and a testimony was given by Arley Atchley. The services were turned back to Bro. Nunley. Devotional by Bro. L.C. Lynch from I Corin. 3:5-10, "We Are Labourers Together". Prayer by Bro. Guy Keys.

Bro. Lonnie DaVoult, Executive Secretary of the State Association, gave a report on State work, and the National Convention. He stated missionaries Sis. Woodie, Sis. Elaine Allen, and Bro. Clark are in need of

financial support.

The State Associational Meeting will be October 17-20

at Ardmore, Oklahoma.

Bro. Bill Jones gave a report on Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College, asking for prayer as well as financial support.

A motion and second was accepted to include in the yearly letter, obituaries, reporting names of deceased

members.

Motion made and second to have Youth Camp the last

week in June. Carried.

Motion made and second to begin Youth Camp on Sunday evening for a full week of camp. Carried. The following schedule of meeting places for the coming year was accepted.

The first Saturday of each month.

November - Pampa May - Sayre
February - Guymon August - German
Election of officers was held.

Motion and second, carried to give the host church a standing vote of thanks for the noon meal and their Hospitality.

Meeting adjourned in prayer by Bro. Clyde Hamar.

## **OFFICERS**

MICCOLOGICAL TOTAL	. Rev. Odie Nunley
	Guymon, Okla.
Assistant Moderator Rev.	Clarence Shepherd
Application through the state of the state o	1124 Blackstone
	Clinton, Okla.
Clerk	Wanda Newman
	1219 Terrace
	Weatherford, Okla.
Assistant Clerk	Melha I vnch
reasurer	1028 Prairie Dr.
	Pampa. Tex.
ReporterSiste	er Mattie Hutchison
EXECUTIVE BOAI	
Bro. Carroll Crispin, 5 years	Prairie Bell
Bro. Clyde Hamar, 4 years	Antioch
Bro. Paul Epperley, 3 years	
Bro. L.C. Lynch, 2 years	rampa
CREDENTIALS BOA	ARD
Bro. Clarence Shepherd, 5 years	
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## **STATISTICS**

Number of Churches
Number of Parsonages 1
Number of Ordained Ministers 8
Number of Ordained Deacons 24
Number of the following Auxiliaries Sunday Schools
Church Membership
Members Received
Members Dismissed       8         By letter       5         Excluded       1         Deceased       2
Sunday School Enrolment387
C.T.S. Enrolment
Women's Auxiliary Membership

# CHURCH LETTERS ANTIOCH CHURCH

To the Yearly Meeting of Free Will Baptists meeting at Clinton on August 6, 1977 Delegates: Earl Fawver, Opal Hamar, Margrette Fawver Alternates: Georgeina Renison, Joy Fawver, Geraldeen	
Shepherd Period of time covered in this report: From August 1, 1976 to August 1, 1977	
Church: Antioch Church, Custer, Oklahoma 73639 Pastor: Rev. Clyde Hamar, Clinton, Oklahoma 73601 Clerk: Betty Shepherd, Custer, Oklahoma 73639 Ordained Ministers: Rev. Clyde Hamar, Clinton, Okla.	
Ordained Deacons: 1 Auxiliaries: Sunday School	
Church Membership	
Total Offerings received\$ 4,240.58 Pastor's salary\$ 2,250.00	
Literature	
Miscellaneous	
Utilities	
Air Conditioner	1
Cooperative Plan 157.69	
Foreign Missions 201.18	
Home Missions 50.00	
Hillsdale	
Gideons	
Against Liquor by Drink 20.00 Total Outside expenditures\$ 950.31	
Amount enclosed with letter	)

## **CLINTON CHURCH**

To the Annual Meeting of Free Will Baptist meeting at Clinton Free Will Baptist Church August 6, 1977 Delegates: Doris Shepherd, July Graybill, Jennie Douglas
Alternates: Katheryn Sperle, Ginger Kauk, Pauline Shepherd
Period of time covered in this report: August 7, 1976 to August 6, 1977
Church: Clinton Free Will Baptist, Clinton, Oklahoma Pastor: Rev. Clarence Shepherd, 1124 Blackstone, Clinton, Oklahoma
Clerk: Mattie Hutchinson, 114 S. 16, Clinton, Oklahoma Ordained Ministers: 1
Ordained Deacons: 5
Auxiliaries: Sunday School, League, Prayer Meeting Church Membership116
Resident
Members received
Total Giving\$18,612.84
General Offerings\$12,648.09
Building Fund
Building and repair, Phone 343.00
Literature
Insurance
Janitor
Cooperative Plan         1,475.30           Foreign Missions         330.25
Evangelistic
Hillsdale 2,430.20
Value of Church Property\$70,000.00
Amount enclosed with letter

#### **GERMAN CHURCH**

To the Union Association of Free Will Baptists meeting at Clinton Free Will Baptist Church on Aug. 6, 1977. Delegates: Clara Fawver, Toni Shelton, Melba Klein Alternates: Faye Kauk, Sarah Shelton, Sue Ford Period of Time covered in this report: From August 1, 1976 to August 6, 1977 Church: German Free Will Baptist, Butler, Oklahoma Pastor: Rev. Roy Norie, Moore, Oklahoma Clerk: Beulah Klein, Butler, Oklahoma 73625 Ordained Deacons: 5 Church Membership . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 44 One member deceased Average Sunday School Attendance . . . 29 Total Offerings Received .....\$ 4,293.74 Pastor's salary .....\$ 1,280.00 Visiting Speakers ...... 230.00 Building and Repair . . . . . . . 1,259.31 Insurance..... 227.00 62.59 Utilities ...... 173.71 Cooperative Plan ...... 397.53 S.W.S.U. Missionaries ..... 132.00 Hillsdale ...... 175.00 Total Outside Expenditures . . . . \$ 704.53 25.00

### **GUYMON CHURCH**

To the Union Association of Free Will Baptist meeting at Clinton, Oklahoma, August 6, 1977 Delegates: Naomi Rice, Brenda Nunley, Sue Osborn Alternates: Joan Brooks, Vonie Dawes, Hazel Watson Period of time covered in this report: From August
1976 to August 1977 Church: Free Will Baptist Church, 1502 N. Beaver,
Guvmon, Oklahoma 73942
Pastor: Rev. Odie Nunley, 1411 N. Beaver, Guymon Clerk: Bill Dawes, 1602 N. James, Guymon
Ordained Ministers: 1 Ordained Deacons: 2
Auxiliaries: Sunday School, Woman's Aux., League,
Prayer Meeting, Master's Men. Own Parsonage
Church Membership 60
Resident
Members Received by letter
By letter 3 Excluded by request1
Sulluay School Enrolment59
League Enrolment30
Woman's Auxiliary membership10
Total Offerings Received
Building Fund
Pastor's salary
Evangelistic work
Building and Repair 3,163.67
Literature
Expenses on New Church 8,263.16
Total Local Expenditures
Cooperative Plan 1.357.00
Foreign Missions 496.20
Home Missions 84.11
Education
Pastor's Retirement
Opposition, Liq. by the drink . 80.00
Total outside expenditures
value of Parsonage property
Amount enclosed with letter

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## **PAMPA CHURCH**

To the Union Association of Free Will Baptist meting at Clinton Free Will Baptist Church on August 6, 1977 Delegates: Sis. Bobbie Green, Bro. Arley Atchley, Bro. Dean Lynch
Alternates: Bro. Foster Winegeart, Sis. Wanda Winegeart
Period of time covered in this report: From August 1, 1976 to July 31, 1977
Church: Pampa Free Will Baptist, 326 N. Rider St., Pampa, Texas 79065
Pastor: Rev. L.C. Lynch, 821 N. Dwight, Pampa Tex. Clerk: Letty J. Lynch, 821 N. Dwight, Pampa, Tex.
Ordained Ministers: 1 Ordained Deacons: 3 Auxiliaries: Sunday School, League, Woman's Aux.,
Prayer Meeting Church Membership
Resident
Sunday School Enrolment35 League Enrolment22
Woman's Auxiliary membership10 Total Offerings Received\$10,092.49
General Offerings\$ 9,368.89 Roof Fund
Pastor's salary\$ 1,770.00 Evangelistic work 790.00
Building and Repair
Advertising
Utilities and Insurance 759.74 Flowers and gifts
Total Local Expenditures\$ 6,807.94 Cooperative Plan\$ 532.43
Foreign Missions
Hillsdale College 432.67
Delegates Fees
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## PRAIRIE BELL CHURCH

To the Annual Meeting of Free Will Baptists meeting at Clinton Free Will Baptist Church on August 6, 1977 Delegates: Sis. Doca Powers, Sis. Dwade Skelton, Bro. Clifford Haggard Alternates: Sis. Fern Crispin Period of time covered in this report: From August 1, 1976 to August 1, 1977 Church: Prairie Bell Free Will Baptist, Putnam, Oklahoma 73659 Pastor: Rev. Thomas L. Marberry, Box 6343, Moore, Oklahoma
Clerk: Mrs. Clifford Haggard, Putnam, Okla. 73659 Ordained Ministers: 1 Ordained Deacons: 2 Auxiliarios: Sunday, School
Auxiliaries: Sunday School Church Membership
Sunday School Average15
Total Offerings Received\$ 6,573.98  Pastor's salary\$ 2,400.00  Building and repairs\$ 507.79  Literature\$ 137.29  Miscellaneous\$ 65.08  Insurance and Utilities\$ 431.69
Total local expenditures \$3,741.85 Cooperative Plan 477.06 Foreign Missions 600.00 Home Missions 353.00 Hillsdale College 1,523.00 Total outside expenditures \$2,953.06
Amount enclosed with letter

## SAYRE

To the Union Association of Free Will Baptist meeting at Clinton Free Will Baptist on August 6, 1977 Delegates: Sis. Mildred Ford, Bro. Don Carey, Sis. Mayrene Carey Alternates: Sis. Sheron Wood, Sis. Thelma Montgomery, Sis. Mattie Green Period of time covered in this report: From March 1, 1977 to August 1, 1977 Church: Sayre Free Will Baptist, 1502 N. Second, Sayre, Oklahoma Pastor: Paul Wood, 220 S. Broadway, Apt. C., Sayre, Oklahoma 73662 Ordained Ministers: 1 Ordained Deacons: 2 Auxiliaries: Sunday School, Prayer Meeting Church Membership
Total Offerings Received       \$ 1,478.82         Pastor's salary       \$ 735.00         Evangelistic work       100.00         Building and repair       220.00         Literature       8.70         Miscellaneous       85.49         Other       50.00         Total local expenditures       \$ 1,048.63         Value of Church Property       10,000.00         Amount enclosed with letter       35.00

## **WEATHERFORD CHURCH**

To the Annual Meeting of Free Will Baptists meeting at Clinton on August 6, 1977
Clinton on August 6, 1977 Delegates: Sis. Francis Hupfer, Sis. Wanda Newman, Sis. Kathy Haney
Alternates: Sis. Lynda Luster, Sis. Kelly Braisher, Sis. Helen Braisher
Period of time covered in this report: From August 1, 1976 to July 31, 1977
Church: Weatherford First Free Will Baptist Church Pastor: Rev. Henry Braisher, 147 Bluestem Road, Weatherford Oklahoma
Clerk: Angle Barnett, 405 N. 4th, Weatherford, Okla. Ordained Ministers: 1
Ordained Deacons: 1 Auxiliaries: Sunday School, CTS, Woman's Auxiliary, Prayer Meeting
Church Membership
Sunday School Enrolment55 CTS Enrolment30
Woman's Auxiliary
General offerings\$10,203.05 Pastor's salary\$ 4,200.00
Evangelistic work
Literature
Miscellaneous
Utilities       946.32         Total Local expenditures       \$10,007.10         Cooperative Plan       479.79
Foreign Missions 190 69
Home Missions
Gideons 32.90 Total outside expenditures
Value of Church Property

## **WEBB CHURCH**

To the Union Association of Free Will Baptist meeting at Clinton Free Will Baptist Church on August 6, 1977. Delegates: Debbie Keys, Doris Farris, Glenn Gore Alternates: Lance Stephenson, Mono Gene Stephenson Rochelle Gore Period of Time covered in this report: From May 8, 1977 to August 6, 1977 Church: Webb Free Will Baptist Church Pastor: Rev. Guy Keys, 200 Sutton Circle, Moore, Okla. Clerk: Paul Epperly, Rt. 1, Camargo, Okla. Ordained Ministers: 1 Ordained Deacons: 3 Auxiliaries: Sunday School, Women's Auxiliary, Church Membership
Total giving       \$ 9,433.63         General Offerings       \$ 6,862.38         Pastor's salary       \$ 3,760.00         Literature       99.92         Miscellaneous       20.06         Electricity       67.02         Visiting Preachers       150.00         Total Local expenditures       \$ 4,096.97         Cooperative Plan       686.15         Foreign Mission       500.00         Home Missions       101.00         Hillsdale College       1,831.90         Total outside expenditures       \$ 3,119.05         Value of church property       19,000.00         Amount enclosed with letter       35.00

## CONSTITUTION OF THE UNION ASSOCIATION OF THE FREE WILL BAPTISTS

PREAMBLE: From our long experience, we, the members of the Free Will Baptists, realizing the necessity of a bond of union and fellowship among us as a group of churches, do herby ordain this constitution for our progress and to perpetuate a better associational government.

### Article I

NAME: This Association shall be known as the Union Association of Free Will Baptists of the State of Oklahoma.

### Article II

MEMBERSHIP: This Association shall be composed of such well regulated Free Will Baptist churches who maintain Gospel order and agree with our denominational doctrine and practices: and favor the enterprises that have been endorsed by this association.

### Article III

DELEGATES: Voting members of this association shall be ordained ministers, ordained deacons, church clerks, all associational officers, and three delegates from each local church, elected by each church and named in the church letters.

### **Article IV**

OFFICERS: The officers of this association shall be, a Moderator, assistant moderator, clerk, assistant clerk, treasurer to be elected annually at the close of the meeting, and executive board consisting of five members, elected so as to require one to be elected each year. To this board is delegated power to act on behalf of and for this association between conferences. The board shall have power to elect officers for its own government and between conferences fill any and all vacancies which may occur in its own body. The executive board shall sign all deeds, bonds, notes, etc., and any other papers or documents which by this

association is become legally bound or held.

It shall be the duty of the board to meet as often as may be necessary.

No meeting of the board shall be legal with less than three members present.

### Article V

MEETINGS: Five members from five or more churches shall constitute a quorum, a lesser number may adjourn until such a quorum is present.

The moderator shall have the authority to call the association into conference by notifying each church at least ten days in advance of such meeting, and the moderator shall have authority to change the place of a quarterly meeting or yearly meeting if the place previously determined cannot provide for said meeting. This shall be done by notifying each church, and if possible at least ten days in advance. A written record shall be kept of all meetings and transactions.

### Article VI

QUESTION: No question or resolution from any church shall come under consideration of the association unless it has first been considered in its own church.

#### Article VII

CREDENTIALS: Α credentials board of members shall be elected so as to require one to be elected each year, this board shall elect officers for its own government. They shall examine all ministers and deacons before they are licensed or ordained by this association and all ministers coming association, and make recommendations association concerning the examinations.

The association shall not be bound by their decision. All ministers coming before this board must present to this board for examination his or her credentials, license, ordination, certificate, etc.

The following form must be signed by each and every minister presently a member of this association and

every minister coming into this association. All such forms shall be kept by the clerk.

I do herby solemnly promise upon the official request of this association or its credentials board to surrender all papers, certificates, cards and letters that recognize and/or authroize me to be a member of this association.

I hereby sign this form on this-----day of-----before these witnesses.

Before any complaint will be herd against any minister, it must be written and signed by person lodging complaint and presented to the moderator and assistant moderator (if both are present) for consideration.

If the minister to whom the complaint is brought against is not present no final action shall be taken except for discussion, dismissal or recommendation. If such complaint is not dismissed by the association, it shall be turned over to the credentials board, they shall as soon as possible examine and interrogate both complaint and minister, and after such course has been followed shall have authority, to dismiss the complaint, admonist the minister, refer the decision to the next called or regular meeting of the association, or request the surrender of his paper, etc.

If the minister is present whom the complaint is brought against, after he has answered the complaint, after discussion and prayer, one of three courses shall be taken. Dismiss the complaint, admonish the minister or request his paper, credentials, etc.

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### Article X

NEW CHURCHES: Any organized Free Will Baptist Church which is scriptural and denominationally sound may be received by petitionary letter and elected delegates.

### Article VIII

VOTING: Under no condition at any time shall any member of this association have authority to delegate his or her vote to anyone, and no vote shall be counted from an absent member.

### **ARTICLES OF FAITH**

1. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the infallable Word of God, and the only safe rule of faith and practice. IITim. 3:16-17; II Peter 1:20-21.

2. That there is but one true and living God, and in the God head of Divine Essence, Father, Son and Holy

Ghost. Gen. 17:1; John 5:7.

3. That we are fallen and depraved creatures and cannot extricate ourselves from our fallen situation by any ability we possess by nature. Rom. 5:1-19.

4. That salvation, regeneration, sanctification, justification and redemption are by life, death, resurrection, ascention and intercession of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Acts 4:12; Titus 3:5.

5. That the joys of the righteous and the punishment

of the wicked shall be eternal. Matt. 25:46.

6. That he that shall endure to the end the same shall

be saved. Matt. 24:13; Rev. 2:10.

- 7. That baptism and the Lord 's Supper, and the washing of the saint's feet are the ordinances of Jesus Christ, appointed in the church, and none but true believers are proper subjects and the only proper mode of baptism is immersion. Mark 1:4, 9-10; Luke 22:30; John 13:14.
- 8. We believe in the sanctity of the first day of the week or the Lord's day, and that it ought to be observed and spent in the public worship of God, and that on it we should abstain from our worldly concerns except in cases of necessity and mercy. Ex. 31:15; Deut. 5:12; Matt. 12:12.
- 9. We believe in the resurrection of the body, both the just and the unjust, but every one in his own order, those who have doen evil to the resurrection of damnation, and that God has appointed a day in which He will judge the world in righteousness by Jesus

Christ. I Cor. 15:34; John 5:28; I Thes. 3:16.

10. That it is our duty to be tender and affectionate to one another, and to study the happiness of the people of God in general, and to singly engage to promote the honor of God. John 13:15; Gal. 6:10.

11. We believe that Jesus Christ, by the grace of God, tasted death for every man, yet none can partake of His divine benefit only by his repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, (infants and idiots accepted.) Acts 20:21; Tim 2:5-6; John 3:14-16; I Peter 3:21.

12. We believe that the Lord's people are one in Him and therefore should be one at His table. I Cor. 1:11; 27-28; John 17:11.

### **BY-LAWS**

1. The moderator or assistant moderator, or in their absence the oldest minister present, shall call the Association into conference.

2. Each session shall be opened and closed with

prayer.

3. Five members from five or more churches shall constitute a quorum. A less number may adjourn until such a quorum is present.

4. Visiting brethren are invited to seats as advisory

members.

- 5. Those who speak shall arise and address the moderator. Personal reflections shall be avoided in all debates.
- 6. The moderator shall have authority to appoint pulpit committees.
  - 7. Motions made and lost will not be recorded.
- 8. No one shall speak more than twice on the same subject without leave of the moderator.
- 9. The moderator shall not allow discussion when not carried out in a Christian spirit.
- 10. The ruling of the moderator may be overruled by a two-thirds vote of the members.
- 11. Any minister opposed to any of the enterprises endorsed by the Association will not be entitled to a seat in Conference and we will not seat any minister in this Association who teaches the Baptism of the Holy Ghost separate from regeneration or birth of the spirit.

### ANNUAL RECEIPTS/EXPENDITURES

August 7, 1976 - August 6, 1977

Bal. brought forward	TOTAL RECEIPTS \$ 1,192.02	TOTAL EXPENDITURES
Co-op Fund	5,882.43	\$ 4,411.82
Hillsdale	5,037.01	5,037.01
Ernie Deeds	876.13	876.13
Eddie Payne	329.00	329.00
Lonnie Pálmer	87.69	87.69
Judy Smith	728.00	728.00
Dale Smith	175.00	175.00
Lonnie Sparks	134.50	134.50
Dale Bishop	53.00	53.00
Rue Del Smith	102.82	102.82
Alice Smith	5.00	5.00
Bill Fulcher	5.00	5.00
Lynn Midgett	1,125.00	1,375.00
Robert Helms	5.00	5.00
Arilla Woody	100.00	100.00
Pinkerton	100.00	100.00
Archie Mayhew	10.00	10.00
Dr. Willey	20.00	20.00
Larry Powell	45.00	45.00
Sam Wilkinson	35.90	35.90
Hannas	5.00	5.00
Fred Hersey	5.00	5.00
Joe Haas	19.00	19.00
Home Missions	103.00	103.00
Foreign Missions	57.78	57.78
Church Ext. Program	21.70	21.70
Hillsdale spec. offering	3,112.60	4,112.60
Enid Mission Church	84.00	84.00
Sexton Loan Fund	200.00	200.00
Minutes & Fees	245.00	286.60
Liquor Question	20.00	20.00
Rev. Henry Braisher (Sa		52.83
Youth Camp 1976	650.00	884.79
Camp Fees 1977	540.00	
Concession Stand/		
Food/Expenses	181.98	603.59
Rev. & Mrs. Henry Brai	sner	150.00
Rev. Jim Puckett		150.00
Camp Springlake		305.00
Okla. FWB Bookstore Rev. Paul Wood		26.30
nev. Paul vvoog		20.00
TOTALS	\$21,293.56	\$20,743.06

Balance Aug. 6, 1977 550.50

#### FOURTH QUARTER RECEIPTS FROM CHURCHES August 6, 1977

	Antioch	City	Clinton	German	<b>G</b> uymon	Pamps	Prarie Bell	W'ford	Webb	Union	TOTAL
Co-op Fund	\$ 48.39	\$ 33.91	\$421.63	\$110.15	\$106.00	\$312.83	\$ 84.00	\$113.05	\$157.60	-	\$1,339.21
Hillsdale	73.70		195.00	25.Q0	20.00	156.41	200.00	173.05	240.60	_	845.06
Ernie Deeds	134.50			-	12.00	-	50.00			_	62.00
Eddie Payne		•	220.00	•.	12.00		-	-			232.00
Lonnie Sparks			-		12.00	-		-			12.00
Lonnie Palmer				1.0	2.00		-	27.59	_	_	29.59
Judy Smith		-	-		- 1	103.00				_	103.00
Date Bishop						•		6.00	_		6.00
Archie Mayhew								10.00		_	10.00
Dr. Willey					-		_	20.00	_	-	20.00
Powell			20.00					20.00	_	-	20.00
Lynn Midgett			8.25					_		-	8.25
Sam Wilkinson	-	-						5.00		30.90	

TOTAL \$256.59 \$ 33.91 \$864.88 \$135.19 \$164.00 \$572.24 \$334.00 \$354.69 \$398.20 \$ 30.90 \$2,723.01

Fourth Quarter Financial Statement UNION ASSOCIATION of Free Will Baptist August 6, 1977

	RECEIPTS	<b>EXPENDITURES</b>
Bal, brought forward	d \$ 835.20	
Co-op Fund	1,339.21	\$ 1,004.41
Hillsdale	845.06	845.06
Ernie Deeds	62.00	62.00
Eddie Payne	232.00	232.00
Lonnie Sparks	12.00	12.00
Lonnie Palmer	29.59	29.59
Judy Smith	103.00	103.00
Dale Bishop	6.00	6.00
Archie Mayhew	10.00	10.00
Dr. Willey	20.00	20.00
Powell	20.00	20.00
Lynn Midgett	8.25	8.25
Sam Wilkinson	35.90	35.90
Church Camp Fees	540.00	
Concession Stand	181.98	
Clinton Sales		149.08
Southwestern Music		25.00
Don's Meat Market		99.27
Puckett Food Store		262.74
Pepsi Cola Bottling Co.		67.50
Rev. & Mrs. Henry Braisher		150.00
Rev. Jim Puckett		150.00
Camp Springlake		305.00
Church Camp Literature		25.30
Printing of Reports (3 times)		33.76
Rev. Paul Woods (Sayre)		20.00
Rev. Henry Braisher (Sayre)		52.83
Okla, Bookstore	1 1	1.00
TOTALS	\$ 4,280.19	\$ 3,729.69

Balance Aug. 6, 1977 \$ 550.50

### **OBITUARIES**

In memory of Elsie Kauk Meek, born January 31, 1910, Butler, Oklahoma. Died September 7, 1976, Clinton, Oklahoma. Member of the German Free Will Baptist Church.

In memory of Gertrude Doreta Troxel, born January 1, 1923, Weatherford, Oklahoma. Died October 16, 1976, Weatherford, Oklahoma. Member of the Weatherford Free Will Baptist Church.

