

MINUTES OF THE
143RD ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
UNION FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

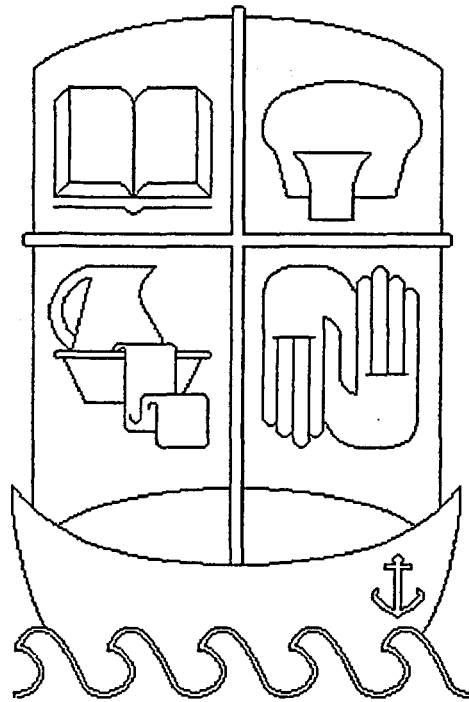


First Free Will Baptist Church
910 Hoback Street
Erwin, TN 37650

Theme: "Knowing the time, It's High Time. . . "
Romans 13:11

August 14-15, 2015

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Evergreen Free Will Baptist Church, Erwin, TN

Moderator

Tim Roach

Clerk

Jeff Davis

Union Free Will Baptist Association

Union Minister's Conference

Union District Women Active for Christ

Theme: "Knowing the Time, It's High Time To..."

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Assistant Moderator
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Union Women Active for Christ

President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer

Mitzi Satterfield
Betty Fleshman
Jane Bailey

2015 ASSOCIATIONAL PROCEEDINGS

OPENING SESSION

Friday Morning, August 14, 2015

The opening session of the 143rd annual Union Free Will Baptist Association convened August 14, 2015 at the Evergreen Free Will Baptist Church in Erwin, TN. The meeting was called to order by Clerk, Jeff Davis, who introduced the Moderator, Tim Roach, pastor of the Limestone Free Will Baptist Church, Limestone, TN.

The Moderator gave a welcome and Dennis Caldwell prayed the opening prayer. The congregation sang "Blessed Assurance". Tim Roach gave the Moderator's Message using Romans 13:11 as his text.

Following the 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 Roach appointed Jesse Hartgrove as the parliamentarian.

Brian Capps was called upon to give the treasurer's report (see report). A motion carried to receive the report.

The Moderator then called for the reports from the various conferences. Central Quarterly report was given by Jeff Blake; Eastern Fellowship report was given by Clerk Jeff Davis as emailed to him by Moderator Tim York; the Northern Quarterly had no report (see reports).

Following these reports we had an altar of prayer for the Eastern Fellowship and the decisions that need to be made in the future concerning their quarterly.

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

1. Planned the Annual Conference
2. Filed incorporation papers with the State of Tennessee
3. Brought to the Association three (3) items
 - a. Appoint a committee to look into a policy on marriage and human sexuality.
 - b. Honorariums
 - c. Placement of the 2016 Union Association

Motion passed to receive report and act on them item by item. 1. Motion passed to appoint committee and recommend that local churches adopt policy as given by National

Association. Committee members appointed by Moderator are John Buchanan, Jesse Hartgrove, Tim York, Mitzi Satterfield and Ed Maynard.; 2. Motion passed that the following Honorariums would be Moderator \$600.00, Clerk \$600.000 and Treasurer \$1000.00; 3. Motion passed that Peace FWB Church in Morristown, TN will host the 2016 Union Association on August 19 and 20

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

1. David Osborne, North American Ministries, planting a FWB church in Wytheville, VA
2. Jerry Gibbs, FWB International Missions
3. Frank Woods, FWB Family Ministries

Announcements were made and we recessed until morning worship.

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Friday, August 14, 2015

A welcome was given by Tim Roach. The Congregation sang "Glory to His Name". Altar prayer was given by the congregation. Following the prayer, there was a time of testimony.

Kevin Rose. Pastor of the Eastern Star FWB Church, preached the morning message using as his text Ecclesiastes 3:1-2. Title of the sermon was "It's Time to Stop Sowing Certain Seeds".

Noah Taylor, host pastor, gave instructions for the lunch and asked the blessing on the food. We recessed until 1:10 P.M.

AFTERNOON BUSINESS SESSION

Friday, August 14, 2015

Moderator Tim Roach called the afternoon session into order. Charlie Frazier had scripture and prayer. The congregation sang "Amazing Grace".

We continued with reports from various individuals. These reports were received as information (see reports).

1. Verlin Anderson, Christian Health Service
2. Glenn Poston, Tennessee State Promotional Director
3. Barry Simpson, FWB Foundation
4. Danny Conn, Randall House Publications

5. Earl Langley, Welch College

We recessed until 9:00 A.M. on Saturday, August 15, 2015.

MORNING BUSINESS SESSION

Saturday, August 15, 2015

Moderator Tim Roach called the session into order. Paul Moore had scripture and prayer.

The following Union reports were given (see reports).

1. Union Camp (received as information)
2. Resolution Committee
3. Prayer Committee
4. Obituary Committee
5. Nominating Committee

Motions were made and passed to receive and act on items 2 through 5. Motion passed on all items.

There was no Old Business.

Motion passed that the delegates to the Tennessee State Association are to be appointed by the Moderator at the State Meeting.

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Saturday, August 15, 2015

The morning worship service began with the congregation singing "Nothing but the Blood". Prayer was by Doyle Pruitt. Dennis Caldwell provided special music. The morning sermon was delivered by Willie Winters, pastor of New Bethel FWB Church. He used as his text Romans 13:11-12.

Motion passed that we adjourn the 143rd Annual Session of the Union Free Will Baptist Association. Barry Simpson dismissed in prayer.

2015 Registration Report

Visitors	20
Ordained Deacons	4
Ordained Ministers	45
Elected Delegates	4
Total	73

2016 Committees

Resolutions Committee

Doug King (Central), Chair
Jackie Cole (Eastern)
Chris Castle (Northern)

Prayer Request Committee

Willie Winters (Central), Chair
Danny Conn (Eastern)
Jerry Davenport (Northern)

Obituary Committee

Dennis Caldwell (Central), Chair
Donnie Roberts (Eastern)
Jason Castle (Northern)

Nominating Committee (Committee on Committees)

Lynn Neas (Central), Chair
Noah Taylor (Eastern)
Aaron Knight (Northern)

North American Ministries

David Osborn, Wytheville, VA

Thank you for allowing me a few minutes to share with you are burden and vision to plant a Free Will Baptist Church in Wytheville, VA. Please let us know if we can help you or if we could come and have a service for you. There is some material on the back table that will tell you more about our work and vision. Thank you for this time and for your support and prayers.

Free Will Baptist International Missions

Jerry Gibbs

Thank you for your prayers and support for FWBIM. There are a few things that I want to draw your attention to: WMO is coming this April. Please do what you can to help in the WMO offering. ETEAM is a student mission program during the summer that gives high school students the opportunity to train and serve on a mission field. I encourage you to support and help students in this program.

Free Will Baptist Family Ministries

Frank Woods

I bring you greeting from Free Will Baptist Family Ministries in Greeneville, TN. The Lord is blessing us. Please look at the latest edition of the newsletter for a detailed report. I want to tell you about The Maggie House in Arkansas. It will be a wonderful building and asset to Family Ministries. Please take a look at the picture that I have up front. Thank you for your support and prayers.

Christian Health Service

Verlin Anderson

Thank you for allowing me a spot on the program to share with you some exciting things that are happening through CHS. We are raising our support to go back in a few weeks to help with this project. Information is located on the table and I encourage you to please pick it up. Also, I will be around during the meeting and would love to talk to you personally.

Tennessee State Office

Glenn Poston (see attached report)

Free Will Baptist Foundation

Barry Simpson

We are going to local churches and presenting a program with Cornerstone Estate Planning. We have been in many of your churches but would like to come in some more. We charge nothing to do the program, we are just asking the people of your church to set things in order by creating an estate plan for their lives.

Randall House Publications

Danny Conn

We are excited to be rolling out D6 second generation in September. Danny then showed a short video introducing the D6 second generation concept.

Welch College

Earl Langley

Classes are beginning soon and that always brings excitement onto the campus. The big news is that the 3606 West End Avenue campus has sold and building has begun at the Gallatin location. Plans are to have students on the campus by September 2016 and no later than December 2016.

Obituary Committee Report

The following names were submitted:

Pauline Chase from Eastern Star FWBC
Rev. Paul Presley from Easter Star FWBC
Barbara Fields from 1st FWBC, Church Hill
Greg Mabe from 1st Surgoinville FWBC
Ada Wilson, from 1st Surgoinville FWBC
James Marcum from 1st Surgoinville FWBC
Rev. Carl Ferrell from Goshen Valley FWBC
J.R. Woods from Goshen Valley FWBC
Viola Bevins from Midfield FWBC
Billy Dingus from Midfield FWBC
Charles Murrell (deacon) from Midfield FWBC
Fleets Smith from Mount Carmel FWBC
Ona Hickman from Mount Carmel FWBC
Fran Morelock from Mount Carmel FWBC
Larry Mowell from Phipps Bend FWBC
Imogene Smith from Kingsley Ave. FWBC
Ann Franklin from Kingsley Ave. FWBC
Gordan Greenway from Kingsley Ave. FWBC

Nominating Committee Report

The following persons are nominated:

Moderator: John Buchanan

Assistant Moderator: Mark McDavid

Clerk: Edward Maynard

Assistant Clerk: Tim Carson

For 2016:

Resolution Committee: Doug King, Jackie Cole and Chris Castle

Prayer Request Committee: Willie Winters, Danny Conn and Jerry Davenport

Obituary Committee: Dennis Caldwell, Donnie Roberts and Jason Castle

Nominating Committee: Lynn Neas, Noah Taylor and Aaron Knight

Placement Committee

The Union Free Will Baptist Association will be meeting with the Central Quarterly this upcoming year (2016). We will be meeting at the Peace Free Will Baptist Church in Morristown, TN on Friday and Saturday, August 19 and 20, 2016.

Union Women Active for Christ

President Dannah Davis

The Union Women Active for Christ met on Saturday, August 15, 2015. We approved the yearly Financial Report as given by Treasurer Jane Bailey. We agreed to consider restructuring the Union Women Active for Christ. A letter will be sent to all churches in the Union Association inviting input from the ladies concerning this matter.

Union Association Financial Report
August 2014 - July 2015

Balance Forward - August 1, 2014 \$16,098.10

Revenues

Bethany	\$240.00
Central Quarterly	\$11,250.00
Community Chapel	\$600.00
Eastern Fellowship	\$2,800.00
General Fund Offering	\$126.00
Fellowship	\$600.00
Jackson's Chapel	\$1,100.00
Minister's Conference	\$0.00
McMillian	\$48.00
Morrison City	\$450.00
Mount Carmel	\$0.00
Northern Quarterly	\$5,950.00
New Home	\$675.00
St. Joseph	\$100.00
Tennessee State Association	\$246.65
Union Chapel	\$360.00
White Pine	\$225.00
Total Revenues	\$24,770.65

Disbursements

Annual Fees	\$16,800.00
Camp	\$1,100.00
International Missions	\$1,119.00
Home Missions	\$1,101.00
Tennessee Unified Fund	\$824.85
Total Disbursements	\$20,944.85
Balance Forward	\$16,098.10
Add Funds Designated to General	\$3,825.80
Balance in Account	\$19,923.90

Expenses

Speakers for Union	\$100.00
Honorarium For Treasurer	\$1,000.00
Honorarium For Clerk	\$600.00
Honorarium For Moderator	\$600.00
Mileage	\$297.59
Newport Printing	\$554.25
Secretary of State	\$20.00
Total Expenses	\$3,171.84

Total in Treasury - July 31, 2015 \$16,752.06

Greetings from the Central Quarterly Meeting. We currently have a total of 36 churches. The total number of churches with full time pastors is 18, and the total number of churches with bi-vocational pastors is 18.

We have an estimated membership of 3,407. The total number of ordained ministers is 56 and the number of licensed ministers is 18. We have 90 ordained deacons.

Our estimated Sunday School enrollment is 2815.

Our Hispanic Church (always Happy) in Chuckey is doing very well. Brother Hosea is working hard, as his church continues to grow. They are now a part of the Central Quarterly.

The Lord has really been blessing us in our Quarterly Meetings this year with great preaching and the presence of the Holy Spirit. Our attendance has been up at our Quarterly meetings. We believe God has great things in store for us in the coming year. We pray the Lord bless this meeting of the Union Association and fill us with his spirit.

Central Quarterly Moderator

Jeff Blake

Eastern Fellowship of the Union Association

Rev. Tim York, Moderator

Greetings from the Eastern Fellowship of the Union Association of Free Will Baptists. The Lord has truly blessed this year in our churches.

The Eastern Fellowship will convene at the following places during 2015 and 2016 at 6:30 p.m. for business and 7:00 p.m. for worship:

November 2, 2015 at Faith FWB Church, Johnson City Tn

February 1, 2016 at Red Hill FWB Church, Marshall, NC

May 2, 2016 TBA

August 2016 Annual Meeting of the Union Association

Eastern Fellowship is struggling to have attendance and participation. It is becoming apparent that the future of the Eastern Fellowship is in danger. Please pray for wisdom as we seek to find and know the will of God in this matter.

Respectfully,

Rev. Tim York Moderator

UNION CAMP REPORT 2015

THE UNION STARTED UP THE FIRST TWO WEEKS OF JUNE AGAIN THIS YEAR WITH A GREAT DEAL OF EXCITEMENT. WE HAD A TOTAL OF 136 CAMPERS FOR THE TWO WEEKS OF CAMP AND THERE WAS A TOTAL OF 34 PEOPLE SAVED, BOTH WEEKS WE HAD MANY FIRST TIME CAMPERS.

IN THE FIRST WEEK WE FOUND OUT THAT THREE OF OUR YOUNG MEN THAT PLAYED IN THE OAK FIRE BAND WOULD BE LEAVING TO GO INTO THE SERVICE. BROTHER PHILLIP DOTSON WHOM IS ALREADY IN THE SERVICE WOULD BE LEAVING SHORTLY GOING TO SOUTH KOERA TO SERVE AND ANDREW DOTSON ALONG WITH PRESTON FORD WOULD BE LEAVING IN AUGUST TO TRAIN. THESE YOUNG MEN ALONG WITH MANY OTHERS THAT HELP WITH CAMP ARE SO IMPORTANT TO THE CAMP WORK WE WANTED TO DO SOMETHING TO HONOR THEM. SO WE ASK A COUPLE OF GUYS TO CARRY THE FLAGS IN AND EVERYONE SANG THE STAR SPANGLE BANNER AND THEN WE ASK EVERYONE TO COME AROUND THESE YOUNG MEN TO PRAY FOR THEM AND WHAT A SPECIAL TIME THIS WAS AND THE LORD MOVE IN A GREAT WAY AND MANY OF THE PEOPLE WERE SAVE IN THIS SERVICE THAT NIGHT.

MANY HAVE SAID AND I AGREE THAT THIS WAS THE BEST TWO WEEKS OF CAMP EVER AND WE THANK THE LORD FOR HIS BLESSING.

Resolution Committee

Be it resolved, that a public acknowledgment of Evergreen Free Will Baptist Church is in order for their hosting the Union Association of Free Will Baptists.

Be it resolved, that the Union Association of Free Will Baptist would all pray to our Lord, that our great state of Tennessee, would pass laws by protecting our ministers when denying to preform weddings of same sex couples.

Respectfully Submitted,
Gary Hodges
Shannon Lane

**Promotional Director's Report to the
Union Association of Free Will Baptists
August 14-15, 2015**

I am happy to report that things seem to be going very well at the Tennessee State Office. I will soon go into my ninth year in the promotional office and I feel a special kinship with most of our pastors and churches. I appreciate all you who contribute, pray for, and support the denominational work. I am especially grateful to those who support state office.

The way the culture is going in the United States and around the world makes me believe stronger than ever before that God's people need to stick together. The recent rulings of the Supreme Court (SCOTUS) have caused a great deal of concern and reminded us of our need to look to God for His guidance and His sustaining grace so that we will be able to stand in these perilous times. We must also act in a judicious manner to protect ourselves from retaliation from those bent on doing harm to the work of God.

I would encourage churches to incorporate to protect individual members and officers from being sued personally. I would also encourage churches to adopt strong doctrinal statements and incorporate them into their documents, by-laws and policies. We must outline what the church believes about same sex marriage, homosexual behavior, and other forms of immorality. Churches should take great care to be consistent in who they allow to use their facilities especially if they charge a fee for doing so. If any church needs samples of how documents need to be worded, I will be glad to offer some suggestions. We should always be ready to speak the truth in love.

We have many bright spots across the state. These include many young men answering the call to the ministry. Some of our stronger churches are being pastored by young men. Our mission works in Oakland and Clarksville are growing and getting stronger. The Christian Education Board is doing an outstanding job with encouraging our young people. Not only do they supervise the state Bible, Music, and Arts competition, but they also sponsor a growing state-wide youth conference the weekend before the state meeting. Scores of fine young people represented Tennessee at the National Association in Grand Rapids last month. Several of our fine young people participated in E-Teams and Truth and Peace.

Family Ministries continues to do a great work in so many facets of ministry including traditional childcare, foster care programs, the Hope Center, retirement facilities, The Oaks Retreat Center, and many more services connected to the family. On September 28-29 Family Ministries will host a free conference at The Oaks called "Contending for the Truth in a World of Shifting Values." The conference will feature a number of top-notch speakers.

On the national level, Tennessee continues to be one of the leading contributors to national ministries. We lead Welch College in the number of students from our state and consistently rank near the top in giving to Home and International Missions. Thank you for what you do to support these vital ministries. Randall House has launched a new curriculum series called *D-6, 2nd Generation*. I encourage you to use our denominational publishing house. You can always rely on the literature being true to our Free Will Baptist doctrine. The Board of Retirement continues to help those who serve our churches with a good retirement program. Every church ought to contribute to their pastor's retirement program especially if he is full-time and does not have a program through secular employment.

The Free Will Baptist Foundation is actively trying to help our denominational ministries by encouraging good estate planning. The Foundation has grown tremendously in the last few years and many ministries have benefited from this department. WNAC has done well under the leadership of Elizabeth Hodges and is making a difference not only in the lives of women in our churches but by being a strong supporter of our missionaries. Most of you are aware that Master's Men is now under the auspices of Home Missions. Brother Ken Akers and his team have done a tremendous job activating our men to get involved in mission projects and disaster response teams. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, contact Brother Akers and ask to get involved.

Thank you for your support of all our ministries. Please join us in Pigeon Forge, November 9-11 this year. We have a great theme and program planned. May God bless you richly. Please call on me if I can assist you in any way.

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 Evergreen Date 8 11-15 2015 (month/day/year)
 Reporting Period May 1 2014 to May 1 20 (month/year)
 Moderator Jeff Blake Phone (423) 636-1307
 Address 725 Old Newport Hwy Email _____
 City Greenville State TN Zip 37743
 Clerk Tim Carson Phone (423) 450-0046
 Address 595 Main Street Email preachcarson@comcast
 City Murshwin State TN Zip 37810

Delegates

1. Ordained Ministers
 2. Licensed Ministers
 3. Ordained Deacons

4. _____
 5. _____

A. CHURCH CHARACTERISTICS

1. Number of churches 36
 2. Number of churches reporting 34
 3. Number of churches:
 Within city limits 5
 Rural 34
 4. Total number of churches with:
 Full-time pastors 12
 Bi-vocational pastors 18

B. MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

1. Baptisms 102
 2. Members added 174
 3. Members lost 269
 4. Membership 3407

C. STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

1. Income of all churches \$ 2,776,780.22
 2. Number of churches with budgets _____

D. BUILDING INFORMATION

1. Number of churches with parsonages 3
 2. Value of all church property including parsonages \$ 14,192,840.00

E. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Number of ordained ministers 56
 Licensed ministers 18
 (Attach names, addresses, and phone numbers)
 2. Number of ordained deacons 18
 3. Number of:
 Daycares None
 Christian Schools None
 Bible Institutes None
 Colleges None
 4. Sunday School enrollment _____

E. ASSOCIATIONAL PROPERTY (Camp, school, etc.)

Name _____
 Value \$ _____

District association minutes requested 40 State association minutes requested 40
 Representation fees enclosed: Quarterly \$ _____ District \$ _____ State \$ _____ National \$ _____

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

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 Foxtall Lane Kingsport, TN 37660 423-246-9476
Bridgeport FWB Church P: 1525 E. Hwy 25-70 Newport, TN 37821 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 Baileyton Road Greeneville, TN 37745	Gary Gass 3210 Baileyton 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 Talbott, TN 37877 M: 7037 Maxwell Terrace Talbott, TN 37877 865-475-8689		Joy Smith 7037 Maxwell Terrace Talbott, 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

Faithful View FWB Church
P: 93 Dude Lane
Bulls Gap, TN 37711
M: 93 Dude Lane
Bulls Gap, TN 37711

Fellowship FWB Church
P: 278 Adams and Corby Road
Limestone, TN 37681
M: 503 Virginia Street
Unicoi, TN 37692
423-257-4455

Fugate FWB Church
P: 1231 Fugate Road
Del Rio, TN 37727
M: 1231 Fugate Road
Del Rio, TN 37727

Gethesemane FWB Church
P: Good Hope Road
Parrottsville, TN 37843
M: P.O. Box 303
Newport, TN 37822

Anthony Payne
1174 Gap Mountain Road
Greeneville, TN 37745
423-620-7099

Janice Tullock
525 Choctaw Drive
Chuckey, TN 37641
423-257-6795

Judy Burns
13485 Lonesome Pine TR
Greeneville, TN 37745
423-234-5231

Gary Hodges
560 Boring Cahpel Rd
Johnson City, TN 37651
423-477-7660

Brenda Cutshall
205 L.C. Mckee Road
Jonesborough, TN 37659
423-753-4514

Camey Caldwell
106 Old Fifteenth Road
Del Rio, TN 37727
423-487-5251

Paul Sawyer
114 Church Road
Hot Springs, NC 28743
828-622-3415

Kenneth Wilson
351 Carson Springs Road
Newport, TN 37821
423-623-3134

Jeannie Lane
P.O. Box 303
Newport, TN 37822
865-322-5144

Central Quarterly Churches

Green Ridge FWB Church
P: 1250 Green Ridge Loop
Afton, TN 37616
M: 1255 Green Ridge Loop
Afton, TN 37616

Greeneville First FWB Church
P: 502 East Church Street
Greeneville, TN 37743
M: 502 East Church Street
Greeneville, TN 37743
423-638-5351

Greystone FWB Church
P: 5350 Greystone Road
Greeneville, TN 37743
M: 730 Laws Road
Greeneville, TN 37743

Harris Memorial FWB Church
P: 4090 Sunnysdale Road
Greeneville, TN 37743
M: 4090 Sunnysdale Road
Greeneville, TN 37743

Hot Springs FWB Church
P: 774 River Road
Hot Springs, NC 28743
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Hot Springs, NC 28743

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423-422-7540

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Greeneville, TN 37745
423-639-3664

Roger Stockton
3711 Bluefield Drive
Johnson City, TN 37601
423-926-5895

Ken Smith
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Greeneville, TN 37743
423-638-8735
kenpastorteachs@peoplepc.com

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Mars Hill, NC 28754
828-689-3590

Donna Hampton
155 Green Ridge Loop
Afton, TN 37616
423-257-3305

Frances G. Darnell
1443 Piney Grove Road
Greeneville, TN 37743
423-638-6959

Sandra Hopson
790 Laws Road
Greeneville, TN 37743
423-639-2843

Melvin Seaton
2317 Sunnysdale Road
Greeneville, TN 37743
423-638-6277

Betty Holt
842 Tolley Hollow Road
Newport, TN 37821
423-625-2037

Central Quarterly Churches

Jackson Chapel FWB Church
P: 262 Little Chuckey Cutoff
Mosheim, TN 37818
M: 262 Littl Chuckey Cutoff
Mosheim, TN 37818
423-639-9003

Kingsley Avenue FWB Church
P: 213 Kingsley Avenue
Greeneville, TN 37743
M: 302 Royce Street
Greeneville, TN 37743
423-639-6785

Liberty FWB Church
P: 252 Liberty Church Drive
Chuckey, TN 37641
M: 252 Liberty Church Drive
Chuckey, TN 37641

Limestone FWB Church
P: 3709 Old State Route 34
Limestone, TN 37681
M: 3709 Old State Route 34
Limestone, TN 37681
423-257-3163
lfbwc@atn.net

McMillian FWB Church
P: 235 Loblolly Drive
Mosheim, TN 37818
M: 235 Loblolly Drive
Mosheim, TN 37818

Jeff Blake
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Greeneville, TN 37743
423-636-1307
jtslake@comcast.net

Doyle Pruitt
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Greeneville, TN 37743
423-798-0714

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Central Quarterly Churches

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M: 2610 Warrensburg Rd
Greeneville, TN 37743

Muddy Creek FWB Church
P: 2386 Hills Chapel Road
Dandridge, TN 37725
M: 2386 Hills Chapel Road
Dandridge, TN 37725
865-484-1550

New Bethel FWB Church
P: 707 Highway 160
Newport, TN 37821
M: c/o 425 Ruble Avenue
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New Home FWB Church
P: 2350 Holt Town Road
Newport, TN 37821
M: 2350 Holt Town Road
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423-623-5859

Newport First FWB Church
P: 188 Jimtown Road
Newport, TN 37821
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www.peacefwbchurch.org

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Central Quarterly Churches

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Greeneville, TN 37745
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Union Chapel FWB Church
P: 5915 Erwin Highway
Chuckey, TN 37641
M: 5915 Erwin Highway
Chuckey, TN 37641
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M: 4920 Shackelford Road
Mosheim, TN 37818
423-422-7388

White Pine First FWB Church
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White Pine, TN 37890
M: P.O. Box 245
White Pine, TN 37890
865-674-7100

Woods Memorial FWB Church
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Bulls Gap, TN 37711
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ANNUAL LETTER FROM QUARTERLY MEETING TO DISTRICT ASSOCIATION
OR
DISTRICT ASSOCIATION TO STATE ASSOCIATION

Eastern Fellowship to Union Association
(Name of Quarterly Meeting or District Association) (Name of District Association or State Association)
Meeting at Evergreen FWS Church on 3/15/15, 2015
(Date)
Period of time this report covers: From May, 2014 to May, 2015
Present Moderator's Name Tim York Telephone (615) 947-2505
Mailing Address 2015 Harbor Dr.
City Smeyan State TN Zip 37167

DELEGATES:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

A. CHURCH CHARACTERISTICS

1. Total number of churches 6
2. Total number of churches in:
City/Town 4 Rural 2
3. Total number of churches reporting 4
4. Total number of churches with:
Full-time pastors 4
Bi-vocational pastors 2

B. MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

1. Total number of baptisms 31
2. Total members added 32
3. Total members lost 6
4. Total membership 600

C. STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

1. Total income of all churches \$ 550,000
2. Total number of churches with budgets 3

D. BUILDING INFORMATION

1. Total number of churches with parsonages 3
2. Total value of all church property, including parsonages \$ 3,150,000

E. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Total number of ordained ministers* 9
licensed ministers* 1
2. Total number of ordained deacons 10
3. Total number of churches with:
Day Care 0
Kindergarten 0
Christian Day School 0
Bible Institute 0
College 0
4. Total Sunday School enrollment 328
5. Total CTS enrollment 35
6. Total WNAC enrollment 0
7. Total Master's Men enrollment 0

Number of district association minutes requested _____

Number of state association minutes requested _____

Representation fees enclosed: Quarterly \$ _____ District \$ _____ State \$ _____ National \$ _____

Signed: Clerk's Name NOAH TAYLOR Telephone (252) 560-7757

Mailing Address 1030 Avail Run

City Erwin State TN Zip 37650

*Attach names, mailing addresses and telephone numbers.

Order from Executive Office, P.O. Box 5002, Antioch, Tennessee 37011-5002.
Please make a photocopy for your records.

Form 503 (Rev. 2/04)

Eastern Fellowship

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Evergreen FWB Church P: 910 Hoback Street Erwin, TN 37650 M: 910 Hoback Street Erwin, TN 37650 423-743-9441 evergreenchurch@comcast.net	Noah Taylor 643 Ohio Ave. Erwin, TN 37650 252-560-7757 n.taylor@evergreenfwb.com	Walter Harris 107 Rolling Hills RD Erwin, TN 37650 423-743-9458
Faith FWB Church P: 824 N. State of Franklin Road Johnson City, TN 37604 M: 824 N. State of Franklin Road Johnson City, TN 37604 423-929-8441	Steve Davis 191 Keys Road Limestone, TN 37681 423-257-5721 wwd4jesus61@aol.com	Crystal Coffey 824 N. State of Franklin Johnson City, TN 37604 828-776-1492
Grove FWB Church P: 10543 Cedar Grove RD Smyrna, TN 37167 M: 10543 Cedar Grove RD Smyrna, TN 37167 615-995-1942 grovechurchsmyrna.com	Tim York 2015 Harbor Drive Smyrna, TN 37167 615-947-2505 tim@grovechurchsmyrna.com	Jim Vallance 10543 Cedar Grove RD Smyrna, TN 37167

Eastern Fellowship

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Tony Shelton
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Weaverville, NC 28787
828-658-1181

Betty McKinney
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Marshall, NC 28753
828-649-3855

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Unicoi, TN 37692
M: P.O. Box 156
Unicoi, TN 37692
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423-957-1873 (Cell)

Beverly Bohannon
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Unicoi, TN 37692
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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 Evergreen FWB, Erwin, TN Date Aug / 14-15 / 2015 (month/day/year)
Reporting Period October / 2014 to July / 2015 (month/year)
Moderator Mark McDavid Phone (423) 782-7220
Address 809 Stuffle Street Email markmcdavid@eastman.com
City Kingsport State TN Zip 37660
Clerk Penney Capps Phone (423) 256-3286
Address 308 Valley Drive Email penneyc26@gmail.com
City Church Hill State TN Zip 37642

Delegates

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

A. CHURCH CHARACTERISTICS

1. Number of churches 16
2. Number of churches reporting 15
3. Number of churches:
Within city limits 4
Rural 12
4. Total number of churches with:
Full-time pastors 7 (one without at this time)
Bi-vocational pastors 8

B. MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

1. Baptisms 24
2. Members added 52
3. Members lost 88
4. Membership 1,272

C. STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

1. Income of all churches \$ 645,973
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 \$ 4,487,900

E. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Number of ordained ministers 19
Licensed ministers 7
(Attach names, addresses, and phone numbers)
2. Number of ordained deacons 32
3. Number of:
Daycares 0
Christian Schools 0
Bible Institutes 0
Colleges 0
4. Sunday School enrollment 382

E. ASSOCIATIONAL PROPERTY (Camp, school, etc.)

- Name none
Value \$ 0

District association minutes requested 32 State association minutes requested 32
Representation fees enclosed: Quarterly \$ 400 District \$ 800 State \$ 2,400 National \$ 2,400

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	Pastor Address	Clerk
Bethesda FWB Church P: 8220 Old Snapps Ferry Road Fall Branch, TN 37656 M: 8220 Old Snapps Ferry Road Fall Branch, TN 37656	Danny Willis 815 Neise Roberts Road Chuckey, TN 37641 423-348-6580 drwilli55@gmail.com	Howard Conkin 8220 Old Snapps Ferry Rd Chuckey, TN 37656 423-348-6882
Eastern Star FWB Church P: 153 Eastern Star Ext. Kingsport, TN 37665 M: c/o 2020 Fordtown Road Jonesborough, TN 37659	Kevin Rose 179 Meadow Springs Road Mt. Carmel, TN 37645 423-357-2572 kevintim115@embarqmail.com	Betty Hale 2020 Fordtown Road Jonesborough, TN 37659 423-349-7782
First FWB Church of Church Hill P: 208 Maple Avenue Church Hill, TN 37642 M: P.O. Box 606 Church Hill, TN 37642	Brian Capps 308 Valley Drive Church Hill, TN 37642 423-357-4624 bcapps6980@aol.com	Larry Bass 212 Camby Drive Kingsport, TN 37664 423-349-7327
First FWB Church of Morrison City P: 211 W. Carter's Valley RD Kingsport, TN 37665 M: P.O. Box 4175 Kingsport, TN 37665 423-245-7453	Jesse Hartgrove 1304 Ridgecrest Avenue Kingsport, TN 37665 423-247-5061 pastorjessehartgrove@centurylink.net	Yolanda Moneyhun 128 Elm Street Surgoinville, TN 37873 423-921-2313
First FWB Church of Surgoinville P: 1306 Church Avenue Surgoinville, TN 37873 M: c/o 1304 Ridgecrest Avenue Kingsport, TN 37665 423-923-2144		

Northern Quarterly Churches

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Church Hill, TN 37642
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Church Hill, TN 37642

Grassy Creek FWB Church
P: 798 Grassy Creek Road
Rogersville, TN 37857
M: 798 Grassy Creek Road
Rogersville, TN 37857

Horse Creek FWB Church
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Kingsport, TN 37664
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Midfield FWB Church
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M: 1801 Grandy Road
Kingsport, TN 37665

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Northern Quarterly Churches

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Greeneville, TN 37743
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Greeneville, TN 37743

Phipps Bend FWB Church
P: Highway 11 W.
Surgoinville, TN 37873
M: 105 Regency Drive
Rogersville, TN 37857
423-345-3007

Pine Grove FWB Church
P: 12690 Horton Highway
Chuckey, TN 37641
M: 191 Keys Road
Limestone, TN 37681
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Pine View FWB Church
P: 1510 Magic View Drive
Kingsport, TN 37660
M: 1212 Skelton Bluff Road
Kingsport, TN 37660

Van Hill FWB Church
P: Beech Creek Road
Rogersville, TN 37857
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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 / 9-11 / 2015 (month/day/year)
Reporting Period July / 2014 to August / 2015 (month/year)
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City Greeneville State TN Zip 37743
Clerk Edward Maynard Phone (423) 921-0010
Address 268 Stewart Hills Dr Email edmaynard13@peoplepc.com
City Rogersville State TN Zip 37857

Delegates

1. to be appointed by Moderator _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

A. CHURCH CHARACTERISTICS

1. Number of churches 58
2. Number of churches reporting 53
3. Number of churches:
Within city limits 13
Rural 45
4. Total number of churches with:
Full-time pastors 29
Bi-vocational pastors 28

B. MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

1. Baptisms 157
2. Members added 258
3. Members lost 363
4. Membership 5279

C. STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

1. Income of all churches \$ 3,972,754
2. Number of churches with budgets 6

D. BUILDING INFORMATION

1. Number of churches with parsonages 12
2. Value of all church property including parsonages \$ 21,830,800

E. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Number of ordained ministers 84
Licensed ministers 27
(Attach names, addresses, and phone numbers)
2. Number of ordained deacons 131
3. Number of:
Daycares 0
Christian Schools 0
Bible Institutes 0
Colleges 0
4. Sunday School enrollment 3283

E. ASSOCIATIONAL PROPERTY (Camp, school, etc.)

Name _____
Value \$ _____

District association minutes requested _____ State association minutes requested _____
Representation fees enclosed: Quarterly \$ _____ District \$ _____ State \$ _____ National \$ _____

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

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: DISCIPLE

The Association shall have the right to settle any question of disciple, 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.

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

August 14-15, 2015

Evergreen Free Will Baptist Church of Erwin, TN

Minister's Conference Officers

President:	Rev. Jesse Hartgrove	Vice President:	Rev. Chris Castle
Clerk/Treasurer:	Rev. Edward Maynard	Asst. Clerk/Treasurer:	Rev. Danny Willis

Ordaining Council:

Chairman:	Rev. Billy Gragg (2016)	Central
Vice Chairman:	Rev. Danny Conn (2017)	Eastern
Clerk:	Rev. Gary Hodges (2018)	Northern

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

Proceedings of the Minister's Conference

August 14, 2014 2:00 PM

The meeting was called to order by the President Bro. Jesse Hartgrove. Bro. Jesse read from Deuteronomy 33:26-27 and Bro. Warren Vicars lead us in prayer.

The delegates were seated. Nineteen (19) were present. The visitors were recognized.

MSC to adopt the minutes of the 2014 Minister's Conference as written.

Rev. Danny Conn gave the Ordaining Council Report (see report). MSC to accept the Ordaining Council Report. The highlights of the report were that Rev. William Jennings was to be ordained and that Rev. Steve Alley was to have his credentials ratified.

The Clerk's report was given by Bro. Edward Maynard. (See Report) MSC to accept the Clerk's Report.

1. Report of the Planning Committee who met on April 7, 2015.
2. Brought to Conference three (3) items of business.
 - a. Honorariums
 - b. Constitution Change: add Item 6 to Article V Section C (see report)
 - c. Letter of good standing for Ivan Kennedy sent to the Smokey Mountain Association.

The president asked for the reports from the License Committees. Rev. William Winters gave the report for the Central License Committee (see report). MSC to accept the report. Rev. Brian Capps gave the report for the Northern License Committee (see report). MSC to accept the report. There was no report from the Eastern Fellowship.

Old Business: There was no old business to be brought before the body.

New Business: MSC to table the following Constitution change. Add Item 6 to Article V Section C of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Minister's Conference as follows;

1. *Item 6: Issue letter of good standing upon request of sister associations or conferences. If such requests coincides with the annual meeting of the Minister's Conference, the letter of good standing will be approved by the body of the Minister's Conference before being sent. If such request does not coincide with the annual meeting, the clerk may issue a letter of good standing with the approval of the Ordaining*

Council. Details of the letter sent between annual meeting must be included in the Clerk's annual report to the Minister's Conference.

2. MSC to approve the issuing a letter of good standing for Rev. Ivan Kennedy to the Smokey Mountain Association.

3. MSC to approve the following Honorariums: President; \$375.00, Clerk/Treasurer: \$450.00, and the Speaker: \$200.00.

MSC to recess until the Ordination Service at 7:00 PM.

Rev. Chris Dotson gave a very informative seminar: The Ministry and Service of New Testament Deacons.

THE MINISTRY AND SERVICE OF NEW TESTAMENT DEACONS

Dr. Chris Dotson, Instructor

SYNOPSIS:

While there are a variety of gifts in the church (such as apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers), there are but two primary offices: bishops and deacons (Philippians 1:1). The bishop (or overseer) is the elder charged with shepherding the flock (1 Peter 5:1-4). The deacon, on the other hand, is called out of the congregation to lighten the bishop's (or pastor's) burden by ministering to the community of believers. A deacon is literally a servant—"one who goes through the dust."

The QUALIFICATIONS of a deacon (1 Timothy 3:8ff): A candidate for the office of deacon must manifest an exemplary Christian testimony in both the church and community.

1. He must be a person of respected character.
2. He must be genuine in his communication.
3. He must affirm our covenanted position regarding the use of intoxicants.
4. He must guard his testimony against greed.
5. He must be a man of conviction, embracing the distinctives of the church's theology.
6. He must have demonstrated the potential for leadership.
7. He must live above accusation, so that his enemies cannot indict his Christian witness.
8. He must reveal his ability to lead through his relationship with his wife and children.

The RESPONSIBILITIES of a deacon (1 Timothy 3:10, 13): A man is not charged with being a deacon, but with deaconing – and deaconing well. To accomplish this goal, he must ...

1. Support the ministry of his pastor, even as Aaron and Hur supported Moses in Exodus 17.
2. Serve the ministration to the poor, by carrying out the benevolent ministry of the church.
3. Squelch the murmuring of the people, by learning to be problem-solvers and peacemakers.
4. Strengthen the mission of the church, by being involved in Great Commission work.
5. Share the message of the Savior, even as did Deacons Philip and Stephen in Acts 7-8.

A church is reminded to "lay hands suddenly on no man" (1 Timothy 5:22), but pray to the Lord who knows the hearts of all men. A deacon should then be chosen congregationally, by the overwhelming and unquestioned support of those he will serve. If suitable candidates are not available at the time, a pastor should then teach his men until "each man in the church should be ready to respond to the call of the church" (O'Donnell).

Ordination Service: August 15, 2015 7:00 PM

The pastor of the Evergreen Free Will Baptist Church, Rev. Noah Taylor, gave us hardy welcome and led us in prayer. We were led in congregation songs, Victory in Jesus and Leaning on the Everlasting Arms.

An offering of \$167.00 was received for the Minister's Conference.

Bro. Jesse Hartgrove, President of the Minister's Conference, opened the service and read scripture from Luke 10:2 and then he introduced the Ordaining Council: Rev. Gary Hodges, Chairman, Rev. Danny Conn, Clerk, and Rev. Billy Gragg, Vice Chairman. Rev. Gary Hodges introduced the candidates. Rev. William Jennings for ordination and Rev. Steve Alley for ratification of credentials.

The ordination message was preached by Rev. Gary Hodges. Beginning with Genesis 1:1-8. God Has a Plan.

1. A plan for Creation
2. A plan for Noah
3. A plan for Joshua
4. A plan for our Lives.

Rev. Billy Gragg gave the charge to the candidates from I Timothy 3:1-7. The Laying on of Hands and prayer was led by Rev. Billy Gragg. Rev. Danny Conn presented the candidates their Certificates of Ordination and they were welcomed into the Minister's Conference of the Union Free Will Baptist Association.

Saturday August 15, 2015.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Bro. Jesse Hartgrove. He read from Habakkuk 3:18-19 and Rev. Doyle Pruett led us in prayer.

Bro. Edward Maynard gave a partial financial report. MSC to accept the report (see report). A complete report will be in the minutes of the Minister's Conference.

MSC to accept the Nominating Committee Report and vote as a slate (see report).

MSC to bring from table Constitution Change. Add Item 6 to Article V, Section C.

Item 6: Issue letter of good standing upon request of sister associations or conferences. If such requests coincides with the annual meeting of the Minister's Conference, the letter of good standing will be approved by the body of the Minister's Conference before being sent. If such request does not coincide with the annual meeting, the clerk may issue a letter of good standing with the approval of the Ordaining Council. Details of the letter sent between annual meeting must be included in the Clerk's annual report to the Minister's Conference.

Once the item was removed from the table there was a motion to adopt. MSC to accept by more than a 2/3 majority, which is required by the Constitution and By-Laws.

MSC to Adjourn.

REPORTS:

Ordaining Council Report:

Item 1

Derek Bell surrendered his credentials with the Union Association in accordance with the Union Association by-laws since he will not be pastoring a Free Will Baptist Church. He assured the council that he maintains agreement with Free Will Baptist doctrine, but for personal reasons and to comply with the by-laws, believed this was the appropriate and necessary action.

The ordaining council accepted the credentials surrendered by Derek Bell.

Item 2

William Jennings, of the Central Quarterly of the Union Association, met with the Ordaining Council for examination for ordination. He demonstrated good knowledge of Scripture in general, however, had a limited understanding of specific doctrinal distinctives of Free Will Baptist doctrine, particularly that of apostasy and eternal security. He affirmed agreement with Free Will Baptist doctrine and the members were confident that follow up and additional study would be sufficient to clarify his understanding on these doctrinal distinctives.

The ordaining council recommends William Jennings for ordination.

Item 3

A letter was received from Stephen Jackson requesting to be excused from attending the associational meeting due to living out of state, but he will continue to report until he joins another association.

Item 4

Having contacted by certified letter and receiving no response, the Ordaining Council recommends that Jason McCoy and Leroy Hurst be removed from the Union Association ministerial conference, thereby revoking their credentials, due to lack of attendance in accordance with the by-laws.

Item 5

The Ordaining Council met with Steven Alley, who is coming from the Harmony Association of Virginia, with a letter in good standing. We examined him and found him to be in agreement with Free Will Baptist doctrine and recommend he be welcomed into the fellowship of the Union Association.

Members present: Gary Hodges, chairman, Billy Gragg, Danny Conn, clerk – via conference call.

Visitors included: Tim Roach, moderator, Ed Maynard, clerk of the ministerial fellowship, Willie Winters, licensing council member of Central Quarterly

Clerk's Report

April 7, 2015

Meeting of Officers and Ordaining Council of the Minister's Conference of the Union Free Will Baptist Association.

Those present: Jesse Hartgrove, Chris Castle, Edward Maynard, Danny Willis. Ordaining Council members present: Gary Hodges, Danny Conn, and Billy Gragg. Bro. Tim Roach, Moderator of the Union Association was also present.

The meeting was opened with prayer and reading II Timothy 4:1-2 by the President Bro. Jesse Hartgrove.

Those present were appointed as a planning committee in order to plan the Minister's Conference meeting to be held on August 14-15, 2015 at the Evergreen Free Will Baptist Church in Erwin, TN.

Bro. Tim Roach presented the agenda for Union Association meeting with the times that the Minister's Conference have been allotted. This was a great help in planning our agenda.

MSC to have a seminar presentation on leadership with the focus on "Deacons" and ask Bro. Jim Darter to give the seminar and if he can't we can choose from a panel of a couple options and leave that to the discretion of this committee to try to help pursue that, and further develop this to incorporate in the years to come.

Bro. Darter chose not to do the seminar and Rev. Chris Dotson agreed to do the seminar.

MSC that we would be willing to purchase the Deacon's Handbook for the deacons that would pre-register and have a minimal amount available for those who would possibly be there.

MSC to present the following Constitution change: Add. Article V Section C, Item 6:

Issue letter of good standing upon request of sister associations or conferences. If such requests coincides with the annual meeting of the Minister's Conference, the letter of good standing will be approved by the body of the Minister's Conference before being sent. If such request does not coincide with the annual meeting, the clerk may issue a letter of good standing with the approval of the Ordaining Council. Details of each letter sent between annual meetings must be included in the Clerk's annual report to the Minister's Conference.

MSC to have a committee, consisting of the Ordaining Council of the Minister's Conference, to look at Article VII, Article VIII, Article IX, Article X, and Article XI to see if what is written in the minutes concerning requirements for Ordination, Ratification of Credentials and Exchange of Credentials be accordance with the requirements of the Minister's Conference.

Since there was no nomination committee for 2015 appointed in the August 2014 meeting. MSC to appoint Noah Taylor from the Eastern Fellowship, Willy Winters from the Central Quarterly Meeting, and Kevin Rose for the Northern Quarterly Meeting to serve on this committee.

MSC to have the following honorariums : Clerk: \$ 450.00, Speaker: \$ 200.00 and the President: \$375.00

MSC to adjourn.

A letter of good standing was sent to the Smoky Mountain Quarterly meeting for Ivan Kennedy pending the vote of this body.

A letter was sent to Rev. Randall Matthews expressing our sorrow of losing him from the Minister's Conference and wishing him to do well with the new conference he is joining. Rev. Matthews surrendered his license and his Ordination Certificate.

Licensing Committee Reports

Central: The Licensing Council of the Central Quarterly Meeting for the year of 2015.

1. Those reporting as excused:

1. Bro. Gary Gentry Exception
2. Bro. Roger Dykes . . .Exception
3. Bro. Larry Arrowood. .Excused
4. Bro. Alfred Cutshaw. . Excused

5. Bro. Rodney Bailey. . . Excused

2. Excused Bro. Roger Bumgarner for health problems.
3. Excused Bro. Gene Swatsell from attending until his recovery from illness.
4. Excused Bro. Junior Shipley from attending due to health reasons.
5. Met with Bro. Steve Hartley out of the Limestone Free Will Baptist Church. Examined and licensed Bro. Steve to preach the Gospel for one (1) year.
6. Met with Bro. William Jennings from Union Temple Free Will Baptist Church. Renewed his license to preach the Gospel until the next Union Association Meeting in August 2015; when he will meet with the Ordaining Council for Ordination.
7. Met with Bro. Mark Laughlin from Mountain View Free Baptist Church. Examined and licensed Bro. Mark to preach the Gospel for one (1) year.
8. Recommend to the Union Association Ordaining Council Bro. William Jennings for ordination.

Respectfully Submitted: William Winters, Lynn Neas, and Donnie Myers.

Northern Quarterly License Committee Report for 2015

The following business was recorded by the License Committee of the Northern Quarterly Meeting.

1. Todd Jennings has asked for his name to be dropped from the conference. He and his church is joining the Appalachian Association of Free Will Baptist.
2. We find Steve Alley in good standing and submit him for his credentials to be ratified.
3. Because of him moving out of the area, we ask that Stephen Jackson be excused from coming to the quarterly meeting until he joins a conference in his area.

Respectfully Submitted: Brian Capps, Charlie Frazier, and Kevin Rose.

Nominating Committee:

The Nominating Committee nominated the following: Bro. Jesse Hartgrove, President, Bro. Chris Castle, Vice President, Bro. Edward Maynard, Clerk/Treasurer, and Bro. Danny Willis, Assistant Clerk/Treasurer.

Those nominated to be on the Nominating Committee for 2016: Dexter Brummit, Chairman, Wyndell Sydebothom, and Jackie Cole. MSC to elect as a slate.

Minister's Conference Financial Report
Sept 1, 2014- Aug, 31, 2015

RECEIPTS

Balance Forward						\$ 1,964.64
Eastern Fellowship						60.00
Central Quarterly Meeting						\$410.00
Northern Quarterly Meeting						260.00
Ordination Service Offering						167.00
Interest						0.95
Refund(Randall House)						\$ 25.00
Total						\$ 2,887.59

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EXPENDITURES

Union Association(Minutes)	1025					\$ 222.00
Gary Hodges(Postage)	1024					16.00
Jesse Hartgrove(Honorarium)	1031					375.00
Back Ground Check	1032					39.94
Walmart(Ink&Cards)	1028					90.89
Ed Maynard(Honorarium)	1023					450.00
Chris Dotson	1029					200.00
Randall House (Books)	1030					100.00
Total						\$ 1,493.83

Balance on Hand						1393.76
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**CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE
MINISTERS' CONFERENCE OF THE UNION ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS**

Updated: August 2015

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 III MEETINGS

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.
7. 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.
6. *Issue letter of good standing upon request of a sister associations or conference. If such requests coincides with the annual meeting of the Minister's Conference, the letter of good standing will be approved by the body of the Minister's before being sent. If such request does not coincide with the annual meeting, the clerk may issue a letter of good standing with the approval of the Ordaining Council. Details of each letter sent between annual meetings must be included in the Clerk's annual report to the Minister's Conference.*

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 Ministry. The 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 National 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 F.

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.
 - (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 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 F.

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) two 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 to 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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