Minutes

of the

Thirty-sixth
Annual Meeting

of the

Union Association

of

Free Will Baptists

of the

State of Oklahoma

AUGUST 5, 1989

when convened with the

PAMPA FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH PAMPA, TEXAS

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Saturday Morning -- 10:00 a.m.

- 1. Devotional
- 2. Reading of the minutes of the last meeting
- 3. Call for the Church Letters
- 4. Seating of Delegates
- 5. Appointment of Pulpit Committee
- 6. Miscellaneous Business
- 7. Adjournment
- 8. Short Recess
- 9. Sermon

Saturday Afternoon

- 1. Devotional
- 2. Treasurer's Report
- 3. Woman's Auxiliary Report
- 4. Selection of association meeting places
- 5. Election of officers
- 6. Extending a vote of thanks

Annual Meeting - August 5, 1989

The Union Association of Free Will Baptists met August 5, 1989 at the Pampa Free Will Baptist Church for it's annual meeting.

Moderator Rev. Allen Mabra called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and Rev. L.C. Lynch led the congregation in singing "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart."

Moderator Rev. Allen Mabra brought a devotional message from Acts 8:26-39 emphasizing that God is interested in individuals.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted and 10 church letters were read and 14 delegates were seated with the right hand of fellowship.

In lieu of a pulpit committee, Moderator Rev. Allen Mabra appointed Rev. Eugene Richards and Rev. Burton Perry to bring the messages.

A report of the National Association of Free Will Baptists held in Tampa, Florida was given by Rev. Larry Haggard and Dr. Thomas Marberry relating a good convention with Foreign and Home Missions reaching financial goals for the first time in several years. Dr. Marberry related that a highlight of the convention was a Cuban/Latin American choir who sang at the Wednesday night missions service. Also, a resolution was passed allowing the National Association of Free Will Baptists to invite all unaffilliated Free Will Baptist groups to send representatives to the National Association of Free Will Baptists convening in Phoenix, Arizona in 1990.

The group was dismissed for a short recess.

The congregation reconvened at 10:55 a.m. and opened the session with the congregation singing "Victory In Jesus" lead by Rev. L. C. Lynch. Dr. Thomas Marberry lead us in prayer, followed by Mrs. Jan Clay singing "Jesus Passed By." Brother Bob Hale sang "Canaanland Is Just In Sight."

Rev. Eugene Richards brought a message from Amos chapter 6 relating the dangers of making ungodly alliances and urging the church to wake up from its "ease in Zion."

Rev. Burton Perry, Oklahoma State Missions Director, brought the second message from Matthew 16:18 about the founding, foundation, and function of the church.

We were dismissed for lunch in prayer by Dr. Thomas Marberry.

Following a tasty meal served by the ladies of the host church, the group reconvened at 1:35 with Rev. L. C. Lynch leading the congregation in "Going Home." Rev. Eugene Richards lead us in prayer followed by Brother Dean Lynch singing "When I Come To The Crossing." Brother Bob Hale sang "I Won't Walk Without Jesus."

Rev. Jim Smith brought the afternoon devotional message from Philippians 4:6-9 stressing that God has the answer to every problem and that right praying, right thinking, and right living will result in blessing from God.

The Treasurer's Report was given by sister Melba Lynch. The report was accepted as given.

Rev. Larry Haggard reported on Youth Camp stating that there was a good group in attendance; thirteen were saved and others made decisions for Christ.

Dr. Thomas Marberry gave the Credentials committee report and stated that the committee had met with Rev. Eugene Richards and Bro. Joe Watson and had found them both to be sound in doctrine and practice. The committee recommended that Rev. Richards be accepted in the fellowship of our association as an ordained minister, and that Bro. Joe Watson be approved for ordination as a deacon at the discretion of the Guymon Church. The motion was seconded and carried.

Rev. Larry Haggard gave a report of the Executive Board's meeting and explained building plans to add on to the back of the Elk City Church. Bro. Haggard stated that the church would need a co-signer for a loan.

Dr. Thomas Marberry made a motion that "The executive committee of the Union Association of Free Will Baptists be authorized to co-sign the note on the Elk City Free Will Baptist Church's loan if necessary, on the good faith and credit of the Union Association." The motion was seconded and carried.

Dr. Thomas Marberry made a motion "that the churches of the Union Association of Free Will Baptists be asked to participate in a special fund raising project to pay off the Elk City Loan as soon as possible, and that the State Mission Board be asked to participate in this endeavor." Motion was seconded and carried.

Rev. Larry Haggard reported on the Elk City mission work and related that the people of the church were winning people to the Lord and things were going well.

Rev. Burton Perry gave a State Missions Board report and thanked the Union Association for its support of the Elk City and Woodward works. Rev. Perry reported that the Vinita work is doing well and that repairs have been done to the church and parsonage with the help of men across the state.

Rev. Allen Mabra reported on the Woodward mission work relating a record attendance of 73; average attendance of 56 with one person saved, two baptized, and four joining the church.

Dr. Thomas Marberry represented Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College and thanked the Union Association for its prayer and financial support, as well as for Bobby Jo Redinger and Colby Richards, who are students expected to attend Hillsdale in the fall. Dr. Marberry announced the Fall Missions Conference, November 6-8.

Moderator Rev. Mabra announced that the Women's Auxiliary yearly meeting would be held at the next quarterly meeting, due to the absences of some district officers.

Rev. Larry Haggard gave the Missions and Education Board report and made a motion "that the Union Association Missions conference be held in conjunction with the quarterly meeting, November 11-12, 1989 at the Webb Free Will Baptist Church, and that Lynn Midget, Jim Combs, Mike Fields, and Ken Stephens be the participating missionaries for the conference." Motion seconded and carried.

Moderator Allen Mabra lead in the election of officers and board members. Rev. Clarence Shepherd was elected to represent Union Association as a general board member at the State Association in October, 1990.

Rev. L. C. Lynch made a motion to give the treasurer a gift of \$50 monthly. Motion was seconded and carried.

Rev. Clarence Shepherd made a motion that we give the host church a standing vote of thanks for their hospitality.

Moderator Rev. Allen Mabra declared the meeting adjourned and we were dismissed in prayer by Rev. Leland Horton.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jan Clay, Clerk

Delegates Present

Antioch	0	Pampa	3
Clinton	0	Prairie Bell	2
Elk City	0	Weatherford	2
German	1	Webb	0
Guvmon	3	Woodward	3

Board Members

Credential Board Re	ev. L.C	. Lynch
Executive Board Re	v. Jim	Smith
Mission and Education Board- Re	v. Lar	ry Haggard
General Board Member Re	v. Cla	rence Shepherd

Officers 1989-1990

Moderator	Rev.	Charles Murphy
Asst. Moderator	Rev.	Clarence Shepherd
Clerk	Mrs.	Jan Clay
Asst. Clerk	Rev.	Thomas Marberry
Treasurer		
Asst. Treasurer	Mrs.	Doris Land
Reporter	Mrs.	Wilma Marberry

Quarterly Meeting Places for 1989-1990

November 11, 1989	
February 3, 1990	Antioch
May 5, 1990	Prairie Bell
August 4, 1990	Weatherford

OFFICERS

Moderator Rev. Allen Mabra Indian Creek So. #23, Woodward, OK 73801 (405) 254-9197
Asst. Moderator Rev. Clarence Shepherd 1112 Camelot, Clinton, OK 73061 (405) 323-0563
Clerk Mrs. Jan Clay 899 N. Roosevelt, Guymon, OK 73042 (405) 338-6494
Asst. Clerk Rev. Thomas Marberry 1512 S.E. 6th, Moore, OK 73160 (405) 794-4264
Treasurer Mrs. Ladonna Roedell 718 N. Caddo, Weatherford, OK 73096 (405) 774-0966
Asst. Treasurer Mrs. Doris Land 719 W. Tom Stafford, Weatherford, OK 73096 (405) 772-2363
Reporter Mrs. Wilma Marberry 1512 S.E. 6th, Moore, OK 73160 (405) 794-4264
EXECUTIVE BOARD
Rev. L. C. Lynch, 5 years Pampa Rev. Jim Smith, 4 years Weatherford Mr. Carroll Crispin, 3 years Prairie Bell Rev. Charles Murphy, 2 years Clinton Rev. Allen Mabra, 1 year Woodward
CREDENTIALS BOARD
Rev. Charles Murphy, 5 years Clinton Rev. L. C. Lynch, 4 years Pampa Rev. Clarence Shepherd, 3 years Antioch Rev. Thomas Marberry, 2 years Prairie Bell Rev. Clyde Hamar, 1 year Weatherford

MISSION AND EDUCATION BOARD

Rev. Walter E. (Gene) Richards, 5 years	
Rev. James Smith, 4 years	 Weatherford
Rev. Larry Haggard, 3 years	- Elk City
Bro. Sonny Perriman, 2 years	- Webb
Rev. Chris Clay, 1 year	- Guymon
MINISTERS	
Chris Clay (405)	338-6494
809 N. Roosevelt, Guymon, OK 73942	
Larry Haggard (405)	225-0347
204 Magnolia, Elk City, OK 73644	
Clyde Hamar (405)	323-4837
1705 Neptune Drive, Clinton, OK 73601	
Leland Horton (405) 4008 S. E. 45th Terr., Oklahoma City, OK	670–6994
4008 S. E. 45th Terr., Oklahoma City, OK	73153
L. C. Lynch (806)	665–2916
821 N. Dwight, Pampa TX 79065 Allen Mabra (405)	
	254-9197
Indian Creek So. #23, Woodward, OK 73801	
Thomas Marberry (405)	794–4264
1512 S.E. 6th Street, Moore, OK 73160	
Charles Murphy (405)	323–6111
207 Rawlings, Clinton, OK 73061	
Odie Nunley (405)	338–5279
1411 Beaver, Guymon, OK 73942 Walter E. (Gene) Richards (806)	0.45 0.000
	845-2000
P.O. Box 143, Mobittee, TX 79061	202 0562
Clarence Shepherd (405)	323-0563
1112 Camelot, Clinton, OK 73061	770 0601
Jim Smith (405)	112-8021
522 W. Arlington, Weatherford, OK 73096	328 5380
James Thomsen (405) Rt. 1 Box 80, Taloga, OK 73667	320-3300
Kt. I BOX 8U, Taloga, UK /300/	

CHURCH ADDRESSES

Antioch Free Will Baptist Church Rt. 1 Box 37-B Butler, OK 73625

Clinton Free Will Baptist Church 700 North 13th Street Clinton, OK 73601

(405) 323-4831

First Free Will Baptist Church 522 N. Main Elk City, OK 73644

(405) 225-7133

German Free Will Baptist Church Rt. 1 Box 100
Butler, OK 73625

Guymon Free Will Baptist Church 2112 North Oklahoma P.O. Box 1701 Guymon, OK 73942

(405) 338-3161

Pampa First Free Will Baptist Church 326 North Ryder Street Pampa, TX 79065 (806) 665-2545

Prairie Bell Free Will Baptist Church Rt. 1 Box 5
Putnam, OK 73659

First Free Will Baptist Church 402 North Custer Weatherford, OK 73096 (405) 772-3699

Webb Free Will Baptist Church Rt. 1 Camargo, OK 73835 (405) 328-5201

Woodward Free Will Baptist Church 1010 40th Woodward, OK 73801 (405) 256-6631

ANTIOCH CHURCH LETTER

Period of time covered: Aug. 1, 1988 - July 22, 1989

Pastor: Rev. Clarence Shepherd

Clerk: Mrs. Betty Shepherd

Rt. 1 Box 37-B Butler, OK 73625

Ordained Ministers - 1

Sunday School - enrollment - 43 Sunday School - Average attendance - 19

Church Membership - 45

Value of Church property: \$25,000.00

Total tithes and offerings: \$8,017.36

Delegates:

Pauline Shepherd

Margrette Fawver

Nancy Basler

Alternates:

Joy Fawver

Daman Basler

Brian Basler

CLINTON CHURCH LETTER

Period of time covered: Aug. 1, 1988 to Aug. 1, 1989

Pastor: Rev. Charles Murphy

Clerk: Doris Shepherd

Rt. 1 Box 63

Arapaho, OK 73620

Ordained ministers - 1

Ordained deacons - 6

Sunday School - enrollment - 130

Sunday School - Average attendance - 80

Woman's Auxiliary - enrollment - 10

Church membership - 181; members added - 1; lost - 4

Value of church property: \$315,000.00

Total tithes and offerings: \$61,090.00

Delegates:

None

ELK CITY CHURCH LETTER

Period of time covered: Aug. 1, 1988 - July 1, 1989

Pastor: Rev. Larry Haggard

204 Magnolia

Elk City, OK 73644

Clerk: None

Ordained ministers - 1 Sunday School - Enrollment - 90 Sunday School - Average attendance - 40 Number of Baptisms - 9

Value of church property: \$75,000.00

Total tithes and offerings: \$7,158.00

Delegates: None

GERMAN CHURCH LETTER

Period of time covered: Aug. 5, 1988 - July 29, 1989

Pastor: Rev. Leland Horton

Clerk: Beulah Klein

Rt. 1 Box 100 Butler, OK 73625

Ordained ministers - 1 Sunday School - enrollment - 25 Sunday School - Average attendance - 21 Church membership - 37

Delegates:
Dollie Horton
Judy Moore
Loreta Kauk

Alternates: Faye Kauk Debbi Klein Ovada Kauk

GUYMON CHURCH LETTER

Period of time covered: Aug. 1, 1988 to July 31, 1989

Pastor: Chris Clay

Clerk: Joe Watson

2205 N. Beaver Guymon, OK 73942

Ordained ministers - 1

Ordained deacons - 2

Sunday School - enrollment - 114

Sunday School - average attendance - 38

Woman's Auxiliary - enrollment - 13

Woman's Auxiliary - average attendance - 9

Master's Men - enrollment - 7

Master's Men - average attendance - 6

Church membership - 77; members added - 10; lost - 1

Number of baptisms - 4

Value of church property: \$230,000

Total tithes and offerings: \$42,340.41

Delegates:

Red Chastine Lavena Chastine

Sharon Watson

Alternates:

Joe Watson Naomi Rice

Joan Brooks

PAMPA CHURCH LETTER

Period of time covered: Aug. 1, 1988 - July 31, 1989

Pastor: Rev. L. C. Lynch

Clerk: Denise Carter

412 N. Wells

Pampa, TX 79065

Ordained ministers 2

Ordained deacons - 4

Sunday School - enrollment - 36

Sunday School - average attendance - 29

Church Training Service - enrollment - 28

Church Training Service - average attendance - 25

Woman's Auxiliary - enrollment - 9

Woman's Auxiliary - average attendance - 6

Church membership - 41; members added - 3; lost - 1

Value of church property: \$50,000.00

Total tithes and offerings: \$15,716.78

Delegates:

Ruth Richards

Lester Lynch Denise Carter Alternates: Ruth Orr

PRAIRIE BELL CHURCH LETTER

Period of time covered: Aug. 1, 1988 - July 31, 1989

Pastor: Rev. Thomas L. Marberry

Clerk: Bertha Haggard R.R. 1 Box 5

Putnam, OK 73659

Ordained ministers - 1 Ordained deacons - 1

Sunday School - average attendance - 7 Church membership - 15; members lost - 2

Value of church property: \$30,000.00

Total tithes and offerings: \$22,761.83

Delegates:

Wilma Marberry Dwade Skelton

WEATHERFORD CHURCH LETTER

Period of time covered: Aug. 1, 1988 - July 31, 1989

Pastor: Rev. Jim Smith

Clerk: Ladonna Roedell

718 N. Caddo

Weatherford, OK 73096

Ordained ministers - 3

Ordained deacons - 1

Sunday School - enrollment - 83

Sunday School - average attendance - 48

Church Training Service - enrollment - 45 Church Training Service - average attendance - 37

Woman's Auxiliary - enrollment - 8 Woman's Auxiliary - average attendance - 8

Number of baptisms - 4

Church membership - 42; members added - 14; lost - 6

Value of church property: \$130,000.00

Total tithes and offerings: \$42,642.31

Delegates:

Tommy Taylor

Dawn Reyes

Doris Land

WEBB CHURCH LETTER

Period of time covered: Aug. 1, 1988 - July 31, 1989

Pastor: Rev. James Thomsen

Clerk: Rhonda Perriman Rt. 1 Box 60A

Camargo, OK 73835

Ordained ministers - 1 Ordained deacons - 2

Sunday School - enrollment - 41

Sunday School - average attendance - 31

Woman's Auxiliary - enrollment - 11

Woman's Auxiliary - average attendance - 10

Church membership - 58

Number of baptisms - 3

Church has - kindergarten, Christian school

Value of church property: \$93,000.00

Total tithes and offerings: \$46,910.55

Delegates:

None

WOODWARD CHURCH LETTER

Period of time covered: Aug. 1988 - Aug. 1989

Pastor: Allen L. Mabra

Clerk: None

Ordained ministers - 1
Sunday School - enrollment - 60
Sunday School - average attendance - 41
Church Training Service - enrollment - 18
Church Training Service - average attendance - 12
Woman's Auxiliary - enrollment - 14
Woman's Auxiliary - average attendance - 9
Church membership - 51; members added - 29
Number of baptisms - 21

Value of church property: \$377,000.00

Total tithes and offerings: \$26,912.18

Delegates:

L. D. Horstkoetter Bob Hale Evan Parker

IN MEMORY OF THOSE DECEASED

German Free Will Baptist Church

Mrs. Sarah Shelton --April 10, 1917 - August 10, 1989

Guymon Free Will Baptist Church

Mr. Audie Rice --October 28, 1913 - September 21, 1988

Pampa Free Will Baptist Church

Mrs. Letty Lynch --March 5, 1919 - February 4, 1989

Prairie Bell Free Will Baptist Church

Mr. Clifford Haggard --July 24, 1911 - January 10, 1989

Mrs. Pearl Williams --January 11, 1905 - September 1, 1988

Weatherford Free Will Baptist Church

Mrs. Jo Ann Taylor --February 1, 1952 - October 18, 1988

UNION ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS YEARLY REPORT

August 1, 1988 - July 1989

Balance, Aug. 1, 1988 INCOME Aug., Sept., Oct. Nov., Dec., Jan. Feb., Mar., Apr. May, June, July Total Income Transferred from sa	\$15,094.29 17,906.45 16,198.65 15,832.39 wings	\$ 1,947.02 65,031.78 3,510.10
Total to be account EXPENSES Aug., Sept., Oct. Nov., Dec., Jan. Feb., Mar., Apr. May, June, July Total Expenses	\$17,208.72 17,330.62 16,697.08 17,175.17	\$70,488.90 \$68,411.59
Balance July 31, 19 Breakdown of Expenses: Giving Thru State Elk City Payments Elk City Land South Eastern College Association Expenses	\$53,723.12 3,328.11 4,953.16	\$ 2,077.31
Total Association Expenses: Put in Savings Harvester Ad Hillsdale Scholarship State Dues Minutes Treasurer's Ex. Audit Youth Camp Total	\$1,300.95 150.00 200.00 (2 350.00 256.00 100.00 50.00 3,980.05 \$6,387.20	semesters)

GIVING THRU THE STATE August 1, 1988 - July 31, 1989

Co. on	\$12,979.62
Co-op Hillsdale	11,339.17
Let's Go	1,830.00
Spiritual Development	457.00
Science Lab	1,200.00
Sweeper	50.00
Students trip to Mexico	50.00
Founders Club	10.00
C. E. P.	135.00
State Missions	93.85
Foreign Missions	571.03
20 x 20	40.00
Home Missions	462.03
Highway Helpers	250.00
Larry Haggard	684.00
Woodward	10,171.09
Combs	1,459.30
Deeds	585.00
Wode	1,291.86
Nichols	1,945.08
Holland	332.00
Bunch	45.00
Leatherbury	782.50
Martens	782.50
Reeves	256.00
Cousineau	1,172.82
Sparks	245.00
Payne	115.00
Midgett	89.00
J. Smith	72.00
Banks	170.00
Mclain	50.00
Crosby	1,288.08
Hanna	25.00
McDonald	50.00
Mexico Ministries	1,787.43
Mexico Bible Inst.	50.00
R. Johnson	60.00

GIVING THRU THE STATE August 1, 1988 - July 31, 1989

Vera land Fund	\$ 90.00
T. Hunt	356.76
Testerman	300.00
Total	\$53,723.12

YEARLY REPORT OF CHURCHES Aug. 1, 1988 - July 31, 1989

ANTIOCH

Fees Co-op Hillsdale Woodward Elk City TOTAL		\$ 65.00 349.22 349.00 400.00 400.00 \$1,563.44
	CLINTON	
Fees		\$ 75.00
Co-op Hillsdale Spiritual Developme Let's Go Founder's Club Woodward Elk City Nichols Wode Holland Sparks Mexico	ent	3,598.73 3,914.88 457.00 30.00 10.00 1,545.00 1,022.74 290.00 546.86 117.00 25.00 655.00
TOTAL		\$12,287.21
	ELK CITY	
Co-op Woodward Nichols Leatherbury Martens Cousineau J. Smith Sparks Mclain Vera Hi. Help Mexico South East College TOTAL		\$ 734.00 150.00 146.00 170.00 170.00 50.00 50.00 50.00 90.00 100.00 10.00 20.00 \$1,925.00

	GERMAN	
Fees Co-op Hillsdale Woodward L. Haggard Wode Cousineau Banks J. Smith TOTAL	CLEAR ZEV	\$ 65.00 1,170.45 165.00 1,750.00 340.00 110.00 105.00 160.00 55.00 \$3,920.45
	GUYMON	
Fees		\$ 65.00
Co-op		3,609.00
Hillsdale		440.00
Woodward		825.00
Elk City		290.00
L. Haggard Nichols		40.00
Foreign Missions		230.00 120.00
Wode		115.00
Deeds		180.00
Payne		115.00
Combs		325.00
Sparks		115.00
R. Johnson		60.00
TOTAL		\$6,529.00
	PAMPA	
Fees		\$ 65.00
Со-ор		1,300.16
Hillsdale		650.00
Nichols		70.00
Foreign Missions		326.03
J. Smith		22.00
Hunt		356.76
Home Missions		412.03
State Missions		93.85
TOTAL		\$3,205.90

	PRAIRIE BELL	
Fees		\$ 65.00
Со-ор		1,026.61
Hillsdale		5,470.00
Let's Go		1,800.00
Science Lab		1,200.00
Sweeper		50.00
Woodward		2,075.00
Elk City		600.00
L. Haggard		265.00
Nichols		10.00
Foreign Missions		25.00
20 x 20		40.00
Wode		120.00
Leatherbury		395.00
Martens		395.00
Deeds		300.00
Testerman		300.00
Combs		395.00
Holland		175.00
Crosby		395.00
Highway Helpers		150.00
Home Missions		50.00
TOTAL		\$15,301.61
	WEATHERFORD	•
Со-ор	WEATHERFORD	\$2,514.37
Woodward		293.00
Elk City		21.00
L. Haggard		9.00
Nichols		116.00
Leatherbury		27.50
Martens		27.50
Deeds		65•00
Midgett		89.00
Bunch		45.00
Reeves		30.00
Bible Institute		56.00
TOTAL		\$3,293.37

	WEBB	
Fees	d₁	\$ 65.00
Co_op		1,112.36
Hillsdale		350.00
Mexico Trip		50.00
Woodward		1,945.00
Elk City		1,131.87
L. Haggard		30.00
Nichols		50.00
Foreign Missions		100.00
Leatherbury		180.00
Martens		180.00
Deeds		40.00
Cousineau		996.33
Banks		10.00
Combs		739.30
Holland		30.00
Hanna		25.00
Crosby		10.00
Reeves		226.00
TOTAL		\$7,270.86
	WOODWARD	er i i i i ek i i
Fees		\$ 65.00
Со-ор		1,891.23
Elk City		103.00
Nichols		150.00
Leatherbury		10.00
Martens		10.00
Cousineau		21.49
Holland		10.00
Mexico		233.35
TOTAL		\$2,494.07

GRAND TOTALS - REPORT OF CHURCHES

Fees	\$ 530.00
Co-op	17,306.13
Hillsdale	11,339.17
Spiritual Development	457.00
Let's Go	1,830.00
Founder's Club	10.00
Science Lab	1,200.00
Sweeper	50.00
Mexico Trip	50.00
Woodward	8,983.00
Elk City	3,568.61
L. Haggard	684.00
Nichols	1,062.00
Foreign Missions	571.03
.20 x 20	40.00
Wode	891.86
Leatherbury	782.50
Martens	782.50
Deeds	585.00
Cousineau	1,172.82
Banks	170.00
Payne	115.00
Testerman	300.00
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Crosby	405.00
Reeves	256.00
Mclain	50.00
Vera	90.00
Johnson	60.00
Hunt	356.76
Highway Helpers	250.00
Home Missions	462.04
South East College	20.00
Bible Institute	56.00
	20.00

State Missions	\$ 93	.85
C. E. P.	135	.00
Mexico	898	<u>. 35</u>
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TOTAL	\$57 , 880	.91

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 hereby 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, and assistant treasurer, to be elected annually at the close of the meeting, and an 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: A credentials board of five 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 into this association, and make recommendations to the 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 hereby 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 authorize me to be a member of this association.

I hereby sign this form	on this	day of
in the year of our Lord	before t	hese witnesses.
Witness	Chairman	
Witness	Clerk	
WitnessSignature o	of minister	

Before any complaint will be heard 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 dimissed 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, admonish the minister, refer the decision to the next called or regular meeting of the association, or request the surrender of his papers, 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 papers, credentials, etc.

Article VIII

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

Article IX

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 infallible 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 Godhead 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, ascension, 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. 5:2, Matt. 12:12.
- 9. We believe in the resurrection of the body, both the just and the unjust but everyone in his own order those who have done 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 Thess. 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 as 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 Baptist of the Holy Ghost separate from regeneration or birth of the spirit.

