

MINUTES OF THE
142ND ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
UNION FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

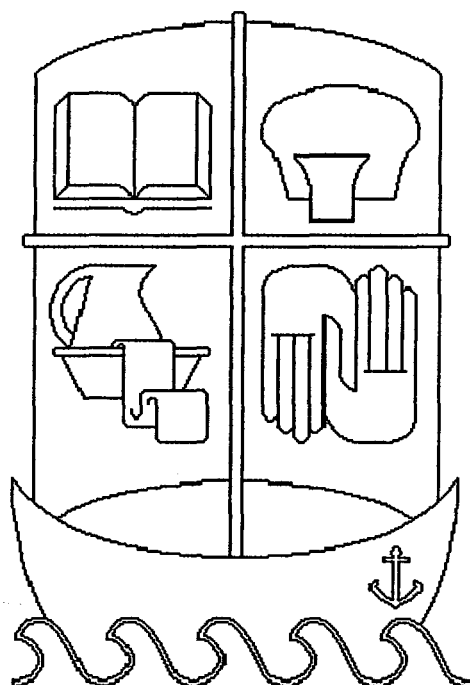


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Officers

Moderator
Assistant Moderator
Clerk
Assistant Clerk
Treasurer
Assistant Treasurer

Tim Roach (2015)
John Buchanan (2015)
Jeff Davis
Tim Carson
Brian Capps
Kevin Hilton

General Board Members

Moderator
Assistant Moderator
Clerk
Treasurer
President of Minister's Conference
Clerk of Minister's Conference
Member of Ordaining Council
Central Quarterly Moderator
Eastern Fellowship Moderator
Northern Quarterly Moderator

Tim Roach
John Buchanan
Jeff Davis
Brian Capps
Jesse Hartgrove
Edward Maynard
Gary Hodges
Jeff Blake
Tim York
Mark McDavid

Union Women Active for Christ

President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer

Dennah Davis
Mitzi Satterfield
Betty Fleshman
Jane Bailey

2014 ASSOCIATIONAL PROCEEDINGS

OPENING SESSION

Friday Morning, August 15, 2014

The opening session of the 142nd annual Union Free Will Baptist Association convened August 15, 2014, at the First Free Will Baptist Church in Church Hill, TN. The meeting was called to order by Clerk, Jeff Davis, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church, Newport, TN who introduced the Moderator, Rev. Tim Roach, pastor of the Limestone Free Will Baptist Church, Limestone, TN.

The congregation sang "When We All Get to Heaven" under the direction of Rev. Derek Bell, Director of Development with Free Will Baptist Family Ministries, Greeneville, TN. Rev. Brain Capps, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church Morrison City, TN was at the piano. Rev. Billy Gragg, pastor of the Oak Grove Free Will Baptist Church, Greeneville, TN opened with prayer.

Moderator Tim Roach delivered his Moderator's message. He spoke from our theme verses Philippians 3:13-14.

Following his message, the conference seated the voting body. Visitors were recognized and seated in an advisory capacity.

A motion was made to deviate from the program if needed. The motion passed. Moderator Tim then appointed Rev. Jesse Hartgrove, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church in Surgoinsville, TN as parliamentarian.

Brother Brian Capps was called upon to give his treasurer's report (see report). A motion carried to receive the report. At the beginning of the report, Brother Capps thanked the conference for praying for his mother this past year. She is cancer free at this time.

The Moderator then called for the reports from the various conferences. Central Quarterly had no report; Eastern Fellowship's report was given by Clerk, Jeff Davis in the absence of their moderator, Tim York (see report); Northern Quarterly had no report.

Following these reports, prayer requests were taken and we had an altar of prayer. The congregation then joined together singing "Love Lifted Me."

Clerk, Jeff Davis gave the General Board report. The General Board had met twice since the last Union Association. Some highlights from his report were:

1. Planned the Annual Conference
2. Filed incorporation papers with the State
3. Brought to Conference three items of business:
 - a. Honorariums
 - b. Investment
 - c. Union Association Safe
4. The General board acted as the Placement Committee to recommend that the 2015 Association will meet at the Evergreen Free Will Baptist Church in Erwin, TN (Eastern Fellowship) on August 14-15, 2015.

Motion passed to receive the report and act on the business item by item.

- a. Honorariums = motion made that the Treasurer be given \$1,000.00; Clerk be given \$600.00; Moderator be given \$600.00; motion passed
- b. Investment = motion made that we invest \$8,000.00 from the General Fund with the Free Will Baptist Foundation; motion passed

- c. Union Association Safe = motion made that we give the safe to the Union Association Minister's Conference President; Motion withdrawn
Motion made that we liquidate the safe and purchase something smaller to be used by the Minister's Conference for their records; Motion withdrawn
Motion made that we donate the safe to the Minister's Conference and they can do with it as they see fit; motion passed.

Moderator Tim Roach called for various reports. All reports were received as information (see reports).

Rev. Derek Bell, Free Will Baptist Family Ministries

Chris Harsson, Yes on 1

David Brown, Free Will Baptist Foundation

Chris Dotson, Berea Ministries

Jeff Davis, Eddie Young Chaplain

Announcements were made and we recessed until morning worship. Rev. Gary Hodges dismissed in prayer.

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Friday Morning, August 15, 2014

A welcome was given by Rev. Tim Roach. Rev. John Buchanan, Assistant Moderator opened in prayer. The ushers were called forward to receive the morning offering. The congregation sang "Just over in the Glory Land".

Prayer requests were taken and we gathered at the altar for prayer. Rev. Derek Bell provided special music. The selection was entitled, "What a Day that will be."

Rev. Aaron Knight, pastor of the Glenwood Free Will Baptist Church, was introduced and called upon to bring the morning message. He used Philippians 3:13-14 as his text.

The congregation sang "Just as I Am" as an invitation.

Rev. Stephen Jackson, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church, Church Hill, TN was called forward to give instructions for lunch. Rev. Carl Callahan dismissed in prayer.

AFTERNOON BUSINESS

Friday Afternoon, August 15, 2014

Assistant Moderator, John Buchanan, called the session to order and welcomed everyone to the afternoon session. Rev. Lynn Neas, pastor of the Union Chapel Free Will Baptist Church, Chuckey, TN read scripture (Isaiah 6:1 and 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18) and opened in prayer.

Rev. Danny Conn gave the Randall House report (see reports).

We recessed business until Saturday, August 16, 2014 at 9:00 A.M.

MORNING BUSINESS SESSION

Saturday, August 16, 2014

Rev. Tim Roach, Moderator, welcomed everyone and called the session to order. Rev. Danny Conn read scripture (1 Corinthians 9:24) and opened with prayer. Rev. Derek Bell led the congregation in singing "How Great Thou Art."

Moderator Tim Roach announced that Welch College would be in the area on a preaching trip September 14, 2014 and if any pastor would like to have a "preacher boy" in his church to let him know sometime today. Moderator called for the Camp report (see report).

Rev. Tim Carson, Union Camp. Motion was made and passed to receive report.

Resolution Committee report was given by Clerk Jeff Davis (see report). Motion was made and passed to receive the report.

Prayer Request Committee report was given by Edward Maynard (see report). Motion was made and passed to receive the report.

Nominating Committee report was given by Clerk Jeff Davis (see report). Motion was made and passed to receive the report.

Placement Committee report was given by Moderator Tim Roach (see report). Motion was made and passed to receive the report.

There was no Old Business to present.

There was no New Business to present.

Delegates to the Tennessee State Association of Free Will Baptists were elected. The meeting will be held at The Mainstay Suites and Conference Center in Pigeon Forge, TN on November 10-12, 2014. We are allowed five delegates. Those elected were Gale Edison, Jane Bailey and Billy Clark. Two more will be appointed by Moderator Tim Roach at the meeting.

Rev. Glenn Poston was called upon to give the Tennessee State report (see report).

The Obituary Committee report was given (see report). We had an altar of prayer. Motion passed that we recess for the worship service.

MORNING WORSHIP

Saturday, August 16, 2014

The morning worship service began with a congregation song lead by Rev. Derek Bell. We sang "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms." Ushers were called forward to receive the morning offering. Rev. John Buchanan prayed.

Rev. Derek Bell, Rev. John Buchanan, Rev. Jesse Hartgrove and Rev. Glenn Poston made up a quartet and sang "Everybody Will Be Happy Over There."

Rev. Frank Woods was introduced as the morning speaker. Just before he came forward, we had an altar of prayer. Brother Frank took his text from Philippians 3:10-14.

The congregation sang "I Feel Like Traveling On" and a time of fellowship was enjoyed by all.

Mitzi Satterfield gave the Union Women Active for Christ report (see report).

Motion passed that we adjourn the 142nd Annual Session of the Union Free Will Baptist Association.

Rev. Tim Carson dismissed in prayer.

2014 Registration Report

Visitors	31
Ordained Deacons	2
Ordained Ministers	51
Elected Delegates	5
Total	89

2015 Committees

Resolutions Committee

Gary Hodges (Northern), Chairman
Ivan Kennedy (Central)
Shannon Lane (Central)

Prayer Request Committee

Gary Norton (Central), Chairman
Dwayne Steele (Northern)
Jackie Cole (Eastern Fellowship)

Obituary Committee

Chris Castle (Northern), Chairman
Danny Willis (Northern)
Chris Dotson (Central)

Nominating Committee (Committee on Committees)

Tim York (Eastern Fellowship), Chairman
Dennis Spears (Northern)
Doyle Pruett (Central)

Union Association Financial Report
August 2013 - July 2014

Balance Forward - August 1, 2013 \$14,057.24

Revenues

Bethany	\$240.00
Central Quarterly	\$11,484.00
Community Chapel	\$650.00
Eastern Fellowship	\$3,850.00
General Fund Offering	\$138.00
Fellowship	\$805.00
Jackson's Chapel	\$1,075.00
Minister's Conference	\$323.00
McMillian	\$48.00
Morrison City	\$450.00
Mount Carmel	\$150.00
Northern Quarterly	\$6,300.00
New Home	\$406.00
St. Joseph	\$130.00
Tennessee State Association	\$347.22
Union Chapel	\$390.00
White Pine	\$300.00
Total Revenues	\$27,086.22

Disbursements

Annual Fees	\$18,300.00
Camp	\$1,300.00
International Missions	\$722.00
Home Missions	\$1,302.00
Tennessee Unified Fund	\$450.00
Total Disbursements	\$22,124.00
Balance Forward	\$14,057.54
Add Funds Designated to General	\$4,962.22
Balance in Account	\$19,019.76

Expenses

Speakers for Union	\$100.00
Honorarium For Treasurer	\$850.00
Honorarium For Clerk	\$450.00
Honorarium For Moderator	\$450.00
Mileage	\$286.66
Newport Printing	\$765.00
Secretary of State	\$20.00
Total Expenses	\$2,921.66

Total in Treasury - July 31, 2014 \$16,098.10

Report from the Eastern Fellowship

Dear Union Association of Free Will Baptists:

This year the Eastern Fellowship of the Union Association of Free Will Baptists went through a reorganizational process leaving us with seven churches. This process has brought unity and great fellowship among the churches.

Please continue to pray for us as we attempt to help build God's Kingdom.

Blessings,

Tim York, Moderator

Free Will Baptist Family Ministries

Rev. Derek Bell

I bring you greetings from Free Will Baptist Family Ministries and Rev. Frank Woods. Yesterday, Thursday, August 14, 2014, we had our ribbon cutting on the new school addition. We look forward to using this building as the Lord has provided for us. We want to invite all to come out on October 18, 2014 for our 75th Anniversary Homecoming. It will begin at 10:30 A.M. and go throughout the day with a dedication of the new school building, singing, food and other events. Thank you for your prayers and support.

Yes on 1

Chris Harrsson

I am the Church Outreach Associate helping get word out about the Amendment to the Tennessee State Constitution concerning abortion. Please vote yes to number 1 on November 4th. I have a table out front with information. If you will give me your phone number, I will contact you and get more information into your hands. Also, I have a video I can share with you that you can show in your church. If I can be any help or others with the organization, please talk to me this weekend.

Free Will Baptist Foundation

David Brown

We are the arm of the Free Will Baptist denomination that deals with estate planning, planned giving, etc. I am thankful that you voted today to invest with the Foundation. This afternoon, we will be providing a seminar on Estate Planning. We hope you will stay for that meeting. Visit us at www.fwbgifts.org for more information on our department.

Berea Ministries

Dr. Chris Dotson

This week marks the fifth anniversary that our founder Rev. Howard Munsey went to heaven. We still continue with the vision that Brother Munsey set out from the very beginning. Thank you for your partnership and support. We are seeing great things happening in our ministry. Our churches are now sending out missionaries to plant other churches.

Eddie Young, Chaplain

Dr. Jeff Davis

Chaplain Young is in Kentucky ministering to our soldiers this weekend and asked me to give his report. He wants to thank you for your support that allows him to continue with his ministry. He faithfully preaches in local churches most Sundays. He preaches to our soldiers and counsels with them on a regular basis. Every Wednesday, he has chapel services with a local fire department. If he can ever be of a service to you and your church, please contact him.

Randall House Publication

Danny Conn

We are going to launch D6 Second Generation in the Fall of 2015. We are excited about this as we have made some changes from the original D6, but at the same time remained committed to Free Will Baptist doctrine. Danny showed a power point presentation and gave some specifics concerning D6 second Generation.

Prayer Request Committee

Prayer is one of the most effective tools the Lord has given to people and maybe one of the least used tools we have. Most Christians pray less than 30 minutes per week and Jesus prayed all night several times. The Lord wants to hear our prayers and more than that he wants to answer our requests, so let us humble ourselves and come before his presence, bring our requests to him because we have great needs. Following is a list of items of importance to God and us:

1. Pray for God to bless our pastors and evangelists
2. Pray that people will turn back to God
3. Pray for revival in our churches
4. Pray for Teddy Webb and wife
5. Pray for the Union FWB Association and our needs
6. Pray for Berea Ministries
7. Pray for our great nation
8. Pray for Free Will Baptist Family Ministries
9. Pray for the Hope Center
10. Pray for our missionaries

THIS YEAR WAS ANOTHER GREAT YEAR FOR CAMP. THE FIRST TWO WEEKS OF JUNE. WE HAD A LOT OF THINGS GOING ON AT THE OAKS. THE FIRST WEEK WAS SR. WEEK, WE HAD 18 FIRST TIME CAMPERS, THE SECOND WEEK WAS JR. WEEK WITH 46 FIRST TIME CAMPERS, and WITH BOTH WEEKS WE HAD A TOTAL OF 187 CAMPERS WE HAD OVER 90 CAMPERS IN EACH WEEK. THESE ARE WHAT I BELIEVE TO BE SOME OF THE LARGEST NUMBERS THAT HAVE BEEN SEEN AT CAMP FOR MANY YEARS, AND THE GREATEST NEWS IS THAT WE SEEN 8 OF THESE YOUNG PEOPLE SAVED.

THANKS TO BROTHER LEROY HURST THAT GAVE US THE IDEAL TO HAVE A 5K TO HELP RAISE MONEY FOR THE CAMP PROGRAM AND TO BROTHER BO RAGON THAT MADE THE IDEAL COME TO LIFE. THIS YEAR WE HAD OUR FIRST 5K RUN/WALK TO HELP RAISE SOME MONEY TO TRY TO UNDERWRITE SUPPORT FOR THE WORK AND TO HAVE MONEY TO DO SOME EXTRA THINGS, ONE OF THEM WAS TO RENT SOME INFLATABLES FOR JR. WEEK AND A COMPANY WAS OUTSTANDING IN HELPING US, AND THROUGH THE 5K WE WERE ABLE TO CLEAR \$1095.00. THANKS TO THE WALLACE FOUNDATION, CCU, ALONG WITH MANY OF OUR CHURCHES TO HELP UNDERWRITE THE 5K. THANKS TO MIKE PALAZZO AT INFLATABLES OF GREENEVILLE FOR ALL THE HELP SETTING UP AND THE GOOD RATE HE GAVE US. CRITTERS CORNER FOR SERVING THE GOOD FOOD, WE WOULD LIKE TO SAY THANKS TO OUR EMT'S THAT TAKE GOOD CARE OF EVERYONE THESE TWO WEEKS OF CAMP THAT TAKES A BIG LOAD OFF OF US TO BE SURE EVERYONES NEEDS ARE MET.

JUST A FEW MORE GREAT THINGS THAT HAPPENED WE HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT SOME OF OUR CAMPERS THAT HAVE BEEN STEPPING UP TO THE CALL, WE SEEN SOME OF OUR CAMPERS THAT ARE ADULTS COME BACK TO HELP US AS LEADERS. SOME OF THEM ARE MARRIED AND WORKING BUT CAME TO HELP US. WE HAD A GROUP OF CAMPERS TO DO MUSIC THIS YEAR THAT WORKED HARD ALL WINTER TO GET READY TO LEAD OUR MUSIC FOR BOTH WEEKS AND DID A GREAT JOB, THEY WERE SAMANTHA KING, AARON WOODS, ERIKA KIRKPATRICK, PRESTON FORD, ANDREW AND PHILLIP DOTSON AND MANY OF YOU HAVE HAD THEM AT YOUR CHURCH AFTER CAMP AND YOU KNOW WHAT A GREAT JOB FOR THE LORD THEY ARE DOING. WE HAD THEM AT OUR CHURCH AND JUST YESTERDAY WE RECEIVED A VIDEO FROM ONE OF THE MOMS THAT RECORDED SOME OF THE EVENTS.

WE ALSO SEEN OTHER YOUNG PEOPLE STEP UP. SAMANTHA KING AND ISAAC CARSON LEAD ALL OF OUR GAMES ALONG WITH SOME HELP FROM JR. HELPER NOAH CARSON AND OTHERS. SAMANTHA WAS LEAD OF THE LORD AFTER LAST YEARS CAMP THAT SHE SEEN A LOT OF THE KIDS THAT CAME TO CAMP DIDN'T HAVE BIBLES, SO SHE STARTED RAISING BIBLES OVER THE WINTER AND EARLY SPRING FOR THESE KIDS AND BY THE TIME CAMP STARTED SHE HAD OVER A 100 BIBLES TO MEET THESE NEEDS. WHAT A BLESSING TO SEE THESE KIND OF THINGS, ALSO THREE OTHER GIRLS HEATHER, KRISTEN, AND CAYLA WOODS, SEEN OVER THE YEARS THAT MANY OF THE GIRLS DIDN'T HAVE DRESSES TO WEAR TO THE CHURCH SERVICES SO THEY STARTED A DRESS CLOSET TO HELP OUT.

NOW TO THE GRAY HEADED YOUTH, WE SEE EVERY YEAR PEOPLE LIKE TRESA ELLIS WHOM CAN BE FOUND IN FRONT OF A COMPUTER ALL HOURS OF THE NIGHT WORKING ON ALL TYPES OF PAPERWORK THAT WE NEED FOR RECORDS FOR DAILY PLANS OR AWARDS THAT WE WILL BE GIVING IN THE WEEK OF CAMP, OR PATSY FOX WHO WORKS TO HELP IN THE KITCHEN FROM EARLY IN THE MORNING AND LATE IN THE DAY TO BE SURE OUR KIDS GET A GOOD MEAL AND OH YA BROTHER ED MAYNARD WHO WILL TAKE ON ANY YOUNG MAN IN A GAME OF BASKETBALL. (BROTHER ED HAS SOME GAME AND CAN SHOOT THE LIGHT OUT.) BROTHER JOHN BUCHANNAN WHOM IS FAITHFUL TO PREACH TWO SERVICES A DAY FOR TWO WEEKS, LOVE YOUR HEART BROTHER YOU'RE THE BEST.

SEE THERE IS A LOT GOING ON AT CAMP SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE AT ANY AGE, ALL IT TAKES IS A LOVE FOR CHRIST AND A LOVE FOR KIDS, THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRAYERS, SUPPORT AND LOVE FOR OUR KIDS. THERE IS SOME PLANNING GOING ON NOW FOR A YOUTH RALLY AND WE WILL BE LETTING YOU KNOW AS SOON AS IT IS PUT TOGETHER. THANKS TO ALL OF THOSE THAT HELP AND WORK THIS WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE WITHOUT ALL OF YOU. THANKS ROGER AND NORLAINE FOR PUTTING UP WITH ME YOU ALL ARE THE BEST. THANKS TO OUR LORD WHOM MAKES ALL THINGS POSSIBLE. IN HIS SERVICE BROTHER TIM

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE PASSAGE OF AMENDMENT 1 TO THE TENNESSEE CONSTITUTION

WHEREAS, Scripture reveals that all human life is created in the image of God, and therefore sacred to our Creator (Genesis 1:27, Genesis 9:6); and

WHEREAS, the Bible affirms that the unborn baby is a person bearing the image of God from the moment of conception (Psalm 139:13-16; Luke 1:44); and

WHEREAS, Scripture further commands the people of God to plead for protection of the innocent and justice for the fatherless (Psalm 72:12-14 (Psalm 82:3. James 1:27)); and

WHEREAS, Free Will Baptist has historically stood against abortion, and took strong stand for the perseveration for life; and

WHEREAS, The Tennessee Supreme Court's ruling in 2000 found a right to abortion is implicit in the State Constitution; and

WHEREAS, Senate Joint Resolutions 127 proposes an amendment to the Constitution of Tennessee to confirm that, Nothing in the Constitution secures or protects a right to abortion or requires the funding of an abortion"; and

WHEREAS, Senate Joint Resolution 127 further retains the rights of the people of Tennessee through their elected representatives in the General Assembly to enact, amend, or repeal statues, regarding abortion and the protect of life; and

WHEREAS, Senate Joint Resolution 127 will be brought before the people of Tennessee for their consideration as Constitutional Amendment 1 on the ballot of November 2014;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Union Association of Free Will Baptists meeting at First Free Will Baptist Church in Church Hill, Tennessee, August 15th -16th, 2014, urge all its people to work vigorously toward the passage of pro-life Amendment in November as one step toward the protection of life.

Resolution Committee

#2 - Whereas, God established an unconditional and eternal covenant with Abraham and his seed, promising him and his seed a land, a kingdom, and a King to reign on the throne of David.

Whereas, we are taught to "pray for the peace of Jerusalem" (Psalm 122:16);
And whereas, our heart's desire, like the Apostle Paul, and "prayer to God for Israel that they might be saved" (Romans 10:1).

Be it resolved that the 142nd annual meeting of the Union Free Will Baptist Association stand on continual prayer and support of Israel, that they accept the Messiah, Jesus, and be saved, and that we maintain our support, fellowship and friendship with Israel and her people.

#3 – Whereas the First Free Will Baptist Church of Church Hill has both graciously invited and hosted the 142nd Union Association,

Be it resolved that we give a rising vote of appreciation to the congregation and its pastor.

Obituary Committee

Rev. Bobby Green
Jean Arnold
Sylvia Benton
Pat Blair
Joanne York

Placement Committee

The Union Free Will Baptist Association will be meeting with the Eastern Fellowship this upcoming year (2015). We will be meeting at the Evergreen Free Will Baptist Church in Erwin, TN on Friday and Saturday, August 14 and 15, 2015.

Tennessee State Association of Free Will Baptists
Promotional Director's Report
August, 2014

Hello from the Tennessee Promotional Office. It is a great joy to serve the churches across our great state. God is blessing around the state in many ways. It is not uncommon to hear of salvation decisions, baptisms, and record attendances. Our pastors are persevering, sometimes in the face of health problems or the sickness of a spouse and sometimes even discouragement. Please pray for one another and encourage one another as you have opportunity.

Our state finances seem to be doing well. We voted at our last state meeting to reduce the state office's share of the Tennessee Unified Ministry Plan by 2% and increase the percentage to national ministries by 2%. It is my prayer that as the Unified Plan continues to grow, we will be able to reduce the state office's share even more.

Family Ministries continues to do well and realized a great victory recently by reaching their goal for the new school building on their campus. This was made possible by a bequest from one of our late pastors and his wife, Rev. O.P. and Ruby Stokes, as well as corporate sponsorships, church gifts, and gifts from individuals. Family Ministries had a ribbon cutting ceremony on Thursday of this week to celebrate the completion of their new school. There are still some needs associated with furnishings for the new building. If you would like to help with these needs, please call Brother Frank Woods or Brother Derek Bell at Family Ministries.

Our state has suffered sad losses in recent days with the passing of two of our preachers, Brother Tim Osborn, 50, home missionary to West Tennessee and one of our pastors in the Cumberland Association, Brother Greg Tyson, age 55. Pray for their families and the churches these men were pastoring.

Chad Kivette and his family are doing great in Clarksville. The building is now dedicated and occupied and the crowd is growing. Pray that these new converts would be able to trust God to tithe and support the work.

The TN Christian Education Board has a great state retreat planned for Nov. 7 - 9 at Pigeon Forge. Information is available at the state website. (www.tnfwb.org) You should also be receiving information in the mail.

Plan to attend the Tennessee State Association meeting, November 10 -12. We will have a full report in the next Echo. If you do not get the Echo, call me at 615-715-0521 or e-mail me at glennposton@comcast.net and I will sign you up.

We had a good National Association meeting in Fort Worth. If you were not able to attend, you can go to the NAFWB website for a full report. If you do not have access to a computer, call me and I will send you a written report of all the proceedings.

Pray for all of our national ministries. Both Welch College and International Missions are experiencing a difficult time financially but I am confident that God will give our leadership wisdom and will pull us through this crisis as we trust Him and sacrifice for the great cause of training leaders and sending them across the globe to reach the world for Him.

If I can ever be of help to you, please do not hesitate calling the state office. I am glad to be a resource person for information and a liaison person for any of our ministries. I will eagerly accept any invitation to come to your church if you can use me.

Glenn Poston
Promotional Director

Annual Letter From Quarterly Meeting to District Association or District Association to State Association

Association Name Central Quarterly Meeting
 Meeting Location Church Hill Date August 15-16, 2014 (month/day/year)
 Reporting Period MAY 1, 2013 to 2014 (month/year)
 Present Moderator Jeff Blake Phone (423) 636-1307
 Address 725 Old Newport Hwy Email _____
 City Greenville State TN Zip 37743

DELEGATES

1. Ordained Deacons
2. Ordained Ministers
3. Licensed Ministers
4. _____
5. _____

ALTERNATES

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

A. CHURCH CHARACTERISTICS

1. Number of churches 35
2. Number of churches reporting 33
3. Number of churches: City/Town 5 Rural 30
4. Total number of churches with:
 - Full-time pastors 18
 - Part-time pastors 17

B. MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

1. Number of baptisms 57
2. Members added 94
3. Members lost 51
4. Membership 13/83

C. STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

1. Income of all churches \$ 2,410,455.90
2. Number of churches with budgets 3

D. BUILDING INFORMATION

1. Number of churches with parsonages 8
2. Value of all church property including parsonages \$ 14,192,990

E. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Number of ordained ministers 58
 Licensed ministers 17
 (Attach names, addresses, and phone numbers)
2. Number of ordained deacons 87
3. Number of churches with:
 - Daycare None
 - Kindergarten None
 - Christian School None
 - Bible Institute None
 - College None
4. Sunday School enrollment 2468
5. CTS enrollment 208

District association minutes requested 40 State association minutes requested 40
 Representation fees enclosed: Quarterly \$ _____ District \$ _____ State \$ _____ National \$ _____
 Signed: Clerk Tim Carson Phone (423) 450-0046
 Address 595 MAIN STREET Email preach@carsonconcast.net
 City Mosheim State TN Zip 37818

Print completed form and send to district or state association as appropriate. Please attach recommendations and requests to this form.

Please make a photocopy for your records. Request additional forms from Executive Office: PO Box 5002, Antioch, TN 37011-5002, www.natwbo.org.

Form 503 (revised 03/2013)

Central Quarterly Churches

Church Address	Pastor Address	Clerk
Bethany FWB Church P: 625 Bethany Road Chuckey, TN 37641 M: 625 Bethany Road Chuckey, TN 37641 423-348-8366	Roger Free 80 Walking Lane Chuckey, TN 37641 423-426-8013	Deborah Reed 1716 Foxtail Lane Kingsport, TN 37660 423-246-9476
Bridgeport FWB Church P: 1525 E. Hwy 25-70 Newport, TN 27821 M: 1525 E. Hwy 25-70 Newport, TN 37821 423-623-0416	Tim Carson 595 Main Street Mosheim, TN 37818 423-450-0046 preachertcarson@comcast.net	Debra Hurst 175 Road Way Newport, TN 37821
Bridges Chapel FWB Church P: 3405 Bridges Chapel Road Dandridge, TN 37725 M: 3210 Old Baileytown Road Greeneville, TN 37745	Gary Gass 3210 Baileytown Road Greeneville, TN 37745 423-234-2403 or 470-2072 garygass@comcast.net	Joann Breeden 361 Tanasi Drive Newport, TN 37821 423-623-8112
Cedar Creek FWB Church P: 3050 Cedar Creek Road Greeneville, TN 37743 M: 3050 Cedar Creek Road Greeneville, TN 37743	John Daugherty 1400 Kevin Lane Greeneville, TN 37818 423-638-3990	Minnie Seaton 2950 Cedar Creek Road Greeneville, TN 37743 423-638-4759
Community Chapel FWB Church P: 1660 Phagan Store Road Talbot, TN 37877 M: 7037 Maxwell Terrace Talbot, TN 37877 865-475-8689	Gary Norton 1067 Crest Drive Jefferson City, TN 37760 865-475-4589 or 423-502-4765	Joy Smith 7037 Maxwell Terrace Talbot, TN 37877 423-585-0730

Central Quarterly Churches

East Greene FWB Church
P: 1641 Kiser Blvd.
Greeneville, TN 37743
M: 1641 Kiser Blvd.
Greeneville, TN 37743
423-639-6461

Anthony Payne
1174 Gap Mountain Road
Greeneville, TN 37745
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Faithful View FWB Church
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Bulls Gap, TN 37711
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Fellowship FWB Church
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Limestone, TN 37681
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Unicoi, TN 37692
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Brenda Cutshall
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Jonesborough, TN 37659
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Fugate FWB Church
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Del Rio, TN 37727
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Camey Caldwell
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Del Rio, TN 37727
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Hot Springs, NC 28743
828-622-3415

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Parrottsville, TN 37843
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Newport, TN 37822

Kenneth Wilson
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Central Quarterly Churches

Green Ridge FWB Church
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Afton, TN 37616
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Afton, TN 37616

Jeff Daugherty
100 Shady Grove Lane
Mosheim, TN 37818
423-422-7540

Donna Hampton
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Afton, TN 37616
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Greeneville, TN 37743
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Ted Reynolds
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Johnson City, TN 37601
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Central Quarterly Churches

Jackson Chapel FWB Church
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Mosheim, TN 37818
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423-798-0714

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Chuckey, TN 37641
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Central Quarterly Churches

Muddy Creek FWB Church
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Dandridge, TN 37725
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Russellville, TN 37860
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Newport, TN 37821
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Newport First FWB Church
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Newport, TN 37821
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Central Quarterly Churches

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Morristown, TN 37813
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M: 990 Piney Grove Road
Greeneville, TN 37743

Junior Shipley
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Shady Grove FWB Church
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Whitesburg, TN 37891
M: c/o 285 Ely Road
Bulls Gap, TN 37711
423-235-2329

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Bean Station, TN 37708
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Karlene Ely
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Central Quarterly Churches

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Union FWB Church
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Greeneville, TN 37745
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Greeneville, TN 37745

Edith Johnson
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Afton, TN 37616
423-234-4684

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Chuckey, TN 37641
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Lynn Neas
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Union Temple FWB Church
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Chuckey, TN 37641
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Central Quarterly Churches

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White Pine, TN 37890
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White Pine, TN 37890
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Russellville, TN 37860
423-586-0032

Linda Owens
117 River Road
Morristown, TN 37813
423-581-7208

Woods Memorial FWB Church
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Bulls Gap, TN 37711
M: 1375 Carters Valley Road
Mosheim, TN 37818

Dennis Caldwell
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Newport, TN 37821
423-237-2170

Kelly Evans
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Annual Letter From Quarterly Meeting to District Association or District Association to State Association

Association Name Eastern Quarterly of the Union Association
 Meeting Location Redeeming Grace Date 5 / 1 / 14 (month/day/year)
 Reporting Period April / 2013 to April / 2014 (month/year)
 Present Moderator Tin York Phone (615) 947-2505
 Address 623 Knoxville Dr. Email tin@gracechurchsmymn.com
 City LeVergne State TN Zip 37086

DELEGATES

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

ALTERNATES

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
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A. CHURCH CHARACTERISTICS

1. Number of churches 7
2. Number of churches reporting 5
3. Number of churches: City/Town 3 Rural 2
4. Total number of churches with:
 - Full-time pastors 2
 - Part-time pastors 3

B. MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

1. Number of baptisms 25
2. Members added 15
3. Members lost 3
4. Membership 125

C. STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

1. Income of all churches \$ \$364,000
2. Number of churches with budgets 3

D. BUILDING INFORMATION

1. Number of churches with parsonages 3
2. Value of all church property including parsonages \$ 3,150,000

E. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Number of ordained ministers 9
 Licensed ministers 1
 (Attach names, addresses, and phone numbers)
2. Number of ordained deacons 10
3. Number of churches with:
 - Daycare N/A
 - Kindergarten N/A
 - Christian School N/A
 - Bible Institute N/A
 - College N/A
4. Sunday School enrollment 220
5. CTS enrollment 35

District association minutes requested _____ State association minutes requested _____
 Representation fees enclosed: Quarterly \$ _____ District \$ 250 State \$ 750 National \$ 750.00
 Signed: Clerk [Signature] Phone (423) 743-9441
 Address 643 Ohio Ave Email A.taylor@evangelicalfb.com
 City Erwin State TN Zip 37650

Print completed form and send to district or state association as appropriate. Please attach recommendations and requests to this form.

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423-743-3775

Pastor Address

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311 Little German Rd
Erwin, TN 37650
423-743-7481

Clerk

Ike Tittle, Jr.
132 M. Tucker Road
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423-743-3775

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Walter Harris

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Jim Vallance

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Eastern Fellowship

Red Hill FVB Church
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Marshall, NC 28753
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Marshall, NC 28753
828-649-3208

Tony Shelton
45 Old Sheppard Brch
Weaverville, NC 28787
828-658-1181

Betty McKinney
706 Upper Branch RD
Marshall, NC 28753
828-649-3855

Redeeming Grace FVB Church
P: Elm and Short Street
Erwin, TN 37650
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Erwin, TN 37650

Charles Byrd
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Johnson City, TN 37604
423-741-1190

Janette Bowman
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Erwin, TN 37650
423-743-7253

Unicoi FVB Church
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Unicoi, TN 37692
M: P.O. Box 156
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423-743-3132

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423-957-1873 (Cell)

Beverly Bohannon
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Annual Letter From Quarterly Meeting to District Association or District Association to State Association

Association Name Northern Quarterly of the Union Association
Meeting Location First FWB Church of Church Hill Date Aug / 15-16 / 2014 (month/day/year)
Reporting Period Oct / 2013 to July / 2014 (month/year)
Present Moderator Mark McDavid Phone (423) _____
Address 809 Stuffle Street Email _____
City Kingsport State TN Zip 37660

DELEGATES

1. _____
2. _____
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5. _____

ALTERNATES

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

A. CHURCH CHARACTERISTICS

1. Number of churches 18
2. Number of churches reporting 16
3. Number of churches: City/Town 4 Rural 12
4. Total number of churches with:
Full-time pastors 8
Part-time pastors 7 (one without a pastor)

B. MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

1. Number of baptisms 21
2. Members added 79
3. Members lost 24
4. Membership 1,337

C. STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

1. Income of all churches \$ 672,483
2. Number of churches with budgets 3

D. BUILDING INFORMATION

1. Number of churches with parsonages 1
2. Value of all church property including parsonages \$ 4,867,900

E. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Number of ordained ministers 28
Licensed ministers 3
(Attach names, addresses, and phone numbers)
2. Number of ordained deacons 33
3. Number of churches with:
Daycare 0
Kindergarten 0
Christian School 0
Bible Institute 0
College 0
4. Sunday School enrollment 595
5. CTS enrollment 0

District association minutes requested 36 State association minutes requested 36
Representation fees enclosed: Quarterly \$ 450.00 District \$ 900.00 State \$ 2,700.00 National \$ 2,700.00
Signed: Clerk Penney Capps Phone (423) 357-4624
Address 308 Valley Drive Email penneyc26@gmail.com
City Church Hill State TN Zip 37642

Print completed form and send to district or state association as appropriate. Please attach recommendations and requests to this form.

Northern Quarterly Churches

Church Address

Bethesda FWB Church
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Fall Branch, TN 37656
M: 8220 Old Snapps Ferry Road
Fall Branch, TN 37656

Chimney Top FWB Church
P: Chimney Top Loop
Fall Branch, TN 37656
M: 735 Oak Glen Circle
Fall Branch, TN 37656

Eastern Star FWB Church
P: 153 Eastern Star Ext.
Kingsport, TN 37665
M: c/o 2020 Fordtown Road
Jonesborough, TN 37659

First FWB Church of Church Hill
P: 208 Maple Avenue
Church Hill, TN 37642
M: P.O. Box 606
Church Hill, TN 37642

First FWB Church of Morrison City
P: 211 W. Carter's Valley RD
Kingsport, TN 37665
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Kingsport, TN 37665
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Northern Quarterly Churches

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Rogersville, TN 37857
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Teddy Webb
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Kingsport, TN 37664
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Mark McDavid
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Alisa Strong
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Kingsport, TN 37664
M: c/o 400 Deerfield Circle
Church Hill, TN 37642
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Northern Quarterly Churches

Midfield FWB Church
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Mt. Carmel FWB Church
P: 3711 North Fork
Rogersville, TN 37857
M: c/o Rt. 6
Rogersville, TN 37857
423-348-6102

Overlook Drive FWB Church
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Greeneville, TN 37743
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Surgoinsville, TN 37873
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Northern Quarterly Churches

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Kingsport, TN 37663
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Naomi Rutherford
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Gray, TN 37615
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Annual Letter From Quarterly Meeting to District Association or District Association to State Association

Association Name Union Association
Meeting Location Mainstay Conference Date 11 / 10-12 / 2014 (month/day/year)
Reporting Period July / 2013 to June / 2014 (month/year)
Present Moderator Tim Roach Phone (423) 477-2211
Address 1028 Cook Country Rd Email tim@limestonefwb.org
City Greeneville State TN Zip 37743

DELEGATES

1. Gale Edison
2. Jane Bailey
3. Billy Clark
4. others to be appointed by
5. Moderator Tim Roach

ALTERNATES

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

A. CHURCH CHARACTERISTICS

1. Number of churches 60
2. Number of churches reporting 54
3. Number of churches: City/Town 12 Rural 44
4. Total number of churches with:
Full-time pastors 28
Part-time pastors 27

B. MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

1. Number of baptisms 103
2. Members added 188
3. Members lost 78
4. Membership 4645

C. STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

1. Income of all churches \$ 3,446,938.90
2. Number of churches with budgets 9

D. BUILDING INFORMATION

1. Number of churches with parsonages 12
2. Value of all church property including parsonages \$ 22,210,890.00

E. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Number of ordained ministers 95
Licensed ministers 21
(Attach names, addresses, and phone numbers)
2. Number of ordained deacons 130
3. Number of churches with:
Daycare 0
Kindergarten 0
Christian School 0
Bible Institute 0
College 0
4. Sunday School enrollment 3283
5. CTS enrollment 243

District association minutes requested 76 State association minutes requested 76
Representation fees enclosed: Quarterly \$ _____ District \$ _____ State \$ _____ National \$ _____
Signed: Clerk Jeff Davis Phone (423) 532-0021
Address 187 Jintown Rd Email jeffdavis160@charter.net
City Newport TN 37821 State _____ Zip _____

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Constitution, By-Laws, and Standing Rules of the Union Free Will Baptist Association

PREAMBLE

The Union Free Will Baptist Association having adopted the Covenant and Treatise of the National Association of Free Will Baptists is organized to unify and promote the interest of its members, Quarterly meetings and the common cause of the Redeemer.

ARTICLE I: NAME

This body shall be known hereafter as the Union Free Will Baptist Association.

ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP

The Association shall be composed of ministers, deacons, and elected delegates from member Quarterly meetings. The Women Active for Christ shall be represented by five (5) members. Each Quarterly meeting holding membership in the Association shall furnish the Association with a list of certified delegates or alternates from the various churches, each church being allowed one (1) delegate or alternate for every twenty members or fraction thereof.

ARTICLE III: DISCIPLINE

The Association shall have the right to settle any question of discipline, doctrine or usage that may properly come before it from any of the Quarterly meetings composing said Association or act upon any appeal made by any of the churches which constitute the various Quarterly meetings, provided the principles of Matthew 18:15-17 have been followed. Such appeal shall be signed by the pastor and clerk of a local church or the moderator and clerk of a Quarterly meeting. The above must be forwarded by mail or in person to the Clerk of the Association at least ten (10) days prior to the next session.

ARTICLE IV: OFFICERS

The Officers of this Association shall be moderator, assistant moderator, clerk, assistant clerk, treasurer, and assistant treasurer. Each officer shall be nominated by the nominating committee or from the floor of the Association and elected by a majority vote of those present and voting at each regular session. Elected officers shall hold office until their successors are duly elected and installed. The moderator and assistant moderator shall serve a term of three (3) years and shall not succeed themselves until they have set out for a period of one (1) term. The clerk and treasurer and their assistants shall serve indefinitely subject to satisfactory performance or resignation.

Section 1: Limits on Officers

Officers of the Union Free Will Baptist Associational Organization shall not be permitted to hold additional offices or standing committee positions in the Association.

ARTICLE V: GENERAL BOARD**Section 1: Membership**

The General Board shall be composed of then (10) members including the moderator, assistant moderator, clerk, treasurer, president and clerk of the Minister's Conference, moderators of the Quarterly meetings and one (1) member from the Ordaining Council.

1. If the Quarterly meeting moderator already serves on the General Board, then the assistant moderator shall serve as the board member.
2. If both the moderator and assistant moderator of the Quarterly meeting already serve on the General Board, then the moderator will appoint a proxy.

Section 2: Duties

The duties of the General Board shall be as follows:

1. To act on behalf of the Association in matters demanding its consideration between regular sessions of the Association.
2. To arrange for meetings of the Association, provide programs and change the time and place of meeting if necessary.
3. To fill all vacancies in the Association which may be caused by death, resignation or any other cause between regular sessions of the Association.
4. To make written reports of all its work and make such recommendations as deemed necessary to the Association.

Section 3: Meetings

It shall be the duty of the General Board to meet at a regular or called session of the Association and as often as the welfare of the cause may demand in extra sessions. No meeting of the General Board shall be allowed to transact business unless a majority of the members are present, but a minority may meet and adjourn for discussion of any subject which may be a vital interest. All members must have ten (10) days written notice stating the purpose, time and place of meeting. All transactions must be favored by the majority of those present. Written records shall be kept and presented to the Association.

Section 4: Proxy

No member shall delegate authority to another member of said board to cast his vote for him, but may send a proxy. A proxy must be a member of good standing of the Association and have written authority from the member for whom he acts.

Section 5: Qualifications

All ministers serving on the General Board shall carry a Card of Good Standing from the Minister's Conference of the Union Free Will Baptist Association.

ARTICLE VI: BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

The Association shall appoint or elect such temporary or standing boards and committees as it deems necessary for the conduct of its regular business.

ARTICLE VII: MEETINGS

The Association shall hold regular meetings at a time and place to be determined during the last regular session and made known before adjournment. The general Board may call a special meeting when extreme necessity demands provided the clerk of each Quarterly meeting has been notified at least fourteen (14) days before the date of the meeting. The delegates present shall constitute a quorum for special meetings.

ARTICLE VIII: DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1: Moderator

Preside over all meetings, see that the Constitution and By-Laws and Standing Rules are followed, insure discussions are carried on in a Christian spirit, and exercise all rights and privileges of any other member. The right to vote shall be exercised only to break a tie. While presiding, he shall only speak when providing explanation.

Section 2: Assistant Moderator

Assist the Moderator in his duties and preside in the Moderator's absence.

Section 3: Clerk

Keep a record of all meetings and publish this record for distribution to the various Quarterly meetings.

Section 4: Assistant Clerk

Assist the Clerk in his duties and assume such duties in the absence of the Clerk.

Section 5: Treasurer

Receive and disburse all monies of the Association, keeping an accurate record of such transactions, and reporting the same to the Association and the General Board.

Section 6: Assistant Treasurer

Assist the Treasurer in his duties and assume such duties in the absence of the Treasurer.

ARTICLE IX: AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be amended by any regular session of the Association by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present and voting, provided the change is recommended in writing at least one day before the vote.

BY-LAWS

1. A portion of Scripture shall be read and prayer offered at the beginning of each morning and afternoon session of the Association and a prayer shall be offered as a benediction at the close of each session.
2. The Moderator or the Assistant Moderator shall call the Association to order at the hour designated by the General Board.
3. Each Quarterly meeting is required to present a report of the annual work of its churches. Refusal of the Quarterly meeting to report serves as just cause for investigation and discipline at the discretion of the association.
4. In the event a Quarterly meeting desires membership in another Free Will Baptist Association, a majority vote is required for a letter of good standing.
5. The most recent version of Robert's Rules of Order shall serve as the final authority in parliamentary procedure.
6. Visitors may be invited to sit as advisory council and/or be granted permission by the moderator to speak, but in no case shall be allowed to vote.
7. The moderator shall allow discussion carried on in a Christian spirit. Discussion which sows discord or division will not be tolerated. Anyone refusing the admonition of the moderator shall be barred from participation until public repentance has been made and accepted.
8. Those desiring to speak shall rise to their feet and address the moderator as "Brother Moderator", but shall not speak further until recognized.
9. No speaker shall be allowed to speak more than two (2) minutes or twice on the same subject without permission of the moderator.
10. This Constitution, By-Laws and Standing Rules supersedes all other revisions.
11. These By-Laws may be amended at any regular session of the association by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those present and voting providing the amendment has been submitted in writing at least one (1) day before the vote.

STANDING RULES

1. A yearly representation fee to go to the Tennessee State Association of Free Will Baptists and the Union Association General Fund shall accompany each church report to the Association.
2. The moderator, clerk and treasurer will receive an annual honorarium to be determined by the Association.
3. It will be the responsibility of the Committee on Committees to also serve as the Nominating Committee.
4. The treasurer will be able to borrow monies from other funds to pay Associational bills.
5. General Board members shall receive reimbursement for each mile driven in the

- line of duty based upon the current IRS mileage allowance.
6. All meetings of the Association shall convene with open doors except when resolved into committee of the whole.
 7. All ministers not in good standing in the minister's Conference of the Union Free Will Baptist Association shall be denied voting privileges in all business of the Association and will be prohibited from serving as officers or holding a standing committee position.
 8. All speakers assigned to the program of the association will be asked by the Program Committee to use the authorized King James Version of the Bible.
 9. Standing Rules may be amended at any regular session of the association by a majority vote of those present and voting.

Union Women Active for Christ

The Union District Women Active for Christ met Saturday, August 16 at Church Hill Free Will Baptist Church. The treasurer reported the Central Quarterly ladies have contributed \$926.62 since the Union WAC's last meeting. Contributions have decreased from previous years due to designated gifts to missions, the Bible colleges, youth camps, FWB Family Ministries, etc. going directly to the ministry and no longer through WNAC. The monies contributed were disbursed to the TN Unified Ministries, TN Walk-a-thin, Ivory Coast Medical Mission trip, WNAC dues for 22 members, WNAC 2014 National project, WNAC Emphasis and General Fund as well as WNAC scholarships.

During the meeting the following officers were elected to serve: Dennah Davis, President; Mitzi Satterfield, Vice-President; Betty Fleshman, Secretary; Jane Bailey, Treasurer and Merle Archer, Field Worker. The officers will be working together to find ways to encourage more involvement of the ladies in our district.

Minutes of the Union Free Will Baptist Association Ministers' Conference

August 15-16, 2014

First Free Will Baptist Church of Church Hill, TN.

Minister's Conference Officers:

President:	Rev. Derek Bell	Vice President:	Rev. Jesse Hartgrove
Clerk/Treasurer:	Rev. Edward Maynard	Asst: Clerk/Treasurer:	Rev. Danny Willis

Ordaining Council:

Chairman:	Rev. Jackie Cole	Eastern
Vice Chairman:	Rev. Billy Gragg	Central
Clerk:	Rev. Gary Hodges	Northern

*Addresses, Phone Numbers and E-mail Addresses are in the back of these minutes.

Proceedings of the Minister's Conference

August 15, 2014 2:00 PM

The meeting was called to order by the President, Rev. Derek Bell. He read from Isaiah 59:1-3 and opened the service with prayer.

The Ministers present and in good standing were seated as the voting body. There was 24 members present.

Visitors were recognized and were seated in an advisory capacity.

MSC to accept the Minutes of the 2013 Minister's Conference as written.

MSC to accept the report from the Ordaining Council. The full report is in the reports section of these minutes.

MSC to accept the Clerks Report. The full report is in the reports section of these minutes.

There was no old business to be brought before the body

New Business:

MSC to give the first option to buy the two drawer fire proof filing cabinet to the First Free Will Baptist Church in Newport, TN. The proceeds from selling the cabinet will go to buy a new more efficient safe, and any money left over after buying the new safe will go to the Minister's Conference.

MSC In the event there are no candidates to be ordained at the Minister's Conference, the 7:00 PM service will continue and will be a worship service.

MSC to give the clerk of the Minister's Conference an honorarium of \$450.00.

The business was recessed until the 7:00 PM Ordaining Service.

Seminar: Michael Wootton and David Brown, from the Free Will Baptist Foundation: Cornerstone Estate Planning

Michael Wootton from the Free Will Baptist Foundation gave a seminar on Estate Planning. He is president of Cornerstone Estate Planning. He is an investment advisor who helps church members to use a proven approach to settle their estates. He challenged us to take a proactive approach with our estate planning and not leave the state to make our decisions for us.

He showed us that there are only three ways to settle our estates: 1. Do nothing (not wise) 2. A will (goes through probate and can take up to two years to settle). 3. A revocable living trust (you and your family have control of your estate and avoid having the state to make the decisions for you and the estate is not taxed again upon your death).

He gave us several examples of the different outcomes with the three examples above.

If you would want more information: Cornerstone Estate Planning, 911 Arbor View Land, Woodstock, GA 30188. Phone 1.888.889.6326.

Ordaining Service: August 15, 2014, 7:00 PM

Rev. Stephen Jackson gave a hardy welcome to all that were there. Rev. Derek Bell led us in song, Victory In Jesus but on the last verse he asked Bro. Harvey Crain to lead us. There was an offering received of \$138.00 for the Minister's Conference.

The Ordaining Council was introduced by Rev. Derek Bell: Rev. Jackie Cole, Chairman, Rev. Billy Gragg, Vice Chairman and Rev. Gary Hodges, Clerk.

Rev. Derek Bell did a great job singing "Just an Ole Sinner Saved by Grace"

The speaker for the service was introduced, Rev Jackie Cole. Bro. Jackie preached from Philippians 4:13-14. The title of his message: "Pressing Toward the Mark: Winning Souls". He emphasized the importance of having a closer relationship with God and that we are shepherds of the flock. He emphasized that we as preachers need to live clean lives and put those things behind us and press toward the mark.

Rev. Billy Gragg introduced the candidates to be ordained. Rev. Paul Moore from the New Bethel Free Will Baptist Church and Rev. Ivan Kennedy from the Peace Free Will Baptist Church. Bro. Billy Gragg gave the charge to the candidates covering the following topics: 1. Preach pure doctrine, 2. Worship, 3. Leadership. 4. I Timothy 3, How men should behave themselves in the house of God. He encouraged them to remember God walks with us and we are not alone.

Rev. Gary Hodges led the prayer and all of the ordained ministers in good standing gathered around the candidates and prayed and laid hands on them, sending them forth to do the work God has called them to do.

MSC to receive Rev. Paul Moore and Rev. Ivan Kennedy, into fellowship with the Ministers' Conference of the Union Association of Free Will Baptist.

Bro. Gary Hodges presented Ordination Certificates to Rev. Ivan Kennedy and Rev. Paul Moore.

Everyone came forward and gave them the right hand of fellowship and the service was dismissed.

Saturday, August 16, 2014 10:00 AM

The President, Rev. Derek Bell called the business back in session.

MSC to accept the report from the License Committee of the Northern Quarterly Meeting given by Rev. Brian Capps. The full report is in the reports section of these minutes.

MSC to accept the report from the License Committee of the Central Quarterly Meeting given by Rev. Edward Maynard. The full report is in the reports section of these minutes.

MSC to accept the partial treasury report. The full report is in the reports section of these minutes.

MSC to accept the Nomination Committee Report. The following were nominated and elected to serve for the year ending August, 2015.

President: Rev. Jesse Hartgrove
Clerk/Treasurer: Rev. Edward Maynard

Vice President: Rev. Chris Castle
Asst. Clerk/Treasurer: Rev. Danny Willis

Rev. Danny Conn was elected to serve on the Ordaining Council from the Eastern Fellowship. Rev. Danny will serve until the year 2017.

MSC to have the President of the Minister's Conference to serve as one member of the Ordaining Council and one member at large be elected from a quarterly meeting other than the President is a member of.

MSC to table the above motion until the 2015 meeting.

MSC to give an honorarium of \$200.00 to our president, Rev. Derek Bell. The motion was withdrawn at the request of Bro. Derek.

MSC to adjourn meeting.

Reports Section:

Ordaining Council Report:

The Ordaining Council met August 4, 2014 at 6 PM at the Oak Grove Free Will Baptist Church in Greenville, TN.

Council Members present: Rev. Jackie Cole (Chairman)
Rev. Billy Gragg (Vise Chairman)
Rev. Gary Hodges (Secretary)

Candidates Present: Bro. Paul Moore came for ordination. He is a member of the New Bethel Free Will Baptist Church.
Bro. Ivan Kennedy came for ordination. He is a member of the Peace Free Will Baptist Church.

Both candidates were examined and interviewed. We the Ordaining Council, recommend that Bro. Paul Moore and Bro. Ivan Kennedy be ordained to preach God's Holy Word.

The following names were received from the Mountain Empire Fellowship Association, who have joined said Association: Hector Perez, Elias Mendoza, Celestino Sanchez, David Martinez, Jeff Sams, Ed Slemph, Greg Sergeant, Jim Cox, James Kilgore.

We also received a letter from Bro. Johnny Marshall his ordination certificate. He is no longer active in the ministry.

Received from Bro. Billy Joe Kennedy a letter stating he was no longer affiliated with the Free Will Baptist and that he would send forth his credentials.

We have two ministers not in good standing; Jason McCoy and Kenneth Wilson.

Both failed to attend two (2) consecutive sessions of the Minister's Conference and have failed to attend and report to the Central Quarterly Meetings. Course of action taken; (sent certified letters asking for ordination certificates) failure to apply to By-Law number 7.

Members Not in Good Standing:

1. Jason Dean. . . .No Reports. 2. Jason McCoy No Reports 3. Kenneth Wilson. . . . No Reports

Northern Quarterly License Committee Annual Report.

From July 2013-April 2014.

We have 37 ministers: 29 Ordained, 1 Licensed, and 6 Excused
All Ministers are in good standing

The Totals for the Year: Sermons: 2452, Revivals Conducted: 13, Conversions Witnessed: 189, Baptisms: 83,
Funerals Conducted: 96, Marriages Performed: 28.

Business: Met with Bro. Preston Patrick and renewed his license to preach the Gospel for one year.
No other recommendations this year.
Respectfully Submitted: Brian Capps, Derek Bell, and James Frazier.

**Minutes of the Minister's Conference of the Union Free Will Baptist Association
February 11, 2014
Meeting at the Oak Grove Free Will Baptist Church, Greeneville, TN**

The meeting was called to order by the Vice President, Bro. Jesse Hartgrove. Opening with prayer led by Bro. Jackie Cole.

Those present: Billy Gragg, Jackie Cole, Gary Hodges, Jesse Hartgrove, and Edward Maynard.

Those who did not attend, Derek Bell and Danny Willis.

The purpose of the meeting was to plan the agenda for the yearly Minister's Conference to be held August 15-16, 2014

The clerk's report and the financial reports were accepted as given.

MSC to send letters of good standing to the Mountain Empire Association for the following ministers: James Cox, Elias Mendosa, Gregory Sargent, Jeffery Sams, and Edward Slempp.

MSC to have Bro. Terry Forrest to give a seminar on the subject of Encouraging By-Vocational Pastors.

MSC to have the following agenda for the Minister's Conference.

Friday, August 15, 2014

2:00 PM	Call to Order the Minister's Conference Clerk's Report Treasury Report Reports from:	Eastern Fellowship License Committee Central Quarterly License Committee Northern Quarterly License Committee
	Old Business New Business	Any items that may need to be laid on table
2:30-3:30 PM	Seminar:	Bro. Terry Forrest, Subject: Bi-vocational pastors.

Saturday, August 16, 2014

10:00 AM	Call to order for the purpose of taking care of any items that were tabled On Friday. Elections of officers
10:15-10:45 AM	Seminar.

MSC to adjourn.

Clerks Report:

CLERK'S REPORT

Of the Minister's Conference of the Union Free Will Baptist Association

August 15, 2014

1. A letter of good standing was sent to the Appalachian Association for Rev. Charles Church.
2. Danny Willis was added to the Minister's Conference checking account in order that he could write checks in the absence of the Treasurer. Bro. Danny Willis is the assistant clerk/treasurer.
3. A letter of good standing was sent to the Mountain Empire Quarterly Meeting for the following ministers: James Cox, Elias Mendosa, Gregory Sargent, Jeffrey Sams, and Ed Slempp.
4. Received letter on August 2, 2014 from Rev. Joe Kennedy stating that he was withdrawing from the Union Association and the Minister's Conference. He was contacted to send in his credentials. He said he did not receive them from the Union Association Minister's Conference and that he lost his card of good standing. It would have expired this month anyway. I ask him to send his ratification certificate and there has been no reply.

The officers of the Minister's Conference and members of the Ordaining Council met on February 11, 2014.
Detail of this meeting are in the minutes

Respectfully Submitted: Edward Maynard, Clerk

Financial Report: August 30, 2013 through August 30, 2014:

		Minister's Conference Financial Report August 31 2013-August 31, 2014	
RECEIPTS			
Balance Forward			\$1870.26
Eastern Fellowship			90.00
Central Quarterly Meeting			470.00
Northern Quarterly Meeting			290.00
Interest			.77
TOTAL RECEIPTS			<u>\$2859.03</u>
EXPENDITURES	Ck. #		
Union Association (Minutes)	1020		\$ 323.00
Capital Bank (Checks)	Debit		26.98
Randall House (Treatise BKS)	1021		42.93
Ed Maynard (Ink and Cards)	1022		51.48
Ed Maynard (Honorarium)	1023		450.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES			<u>\$ 894.39</u>
BALANCE ON HAND			<u>\$1964.64</u>

**CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE
MINISTERS' CONFERENCE OF THE
UNION ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS**

Updated: August 2012

Preamble

The Ministers' Conference of the Union Association of Free Will Baptists, having adopted the Covenant and Treatise of the National Association of Free Will Baptists, is organized to unify and promote the interests of its members and the common cause of the Redeemer by providing opportunities for ministerial fellowship, promoting efficiency among its members, and safeguarding the integrity and honor of its members.

ARTICLE I: NAME

This body shall be known as the Ministers' Conference of the Union Association of Free Will Baptists.

ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP

SECTION A: MEMBERS

The membership shall be comprised of all ordained and licensed ministers who are members of the Union Association of Free Will Baptists and who maintain good and regular standing in the Ministers' Conference. Each member's rights are freely protected in accordance with the *Treatise of Faith and Practices of Free Will Baptists*. A member of the Ministers' Conference desiring to serve as the pastor of a church that is not a member of the Union Association may petition the Ordaining Council for an exception so his membership in the Ministers' Conference may continue.

SECTION B: STANDING

Part 1: Good Standing

All members, including licensed ministers, shall be issued a card of good standing signed by the President and Clerk of the Ministers' Conference. The requirements for obtaining a card of good standing are as follows:

1. Preach a minimum of twelve (12) sermons per calendar year, unless otherwise excused.
2. Report in person to a minimum of two (2) of his respective Quarterly Meetings, and report to each of his respective Quarterly Meetings in writing, unless otherwise excused by the Licensing Committee.
3. Maintain membership in a local church that is a member of the Union Association of Free Will Baptists.
4. Maintain moral character and sound doctrine.

Part 2: Not in Good Standing

All members failing to meet the requirements of Article II, Section B, Part 1 shall receive the status of not in good standing with the Ministers' Conference and shall be denied all privileges of membership, including voting on Ministers' Conference business.

Part 3: Excused Members

Ministers who are physically unable to preach or retired may petition the Ministers' Conference to be excused from fulfilling the requirements of Article II, Section B, Part 1 with the exception of numbers three (3) and four (4).

Part 4: Annual Report

The Licensing Committee of the Quarterly Meetings will be responsible for collecting the quarterly reports of each minister and then forwarding said reports to the Union Association Ordaining Council and the Clerk of the Ministers' Conference prior to the annual Union Association Meeting.

Part 5: Card of Good Standing

Annually, at the beginning of each Union Association Meeting, each minister will pay the membership dues in an amount determined by the Ministers' Conference to the Ministers' Conference Clerk. Ministers in good standing pursuant to the provisions of this Constitution, By-Laws, and Standing Rules will receive a card of good standing. Such card will not be issued

without the payment of the necessary fee. This card is good for a one-year period, provided the minister remains compliant to the provisions of this Constitution, By-Laws, and Standing Rules. Ministers who are not required to submit an annual report due to retirement or disability will be issued a permanent card of good standing, which need not be renewed each year, provided said minister continues to comply with the standards established by this Constitution, By-Laws, and Standing Rules.

Part 6: Pastoring Non-Union Association Churches

Ordained ministers presently in good standing with the Union Association Ministers' Conference may be granted an exception by the Ordaining Council for the purpose of retaining their membership while pastoring a non-Union Association church. The process is as follows:

1. The minister shall petition the Ordaining Council in writing via the minister's current Quarterly Meeting Licensing Committee.
2. The minister must maintain the requirements for good standing (Article II, Section B, Part 1) in his current Quarterly Meeting, but he will be exempt from required church membership (Article II, Section B, Part 1, item 3).
3. He will report in person to the Licensing Committee annually while pastoring a non-Union Association church.
4. If the minister fails to meet these expectations, he will forfeit his credentials.

ARTICLE IV: OFFICERS

The Ministers' Conference shall convene for its annual session at the venue of the Annual Meeting of the Union Association of Free Will Baptists and at the time designated by the General Board.

ARTICLE IV: OFFICERS

1. President
2. Vice President
3. Clerk
4. Assistant Clerk
5. Ordaining Council
 - A. Consisting of three (3) members. Elected for a three (3) year term with one member being elected each year in order of expiration of term
6. Parliamentarian
 - A. Appointed by the President from among the membership for each session.
 - B. Any other officers that the Ministers' Conference deems necessary, provided such officers are elected by a majority vote of its members.

ARTICLE V: DUTIES OF OFFICERS

SECTION A: PRESIDENT

1. Preside over all meetings.
2. Enforce order and decorum while demanding a rigid respect for the Constitution, By-Laws, and Standing Rules of the Ministers' Conference and the Union Association of Free Will Baptists.
3. Ensure each member is given equal rights and privileges under the Constitution.
4. Be responsible for calling special sessions as necessary, setting the venue for such sessions, and notifying the members of such sessions.
5. Appoint all committees needful for the transaction of the Ministers' Conference business, unless otherwise provided for by the By-Laws.
6. Vote only in the instance of casting the deciding vote to break a tie, unless he relinquishes the Chair to another.

SECTION B: VICE PRESIDENT

1. Assume all the duties of the President in the President's absence, or if the office of the President is vacated.
2. Assist the President in the duties of his office.

SECTION C: CLERK

1. Keep a concise record of all proceedings, read them at the direction of the President, and have them printed in booklet form as the minutes, which are to be distributed among the members.

2. Receive and disburse all moneys raised by the Ministers' Conference in accordance with the direction of the Conference and submit a financial report each year at the annual meeting.
3. Be responsible for all correspondence as directed by the Ministers' Conference for communication with its members.
4. Keep a record of all members' last known addresses and notify them of any special sessions at least ten (10) days prior to such meeting.
5. By certified mail, notify any member who is not in good standing and/or whose credentials are revoked, and distribute a copy of this letter to the President.

SECTION D: ASSISTANT CLERK

1. Assume all duties of the Clerk in the absence of the Clerk or if the office of the Clerk is vacated.
2. Assist the Clerk in the duties of his office.

SECTION E: ORDAINING COUNCIL

1. Immediately following the election of a new member at the Annual Meeting, the Council shall meet and select from their number a Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Clerk who shall serve through the next session.
2. Investigate and question any and all candidates seeking admission to the Ministers' Conference and make recommendations for acceptance to the Ministers' Conference. An Ordaining Council decision to reject a candidate shall be final and need not be ratified by the Ministers' Conference.
3. Examine, recommend, and publicly ordain and/or recognize all candidates who have met the requirements of Article IX, Section E unless otherwise stipulated.
4. Investigate all charges brought against a member, call the accused to a hearing, and make recommendations to the Ministers' Conference regarding the outcome of the hearing.
5. The actions of the Ordaining Council must be reviewed and ratified by the Ministers' Conference, except in the case of its rejecting a candidate for ordination, either in its annual session or a special session which may be called for that purpose.
6. No member of the Ordaining Council shall delegate authority to another member of the Ordaining Council to cast his vote for him on any matter. Any member of the Ordaining Council may, however, send a proxy on his behalf. The rules for proxies are as follows:
 - A. A proxy must be a Free Will Baptist from the same Quarterly Meeting as the Ordaining Council member and have a card of good standing from the Ministers' Conference.
 - B. Said proxy shall have the same authority as the Ordaining Council member.
 - C. Said proxy must have written authorization from the Ordaining Council member for whom he acts.
 - D. The Clerk of the Union Association of Free Will Baptists shall be a standing proxy on the Ordaining Council in case of absence of any Ordaining Council member, provided the absent member has not sent a proxy in his stead. *In the event that an absent member has not sent a proxy and the standing proxy is not in attendance, the Ordaining Council may appoint a proxy who is an ordained minister in good standing.*

ARTICLE VI: CREDENTIALS

SECTION A: OWNERSHIP OF CREDENTIALS

All certificates of ordination issued by the Ministers' Conference are the property of the Union Association of Free Will Baptists and are held in trust by the minister while he satisfies the requirements of good standing as stated in Article II, Section B, Part 1. The credentials of any member shall not be revoked until said minister has been examined by the Ordaining Council and found guilty of failure to comply with the requirements of Article II, Section B, Part 1.

SECTION B: VALID CREDENTIALS

All certificates of ordination shall be of indefinite duration with the provision that such certificates are only valid when accompanied by the annual card of good standing from the Ministers' Conference or if the certificates are ratified by another recognized Free Will Baptist Association, at which time they become the property of that Association.

ARTICLE VII: QUARTERLY MEETING LICENSING COMMITTEE

SECTION A: PURPOSE

The Licensing Committee of each Quarterly Meeting shall examine all candidates seeking a license to preach the Gospel as to their Christian experience, faithfulness to Christ and the local church, and their divine call to the ministry and grant such license as it deems appropriate; and they shall examine the written reports of the licensed and ordained ministers in their respective Quarterly Meetings.

SECTION B: REQUIREMENTS FOR OBTAINING LICENSE

1. When a local church is assured of the validity of a candidate's call to the ministry, the church is to send a letter of recommendation to the Licensing Committee of the Quarterly Meeting of which the church is a member.
2. The candidate must be a member of the church recommending him for a period of no less than one (1) year and attend said church faithfully unless fulfilling a preaching appointment elsewhere.
3. The candidate for licensure will complete an application for license that will be reviewed and acted upon by the Quarterly Meeting Licensing Committee. The completed application, along with references and written work, shall be placed in a file that will be presented in its entirety to the Union Association Ordaining Council prior to the candidate's examination for ordination.
4. The candidate must conform to the standards established in 1 Timothy 3:1-7 and Titus 1:5-9.
5. In addition to the completion of the license application, each candidate for licensure as a Free Will Baptist minister within the Union Association shall submit to a criminal background check. This background check and subsequent report will be held in the strictest confidence. The report will only be read by the President of the Ministers' Conference with any pertinent information being shared only with the respective candidate's Quarterly Licensing Committee. Information revealed on this background check will not necessarily prohibit an individual from being licensed and ordained. However, refusal to submit to such examination and review will disqualify the candidate from the ordination process.
6. Upon the candidate's being granted a license to preach, his ministerial activity comes under the watch care of the Licensing Committee of the Quarterly Meeting of which he is a member.
7. The licensed minister must report by letter to all four (4) sessions of his respective Quarterly Meeting of which he is a member.
8. Each licensed minister will be required to attend the following: two (2) seminars prior to his examination for ordination:
 - A. Free Will Baptist Doctrine
 - B. Practical MinistryThe date, time, and location of these seminars will be posted in advance of the sessions. Additionally, each candidate will be required to submit one written synopsis of one of the required tests at each meeting of his respective Quarterly Meeting.
9. The schedule for the seminars and the required reading list will be determined by the Minister's Conference and will be made available to each minister upon his completion of the license application.
10. Whereas the ministry of the Ministers' Conference of the Union Association of Free Will Baptist includes ministries that utilize foreign languages, ministers from such ministries will be subject to comparable licensure and ordination requirements. For each foreign work, a panel of leaders will be appointed by the President of the Ministers' Conference, and such panel shall institute comparable procedures based upon materials available in the language of such ministries and will conduct seminars in the language of such ministries.

SECTION C: MAINTAINING LICENSE

The Quarterly Meeting Licensing Committee grants the licensee a license to preach, subject to annual review by the Licensing Committee, and is bound by the following requirements:

1. Hold a License for a minimum of two (2) years, within the year of the Union Association Annual Meeting, before being considered for ordination.
2. Appear before the Licensing Committee of the Quarterly Meeting at each anniversary of his license in order to renew such license until he is ordained.
3. Adhere to all the provisions of Article VII, Section B of the Constitution, By-Laws and Standing Rules.

SECTION D: AUTHORITY OF THE LICENSING COMMITTEE

The Licensing Committee may refuse to recommend a candidate for ordination for any reason it deems appropriate, or may ask a licensee to serve an additional year under license. All such decisions are entirely at the discretion of the Licensing Committee and may not be appealed to the Ordaining Council.

SECTION E: ANNUAL REPORT OF THE LICENSING COMMITTEE

The Licensing Committee of the Quarterly Meetings shall submit an annual report to the Union Association of Free Will Baptists Ordaining Council as to its work performed within the conference year. The report must be in the hands of the Clerk of the Ordaining Council no later than Monday morning of the week that the Union Association of Free Will Baptists convenes for the Annual Meeting, and it shall include the following:

1. A list of all candidates examined and the action taken as a result to the examination.
2. A list of all ministers who are in good standing.
3. A list of all ministers who are not in good standing accompanied by a statement as to why such ministers are not in good standing.

4. A list of all ministers recommended for ordination, ratification of credentials, or exchange of credentials.
5. A list of all ministers who are excused from reporting.

SECTION F: RECOMMENDING A LICENSEE FOR ORDINATION

Quarterly Meeting Licensing Committees are prohibited to recommend any candidate to the Ordaining Council for ordination who:

1. Has not completed the required courses of study, written reports, or seminars.
2. Has not served at least two (2) consecutive years under license.
3. Does not maintain a card of good standing within the Ministers' Conference.
4. Has been married more than one (1) time and his former wife is still living.
5. Has married a woman whose former husband is still living.
6. Fails or refuses to appear before the Ordaining Council at its annual meeting.
7. On his initial appearance before the Ordaining Council, the licensee brings the following:
 - A. His completed packet.
 - B. A completed ordination examination.
 - C. A letter of recommendation from the Union association Free Will Baptist church of which he is a member.
 - D. The licensee must also ensure that he is on the Quarterly License Committee Annual report recommending him for ordination.
8. **Excused Members** - An ordained minister desiring to retain his credentials in the Union association and having need to be excused from attending and/or submitting his report long term must:
 - A. Be retired from preaching and/or physically disabled.
 - B. Petition his License Committee to recommend him to the Minister's Conference Ordaining Council.
9. **Temporarily Excused Members** - Due to unforeseen circumstances, an ordained minister needing to be excused from attending and/or reporting to his Quarterly meeting temporarily must petition his License Committee and maintain the requirements of Article II, Section B, Part 1, numbers three (3) and four (4). When able to preach, he forfeits his excused status and he must resume reporting to and attending his Quarterly Meetings.

ARTICLE VIII: LICENSED MINISTER AS PASTOR

It is recommended that churches elect an ordained minister as pastor; however, a church may elect a licensed minister as pastor, subject to the following rules and limitations:

1. The licensee may, by virtue of being an elected pastor, moderate all church business meetings, and receive members into the church.
2. The licensee may administer all the ordinances of the Gospel except baptism. He may administer baptism if an ordained Free Will Baptist minister is present to assist him.
3. The licensee may not ordain deacons unless an ordained Free Will Baptist minister is present to assist him.
4. The licensee may not, under any circumstance, perform a marriage ceremony.
5. The licensee, as pastor, must satisfy the requirements of Article VII, Section B; additionally, he must attend two (2) of his respective Quarterly Meetings to remain in good standing, and he is expected to attend the Annual Meeting if possible.

ARTICLE IX: UNION ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS ORDAINING COUNCIL

SECTION A: PURPOSE

The Union Association of Free Will Baptists Ordaining Council shall examine all candidates for ordination, including those seeking to exchange or ratify their credentials, as to the candidates' Christian experience, faithfulness to Christ and the local church, and their divine call to the ministry, and they shall examine the annual reports of the Quarterly Meeting Licensing Committees in order to make a determination as to a member's standing within the Ministers' Conference.

SECTION B: MEETINGS

The regular annual meeting of the Ordaining Council will take place Monday morning, beginning at 9:00 AM at the venue of the Annual Meeting of the Union Association of Free Will Baptists for that particular year, for the purpose of examining candidates for ordination, ratification of credentials, and exchange of credentials. One member from each Quarterly Meeting's Licensing Committee is invited to participate with the Ordaining Council during the interview of candidates, but he will not have voting privileges in the decisions of the Ordaining Council. The Ordaining Council has the authority to call special meetings as it deems necessary to carry out its business.

SECTION C: CANDIDATES FOR RATIFICATION OF CREDENTIALS

When a minister or pastor from another church or association affiliated with the Nation Association of Free Will Baptists unites with a church that is a member of the Union Association of Free Will Baptists, the following are required in order for the minister's credentials to be ratified:

1. The church of which he is a member will provide a letter of recommendation to the Licensing Committee of the Quarterly Meeting of which the church is a member.
2. The minister seeking ratification shall present a letter of good standing from the association in which his membership was previously held.
3. The minister seeking ratification shall be bound by items 1-5, and items 8, 11-14, listed in Article IX, Section E.

The Ordaining Council is not permitted to ordain any candidate who:

- (1) Does not display conclusive evidence of conversion.
 - (2) Does not display reasonable and convincing evidence of a divine call to ministry.
 - (3) Is morally or mentally unfit.
 - (4) Has divorced a wife and married another while his divorced wife is still living.
 - (5) Has married a divorcee whose husband is still living.
 - (8) Has not been recommended by the Licensing Committee of the Quarterly Meeting of which the candidate's church is a member.
 - (9) Uses or sells alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs.
 - (10) Is a practicing homosexual or is involved in any other form of sexual perversion.
 - (11) Advocates or speaks in modern-day tongues, i.e. the charismatic gift of tongues.
 - (12) Advocates the New Age Movement or any cultic philosophy.
4. The minister seeking ratification shall meet with the Ordaining Council during its annual meeting and bring his certificate of Ordination with him for ratification.

SECTION D: CANDIDATES FOR EXCHANGE OF CREDENTIALS

A candidate desiring the credentials of the Union Association that has been ordained in any church/denomination not affiliated with the National Association of Free Will Baptists must satisfy the following requirements:

1. The Union Association church of which he is a minister shall recommend him at the next quarterly Meeting by letter to the Quarterly Meeting Licensing Committee for exchange of credentials.
2. The minister shall be subject to an oral examination from the Quarterly Meeting Licensing Committee. The questions asked can come from the Ordination exam. In the event that he does not provide adequate answers to the questions, it is recommended that he obtain the required books of study and is instructed to complete the written ordination exam and report back to the Quarterly Meeting Licensing Committee.
3. The minister seeking an exchange of credentials shall be bound by items 1-6, and items 7, 8, and 11-14 listed in Article IX, Section E.

The Ordaining Council is not permitted to ordain any candidate who:

- (1) Does not display conclusive evidence of conversion.
- (2) Does not display reasonable and convincing evidence of a divine call to ministry.
- (3) Is morally or mentally unfit.
- (4) Has divorced a wife and married another while his divorced wife is still living.
- (5) Has married a divorcee whose husband is still living.
- (7) Has not served under license for a minimum of two (2) years within the year of the annual meeting.

- (8) Has not been recommended by the Licensing Committee of the Quarterly Meeting of which the candidate's church is a member.
 - (11) Uses or sells alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs.
 - (12) Is a practicing homosexual or is involved in any other form of sexual perversion.
 - (13) Advocates or speaks in modern-day tongues, i.e. the charismatic gift of tongues.
 - (14) Advocates the New Age Movement or any cultic philosophy.
4. The minister seeking an exchange of credentials shall meet with the Ordaining Council during its annual meeting and shall bring his current certificate of ordination. If an exchange is granted, the minister may keep his previous certificate of ordination as a keepsake.

SECTION E: CANDIDATES FOR ORDINATION THAT HAVE GRADUATED FROM A CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

It is highly recommended that a candidate desiring credentials in the Union Association enter the ordination process one year before graduation.

A candidate desiring the credentials of the Union Association as an ordained minister must satisfy the following requirements:

- 1. The candidate must be a graduate of a Christian College and possess a degree that satisfies the Ordaining Council.
- 2. The candidate must meet all license requirements as detailed in Article VII, Section B.
- 3. The candidate must be licensed for a period of one (1) year before being considered for ordination.
- 4. The candidate must submit to the Ordaining Council a copy of his college manuscripts.
- 5. The candidate must submit to the Ordaining Council a completed Ordination exam.
- 6. The candidate must submit to the Ordaining Council a letter of recommendation from his local church.
- 7. The candidate must submit to the Ordaining Council a letter of recommendation from his Quarterly Meeting.

SECTION F: RESTRICTIONS ON ORDINATION

The Ordaining Council is not permitted to ordain any candidate who:

- 1. Does not display conclusive evidence of conversion.
- 2. Does not display reasonable and convincing evidence of a divine call to ministry.
- 3. Is morally or mentally unfit.
- 4. Has divorced a wife and married another while his divorced wife is still living.
- 5. Has married a divorcee whose husband is still living.
- 6. Has not been a member of the local church recommending him for a minimum of one (1) year.
- 7. Has not served under license for a minimum of two (2) years within the year of the annual meeting.
- 8. Has not been recommended by the Licensing Committee of the Quarterly Meeting of which the candidate's church is a member.
- 9. Has not completed the prescribed reading course listed in Article X.
- 10. Has not passed the written exam given by the Ordaining Council with a minimum of seventy-five percent (75%) of the responses being correct.
- 11. Uses or sells alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs.
- 12. Is a practicing homosexual or is involved in any other form of sexual perversion.
- 13. Advocates or speaks in modern-day tongues, i.e. the charismatic gift of tongues.
- 14. Advocates the New Age Movement or any cultic philosophy.

ARTICLE X: BOOKS AND STUDY COURSES FOR CANDIDATES

SECTION A: REQUIRED READING

- 1. The Bible.
- 2. Constitution and By-Laws of the Union Association and Ministers' Conference.
- 3. Treatise of the Faith and Practices of Free Will Baptists (included in FWB Handbook listed below).

SECTION B: REQUIRED STUDIES WITH REPORT (See addendum.)

SECTION C: SUGGESTED READING (See addendum.)

SECTION D: SUGGESTED TOOLS FOR SERMON PREPARATION (See addendum.)

ARTICLE XI: DISCIPLINE OF MINISTERS

SECTION A: THE LOCAL CHURCH

The local church may discipline an ordained or licensed minister with respect to his standing within the local church. However, the local church cannot nullify an ordained or licensed minister's standing in the Ministers' Conference, as such status is determined solely by the Ordaining Council.

SECTION B: THE MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

The following rights are vested in the Ministers' Conference:

1. Discipline of its members.
2. Settlement of any and all questions of conduct, doctrine, usage, behavior, and character.
3. Determination of whom and under what condition its members may be found in good standing.
4. All credentials are subject to recall by the Ministers' Conference, which, through its Ordaining Council, may call for them at its discretion.

No appeal may be made regarding disciplinary action.

SECTION C: CHARGES AGAINST A MINISTER

A minister against whom charges are presented shall be presumed innocent of such charges until proven guilty beyond any reasonable doubt. The full consideration of the charged minister's standing as a Christian brother must be made prior to submitting charges. Therefore, no charge may be considered which does not conform to the following:

1. Charges against a member by another member shall not be heard until the person submitting the charges has dealt with the accused according to the principles of Matthew 18:15-18, and the charges must bear the signature of a minimum of one (1) other member in good standing.
2. Charges against a member by a non-member minister shall not be heard unless such charges are confirmed by a minimum of two (2) ministers in good standing, and the charges must bear the signature of the said two (2) members in good standing.
3. Charges against a member by a local church shall not be heard until the majority of the members of that church have confirmed such charges and approved the bringing of the charge to such Ministers' Conference.
4. A written notice containing the specific charges and identifying the time and place of a hearing pertaining to the charges must be furnished to the accused minister via certified mail no less than one (1) month prior to his hearing before the Ordaining Council.

SECTION D: RESPONSIBILITIES OF PARTIES INVOLVED IN CHARGES

Part 1: The Accusers

The burden of proof of any accusation shall be upon the accusers and shall not devolve upon the Ordaining Council or the ministers who sign the charges. However, the ministers who sign such charges must be prepared to support their reasoning for affirming the charges.

Part 2: The Accused

A minister who is not willing to defend himself before his accusers forfeits his right to retain his credentials.

SECTION E: REINSTATEMENT

A minister who has been deposed may be reinstated if he provides sufficient evidence of true repentance and obtains a recommendation from the Ordaining Council.

ARTICLE XII: AMENDMENTS

The Constitution, By-Laws, and Standing Rules of the Ministers' Conference of the Union Association of Free Will Baptists may be amended at any regular session of the Ministers' Conference by a two-thirds (2/3) vote, provided the amendment is submitted in writing and laid on the table a minimum of one (1) day prior to the vote being taken.

ARTICLE XIII: RESOLUTIONS TO THE CONSTITUTION

SECTION A: TOBACCO AND SECRET ORGANIZATIONS

Whereas the Ministers' Conference has no official ruling pertaining to tobacco and secret organizations, we resolve that each member is to prayerfully consider the effect that his use of tobacco and his membership in any secret organization will have on his personal testimony and on the effectiveness of his ministry.

SECTION B: RIGHTS OF MINISTERS FROM MISSION CHURCHES

Whereas the Ministers' Conference wholeheartedly supports the ministry and work of both Home and International Missions and wishes to encourage those who are faithfully serving in mission work, be it resolved that a mission church that is within our associational fellowship shall have the same rights in recommending men for licensing, ordination, ratification of credentials, and exchange of credentials as the organized member churches. Be it further resolved that faithful service in a mission church that is within our associational fellowship shall earn a candidate the same rights as membership in an organized member church.

BY-LAWS

1. A portion of Scripture shall be read from the King James Version of the Bible by the President and prayer offered at the beginning of each session, regular or called, and all meetings shall be closed with prayer or a benediction.
2. The President or Vice President shall call the meeting to order at the venue determined by the program committee of the Union Association of Free Will Baptists. In the event that both are absent, the Clerk shall take charge of the election of a *President pro tem* to serve until one or both are present or until a regular presiding officer has been elected and installed.
3. The most recent version of *Robert's Rules of Order* shall serve as the final authority in parliamentary procedure.
4. All ministers serving churches in the Union Association of Free Will Baptists are encouraged to become affiliated with the Ministers' Conference. A non-member minister, being called to a pastorate, may assume charge of work within the Ministers' Conference, but it is requested that he submit his credentials to the Ordaining Council for approval and receive an endorsement at the next annual meeting for the position which he holds.
5. Any member moving his membership to another denomination without first securing a letter of recommendation from the Ministers' Conference shall be dropped from the rolls and shall be considered in contempt. Notification of such contempt shall be published in the minutes of the Ministers' Conference.
6. All questions of faith, practice, moral conduct, and spiritual conduct shall be decided and disposed by the Ministers' Conference upon the recommendation of the Ordaining Council.
7. *If a minister is unable to attend the annual Ministers' Conference he must request to be excused by submitting a written explanation to the clerk of the Ministers' Conference.* Any member who fails to attend two (2) consecutive sessions of the Ministers' Conference, unless retired or excused due to illness or other providential hindrance, shall be investigated and, if found to be careless, admonished by the Ordaining Council. If he refuses to accept the prescribed disciplinary action, the member shall be excluded from the body.
8. Visitors to the Ministers' Conference may be seated as advisory council and may be permitted to speak. Under no circumstance will a visitor be permitted to cast a vote on Ministers' Conference business.
9. The presiding officer shall not allow any discussion that is not carried on in a Christian spirit.
10. The Licensing Committee of each Quarterly Meeting must report any ordained minister who is not in good standing to the Ordaining Council with reasons stated as to why the minister is not in good standing.
11. The Constitution, By-Laws, and Standing Rules shall supersede any and all rules that have passed in previous sessions.
12. These By-Laws may be amended at any regular session of the Ministers' Conference by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those present and voting, provided the amendment has been submitted in writing at least one (1) day prior to the vote.

STANDING RULES

1. A quorum shall consist of members present and in good standing for any meeting.
2. An honorarium in an amount determined by the Ministers' conference shall be given to the featured speaker (s) at the annual session of the Ministers' Conference.
3. Standing rules may be amended at any regular session of the Ministers' Conference by a majority vote of those present and voting.

ADDENDUM

SECTION B: REQUIRED STUDIES WITH REPORT

1st Quarter: *Read entire Bible over the next 2 years.* Give a synopsis on the possibility of apostasy using 3 scriptures from the King James Bible as your last synopsis.

2nd Quarter: *Free Will Baptist Doctrines*, J.D. O'Donnell

3rd Quarter: *How to Prepare Bible Messages*, James Braga.

4th Quarter: *Free Will Baptist Handbook*, Matt Pinson.

5th Quarter: *Church Administration Handbook*, Bruce Powers.

6th Quarter: *Biblical Preaching*, Haddon Robinson.

7th Quarter: *Grace, Faith and Free Will*, Robert Picirilli.

8th Quarter: *Biblical Ethics*, Leroy Forlines

SECTION C: SUGGESTED READING

Christ Centered Preaching, Bryan Chapell

Christian Ethics in a Postmodern World, James Eckman

Competent to Counsel, Jay E. Adams

Four Views on Eternal Security, Matt Pinson

Lifestyle Evangelism, Joe Aldrich

Marriage, Divorce, and Remarriage, Jay E. Adams

My Utmost for His Highest (updated), Oswald Chambers

Power Through Prayer, E. M. Bounds

Quest for Truth, Leroy Forlines

Spiritual Leadership, J. Oswald Sanders

Surprising Insights From the Unchurched, Tom Rainer

Teaching to Change Lives, Howard Hendricks

The Soul Winner, Charles H. Spurgeon

The Universe Next Door: A Basic Worldview, James W. Sire

Why Revival Tarries, Leonard Ravenhill

SECTION D: SUGGESTED TOOLS FOR SERMON PREPARATION

New Strong's Exhaustive Concordance for the Bible, James Strong, Thomas Nelson

A good Bible dictionary: *Unger's*; *New Nelson's*; *Holman*, etc. (included in the *PC Study Bible*)

International Standard Bible Encyclopedia (included in the *PC Study Bible*)

Randall House Commentaries

Wuest's Word Studies (NT, 4 Vol. Set)

PC Study Bible Version 4 Advanced, BibleSoft (includes many of study tools listed plus more)

Beacon Bible Commentary (10 Vol. Set)

Preacher's Sourcebook, Robert Morgan (Annual Publication from Nelson)

Unger's Commentary on the Old Testament, Merrill Unger

Barnes' Notes on the Old and New Testaments, Albert Barnes (included in the *PC Study Bible*)

Nave's Topical Bible, Orville J. Nave (included in the *PC Study Bible*)

Treasury of Scripture Knowledge, Charles Spurgeon (included in the *PC Study Bible*)

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