

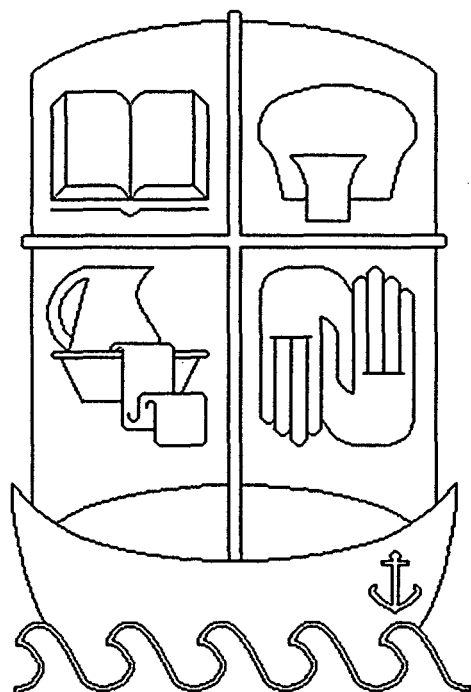
**MINUTES OF THE
144TH ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
UNION FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**



*Peace Free Will Baptist Church
600 South Davey Crockett PKWY
Morristown, TN 37813*

*Theme: "Having done all to stand" Ephesians 6:13-20
August 19-20, 2016*

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Moderator

John Buchanan

Clerk

Edward Maynard

Union Free Will Baptist Association

Union Ministers' Conference

Union District Women Active for Christ

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Betty Fleshman
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**2016 ASSOCIATIONAL PROCEEDINGS
OPENING SESSION
Friday Morning, August 19, 2016**

Rev. Chris Dotson, pastor of Peace Free Will Baptist Church gave the welcome and led the congregation in a song, "Standing on the Promises."

The opening session of the 144th annual Union Free Will Baptist Association convened August 19, 2016 at the Peace Free Will Baptist Church in Morristown, TN. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, John Buchanan.

Rev. Gary Gass gave the devotion from "Ephesians 6:19" and led us in prayer. Rev. Chris Dotson led us in song, "Stand Up Stand Up for Jesus". John Buchanan gave the Moderator's Message using Ephesians 6:11 as his text with the emphasis on the word "All".

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

A motion was made to give the moderator the authority to deviate from the program if needed. The motion passed.

Moderator John Buchanan appointed Jesse Hartgrove as the parliamentarian.

Brian Capps was called upon to give the treasurer's report (see report). A motion carried to adopt 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 Tim York; the Northern Quarterly was given by Mark McDavid (see reports). MSC to accept the reports.

Clerk Edward Maynard 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. Brought to the Association five (5) items
 - a. Addition to Standing Rule one (1) in the Constitution and By-Laws.
 - b. Pay for motel rooms at the Tennessee State Association for Moderator, Clerk, and Treasurer of the Union Free Will Baptist Association.
 - c. Honorariums
 - d. Placement for the 2017 Union Association
 - e. Give the Treasurer Brian Capps the authority to pay for churches if he feels these churches will pay even if they don't pay before October 1, 2016

Motion passed to receive report and act on the items, item by item. All items were approved.

Jesse Hartgrove gave the report for the Committee appointed to address the issue of "Same Sex Marriage and Human Sexuality. A motion was made, seconded and carried to table the motion since it was a Constitution change. This will become Article IX and Article IX will become Article X. Moderator John Buchanan called for various reports. These reports were received as information (see reports).

1. Frank Woods, Free Will Baptist Family Ministries.
2. Jerry Gibbs, Free Will Baptist International Missions.
3. Glenn Poston, Tennessee State Promotional Director.

4. Tim Carson, Union Camp Report

Recess.

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Friday, August 19, 2016 11:00 AM

Special music was provided by the Peace Free Will Baptist Church, "Never Grow Old" and "What a Day That Will Be". We gathered at the altar for prayer. Special singing: Bro. Bill Houk sang, "I Call it Home" and "This is What Heaven Means to Me." Bro. Jesse Hartgrove brought the message using the text from Ephesians 6:11 titled "Stand Armed."

Recess for Lunch

AFTERNOON BUSINESS SESSION

Friday August 19, 2016

Moderator John Buchanan called the afternoon session into order. The Moderator read scripture from Ephesians 6:3-8.

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

1. Danny Conn, Randall House Publications
2. Tim York, Free Will Baptist Foundation.

We recessed until 8:30 A.M. on Saturday, August 20, 2016

MORNING BUSINESS SESSION

Saturday, August 20, 2016

Bro. Chris Dotson led us in song, "Blessed Assurance".

Moderator John Buchanan called the session to order. Bro. Noah Taylor gave the devotion using Ephesian 6:20 "Stand as an Ambassador" and led us in prayer.

The following reports were given (see reports)

1. UWNAC, Mitzi Satterfield
2. The Hope Center, Sharon Hodgens
3. The Oaks, Deryl Hodgens
4. Resolution Committee, Chris Castle
5. Prayer Request Committee, Willie Winters
6. Obituary Committee, Dennis Caldwell
7. Nominating Committee, Lynn Neas

Motions were made and carried to accept these reports.

New business.

1. A motion was made to give Derek Bell \$500.00 as a gift. The motion passed.
2. A motion was made to give Bro. Thurman Pate \$1000.00 and designate it for the Walk-a-Thon. The motion passed.

Old business: A motion was entertained and seconded to remove from table the amendment concerning marriage and human sexuality. A motion made and seconded to amend the motion to change the wording to remove the word church from paragraph eight and insert association. After more discussion we took a recess to address how to implement discipline to those who do not adhere to this amendment. The amended motion was brought to a vote and adopted. A motion was made and seconded to bring to a

vote on the motion as amended. This was adopted with more than a two/third majority. This amendment will be Article IX. Article IX will become Article X in the Constitution.

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Saturday, August 20, 2016

The service was opened with a song, "I'd Rather Have Jesus". Bro. Dennis Caldwell led us in prayer. Susan Singleton sang a special "He Will Do It Again". Bro. Jeff Blake preached the message from Ephesians 6:18 titled "Stand on Your Knees".

Motion passed that we adjourn the 144th Annual Session of the Union Free Will Baptist Association.

After the business was adjourned the General Board met to set a date and time for the January planning meeting. The date was set for January 10, 2017 at 6:00 P.M. at the Liberty Free Will Baptist Church. Those present were Jesse Hartgrove, Edward Maynard, Chris Castle, and Jeff Blake.

Reports:

2016 Registration Report	
Visitors	44
Ordained Deacons	3
Ordained Ministers	52
Elected Delegates	6
Total	105

Nominating Committees Report Those Nominated and Elected for 2017

Resolution Committee:

Tim Carson (Central), Chair
Tim York (Eastern)
Jesse Hartgrove (Northern)

Prayer Request Committee:

Doyle Pruett (Central), Chair
Donnie Roberts (Eastern)
Dennis Spears (Northern)

Obituary Committee:

Chris Dotson (Central), Chair
Danny Conn (Eastern)
Kevin Rose (Northern)

Nominating Committee:

Dexter Brummitt (Central), Chair
Gary Hodges (Eastern)
Brian Capps (Northern)

Obituary Committee Report

The following names were submitted:

Mrs. Gaye Armstrong, Goshen Valley FWBC
Willie Mae Byford, Goshen Valley FWBC
Faye Courtney, First of Church Hill, FWBC
Oma Head, First of Church Hill, FWBC
Barbara Lorah, First of Church Hill, FWBC
Tommy Cox, First of Church Hill, FWBC
Nancy Christian, First of Church Hill, FWBC
Dorothy Christian, First of Church Hill FWB
Lenora Amis from First of Surgoinsville FWBC
Shirley Jarnagan. First of Surgoinsville FWBC
Sylvia Bradley, Union Chapel FWBC
Ron Marshall, Peace FWBC
Jimmy Collins, Peace FWBC
Brenda Ricker, Community Chapel FWBC
Bill Heckney, Community Chapel FWBC
Brenda Collins, Community Chapel
Pearl Morgan, Harris Memorial FWBC
Sharon Rupert, Limestone FWBC
Calvin Williamson, Limestone FWBC

Respectfully Submitted: Dennis Caldwell, Donnie Roberts, Jason Castle.

Prayer Request Report

Prayer is vital for Christians. It is through prayer that we get to the throne room of God. Hebrews 4:16 tells us we can find grace to help in time of need. The Disciples of Christ asked to be taught how to pray. They saw the value of prayer as well. Prayer does give the child of God advantages over the things one faces. Let us therefore come boldly unto the Throne of Grace.

Pray For:

1. Our Men of God
2. Our Churches
3. Our elected officials who ae in offices of leadership
4. Our Country to turn back to God
5. Union Free Will Baptist Association
6. Revival
7. The Lost
8. Those that are sick
9. Ron Hunter's Wife, Shirley during her recovery from a stroke
10. Frank Wood's Wife, Shirley during her recovery from surgery
11. Rev. and Mrs. Gary Gass. She has had several surgeries during the past few months.
12. Harvey and Madge Crain
13. Alfred and Louise Cutshall.

Respectfully Submitted: Willie Winters, Danny Conn, and Jerry Davenport

Placement Committee

The Union Free Will Baptist Association will be meeting with the Northern Quarterly this coming year (2017). We will be meeting at the First Free Will Baptist Church of Morrison City, in Kingsport, TN., on Friday and Saturday, August 25, 26, 2017.

Union Women Active for Christ **President, Mitzi Satterfield**

Union Association Women Active for Christ **Report to the Union Association – August 2016**

The Union Association Women Active for Christ had undergone a restructuring during the past two years. We sought the counsel of our national president Elizabeth Hodges who was very aware of the structure of the Union WAC, and we made this move prayerfully and very slowly. As a result the Union WAC will be meeting two times each year in September and in March. We will meet at the churches who are reporting members of the Union WAC. The first meeting will be September 24 and will be at Peace FWB.

Going forward, each church in the Union Association that has a women's auxiliary that wishes to be a member of the National WAC will report directly to the Union. If your church does not have a WAC group and would like to form one we will be glad to send someone to meet with your ladies and help them for that group. Jane Bailey is our field worker, but any of the officers will be glad to help.

The officers of the Union WAC are:

Meryl Archer, President
Mitzi Satterfield, Vice-President
Betty Fleshman, Secretary
Dorothy Copus, Treasurer
Jane Bailey, Mission Action and Field Worker
Edna Franklin, Program Chairman
Chasity Bealls, Study Chairman
Brenda Harris, Prayer Chairman

Any woman in any of our churches is invited and encouraged to attend our meetings whether she belongs to an auxiliary or not. Furthermore, any church in the Union Association that has an auxiliary and wishes to host the Union WAC, we will happily travel anywhere in the Union Association.

Mrs. Hodges has been extremely helpful during this process. This will bring the Union Association WAC more into line with the other Associations in Tennessee and across the nation.

The Union WAC will continue to report to the Union Association each year at the meeting in August.

We are extending an invitation to all ladies, from all of our churches, whether then have an active WAC group or not, to meet with us on September 24, at 9:00 A.M. here at Peace FWB. We will enjoy a time of fellowship followed by lunch.

Prayerfully submitted, Mitzi Satterfield, Vice-President

Union Camp Report 2016
Tim Carson, Director

This year we had a total of 147 campers, of which 31 were saves. This year was a first for us. We had a total of 41 baptized, 4 of them being adults. The most amazing part of this was the baptism, we had children asking for the meaning. With our wonderful support system we were able to explain the meaning and the process of baptism, followed up with the children to follow through. This year has been such an awesome year. We have had so many people helping and supporting our Bible Camp. For each who have taken part we appreciate all that you did and will keep doing for the camp. I would also like to take time to thank Roger and Norlaine Hensley who has been Co-Directors since 2007. They have been the heart and energy behind camp program since they started helping and they have a servant's heart. I'm thankful for the many hours they have put in this program and they will be missed but many will be in heaven for the work they have done.

Tim Carson

Quarterly Moderator's Reports

Central Quarterly Meeting.

Greetings from the Central Quarterly Meeting. We currently have a total of 37 churches. The total number of churches with full time pastors is 18.

We have an estimated membership of 3,493. The total number of ordained ministers is 55 and the number of licensed ministers is 20. We have 87 ordained deacons.

Our estimated Sunday School membership 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 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 full us with his spirit.

Central Quarterly Moderator, Rev. Jeff Blake.

EASTERN FELLOWSHIP OF THE UNION ASSOCIATION

Greetings from the Eastern Fellowship,

As many of you know, in the past couple years there have been several churches that have decided to remove themselves from the Eastern Fellowship as well as the Union to start an alternative association. This decline in member and active churches caused us to begin to evaluate the future of the Eastern Fellowship. Through prayerful consideration and much discussion with the remaining churches, the decision was made to make the necessary changes to bring strength and encouragement to those churches that played an active role in the Eastern Fellowship.

One of the changes that we made was in the format and structure of our meetings. The decision was made to continue to meet 3 times a year, but to put much emphasis and planning into our May meeting. A part of this emphasis was to change the May meeting to a Sunday night when people would already be

attending church. We also prayerfully planned the service with a focus on worship, encouragement, and fellowship. This past May we hosted our first May meeting with this new format, and we are happy to report that over 300 people were in attendance with over 20 people viewing the service via livestream! Union Association moderator Bro John Buchanan delivered a powerful message regarding "The King's Table." It was a spirit filled service and for that we give God the glory. Following the service, all present were invited to stay for a brief business meeting as well as a time of fellowship. We are excited and encouraged about the future of the Eastern Fellowship and plan to continue to look for ways that we can bring strength, accountability, and encouragement to our churches. It is our prayer that God would continue to bless the Eastern Fellowship as well as the Union Association!

Sincerely,

Tim York

Northern Quarterly Meeting:

The Northern Quarterly enjoyed a successful year. We had 3 meetings (January was cancelled due to weather) where we were fed both spiritually and physically.

I would like to share two of the most important events sponsored by the Northern Quarterly. First of all, we had another successful Walk-A-Thon in September to support the Sexton project for mission support. The Walk-A-Thon raised nearly \$10,000 to be used to support mission work in the field.

In addition, Bro. Chris Castle hosted a missionary conference on August 13. There were 5 missionary teams represented and they shared their experiences in the mission field and challenges they face both spiritually and monetarily. There were 45 in attendance at this conference. There are plans to conduct a similar event in the near future.

There is nothing more important that a conference can do than to support to efforts of missionaries both local and abroad to further the spread of the gospel in accordance to the Great Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark McDavid
Moderator, Northern Quarterly

Report from Clerk:

Activities of the Clerk of Union

1. Completed minutes and had them printed.
2. Delivered minutes to each quarterly meeting clerk.
3. December 9, 2015: Sent reminder to Executive Board Members of General Board Meeting to be held in January.
4. Sent copies of the Union Free Will Baptists Minutes to the Free Will Baptist Historical Commission.
5. Renewed Articles of Incorporation.

General Board Meeting of the Union Free Will Baptist Church
January 5, 2016
Liberty Free Will Baptist Church

The General Board met immediately following the 2015 yearly meeting to set January 5, 2016 as the date for the meeting to plan the 2016 Association.

January 5, 2016 General Board Meeting. The meeting was called to order by the moderator, Bro. John Buchanan, and he read from the book of Isaiah Chapter 6:1.

Bro. Jesse Hartgrove led us in prayer.

Those present were: Bro. John Buchanan, Bro. Mark McDavid, Bro. Edward Maynard, Bro. Jesse Hartgrove, and Bro. Jeff Blake. Bro. Brian Capps, Bro. Chris Castle also attended the meeting. Those on the board who were not present were, Bro. Billy Gragg, and Bro. Tim York.

The agenda for the August 19-20, 2016 meeting to be held at the Peace Free Will Baptist Church in Morristown, TN was adopted.

MSC to have the following theme for the conference. "Having Done All to Stand" from Ephesians 6:13-20.

Bro. Jesse Hartgrove was chosen as the preacher for the Friday AM service. (Stand Armed) 6:14
Bro. Jeff Blake was chosen as the preacher for the Saturday AM service. (Stand on Your Knees) 6:18
Bro. Gary Gass was chosen to do the devotion for the Friday AM service. (Stand Boldly) 6:19
Bro. Noah Taylor was chosen to do the devotion for the Saturday AM service. (Stand as an Ambassador) 6:20.
Bro. Noah Taylor was chosen to be the alternate for he Friday AM service.
Bro. Gary Gass was chosen to be the alternate for the Saturday AM service.

MSC to present as a motion from this committee to the body.

1. It is the responsibility of each quarterly meeting to turn in representation dues (\$350.00 per church) for each church listed on the quarterly meeting clerk's report to the Union Association. The report and dues must be submitted by the end of the annual meeting of the Union Association each year. A check from the quarterly meeting in the amount of \$350.00 per church listed on the report must accompany the quarterly meeting report to the Union Association. It is the responsibility of the quarterly meeting to ensure that only churches for which full dues are being paid are listed on clerk's report to the Union Association.
2. The Union Free Will Baptist Association will pay for the lodging at the State Meeting of the Tennessee State Association for the Moderator, Clerk, and the Treasurer of the Union Free Will Baptist Association.
3. The following honorariums were set: Moderator: \$600.00, Clerk: \$600.00, and Treasurer: \$1000.00.

The General Board met on Friday, August 19, 2016. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Bro. John Buchanan. He read from I Timothy 2:1-3 and led us in prayer.

The purpose of the meeting was to set the date and place of the 2017 yearly meeting of the Union Free Will Baptist Association. The next meeting of the Union FWB Association: July 25-26, 2017 at the First Free Will Baptist Church of Morrison City in Kingsport, TN.

MSC to give the treasurer, Brian Capps the authority to pay for churches if he feel these churches will pay even if they have not paid before October 1, 2016.

The General Board agreed to meet at the Tennessee State Association in November to consider options for the future of the Union Association.

MSC to Adjourn.

The General Board met after the session on Saturday, August 20, 2016 to set the January 2017 meeting. The meeting was called to order by the clerk in absence of the Moderator and Asst. Moderator. MSC to meet on January 10, 2017 at Liberty FWB Church at 6:00 P.M.

MSC to adjourn.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Resolution 1 Gender Identity

WHEREAS, All persons are created in the image of God and made to glorify Him (Genesis 1:27; Isaiah 43:7); and

WHEREAS, God's design was the creation of two distinct and complementary sexes, male and female (Genesis 1:27; Matthew 19:4; Mark 10:6), which designate the fundamental distinction that God has embedded in the biology of the human race; and

WHEREAS, Distinctions in masculine and feminine roles as ordained by God are part of the created order and should find expression in every human heart (Genesis 2:18, 21-24; 1 Corinthians 11:7-9; Ephesians 5:22-33; 1 Timothy 2:12-14; Romans 8:20); and

WHEREAS, Many LGBT and political activists have sought to normalize the transgender experience and to define gender according to one's self-perception apart from biological anatomy; and

WHEREAS, The separation of one's gender identity from the physical reality of biological birth sex poses the harmful effect of engendering an understanding of sexuality and personhood that may constantly change; and

WHEREAS, Public schools have been directed by the Departments of Education and Justice to encourage parents and teachers to affirm the feelings of children whose self-perception of their own gender is different from their biological sex; and

WHEREAS, Public schools have been directed to allow access to restrooms and locker rooms according to children's self-perception of gender and not according to their biological sex; and

WHEREAS, These cultural changes run counter to the biblical teaching as summarized in The Treatise of the Faith and Practices of Free Will Baptists, Article IV, that, "God created man, consisting of a material body and a thinking, rational soul. He was made in the image of God, to glorify his Maker." The gift of gender is thus part of the goodness of God's creation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the delegates to the National Association of Free Will Baptists at the meeting in Kansas City, Missouri, July 17-20, 2016, affirm God's design that gender identity is determined by

biological sex and not by one's self-perception—a perception often influenced by fallen human nature in ways contrary to God's design (Ephesians 4:17-18); and be it further

RESOLVED, That we grieve the reality of the fallen human nature, which can result in psychological manifestation as gender identity confusion; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we extend love and compassion to those whose sexual self-understanding is shaped by a distressing conflict between their biological sex and their perceived gender identity; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we invite all transgender persons, along with all members of the human race, to trust in Christ and to experience renewal in the Gospel (1 Timothy 1:15-16); and be it further

RESOLVED, That we love our transgender neighbors, seek their good always, welcome them to our churches and, as they repent and believe in Christ, receive them into church membership (2 Corinthians 5:18-20; Galatians 5:14); and be it further

RESOLVED, That we regard our transgender neighbors as image-bearers of Almighty God and therefore condemn acts of abuse or bullying committed against them; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we oppose voluntary, unnecessary or deliberate efforts to change one's bodily identity (e.g., cross-sex hormone therapy, gender reassignment surgery) to refashion it to conform to one's perceived gender identity; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we continue to oppose all efforts by any governing official or body to validate transgender identity as morally praiseworthy (Isaiah 5:20); and be it finally

RESOLVED, That our love for the Gospel and urgency for the Great Commission must include the whole counsel of God, proclaiming what Scripture teaches about God's design for us as male and female persons created in His image and for His glory (Matthew 28:19-20; Acts 20:27; Romans 11:36); be it further

RESOLVED, That we hold our national departments accountable to uphold this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the delegates to the Union Association Free Will Baptist, meeting at Peace Free Will Baptist Church in Morristown, Tennessee, August 19-20, 2016, both affirm and agree with this Resolution adopted at the 2016 National Free Will Baptist Association meeting.

RESOLUTION #2

WHEREAS, The heartbeat of this meeting of the National Association of Free Will Baptists has been a call to revival among our beloved denomination, and

WHEREAS, The Bible declares that wine is a mocker, and those who are deceived by it are unwise, (Proverbs 20:1) and

WHEREAS, Free Will Baptists are united in a covenantal relationship that promises, among other things, that we will not sanction the use or sale of intoxicating beverages,

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, That Free Will Baptists reaffirm our stance of total abstinence from the consumption of alcohol.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we oppose the abuse of any and all addictive substances.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we encourage all Free Will Baptist pastors and educators to speak out against the evils of alcohol and substance abuse.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the delegates to the Union Association Free Will Baptist, meeting at Peace Free Will Baptist Church in Morristown, Tennessee, August 19-20, 2016, both affirm and agree with this Resolution adopted at the 2016 National Free Will Baptist Association meeting.

RESOLUTION #3

WHEREAS, Romans 13:1-7 instructs believers to obey civil authorities, and

WHEREAS, We are saddened by the shooting of a Kansas City Police Officer during our presence in Kansas City, and

WHEREAS, Law enforcement personnel nationwide are under extreme scrutiny and pressure as they perform their sworn duty to serve and protect,

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, That the members of our denomination, while deploring the abuse of authority that an extremely small percentage of officers use, stand in support of law enforcement and pledge to pray for their wisdom and safety.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the delegates to the Union Association Free Will Baptist, meeting at Peace Free Will Baptist Church in Morristown, Tennessee, August 19-20, 2016, both affirm and agree with this Resolution adopted at the 2016 National Free Will Baptist Association meeting.

RESOLUTION #4

Law enforcement resolution

WHEREAS in past days and months it seems as if some organizations have declared open season on the law enforcement community and several have paid the price to serve our country of their life, and

WHEREAS without this God given authority our country would be in a state of anarchy. In the Holy Word of God, Romans 13:1, "Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained by God. 2. Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God: and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation. 3. For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to evil. Wilt thou then not be afraid of the power? Do that which is good, and thou shall have praise of the same. 4. For he is a minister of God to thee for good. But if thou do that which is evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword in vain: for he is the minister of God, a revenger to execute wrath upon him that doeth evil. 5. Wherefore ye must needs be subject, not only for wrath, but for conscience sake." And

WHEREAS the Union Free Will Baptist Association whole-heartily believes all of God's Holy Word (King James Version),

BE THEREFORE RESOLOVED that on this date, August 19, 2016 that we, the Union Association of Free Will Baptist, go on record to indicate that we pledge our appreciation and support to all law enforcement across the entire United States of America, but especially to the Tennessee counties of Sullivan, Washington, Hawkins, Greene, Hamblen, Cocke, and Unicoi which serves our churches in this area, and

BE IT THEREFORE FURTHER RESOLVED that the clerk of the Union Free Will Baptist Association send a copy of this resolution to all of the Tennessee counties listed above plus all of the city police and law enforcement agencies in these counties. (Church Hill, Mt. Carmel, Rogersville, Greeneville, Baileyton, Newport, Morristown, White Pine, Kingsport, Mosheim, and Johnson City). * ***PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS COMMITTEE AND OR INDIVIDUAL VOLUNTEERS WILL GLADLY ASSIST IN THIS WORK.***

RESOLUTION #5

WHEREAS, The Union Association of Free Will Baptists is a major undertaking and an event we anticipate with excitement on an annual basis,

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, That our sincere appreciation be expressed to all Union Association leaders, denominational personnel for their diligence in planning the meeting and services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we express our appreciation to all speakers of 2016 Yearly Meeting; speaking to the theme of: "Having Done All to Stand" Ephesians 6:13-20. Rev. Jesse Hartgrove, Rev. Gary Gass, Rev. Jeff Blake, Rev. Noah Taylor, Rev. Danny Conn and Rev. Ron Hunter who presented seminars titled, "Eight Steps to Church Health" and "The Senior Pastor complex and the unseen staff member."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we express our gratitude to Peace Free Will Baptists Church for their hospitality, wonderful meals, gracious spirit and labor of love in hosting us.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, That we show our appreciation by a standing vote of thanks.

Resolutions Committee:

Doug King, CQM, Chairman
Jackie Cole, EFQ
Christopher S. Castle, NQM

Family Ministries

Frank Woods



Report to the Union Association

Free Will Baptist Family Ministries has been faithful in serving since 1939, and we exist today only because of the continued prayers and support from friends like you. Over the last fiscal year, your contributions total over \$58,000! Your unwavering commitment allows us to continue God's kingdom work. I would like to say that in the history of this ministry, I have never witnessed a year of what I call a spiritual explosion of growth at Family Ministries!

Allow me to share our celebration of growth:

We average **caring for 125 children daily** in our residential programs in **Tennessee and Arkansas**. "**Maggie House**", Our home in Charleston, AR, opened its doors in December 2015. We received our first

three children on December 9. At the time of this report, 30 children are calling Maggie House their home. The children are primarily made up of sibling groups. What a blessing to see them reunited after being in separate homes across the state of AR.

Groundbreaking on a new campus at Fort Smith, AR, is well under way. It will consist of Residential homes, and an Administration/Activities Building. It will be called the "**Curt, Cliff & Opal Young Children's Home**", given in honor of the benefactors, through the estate of the Young family. Their gift of 1.875 million dollars made this a very special project possible.

In the near future, we will add to the ministry of the **Hope Center**, our crisis pregnancy/resource center in Greeneville, TN. We have prayed and been burdened for a number of years that one day we would be able to open a **Maternity Home** that we could provide a home for mother and her child. To God be the glory, we now have the building adjacent to the Hope Center! Renovations will begin later this year to include 5 apartments for those living there.

We are currently providing care for approximately 100 senior citizens in our two assisted living facilities, **Governor's Bend**, Erwin, TN & **The Laurels**, Wise, VA. We are thankful to be able to offer quality full service living where residents have the independence of living in their own suites with the freedom to do exactly as they like, all while enjoying the safety and services provided by an attentive 24 hour staff.

I could not personally care for 125 children, but with the help of God and our many friends, **WE CAN!**

I could not personally afford a beautiful place like the Maggie House that 30 children call home, but with the help of God and our man friends, **WE CAN!**

I could never personally build a new campus in Fort Smith, AR, to serve 32 children, but with the help of God and our many friends, **WE CAN!**

I could not personally imagine providing for all the beautiful babies that are born to the clients served through the Hope Center, but with the help of God and our many friends, **WE CAN!**

I could not personally offer services to 100 senior citizens, but with the help of God and our many friends, **WE CAN!**

I want to thank each of you for what you do for Family Ministries!

Together, WE CAN make an eternal difference in the lives of hurting children and families.

Respectfully Submitted: Frank Woods

Randall House

Danny Conn

How healthy is your church. We provide a Free Church Health Assessment; this is one of our contributions in the effort to help strengthen our churches. Also available online at d6family.com/dna, you can download the assessment as a printable pdf or a self-calculating excel spreadsheet.

This assessment focuses on discipleship and the sustainability of your church. It measures 10 categories of church health and offers suggestions for helping your church become stronger. We recommend your church leadership do the assessment together. Each question is keyed to a chapter in *The DNA of D6*, so as you identify the areas you'd like to improve the chapter offers help.

Also at d6family.com/dna you can watch 30 free coaching videos to help you create a family ministry plan to perpetuate discipleship and church health,

As we strengthen our families we're also strengthening our churches.

The Bible is clear about health being tied to disciplines for discipleship. The Bible is also clear that God intended the church and home to work together in disciplining every generation.

All too often we have relied entirely on the church, but one or two services a week is not enough!

God intended for both church and the home to be a place where everyone is disciplined—it starts at church then dads and moms along with grandparents continue the teachable moments in daily life.

Randall House also provides **D6 curriculum (D6 2GEN)**, a comprehensive discipleship strategy for the Church and the Home.

- Teaches sound doctrine
- Covers more Bible content than most other curriculum
- Provides tools for parents
- Helps develop a Biblical worldview
- Covers cultural topics like gender identity, addiction, homosexuality, apologetics
- The story of the Bible is applied to story of our lives

Danny Conn
Editorial Director

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**Promotional Director
Glenn Poston**

**Promotional Director's Report
Union Association
Peace Free Will Baptist Church
August 19-20, 2016**

Greetings from the state office. I am glad to report that exciting things are happening throughout the state. Souls are being saved, converts are being baptized, men are answering the call to preach, new buildings are being built and God continues to build His church. Thank you for the part you are playing in God's magnificent drama. May God find all of us faithful when Jesus returns.

We had a very good national convention this year with 4,192 Free Will Baptists all under one roof from all parts of the United States and even around the world. There were also almost 4,000 people who clicked online for live streaming of the convention. The highlight of the convention was on Wednesday night when all of our missionaries, both home and foreign marched across the stage to a cheering crowd. Both International Missions and North American Missions are reporting great success of reaching the lost and planting churches.

Over 3,000 young people, parents, and sponsors were there for the National Youth Conference. Many of them were there to compete in various Bible competition and many were there just to support our youth and to enjoy the many services, seminars, and activities planned throughout the four day conference. Congratulations to the Tennessee young people who represented us. One thing I particularly noticed this year was the number of younger Free Will Baptists being involved in the services, the business, the music, and the worship services. If you think Free Will Baptists are dying out, you just need to attend the convention. Perhaps it is because I fit better with the old crowd but it seemed to me that there were more young than old.

The music is a big part of the convention. Music can be a divisive issue but I think everyone there could have said, "Maybe I didn't enjoy all of it but I definitely enjoyed some of it." The choir was tremendous and the congregational singing along with solos and groups were outstanding.

The business was orderly, respectful, and informing. It was a tough year financially for many of our departments and there was plenty of red ink to explain. Some of our departments will be in trouble if serious cutbacks are not implemented or more funds do not come in. The directors were still able to exude hope and project a positive outlook for the future. International Missions finished the year in the black but have taken some drastic measures in order to do so. The Mission has gone back completely to a designated plan of support and several missionaries have retired or resigned.

Perhaps the department that was riding the wave this year was Welch College. With the building construction going at full speed and the fundraising for the new campus being greatly blessed, there is a real excitement such I have not seen in many years.

Home Missions had a serious deficit which had to do with the way loans on property had been carried on the books for a while. Since many pieces of property had decreased in value since the loans were made, auditors insisted they had to make adjustments on the books that reflected the true present value. This was the primary cause of the red ink, Dr Crowe said.

Randall House also had a serious shortfall which was explained by Director Ron Hunter. Major reasons noted were: (1) the publishing industry is general is in a downward turn and has been for years, (2) many of our churches are using literature from a variety of other sources or in some cases even writing their own curriculum (3) the decline in Sunday School has lead some churches not to order literature for the summer quarter (4) last year Randall House launched D-6 2nd Generation which was very expensive to retool. (5) digital curriculum is being used more and more and is cheaper for the consumer but less profitable for the publisher. Pray for Director and CEO of Randall House, Brother Ron Hunter. His wife Pam had a stroke on Tuesday of this week. She is improving but will receive two weeks of inpatient therapy.

In Tennessee, we face our challenges but God has been faithful and He has blessed our state work tremendously. Family Ministries is growing at a pace that's unbelievable. We need to pray for Frank Woods and his staff. Pray that God would give them strength and wisdom. Sister Shirley Woods had surgery for breast cancer on August 1. She will have six weeks of radiation therapy.

In Tennessee Home Missions, our missionary Scott Bee in Oakland has resigned to accept a church in Kentucky. The board has chosen a successor for the work. He is Jordan Osborn, the son of the church's original founder, Tim Osborn. Jordan is a fine young man who graduated a few years ago from Welch College and has been working in the church since the days it was planted. They hope to be on their own by the end of 2017. Our missionaries in Clarksville, the Kivette's, seem to be doing great with over 200 in attendance each Sunday. They hope to be self-supporting sometime next year as well.

Our state executive committee will be presenting a plan in November to help some of our established churches get on the path to revitalization. The plan calls for a two-fold approach based on a plan introduced by Brother Keith Burden and the National Executive Department called Rekindle. The North American Ministries has also introduced a plan of revitalization led by Brother Jim McComas, Director of Church Revitalization. The state will pay the registration fee of a limited number of pastors who want to attend an Embers to a Flame Conference (the FWB version is called Rekindle) and we also plan to help associations sponsor a rally or workshop lead by North American Ministries.

Our state international mission board is working hard to help our missionaries. As previously mentioned, all of our international missionaries are now on designated support. That means they have to raise 100% of their budget like in the old days or they will have to come home, so please pray for our overseas missionaries. They are under tremendous pressure. Pray for the Tennessee Walk-A-Thon and get involved as a participant or a supporter.

I hope to see all of you at our state meeting in Pigeon Forge on November 14-16. The state youth retreat will be held the weekend before. More information will be shared in the next issue of Echo. Next years Spring retreat will be held in Pigeon Forge March 13-15, 2017. Special guest include Georgia pastor Kent Barwick and entertainer/humorist Aaron Wilburn.

May God bless you all. Let me know if I can help you in any way. Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Glenn Poston
Promotional Director

**Union Association Financial Report
August 2015 – July 2016**

<u>Yearly report from August 2015 to July 2016</u>	
Balance Forward	\$16,752.06
Revenues	
Bethany	\$240.00
Central Quarterly	\$12,600.00
Community Chapel	\$400.00
Eastern Fellowship	\$2,100.00
General Fund Offering	\$126.00
Fellowship	\$600.00
Jackson's Chapel	\$550.00
Ministers Conference	
McMillian	\$192.00
Morrison City	\$300.00
Mount Carmel	
Northern Quarterly	\$5,600.00
New Home	\$500.00
St. Joseph	\$200.00
Union Chapel	\$360.00
white pine	\$150.00
Total Revenues	\$23,918.00
Disbursements	
Annual Fees	\$18,100.00
Camp	\$600.00
Foreign Missions	\$500.00
Home Missions	\$1,025.00
Tennessee United Fund	\$946.00
Total Disbursements	\$21,171.00
Balance Forward	\$16,752.06
Add funds designated to general	\$2,747.00
Balance in Account	\$19,499.06

Expenses	
Speakers for Meeting	\$200.00
Honorarium for Treasurer	\$1,000.00
Honorarium for Clerk	\$600.00
Honorarium for Moderator	\$600.00
Mileage	\$722.45
Newport Printing	\$475.25
Secretary of State	\$20.00
Board Expenses	\$525.00
Total Expenses	\$4,142.70
Total in Treasury July 31, 2016	\$15,356.36

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

Association Name Central Quarterly Meeting
Meeting Location Peace Free Will Baptist Church Date Aug. / 19-20 / 2016 (month/day/year)
Reporting Period May / 2015 to May / 2016 (month/year)
Moderator Jeff Blake Phone (423) 636-1307
Address 725 Old Newport Hwy Email jtsblake@comcast.net
City Greeneville State TN Zip 37743
Clerk Larry Kelley Phone (423) 257-3307
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Delegates

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

A. CHURCH CHARACTERISTICS

1. Number of churches 37
2. Number of churches reporting 37
3. Number of churches:
Within city limits 5
Rural 32
4. Total number of churches with:
Full-time pastors 19
Bi-vocational pastors 18

B. MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

1. Baptisms 38
2. Members added 80
3. Members lost 40
4. Membership 3493

C. STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

1. Income of all churches \$ 2,976,000.00
2. Number of churches with budgets _____

D. BUILDING INFORMATION

1. Number of churches with parsonages 8
2. Value of all church property including parsonages \$ 14,192,990.00

E. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Number of ordained ministers 55
Licensed ministers 3
(Attach names, addresses, and phone numbers)
2. Number of ordained deacons 87
3. Number of:
Daycares _____
Christian Schools _____
Bible Institutes _____
Colleges _____
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.

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Pastor Address

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

Association Name Eastern Fellowship
Meeting Location Peace FWB Church Date 08 / 19-20 / 2016 (month/day/year)
Reporting Period May / 2015 to May / 2016 (month/year)
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Clerk Noah Taylor Phone (615) 560-7757
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City Erwin State TN Zip 37650

Delegates

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

A. CHURCH CHARACTERISTICS

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

B. MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

1. Baptisms 18
2. Members added 26
3. Members lost _____
4. Membership 550

C. STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

1. Income of all churches \$ 600,000
2. Number of churches with budgets 3

D. BUILDING INFORMATION

1. Number of churches with parsonages 2
2. Value of all church property including parsonages \$ 3,200,000

E. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Number of ordained ministers 5
Licensed ministers 1
(Attach names, addresses, and phone numbers)
2. Number of ordained deacons 4
3. Number of:
Daycares _____
Christian Schools _____
Bible Institutes _____
Colleges WNAC Enrollment 6
4. Sunday School enrollment 300

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

Name _____
Value \$ _____

District association minutes requested 10 State association minutes requested 10
Representation fees enclosed: Quarterly \$ _____ District \$ 50.00 State \$ 150.00 National \$ 150.00

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

Eastern Fellowship Churches:

Church	Pastor	Clerk
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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. Quail Erwin, TN 37650 252-560-7757 n.taylor@evergreenfwb.com	Walter Harris 107 Rolling Hills RD Erwin, TN 37650 423-743-9458
Grove FWB Church P: 10543 Cedar Grove RD Smyrna, TN 37167 M: 10543 Cedar Grove RD Smyrna, TN 37167 615-947-2505 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
Red Hill FWB Church P: 1440 Indian Grave Gap Road Marshall, NC 28753 M: 1440 Indian Grave Gap Road Marshall, NC 28753 828-649-3208	Tony Shelton 45 Old Sheppard Brch Weaverville, NC 28787 828-658-1181	Betty McKinney 706 Upper Branch RD Marshall, NC 28753 828-649-3855
Fellowship FWB Church 276 Adams & Corby Rd. Limestone, TN 37861 423.257.4455 M: 503 Virginia Street Unicoi, TN 37692 423.257.4455	Gary Hodges 560 Boring Chapel Rd. Johnson City, TN 37651 423.477.7660	Brenda Cutshall 205 L.C. McKee Rd Jonesborough, TN 37659 423.753.4514

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

Association Name Northern Quarterly of the Union Association
Meeting Location Peace Free Will Baptist Church, Morristown, TN Date Aug / 19 & 20 / 2016 (month/day/year)
Reporting Period July / 2015 to April / 2016 (month/year)
Moderator Mark McDavid (new for 2016-17 will be Chris Castle) Phone ()
Address 809 Stuffle Street Email markmcdavid@eastman.com
City Kingsport, State TN Zip 37660
Clerk Penney Capps Phone (423) 389-3557
Address 308 Valley Drive Email penneyc26@gmail.com
City Church Hill State TN Zip 37642

Delegates

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

A. CHURCH CHARACTERISTICS

- Number of churches 16
- Number of churches reporting 13
- Number of churches:
Within city limits 3
Rural 10
- Total number of churches with:
Full-time pastors 6
Bi-vocational pastors 7

B. MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

- Baptisms 26
- Members added 49
- Members lost 120
- Membership 857

C. STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

- Income of all churches \$ 522,730
- Number of churches with budgets 2

D. BUILDING INFORMATION

- Number of churches with parsonages 1
- Value of all church property including parsonages \$ 3,422,900

E. GENERAL INFORMATION

- Number of ordained ministers 21
Licensed ministers 9
(Attach names, addresses, and phone numbers)
- Number of ordained deacons 31
- Number of:
Daycares 0
Christian Schools 0
Bible Institutes 0
Colleges 0
- Sunday School enrollment 441

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

- Name none
Value \$ 0

District association minutes requested 20 State association minutes requested 30
Representation fees enclosed: Quarterly \$ 400 District \$ 800 State \$ 2400 National \$ 2400

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

Please retain a copy for your records. Printable forms available at: www.mabw.org.

Form 503 (revised 03/2015)

Penney Capps

Northern Quarterly Meeting 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 Nelse Roberts Road Chuckey, TN 37641 423-588.9509 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 423-349-5056
First FWB Church of Church Hill P: 208 Maple Avenue Church Hill, TN 37642 M: P.O. Box 606 Church Hill, TN 37642	Chris Crabtree P.O. Box 606 Church Hill, TN 37642 423.357.4321	Tyler Hensley P. O. Box 606 Church Hill, TN 37642 423.357.4321
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	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 Surgoinsville P: 1306 Church Avenue Surgoinsville, TN 37873 M: c/o 1304 Ridgecrest Avenue Kingsport, TN 37665 423-358-3478	Jesse Hartgrove 1304 Ridgecrest Avenue Kingsport, TN 37665 423-358-3478 pastorjesse@charter.net	Yolanda Moneyhun 128 Elm Street Surgoinsville, TN37873 423-921-2313
Goshen Valley FWB Church P: 1609 Goshen Valley Road Church Hill, TN 37642 M: 1609 Goshen Valley Road Church Hill, TN 37642	David Hale 2197 Fordtown Road Jonesborough, TN 37659 423-349-4742	Freda Lane 1080 Timberbridge Trail Kingsport, TN 37660 423-676-2487
Grassy Creek FWB Church P: 798 Grassy Creek Road Rogersville, TN 37857 M: 798 Grassy Creek Road Rogersville, TN 37857	Teddy Webb 798 Grassy Creek Road Rogersville, TN 37857 423-357-7536	Alice Marshall 466 Melody Road Greeneville, TN 37745 423-234-2594

Horse Creek FWB Church
P: 2800 Princeton Road
Kingsport, TN 37664
M: 2800 Princeton Road
Kingsport, TN 37664

Midfield FWB Church
P: 1801 Grandy Road
Kingsport, TN 37665
M: 1801 Grandy Road
Kingsport, TN 37665

Mt. Carmel FWB Church
P: 3711 Beech Creek Rd.
Rogersville, TN 37857
M: c/o Rt. 6
Rogersville, TN 37857
423-348-6102

Overlook Drive FWB Church
P: 105 Windward Lane
Greeneville, TN 37743
M: 105 Windward Lane
Greeneville, TN 37743

Phipps Bend FWB Church
P: Highway 11 W.
Surgoinsville, 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
423-246-4631

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: 2194 Beech Creek Road
Rogersville, TN 37857
M: 301 Light Rd.
Rogersville, TN 37857

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Gray, TN 37615
M: 206 Harwood Road
Gray, TN 37615
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Gray, TN 37615
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Kellie Harrison
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Kingsport, TN 37663
423-943-0601

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

Association Name Union Free Will Baptist Association
 Meeting Location Mainstay Conference, Pigeon Forge, TN Date 11 / 14-16 / 2016 (month/day/year)
 Reporting Period August 1 / 2015 to August 31 / 2016 (month/year)
 Moderator John Buchanan Phone (423) 972-1394
 Address 1242 Pisgah Road Email john.buchanan45@yahoo.com
 City Greeneville, State TN Zip 37743
 Clerk Edward Maynard Phone (423) 293-9377
 Address 268 Stewart Hill 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 54
2. Number of churches reporting 54
3. Number of churches:
 Within city limits 8
 Rural 46
4. Total number of churches with:
 Full-time pastors 28
 Bi-vocational pastors 26

B. MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

1. Baptisms 710
2. Members added 155
3. Members lost 160
4. Membership 4900

C. STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

1. Income of all churches \$ 4,098,730.00
2. Number of churches with budgets 5

D. BUILDING INFORMATION

1. Number of churches with parsonages 11
2. Value of all church property including parsonages \$ 20,814,990.00

E. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Number of ordained ministers 87
 Licensed ministers 4
 (Attach names, addresses, and phone numbers)
2. Number of ordained deacons 122
3. Number of:
 Daycares _____
 Christian Schools _____
 Bible Institutes _____
 Colleges _____
4. Sunday School enrollment 741

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

Name _____
 Value \$ _____

District association minutes requested _____ State association minutes requested 40
 Representation fees enclosed: Quarterly \$ _____ District \$ _____ State \$ 8100.00 National \$ 8100.00

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 XI: Statement on Marriage and Human Sexuality

The Union FWB Association's position regarding marriage and human sexuality is one consistent with that presented in the Holy Scriptures.

We believe, based on the teaching of the Scriptures in the Old and New Testaments, that marriage is an institution ordained by God from the foundation of the world and is intended as a lifelong union of one man and one woman. This understanding is supported by the account of creation in Genesis, chapters 1 and 2. Genesis 1:26-27 indicates that God created man in His own image, as male and female. The passage implies that the unity of a man and woman in marriage is in some way reflective of the image of God in mankind.

Genesis 2:18 provides a more detailed account, relating that God created the first man, Adam, and decided that it was not good for him to be alone. God indicated that He would make "an help meet for him," which means a helper suitable for or matching him. Then God brought all of the animals to Adam, but none of them was such a suitable helper; so God created Eve, the first woman, from part of Adam himself. God did not create a second man to be Adam's helper, or an assortment of multiple women, but one woman. Together they were man and wife and had "no shame" or sin in their union (Genesis 2:18-25).

Jesus Christ reaffirmed the teaching of the Old Testament when He said, as recorded in Matthew 19:4-6: "Have ye not read, that he which made them at the beginning made them male and female, and said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh? Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder."

The Apostle Paul states in Ephesians 5:22-32 that marriage is not merely a human institution, but is a special, divine metaphor that illustrates the union of Christ and the Church. For this reason also, only a union between one man and one woman can be a Biblical marriage because no other union—whether of two men, two women, or any other arrangement—could illustrate the relationship between Christ and His church in accord with this Biblical teaching.

First Corinthians 6:9-11 condemns a variety of lifestyles including those associated with adultery, prostitution, and homosexuality. Indeed, the Bible condemns as sexual immorality—“fornication” in the Authorized Version—all sexual intercourse outside marriage as defined above. It also encourages Christians to flee from sexual immorality because of its destructive effects and because the body of the Christian is the temple of the Holy Spirit (1 Corinthians 3:16; 6:12-20).

Romans 1:18-32 makes clear that it is not only sinful to engage in homosexual unions, but also to approve of such sins in others or to encourage their practice. As a result, in order to maintain our consistent Christian witness, we cannot sanction, approve, or promote in any way adultery or any other form of sexual immorality—including, but not limited to, pornography, pedophilia, polygamy, bestiality, or homosexual unions. This is made clear in many passages in the Old and New Testaments.

Our Association follows what the Bible reveals as the “sure foundation” of the teachings of Jesus Christ and his apostles (Matthew 7:24-29; 1 Corinthians 14:37). If our Association is to bear the name Christian authentically, we are called to teach and practice these teachings and are not at liberty to depart from them for a different authority. Though we strive to live peaceably with all people and to obey legitimate government authority, if the two come into conflict about matters as foundational as marriage, we must ultimately obey God rather than man (Acts 4:18-21).

Sexual activities outside of marriage, including but not limited to those named above, are inconsistent with the teachings of the Bible and the church. Lewd conduct; transgender behavior; and the creation, distribution, or viewing of pornography are incompatible with God’s purpose for human sexuality.

This position is also affirmed in the Treatise of the Faith and Practice of the National Association of Free Will Baptist, Appendix to chapter IV, Section 1. (See Preamble).

In accordance with this stated position regarding marriage and human sexuality:

1. Member Quarterly Meetings whose churches fail to exercise church discipline when a member church deviates from this statement has the responsibility to discipline those churches. Failure to do so will result in disciplinary action of the Union Free Will Baptist Association toward that Quarterly Meeting.
2. If an officer of the Union Free Will Baptist Association or a delegate sent to the Union Free Will Baptist Association deviates from this statement, they will fall under the discipline of the Union Free Will Baptist Association.
3. In either case, the specific disciplinary action to be taken will be determined by the body of the Union Free Will Baptist Association.

ARTICLE X: 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. It is the responsibility of each quarterly meeting to turn in representation dues (\$350.00) for each church listed on the quarterly meeting clerk's report to the Union Association. The report and dues must be submitted by the time of the annual meeting of the Union Association each year. A check from the quarterly meeting in the amount of \$350.00 per church listed on the report must accompany the quarterly meeting report to the Union Association. It is the responsibility of the quarterly meeting to ensure that only churches for which full dues are being paid are listed on the clerk's report to the Union 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.

Official Document of Governance

As Amended and Adapted

Union Free Will Baptist Association

Aug 20, 2016

Minutes of the Union Free Will Baptist Association Ministers' Conference

August 19-20, 2016

Peace Free Will Baptist Church, Morristown, TN

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 (2019)	Central
Vice Chairman:	Rev. Gary Hodges (2018)	Northern
Clerk:	Rev. Danny Conn (2017)	Eastern

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

Proceedings of the Ministers' Conference

August 19, 2016 2:00 PM

The meeting was called to order by the President Bro. Jesse Hartgrove. Bro. Jesse read from II Timothy 2:11. Bro. Billy Carter led us in prayer.

The delegates were seated. Nineteen (19) were present. The visitors were recognized and seated in an advisory capacity.

Rev. Gary Hodges gave the Ordaining Council Report (see report). MSC to accept the report. The highlight of the report were: Bill Houk was recommended for exchange of credentials. The following came for ratification of credentials: Noah Taylor, Joshua McKenney, John Workman, Roger Campbell.

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 March 15, 2016
2. Brought to the Conference
 - a. This will be standing rule three (3). The following nominees will be presented by the Nomination Committee: President, Vice President, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, and Ordaining Council Member, and Nominating Committee. (3) member for the next year.
 - b. This will be standing rule four (4): The Nominating Committee will nominate the Ordaining Council member with the recommendation from the Quarterly License Committee of Quarterly from which the nominee is to be nominated.
 - c. Standing rule (3) three will become standing rule (5) five.

MSC to have Rev. Gary Hodges to continue to serve on the Ordaining Council and his term will expire 2018.

The Nominating Committee Report: Those nominated were: President: Jesse Hartgrove, Vice President: Chris Castle, Clerk/Treasurer: Edward Maynard, Assistant Clerk/Treasurer: Danny Willis. Bro. Billy Gragg was nominated to serve on the Ordaining Council representing the Central Quarterly meeting with his term expiring (2019). Motion and seconded to elect as a slate. Motion carried.

The following were nominated to serve as the Nominating Committee for 2017. Tim Roach (Central), Brian Capps (Northern), Tim York (Eastern). Motion and seconded to elect. Motion carried.

Bro. Edward Maynard gave a partial Treasury Report. The full Treasury Report will be in the Minutes of the Ministers' Conference of the Union Free Will Baptist. MSC to accept the report

Recess

Bro. Ron Hunter gave a seminar titled "Eight Steps to Change". Highlights were;

1. Sense of Urgency
2. Involve as many leaders as possible
3. Read all the passages in the Bible about generation discipleship
4. Formulate and Communicate a church and home strategy. Engage and Empower the people.
5. Set mom and dad up for success.
6. Lead pastor regularly leads in front of pulpit.
7. Let expectations be known that the families are to do.
8. Don't let new staff/volunteer chase a new better program

Recess until 7:00 pm.

Ordination Service Friday, October 19, 2016

The host church, Peace FWB Church, opened with singing: "Just Over in the Glory Land," "What a Day That Will Be," and "When We All Get To Heaven."

Bro. Jesse Hartgrove called the Ministers' Conference to order. He read from Matthew 2:38, "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into the harvest."

Rev. Carl Callahan led us in prayer.

Bro. Jesse Hartgrove introduced the Ordaining Council: Rev. Billy Gragg, Rev. Danny Conn, and Rev. Gary Hodges

Rev. Billy Gragg introduced the candidates to have exchange of credentials and ratification of credentials. The following were introduced:

For exchange of credentials: 1. Rev. William Houk

For ratification of credentials: 1. Rev. John Workman
2. Rev. Noah Taylor
3. Rev. Josh McKenney
4. Rev. Roger D. Campbell

Special offering was received in the amount of \$300.00.

The Peace Free Will Baptist Choir sang "Amazing Love", "My Saviour Lives," and "King of All Kings." Sister Becky Dotson sang, "How Great Thou Art."

Rev. Danny Conn brought the message from I Peter 5:1-3. "The Pastor"

Rev. Billy Gragg gave the charge from II Timothy 4:1-5. The candidates were brought forward and Rev. Gary Hodges led in prayer and laying on of hands.

The Ministers' Conference was recessed until Saturday, August 20, 2016 at 9:00 AM.

Saturday August 20, 2016 9:33 AM

Bro. Jesse Hartgrove called the Ministers' Conference back into session.

There was no new business.

There was no old business.

MSC to adjourn.

**Seminar by Ron Hunter
"The Senior Pastor and the Unseen Staff Member"**

Bro. Ron Hunter, from the Randall House Publishing, gave a seminar titled "The Senior Pastor and the Unseen Staff Member". He emphasized the importance of the Sunday School Departments of our churches using the same lessons for each class. Learning as a family, using the same lessons with the same scriptures would be beneficial for discussion with family and learning all week instead of just on Sunday morning. The Unseen Staff Member is the Sunday school curriculum.

Reports:

**Ordaining Council Report
Rev. Gary Hodges**

Item 1

Roger Bumgarner returned his credentials to Union Association. His reason for such action is due to declining health. The ordaining council accepted his credentials

Item 2

Bill Houk who is a member of the Peace Free Will Baptist Church asked for exchange of credentials. He is coming from the Wesleyan Church whose doctrine is very close to the Free Will Baptist. We ask several questions and we feel assured he is in agreement with Free Will Baptist doctrine. We also received from Peace FWB church a unanimous recommendation along with a letter of good standing from Wesleyan Church. The ordaining council recommends that we exchange Bro. Bill Houk's credentials.

Item 3

Noah Taylor, pastor of the Evergreen Free Will Baptist Church in Erwin Tennessee, with letter in hand and a certificate of ordination from Tabernacle Free Will Baptist Church in Kinston North Carolina came for ratification of credentials. The Ordaining Council recommends ratification of Bro. Noah Taylor's credentials.

Item 4

Joshua McKinney, pastor of Midfield Free Will Baptist Church, came with a letter from the Northern Quarterly to ratify his credentials. He also came with a letter from Midfield FWB Church along with a letter of good standing from the Mountain Empire Association of Free Will Baptist. We the Ordaining Council recommend the ratification of Bro. Joshua McKinney's credentials.

Item 5

John Workman come before the ordaining council seeking ratification of credentials with letter in hand from Bridges Chapel Free Will Baptist Church where he is pastor. He also brought a letter of good standing from the Logan Conference of Free Will Baptist Churches in West Virginia. We the Ordaining Council recommend Bro. John Workman's credentials be ratified.

Item 6

Rodger Campbell came before the ordaining council bringing a letter from White Pine FWB Church, where he is a member and in good standing requesting ratification of credentials. He also brought a letter of good standing, for the Logan Conference of FWB Churches, Holden, WV. We the Ordaining Council recommend that Brother Roger Campbell's credentials be ratified.

Item 7

Steve Hartley of the Central Quarterly of the Union Association met with the Ordaining Council for examination for ordination. After examining Bro. Hartley's ordination packet and also interviewing Bro. Hartley, the Ordaining Council feels that for him to grow and mature and also to expand his ministry, the members of the Ordaining Council suggested to him that he should read and give a full page synopsis of three books from the suggested reading list. He is to return next year before the ordaining council.

Members present: Billy Gragg, Gary Hodges and Danny Conn—via conference call. Also attending, Edward Maynard and Willie Winters.

Respectfully submitted: Billy Gragg, Danny Conn, and Gary Hodges.

Clerks Report

Clerk's Report

There has not been much activity since the yearly meeting in August 2015.

A letter of good standing was sent to the Coastal Association of Free Will Baptist for Jeff Davis. This was approved by the Ordaining Council and sent by the clerk of the Ministers' Conference and was approved by this body.

A letter was sent to the Officers and the members of the Ordaining Council concerning Bro. Gary Hodges not being voted on at the yearly meeting of the Ministers' Conference to serve on the Ordaining Council with the term expiring 2018. This will be explained by Bro. Jesse Hartgrove.

A letter was sent to the Logan County Conference in West Virginia requesting a letter of recommendation for the following ministers: John Workman and Roger Campbell. Those letters were received and given to the Ordaining Council.

Clerk, Bro. Edward Maynard.

Meeting of the Planning Committee of the Ministers' Conference; March 15, 2016

Meeting called to order by the President, Bro. Jesse Hartgrove.

Those in attendance were Bro. Jesse Hartgrove, Bro. Ed Maynard, Bro. Danny Willis, Bro. Chris Castle, and Bro. Danny Conn by conference call.

Bro. Edward Maynard gave the clerk's report and the treasurer's report. MSC to adopt.
Discussion of the seminar: MSC to put an emphasis on Revitalization of the Family. DNA D6 from Randall House.

We recommend the Ordaining Council examine the Constitution and By-Laws of the Ministers' Conference and make any corrections necessary and present the changes to the body at the yearly meeting in August.

Item 1. This committee makes the follow motions for election of Officers and Ordaining Council members.

1. This will be standing rule (3) three: The following nominees will be presented by the Nomination Committee: President, Vice President, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Ordaining Council Member and Nominating Committee (3) three members for the next year.

2. This will be standing rule (4) four: The Nominating Committee will nominate the Ordaining Council member with the recommendation from Quarterly License Committee of Quarterly from which the nominee is to be nominated.

3. Standing rule (3) will become standing rule (5) five.

These above motions come from the planning committee of the Ministers' Conference of the Union Free Will Baptist Association and need no second.

Item 2. The Planning Committee of the Ministers' Conference moves the following be the honorariums: Clerk/Treasurer, \$400.00 and the Speaker, \$200.00. This also does not need a second since it is coming from a committee. Report was accepted and each item was voted on one by one. All Items were accepted.

MSC to Adjourn.

Ministers' Conference of Union Free Will Baptist Association

Treasury Report

September 1, 2015 to August 31, 2016

Balance Forward		\$ 1,393.76
Eastern Fellowship		50.00
Central Quarterly Meeting		\$390.00
Northern Quarterly Meeting		270.00
Offering		300.00
Interest		0.54
Total		\$ 2,404.30
EXPENDITURES	Ck. # Date	
Union Association(Minutes)	1033 9.29.16	\$ 220.00
Jesse Hargrove, BGCK	1035 3.17.16	22.86
Walmart	1036 5.31.16	72.35
Jesse Hargrove, BGCK	1037 8.13.16	22.00
Ron Hunter	1038 8.20.16	200.00
Ed Maynard	1039 8.22.16	400.00
US Postal Service	1034 9.22.15	49.00
Total		\$ 986.21
Balance on Hand		1418.09

Constitution and By-Laws of the Ministers' Conference of the Union Free Will Baptist Association

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 becomes 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' 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. The following nominees will be presented by the Nominating Committee: President, Vice President, Clerk/Treasurer, Assistant Clerk/Treasurer, Ordaining Council Member and Nominating Committee consisting of (3) three members for the following year.
4. The Nominating Committee will nominate the Ordaining Council member with the recommendation from the Quarterly License Committee of the Quarterly from which the nominee is to be nominated.
5. 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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