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Twenty-Eighth Session Held with the
Shiloh Free Will Baptist Church,
Route 4, Bristol, Virginia,
June 17, 18, 1966

The next session will be held with the
Dungannon Free Will Baptist Church,
Dungannon, Virginia, Friday and Saturday
before the third Sunday in June, 1967.
The opening time 10:00 a. m., Eastern
Standard Time.

GENERAL OFFICERS

Moderator—Rev. Arthur Luster, Route 1,
Kingsport, Tenn.

Assistant Moderator—Rev. John Smith Jr.,
Route 2, Kingsport, Tenn.

Treasurer—Rev. J. B. Chism, 6148 Jeffer-
son Drive, Newport News, Va.

Clerk—Mrs. M. C. Foran, 321 Boone
Street, Bristol, Va.

Recording Secretary—James Myers Jr.,
Route 2, Kingsport, Tenn.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

W. H. Dale, Chairman, 3322 Lens Avenue,
Norfolk, Va.

Rev. Billy Vaughn, Kingsport, Tenn.

Rev. E. T. Darnell, Fort Blackmore, Va.

HOME MISSIONS

W. H. Dale, Chairman-Secretary, 3322
Lens Avenue, Norfolk, Va.

Rev. Charles Brown, 4817 Portsmouth
Boulevard, Portsmouth, Va.

Rev. J. W. Chesnutt, 520 Page Street,
Bristol, Va.

Guy Culbertson, 1225 Holyoke Avenue,
Kingsport, Tenn.

Rev. Ralph Flannary, Dungannon, Va.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Rev. Raymond Riggs, 4624 Larkin Street,
Norfolk, Va., Secretary-Treasurer

SUPERANNUATION

Mrs. Della Salyer, Chairman, Route 1,
Box 695, Norton, Va.

E. J. Kilgore, Coeburn, Va.

Rev. S. M. McFall, Clintwood, Va.

Rev. Harold Kilgore, Esserville, Va.

CHURCH TRAINING SYSTEM

Miss Rudene Kennedy, Miss Joy Rice, and
Miss Zella Reedy, Dungannon, Va.

Proceedings

The twenty-eighth annual session of the the Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists convened with the Shiloh Free Will Baptist Church, Route 4, Bristol, Virginia, June 17, 18, 1966.

The session opened with a song, "I Feel Like Traveling On," with Mrs. Raymond Riggs at the piano. The devotional was conducted by the clerk, Mrs. M. C. Foran. She read twenty verses from the fifth chapter of Matthew, followed with prayer by the Rev. J. C. Barnett.

The welcome address was given by the host pastor, the Rev. J. W. Chestnutt. The response was by the Rev. J. C. Barnett.

The program for the association was adopted and received by the body.

The clerk read the minutes from the last association.

The moderator, the Rev. Arthur Luster, took charge of the business session and read the rules of decorum. He was assisted by the Rev. John Smith Jr., assistant moderator.

The Rev. Charles Brown was appointed treasurer, pro tem, in the absence of the treasurer, the Rev. J. B. Chism.

MINISTERS REGISTERED

- Rev. Billie Burchett, Nidifer Church, 97
Reedy Place, Kingsport, Tenn.
- Rev. Robert Hill, First Church, 5218
Monument Avenue, Richmond, Va.
- Rev. Winton Blaylock, East Bristol Church,
Route 4, Bristol, Va.
- Rev. Ken Riggs, Woodbine Church, Box
1088, Nashville, Tenn.
- Rev. Harold Kilgore, Wilson Chapel
Church, Norton, Va.
- Rev. Eugene Minton, Parker's Chapel
Church, 1621 Clouds Ford Road, Kings-
port, Tenn.
- Rev. Harold Teague, F. W. B. Home for
Children, Route 9, Greeneville, Tenn.
- Rev. Winston Sweeney, Fellowship Church,
210 Stuffle Heights, Kingsport, Tenn.
- Rev. Lester Mackinnnon, F. W. B. Home
for Children, Route 9, Greeneville,
Tenn.
- Rev. G. C. Sizemore, Little Star Church,
480 Summers Street, Abingdon, Va.
- Rev. Sherrell Foran, Temple Church, 321
Boone Street, Bristol, Va.
- Rev. Allen Steven, Little Star Church, Star
Route, Richlands, Va.
- Rev. Joe Tolliver, Clay Hill Church, Route
2, Bristol, Tenn.
- Rev. Earl Austin, Ore Bank Church, 328
Hamilton Drive, Kingsport, Tenn.
- Rev. W. H. Fentress, Hyde Park Church,
1801 Dayview Boulevard, Norfolk, Va.

- Rev. Ralph Flannary, Dungannon Church,
Box 206, Dungannon, Va.
- Rev. Robert Dixon, Durham Chapel
Church, Box 147, Big Stone Gap, Va.
- Rev. Orville O'Quinn, Venia Chapel
Church, 228 Crocket Street, Bristol, Va.
- Rev. C. F. Sprinkle, Shiloh Church, Route
1, Bristol, Va.
- Rev. Arthur Luster, West View Church,
Rose Tree Lane, Kingsport, Tenn.
- Rev. Raymond Riggs, Bethany Church,
4624 Larkin Street, Norfolk, Va.
- Rev. Charles Brown, Collinswood Church,
4817 P o r t s m o u t h Boulevard, Ports-
mouth, Va.
- Rev. Robert Addington, Glamorgan
Church, Box 44, Wise, Va.
- Rev. G. T. Francis, Mt. Olive Church
- Rev. J. V. Estep, Rock Lick Church,
Route 1, Box 71, Big Stone Gap, Va.
- Rev. Bill Vaughn, First Church, Old Fort,
N. C.
- Rev. Earl Davis, Ocoonita Church, 1427
Morgan Avenue, Pennington Gap, Va.
- Rev. J. C. Barnett, Howard Hill Church,
728 Howard Street, Kingsport, Tenn.
- Rev. Blane Morgan, West View Church,
Route 3, Kingsport, Tenn.
- Rev. W. E. Vicars, Durham Chapel
Church, 4516 Orebank Road, Kingsport,
Tenn.
- Rev. Bob Lane, Clinchport Church, Route
4, Gate City, Va.

- Rev. Roger Reeds, Horton Heights Church,
517 Continental Drive, Nashville, Tenn.
Rev. Howard Ashworth, Ramsey Church,
204 Pinehurst Drive, Kingsport, Tenn.
Rev. Roy Sampson, Hiltons Church, Hil-
tons, Va.
Rev. Virgil Winkie, Hiltons Church,
Route 8, Kingsport, Tenn.
Rev. Carl R. Vowser, Macedonia Church,
Route 1, Kingsport, Ten.
Rev. Herbert Adams, Pine Hill Church,
Route 5, Bristol, Va.
Rev. Millard C. Taylor, Cardwell Town
Church, Route 2, Box 89-A Saltville,
Va.
Rev. Mack Owens, First Millville New
Brunswick Church, Fountain, N. C.
Rev. J. W. Chestnutt, Shiloh Church, 520
Page Street, Bristol, Va.

DEACONS REGISTERED

- Wilton H. Dale, Fairmount Park Church,
3322 Lens Avenue, Norfolk, Va.
Frank Stout, East Bristol Church, 203 Lilly
Street, Bristol, Tenn.
Isaac Blaylock, Shiloh Church, Island Road,
Bristol, Va.
M. C. Foran, Shiloh Church, 321 Boone
Street, Bristol, Va.
Frank Hanger, Shiloh Church, Route 4,
Bristol, Va.
Carson Mitchell, Shiloh Church, 2315
Gate City Highway, Bristol, Va.

M. A. Hammet, East Bristol Church, 111
Lilly Street, Bristol, Tenn.
Milford Warren, Heavenly Rest Church,
Route 3, Abingdon, Va.
E. J. Kilgore, Mary's Chapel Church, Coc-
burn, Va.
James S. Myers, Doran Addition Church,
Route 2, Kingsport, Tenn.
Guy D. Culbertson, Cooper Creek Church,
1225 Holyoke Street, Kingsport, Tenn.
Cecil White, West View Church, Route,
Kingsport, Tenn.

DELEGATES REGISTERED

Sandy Valley Association: Mrs. Franklin
Hickman and Mrs. Allen Stevens.

Tidewater Association: Mrs. Raymond
Riggs, Mrs. Lee Roy Hall, and Sam Hardy.

Clinch Valley Association: Mrs. Sophia
Darnell, Mrs. Fronie Belle Myers, Mrs.
Hazel Minton, and Mrs. Ludema Lane.

Southwest Virginia Association: E. C.
Kilgore, Mrs. A. C. Easterling, and Lois
Addington.

John Wheeler Association: Mrs. Lottie
Cardwell, Mrs. Bessie Warren, Mrs. Julia
Malcolm, and Mrs. Jo Ann Blaylock.

The delegates were seated at this time.
The association letters were received with
the correction of two errors as follows: One
having listed too many delegates, and the
other listing their ministers as delegates.

Serving on the executive board were W.

H. Dale, Rev. Billy Vaughn, Rev. J. C. Barnett, and Rev. Winton Blaylock. Brothers Blaylock and Barnett served as pro tem members in the absence of other members.

Motion was made and carried to adjourn for the preaching service.

ELEVEN O'CLOCK SERVICE

The service opened with the congregation singing "Are You Washed in the Blood?" The Rev. Roger Reed, of the National Association, brought a very inspiring message with his text being taken from Matthew 28:18-20. The closing prayer was by the Rev. Raymond Riggs.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session opened with the congregation singing "I'll Meet You by the River," with Mrs. Raymond Riggs at the piano. For the devotional the clerk read nine verses from the eighth chapter of Romans, followed with prayer by the Rev. Harold Ashworth.

At this time the various reports were read as follows:

The auxiliary report was read by Sister Winona Riggs and received by vote of the body.

The foreign mission report was given by the Rev. Raymond Riggs, secretary-treasurer of the missions board. This report was received by vote of the body.

A letter was read from the Rev. Billy Melvin of the National Association expressing his regrets for not being able to attend the state meeting and pledging his prayers for the services. This letter was read by the moderator.

The minutes of the Ministers' Conference were read by the clerk and received as read.

The treasurer's report was given by the Rev. Charles Brown.

A report of the Bible College was given by the Rev. Roger Reed of the National Association.

A motion was made and carried that the article in question that deacons as well as ministers be standing delegates if they are in good standing with the Virginia State Association and become members in full standing and constitute the standing delegation of the association be removed from the table.

A report of the home missions board was read by the secretary-treasurer, W. H. Dale.

A report on the superannuation funds was made by Sister Della Salyer, secretary-treasurer.

A motion was made and carried to have 1,000 minutes printed this year.

A motion was made and carried that the next session of the Virginia State Association convene with the Dungannon Church, Dungannon, Virginia, on Friday and Sat-

urday before the third Sunday in June, 1967.

The officers of the association were elected as follows:

Moderator: Rev. Arthur Luster was retained.

Assistant Moderator: Rev. John Smith Jr. was retained.

Treasurer: Rev. J. B. Chism was retained.

Clerk: Mrs. M. C. Foran was retained.

Recording Secretary: James Myers Jr. was retained.

Executive Board: Revs. Billy Vaughn and E. T. Darnell were retained, and W. H. Dale was reelected as his term expired at this session. The board members' terms expire as follows: Vaughn 1967; Darnell, 1968; Dale, 1969.

Foreign Mission Board: Rev. Raymond Riggs, secretary-treasurer

Home Missions Board: W. H. Dale, secretary-treasurer; Revs. J. W. Chestnutt; Charlie Brown; and Brother Guy Culbertson. These were retained on the board with the Rev. Ralph Flannary being elected to replace a retiring member, Brother Leslie G. Ketron.

Church Training Service: Sisters Rudene Kennedy, chairman; Joy Price; and Zella Reedy.

Motion was made carried to adjourn this

session until Saturday morning, at 9:30 a. m.

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE

The Friday evening service was a Youth Rally sponsored by W. H. Dale and Rudene Kennedy. Mr. Sam Hardy was in charge with the Rev. Kenneth Riggs as the speaker. The young people sang "I Cannot Find the Way Alone" and "Jesus Keeps Me Singing." Kathy and Patty Flannary sang "Jesus Use Me," and Joy Price sang "I'd Rather Have Jesus." The Youth Choir from West View Church sang "The Hem of His Garment" and "That Heavenly Home."

This was followed with testimonies given by Edward Flannary and Zella Reedy. Then the Hilton Church Choir sang "Stand Up for Jesus."

The Vacation Bible School Youth Camp was introduced, Camp Bethel, Wise, Virginia; and the children were encouraged to attend.

The youth literature program of the training service was explained by the Rev. Kenneth Riggs. Ten students from the Bible College at Nashville, Tennessee, were present for this service.

Mr. Riggs brought the message, reading from Acts 9:6. He also closed the service with prayer.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

The Saturday's session opened with the congregation singing "Sunlight." Mrs. Raymond Riggs served at the piano with James Myers Jr. leading the singing.

The clerk read for the devotional the 24th Psalm, followed with prayer by the Rev. C. F. Sprinkle.

The moderator, the Rev. Arthur Luster, took charge of the business session and the delegates were seated.

Delegates were chosen to go to the National Association as representatives from the Virginia State Association as follows: Mrs. Irene Pittman, Mrs. Ralph Flannary, Mrs. Mary Lester, Mrs. Charles Brown, and James Myers Jr. The Rev. Charles Brown was chosen as a substitute for the moderator to the National Association as he will not be privileged to go. The Rev. Raymond Riggs was chosen to go with Mr. Brown and assist him in registering the delegates. They were authorized to substitute for any delegates that were needed.

A memorial prayer was offered in reverence of the deceased members who have passed away since the last session of the association. The members are: the Revs. H. A. Hess, Aaron Justice, Frazier Boothe, W. B. Galloway; the Rev. Mr. Nobles; and Brother Lee Roy Hall Sr.

The Rev. Mack Owen, a home missionary from Canada, made an interesting talk on the mission work that was being done in Canada.

The Revs. Winston Sweeney, Lester McKinnon, and Brother Harold Teague were visitors from the Children's Home. Brother Teague gave a report on the work at the home. An offering was taken for the home in the amount of \$25.50.

Association letters were received as follows:

Clinch Valley: Letter and delegates with \$75 for state fund.

Sandy Valley: Letter and delegates with \$50 for state fund.

Southwest Virginia: Letter and delegates with \$50 for state fund.

Tidewater: Letter and delegates with \$50 for state fund.

John Wheeler: Letter and delegates with \$50 for state fund.

A total of \$275 were received for the state fund.

A motion was made and carried that a paper be printed for the Virginia State Association. It was agreed that the Rev. and Mrs. Raymond Riggs edit and print the paper. It was also agreed that the home missions board be responsible for the equipment needed to publish and print the paper. A committee chosen for the project

were W. H. Dale, Revs. Charlie Brown, J. C. Lynn, and Dale Burden.

A motion was made and carried that it be a standing event that the home missions board have charge of the Friday night's service in the Virginia State Association.

A standing vote of thanks was extended the people of the Shiloh Church and surrounding communities for their kind hospitality shown the association during its stay in their locality.

By vote the association adjourned for one year.

ELEVEN O'CLOCK PREACHING . SERVICE

The preaching service opened with the the congregation singing "When We All Get to Heaven." Prayer was offered by the Rev. Winston Sweeney. This was followed with a duet, "When He Reached Down His Hand for Me," sung by Mr. and Mrs. James Myers Jr.

The Rev. Eugene Minton brought an inspiring message and read eleven verses from the fourth chapter of 1 John and twelve verses from the eighth chapter of St. John. The Rev. John Smith Jr. closed the service with prayer.

Rev. Arthur Luster, *Moderator*

Rev. John Smith Jr., *Assistant Moderator*

Mrs. M. C. Foran, *Clerk*

Statistical Reports of the Association

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance on Hand at the Beginning
of the 1965 Session \$ 13.76

Received in 1965 Session:

Love Offering for Children's Home \$ 32.02

Sandy Valley Association 50.00

Southwest Virginia Association 50.00

Tidewater Association 50.00

John Wheeler Association 50.00

Clinch Valley Association 50.00

Total to Be Accounted For \$295.78

Paid Out as Follows:

Cash to Children's
Home on June 19 \$ 32.02

Check No. 20, National
Association Dues 50.00

Check No. 21, Rev.
Ralph Staten, Service
as Moderator 15.00

Check No. 22, Mrs. M.
C. Foran, Service as
Clerk 15.00

Check No. 23, Rev. J. B.
Chism, Service as
Treasurer 15.00

Check No. 24, Free Will
Baptist Press, Printing
1,000 Minutes 168.00

Total Paid Out	292.02
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Balance on Hand at Beginning of 1966 Session	\$.76
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SUPERANNUATION

Balance Forwarded from Last Year	\$246.39
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Receipts

Addison Chapel	\$ 6.00
Beech Grove Church	2.00
Bethel Chapel	3.48
Bondtown Church	4.50
Collinswood Church	41.70
Dungannon Church	26.00
Dry Fork Church	1.50
Davis Chapel	11.00
Durham's Chapel	1.00
Esserville Church	14.00
Fairmount Park Church	75.00
Gillenwater Chapel	6.00
Glamorgan Chapel	6.00
Hopkin's Chapel	13.00
Huff Clover Lick Church	2.50
Inman Church	1.50
Indian Creek Church	9.00
Lone Pine Chapel	12.00
Mary's Chapel	20.00
Mt. Olive Chapel	7.50
Marion FWB Church	13.00
Mt. View Church	2.00
Oak Grove Church	40.00
Pippin's Chapel	3.00

Hamilton Hill Tabernacle	2.00
Ramsey Church	12.00
Steven's Chapel	6.00
Stallard Memorial	15.00
Tom's Creek Church	1.00
Tocoma Church	6.50
Valley View Church	2.90
West Norton Church	13.00
West End Church	18.00
Wilson's Chapel	20.00
Venia Chapel	12.00
First FWB of Bull Run	1.50
A friend	2.00

Total to Account For \$679.97

Disbursements

Rev. Ben Powers	\$120.00
Rev. Aaron Justice	80.00
Mrs. Aaron Justice	10.00
Rev. Orville O'Quinn	40.00
Rev. H. A. Hess	10.00
Mrs. H. A. Hess	10.00
Rev. Charlie Mullins	80.00
Mrs. L. M. Salyer (sup- plies)	15.00

Total Disbursed 365.00

Balance at End of Year \$314.97

Mrs. L. M. Salyer, *Treasurer*

FOREIGN MISSIONS REPORT

Receipts for foreign missions from the
State of Virginia for 1965 was in excess

of \$12,000. However, this was almost \$6,000 less than our suggested quota. The following report gives the sources of our receipts and we are indeed grateful to every individual church, class, or group who have contributed to this all important work.

The sad part of this picture is that so few churches are giving anything to foreign missions. The support is coming from a very small minority of our churches. We would hope and pray that more of our pastors, especially those in the west and southwestern part of our state would get under the burden of foreign missions and challenge their people to do more for this important work.

We believe that the only reason a church has to exist is to support missions or to evangelize the lost. Also, the church that fails to support missions, will soon become a mission field. If we fail to obey the Lord in His last and great commissions, we invoke God's wrath upon our life for disobedience. Also upon our church and upon our nation.

The following is a copy of receipts for the first four (4) months of 1966. Our suggested quota for this year is \$18,500.

Our entire foreign missions family, which increases every year, stands in need of our prayers and continual support. Souls all over the world are perishing, and in need of the gospel. Let's do our

best to give them at least one chance to hear.

<i>Churches</i>	1965	1966 (Jan.- April)
WNAC	\$ 812.20	360.16
Cardwell Town Church, Saltville	79.60	25.38
Central, Norton	355.42	90.00
Stallard Memorial, Coeburn	139.38	30.00
Oak Grove, Big Stone Gap	60.00	30.00
First Church, Newport News	2,666.13	776.68
Meads Chapel, Coeburn	37.76	
Cooperative Program Bloss Memorial, Arlington	865.88	825.32
	876.55	316.92
Fairmount Park, Norfolk	1,149.35	337.70
Dungannon	191.70	63.35
Bethany, Norfolk	1,037.04	805.63
Collinswood, Norfolk	1,375.00	186.56
Ken Walker, Arlington	24.00	
Bristol, First Church	92.00	103.39
Tidewater Association	120.76	150.00
Hyde Park, Norfolk	345.00	100.00
First Church, Richmond	166.00	85.00
Bryan Park, Richmond	126.00	
Temple Church, Bristol	178.76	225.00
Esserville	90.40	26.50

Ramsey C. T. S.	20.00	
Teamster Church	11.03	
James Bowman Jr.	26.00	
Henry Eubanks Hamp- ton	100.00	
Mack Humbles, Seaford	100.00	
Charlotte Nichols	38.00	
Mildred Welton	10.00	
Pinehill Church	8.77	
Shiloh Church	24.61	15.43
Pendelton Church	12.00	
East Bristol	3.20	
Parker's Chapel	39.23	
Cooper Creek	7.03	
West Norton	3.58	
Davis Chapel	7.18	
Heavenly Church	14.00	
Greenwood	28.64	
Cooper Creek	23.00	
First Church	46.81	
Junior Boys' class	10.00	
Nannie Rawls	5.00	
Nellie Justice	2.00	
Flatwoods	25.42	
Wilson's Chapel	12.55	
First Church	97.81	
'Tri-Cities Quarterly Meet- ing	10.00	
Virginia State As- sociation	70.00	
Grace Chapel, Calleo	76.27	
Pippin's Chapel	1.00	
Raymond Kuhn	2.00	

Dr. W. C. Lambert	10.00	
John Overman	5.00	
Lee Brown, Norfolk	10.00	
Sam Jewell, Norfolk	3.00	
Woman's Auxiliary, Rich- lands	14.17	
Chestnut Hill, Big Island	25.00	
Senior League	10.00	
Mrs. W. P. Britt	2.00	
Lake Park FWB	42.28	2.00
First church, Seaford		25.00
Rudene Kennedy		10.00
Mrs. H. T. Vernon		5.00
PFC and Mrs. Jerry Fite		15.00
Frances Bordwine		3.00
Orebank Church, Kingsport		30.00

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Raymond Riggs, *State Director*

HOME MISSIONS BOARD MEET

(For Year Ending May 31, 1966)

Brought Forward \$1,302.86

General Receipts

Cardwell Town, Saltville, Va.	\$ 20.97
Shiloh, Bristol, Va.	94.63
Tidewater Association	125.00
Bethany, Norfolk, Va.	313.32
Fairmount Park, Nor- folk, Va.	225.00
Bull Run, Coeburn, Va.	29.00

Esserville, Norton, Va.	26.00
Wilson's Chapel	4.00
Collinswood, Portsmouth, Va.	28.95
Cooper Creek, Ft. Black- more, Va.	40.65
Doran Addition, Kingsport, Tenn.	35.00
Sale of Bibles	13.00
Oak Grove, Big Stone Gap, Va.	60.00
Stallard Memorial, Wise, Va.	30.08
Pippin's Chapel, Big Stone Gap, Va.	4.00

Total General Receipts	1,049.60
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*Receipts for Rudene Kennedy,
Earmarked*

Cardwell Town, Saltville, Va.	\$ 36.07
First Church, Richmond, Va.	20.00
Bethany, Norfolk, Va.	41.28
State Auxiliary	78.50
Central, Norton, Va.	160.02
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rice, New Bern, N. C.	242.00
CTS Fairmount Park, Norfolk, Va.	66.10

Total for Rudene Kennedy	643.97
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Receipts of Itinerary

Mt. Hope, Jonesboro, Va.	\$ 8.25
Dungannon	20.37
Lake Park, Richlands, Va.	9.64
Zion, Big Stone Gap, Va.	17.25
Meads Chapel, Coeburn, Va.	8.25
Shiloh, Bristol, Va.	43.09
Woman's Auxiliary Meet- ing, Vise, Va.	15.40
Total Receipts of Itinerary	122.25
Grand Total to Account For	\$3,124.68

Disbursements

Earmarked Funds, Rudene Kennedy	\$658.79
Promotional Work, Rev. Brown	136.11
Repairs to Projector	37.50
Rudene Kennedy's Salary	875.00
Rudene Kennedy's Travel and Promotional Work	60.00
Bibles	28.00
Bull Run Church, Build- ing Fund	150.00
Office Supplies and Stamps	11.13
Total Disbursements	\$1,956.71
Balance June 1, 1966	\$1,167.97

REPORT OF FREE WILL BAPTIST HOME FOR CHILDREN

Route 9, Greeneville, Tennessee

Churches and Conferences

Adams Chapel	\$ 11.00
Adwolfe	10.00
Amonate	20.00
Bear Wallow	55.00
Beckner's Chapel	40.00
Beech Grove	45.00
Bethany	88.00
Bishop Memorial	20.00
Bloss Memorial	54.85
Bond Town	10.00
Bull Run, First	16.00
Cardwell Town	127.04
Cassell's Chapel	62.00
Castlewood	20.00
Central	365.00
Cherry Grove	38.60
Clay Hill	5.00
Clinchco	147.01
Clinch River Quarterly Meeting	45.00
Cole Chester	12.00
Collingswood	188.70
Copper Creek	165.78
Counts Chapel	20.00
Davis Chapel	30.00
Doran Addition	275.00
Dry Fork	67.00
Dry Hollow	126.23

Dungannon	273.02
Dunham	148.11
Durham's Chapel, Clinchport	50.00
Durham's Chapel, Big Stone Gap	63.99
Dyer's Chapel	120.00
East Bristol	25.00
East Lebanon	41.09
Esserville	114.95
Fairmount Park	355.00
Fellowship Chapel	65.30
Fergie Chapel	106.50
Flatwood	30.00
Flemingtown	14.00
Fremont	44.50
Frying Pan	5.00
George's Fork	30.00
Glamorgan	155.00
Good Will	35.00
Greenwood	111.00
Heavenly Rest	30.50
Hill's Chapel	84.84
Hill Ridge	20.00
Hilton	240.00
Hopkin's Chapel	42.86
Howard Hill	160.20
Hurricane Bethel	25.85
Hyde Park	140.00
Indian Creek	260.70
Inman	45.00
John Thomas Association	80.20
Jones Chapel	74.72
Kellyview	53.96
Lake Park	10.00

Letcher County Conference	375.00
Liberty	58.64
Lick Fork	108.00
Linkous Chapel	462.60
Lone Pine Chapel	60.00
Lugmen's Chapel	5.00
Mabe Chapel	208.40
Macedonia, Clinch Valley	44.54
Macedonia, John Wheeler	10.00
Maple Springs	288.94
Marion	53.00
Martin Chapel	32.00
Martha's Chapel	6.00
Meads Chapel	128.00
Middle Branch	408.18
Midway Quarterly Meeting	25.00
Mills Chapel	125.31
Mill Creek	100.00
Mt. Olive	40.00
McCoy Chapel	3.00
New Buffalo	129.50
New River Quarterly Conference	352.51
Newport News, First	498.44
Oak Grove	400.00
Ocoonita	173.29
Orebank	364.82
Parker's Chapel	60.70
Pendleton's	158.97
Pennington Gap, First	55.04
People's Church	107.55
Peuther Chapel	103.00
Phillips Chapel	45.00
Pine Creek	37.00

Pine Grove, John Thomas Association	40.00
Pine Grove, Clinch Valley Association	116.41
Pine Hill	30.49
Pippin's Chapel	35.35
Princess Anne	60.00
Pyles Memorial	85.00
Rachel Chapel	33.00
Ramsey	51.12
Red Hill	60.00
Richmond, First	10.00
Rooty Branch	13.14
Rugby	67.66
Russell's Fork	58.32
Sabra Chapel	50.00
Sandy Valley Association, Youth	34.00
Shiloh	385.88
Southwest Virginia Association	50.00
Splashdam	14.45
Stanleytown Community Church	25.00
Stallard Memorial	271.44
Starnes Bend	10.00
Steven's Chapel	37.47
Straight Hollow	20.00
Sunbright Quarterly Meeting	40.00
Tarpon	13.55
Tidewater Quarterly Meeting	25.00
Tri-City League	50.00
Tri-City Quarterly Meeting	142.48
Tunnell Hill	20.00
Valley View, John Thomas Association	120.00

Valley View, Sandy Valley Association	54.00
Venia	11.70
Virginia State Association	32.02
West End	283.15
West Norton	97.73
Westview	348.00
Wilson's Chapel	76.00
Wise County Quarterly Conference	383.47
Woodway	75.00
Yates Chapel	10.04
Yorkshire	85.00
Yost Chapel	120.26
Zions	136.00
Total	\$13,829.86

Personal Donations

W. C. Lambert	\$ 230.00
Friends	70.00
Jesse Wells	10.00
Rev. and Mrs. Kyle French	15.00
H. W. Pearce	100.00
Mrs. George Holmes	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Browder	5.00
Ernest H. Holmes	25.00
Mrs. Carter Phillips	80.00
Guy R. Sproles	150.00
Lewis Dingus	135.00
Raytheon Co., Employees	67.67
Kilgore Grocery Co.	120.00
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Salyer	50.00
Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Kilgore Sr.	520.00

Capt. and Mrs. E. L. Sawyer	155.00
L. Victor McFall	10.00
Mrs. Ruby Dotson	5.00
Lee R. Brown	5.00
James E. Bowman Jr.	9.00
Miss Mattie Richmond	358.20
Walton E. Beverly	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Waters	45.00
Lab Crew, Plastics Company	38.00
Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hoover	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Judd	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Berry	30.00
Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Lambert	10.00
J. H. Bruner	15.00
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brooks	3.00
Palmyra Bolling	2.00
Rev. Hobert Addington	5.00
J. J. Collins	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Farmer	10.00
Elbert R. Johnson	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Meekins	25.00
Mrs. Mabel L. Culver	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. Ray Davis	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Holly P. Duncan	10.00
Paul E. Sturgin	1.00
C. M. Johnson	2.00
Mr. and Mrs. Howard Garner	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Ray Frazier	10.00
Rev. Robert W. Salyer	20.00
Dow G. Dawson	5.00
John W. Gilbert	5.00
Mrs. Reva Hale	15.00
Margaret A. Feathers	125.00

Mrs. Margie Almany Stephens	10.00
Mrs. Virgie Terry	20.00
Lewis Allen Hill	5.00
Mrs. Louise Morgan Davis	100.00
Jack Davis	20.00
J. J. Collins	5.00
Mrs. Annie E. Whitehurst	5.00
Bruce C. Smith	2.00

Total	\$ 2,713.87
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Grand Total	\$16,543.73
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Dear Friends:

We deeply appreciate the gifts sent from the churches and friends in Virginia.

We also are grateful for your prayers and encouragement on behalf of the work. Coupons (any and all kinds) and all brands of trading stamps (especially S & H green stamps and Top Value stamps) are very helpful in this work.

We urge Sunday school classes, youth groups, and others to remember the work in a special way at Christmastime.

Ray C. Turnage, *Superintendent*

VIRGINIA STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION REPORT

The Virginia State Woman's Auxiliary Convention met with Shiloh Free Will Baptist Church, Bristol, Virginia, on June

16, 1966. The theme for the convention was "Who's Responsible?" The session opened with the singing of "There Shall Be Showers of Blessings" and "Do You Know My Jesus?" Mrs. M. C. Foran served as song leader with Lottie Cardwell serving as pianist. Prayer was offered by the Rev. J. W. Chestnutt. Mr. Chesnutt also gave the welcome address, with the district president, Mrs. Goldie Kiser, responding. The devotional was given by Mrs. Zella Chesnutt who spoke on the first topic of the day, "Are Children's Important?" (Matthew 18:6, 14).

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

The president, Mrs. Della Salyer, recognized the Rev. J. W. Chesnutt, the only minister present, although there were others registered.

A motion was made and carried to adopt the agenda of the day.

In the president's message she informed us that "he that winneth souls is wise."

A motion was made and carried to accept the treasurer's report as read.

A partial report was given by Wilton Dale regarding the Rudene Kennedy account.

The convention recessed for a period of fellowship to meet back for the worship service at eleven o'clock.

The worship service opened with the singing of "Love Lifted Me." Miss Joy Rice then led the congregation in singing several choruses, and then rendered a wonderful message in song, "The Stranger of Galilee." Mrs. Robert C. Hill, Woman's National Auxiliary Convention president, presented the speaker of the day, Mrs. Cleo Purcell, executive secretary of the Woman's National Auxiliary Convention.

Mrs. Purcell brought greetings from the headquarters and extended an invitation for all to attend the National Association when convening in Little Rock, Arkansas, July 11, 1966. Mrs. Georgia Hill then led in prayer. Mrs. Purcell brought a very challenging message on the second topic of the day, "Tomorrow May Be Too Late" (James 4:15; Deuteronomy 6:6, 7).

The Rev. Raymond Riggs received an offering to defray the expenses of the meeting.

After an announcement from the host pastor, the convention adjourned for lunch.

The afternoon session opened at one o'clock with a very lively song service led by the Rev. Raymond Riggs. Special music was rendered by Sam Hardy and Joy Rice.

Due to laryngitis Miss Rudene Kennedy was unable to present her topic. Instead she introduced Miss Zella Reedy of Johnson City, Tennessee, who spoke on the

final topic of the day, "We Have a Responsibility" (Proverbs 22:6).

Everyone was blessed by the speakers of the day and went away challenged.

Mrs. Robert C. Hill, WNAC president and also the state study course chairman, challenged us to study in order to know and grow. She also gave a wonderful report of her recent trip around the world and messages from our missionaries.

The registration committee gave a report as follows: Those registered for the convention: 1 deacon, 4 ministers, 11 delegates, 14 visitors, 3 state officers, and 2 national officers.

Under the head of new business, the president appointed a nominating committee to bring a new slate of officers to the next convention. The committee was: Mrs. Lottie Cardwell, chairman, Zella Chesnutt, and Connie Craft.

The delegates to the National Association were appointed as follows: Irene Pittman, Irene Newsome, Mary Lester, Ozella Howard, Martha Narron, and Carolyn Tyler. Mrs. Hill was given the authority to appoint others who might be attending the session who were members in good standing of an auxiliary.

Minutes of the day's meeting were read for correction and knowledge.

A motion was made and carried to give

the host church a rising vote of thanks for its hospitality.

The president authorized the secretary to send a check to Mrs. Cleo Purcell, Nashville, Tennessee, in the amount of \$42 to help defray her expenses.

Motion made and carried to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Winona Riggs, *Secretary Pro Tem*

Statistical Reports of the Association

SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION

To the Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists when convened with the Shiloh Church, Bristol, Virginia, on Friday and Saturday, June 17, 18, 1966.

We send as delegates Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Easterling, E. J. Kilgore, and Mrs. Della Salyer. Mrs. Ralph Flannary will serve as an alternate.

Our statistics are: Number of quarterly meetings, 2; quarterly meetings reported, 2; number of churches, 44; church membership, 2,339; members received, 125; members dismissed, 91; members deceased 26; number of Sunday schools, 44; Sunday school enrollment, 3,107; number of leagues, 15; league enrollment, 609; number ordained ministers, 75; number licentiates, 1; paid pastors, \$11,978; paid evangelists, \$3,978.58; paid for literature, \$1,-

218.75; foreign missions, \$625.23; home missions, \$1,908.70; superannuation, \$314.86; Children's Home, \$1,297; value of church property, \$41,000; number of parsonages, 2; enclosed for association, \$50.

J. Harold Kilgore, *Moderator*
Leslie G. Ketron, *Clerk*

Ministers belonging to the Southwest Virginia Association:

C. B. Addison, Wise, Va.

Hobert Addington, Box 414, Wise, Va.

S. R. Ball, St. Charles, Va.

Edgar Baltimore, Dryden, Va.

Burley Berry, 128 Forrest Street, Manassas Park, Va.

Palmer Blevins, Route 1, Coeburn, Va.

Bernard Berosky, Norton, Va.

Jesse Cowden, Norton, Va.

John Craft, 704 Kentucky Avenue, Norton, Va.

E. R. Davis, 1427 W. Morgan Avenue, Pennington Gap, Va.

Denver Dean, Wise, Va.

Robert Dixon, Route 1, Box 147, Big Stone Gap, Va.

Carson Dotson, Route 2, Wise, Va.

J. V. Estepp, Route 1, Box 71-A, Big Stone Gap, Va.

Ralph Flannary, Dungannon, Va.

G. T. Francis, Pound, Va.

Ray Goode, Big Stone Gap, Va.

J. T. Greear, 840 Laurel Avenue, Norton,
Va.
U. L. Graham, Big Stone Gap, Va.
Perry Honeycutt, Norton, Va.
J. Leonard Hicks, St. Paul, Va.
Miliam L. Hall, Route 4, Box 59-EE,
Coeburn, Va.
S. H. Jackson, Route 2, Coeburn, Va.
Jessie Vestus, Route 1, Box 688, Norton,
Va.
Willard Kiser, Route 2, Coeburn, Va.
C. L. Kilgore, Coeburn, Va.
J. D. Kilgore, Pound, Va.
J. H. Kilgore, Esserville, Va.
Roy W. Kilgore, Dungannon, Va.
J. E. Laney, Route 1, Wise, Va.
C. B. Lane, Route 2, Box 96, Wise, Va.
Richard McFarlin, Mayking, Ky.
S. M. McFall, Clintwood, Va.
W. C. Maness, Route 1, Box 21, Big Stone,
Va.
L. H. Martin, Jonesville, Va.
Melvin Moore, Wise, Va.
Charlie Mullins, Wise, Va.
Hansford Mullins, Wise, Va.
B. R. Powers, Box 62, Wise, Va.
David Powers, Norton, Va.
Wade Powers, Pound, Va.
James Rose, Route 1, Box 193, Coeburn,
Va.
Jim Ramey, 242 Twelfth S. E., Norton,
Va.
Ethel Robbins, Norton, Va.

C. A. Robinette, Route 1, Box 241, Wise,
Va.

Ray Robinette, Big Stone Gap, Va.

Della Salyer, Route 1, Box 552, Norton,
Va.

Jeff Salyer, Route 1, Nickelsville, Va.

Tyler Tate, St. Paul, Va.

Eddie Sturgill, Box 705, Jenkins, Ky.

Jim West, Eola, Ky.

Sylvan Wilson, Box 395, Big Stone Gap,
Va.

JOHN WHEELER ASSOCIATION

To the Virginia State Association of
Free Will Baptists when convened with
the Shiloh Church, Bristol, Virginia, on
Friday and Saturday, June 17, 18, 1966.

We send as delegates Mrs. Clyde Card-
well, Mrs. Bessie Warren, and Mrs. Julia
Malcolm.

Our statistics are: Number quarterly
meetings, 2; quarterly meetings reported,
2; number of churches, 12; church mem-
bership, 811; members received, 12; mem-
bers dismissed, 74; members deceased, 6;
number Sunday schools, 11; Sunday school
enrollment, 788; number woman's auxili-
aries, 4; number leagues, 3; number or-
dained ministers, 26; number licentiates,
2; paid pastors, \$5,946.50; paid evangelists,
\$1,332.50; paid for literature, \$659.73;
foreign missions, \$55.95; home missions,
\$170.01; Children's Home, \$145.95; build-

ings and repairs, \$3,028.99; miscellaneous expenses, \$290.85; total expenditures, \$8,651.73; value of church property, \$97,600; enclosed for association, \$50.

Rev. Winton Blaylock, *Moderator*

Mrs. M. C. Foran, *Clerk*

Ministers belonging to the John Wheeler Association:

Rev. J. W. Chestnutt, 520 Page Street,
Bristol, Va.

Rev. Winton Blaylock, Route 4, Bristol,
Va.

Rev. Virginia Brannan

Rev. Kyle French, P. O. Box 87, Chil-
howie, Va.

Rev. C. F. Sprinkle, Route 5, Bristol, Va.

Rev. Millard C. Taylor, Route 2, Saltville,
Va.

Rev. Shelton Norris

Rev. Cecil Clifton, Route 1, Meadow View,
Va.

Rev. Arthur Rhymer, Route 4, Bristol,
Tenn.

Rev. Joe E. Tolliver, Route 2, Bristol,
Tenn.

Rev. L. E. Powers, Route 4, Bristol, Va.

Rev. Samuel Johnson, Route 2, Glade
Springs, Va.

Rev. Orville Trivette, Route 4, Bristol,
Tenn.

Rev. C. C. Olinger, P. O. Box 247, Salt-
ville, Va.

Rev. L. F. Henley, 264 Lowland Street,
Abingdon, Va.
Rev. Herbert Adams, Route 4, Bristol, Va.
Rev. Ed Pendergrass, Route 3, Box 479,
Bristol, Tenn.
Rev. Howard Shaver, Route 3, Bristol,
Tenn.
Rev. D. K. Offield, Route 4, Bristol, Tenn.
Rev. Walter Statzer, P. O. Box 703, Le-
banon, Va.
Rev. Jennings Wilson, 224 Parson Street,
Danville, Va.
Rev. Elmer Adkins, Route 4, Blountville,
Tenn.
Rev. H. M. Whittaker, Route 2, Bristol,
Va.
Rev. John Taylor, Route 1, Saltville, Va.
Rev. A. L. Pope, Route 1, Box 151, Abing-
don, Va.
Rev. Homer Goodson, Route 5, Bristol,
Va.

Licentiates

Rev. Robert Smith, Route 4, Bristol, Tenn.
Rev. Walter Fender, Okinawa

CLINCH VALLEY ASSOCIATION

To the Virginia State Association of
Free Will Baptists when convened with the
Shiloh Church, Bristol, Virginia, on Friday
and Saturday, June 17, 18, 1966.

We send as delegates Sophie Darnell,
Faye Winkle, Fronie Belle Myers, June
Luster, and Ludema Lane. We send as

alternates Anailee Price, Elsie Herron, Gwendlyn Pierson, Verna Nelms, and Dienna Conner.

Our statistics are: Number quarterly meetings, 4; quarterly meetings reported, 4; number of churches, 28; church membership, 1,332; members received, 164; members dismissed, 57; members deceased, 11; number Sunday schools, 26; Sunday school enrollment, 2,060; number woman's auxiliaries, 4; auxiliary enrollment, 57; number leagues, 4; league enrollment, 141; ordained ministers, 65; licentiates, 13; ordained deacons, 43; paid pastors, \$12,764.74; paid evangelists, \$2,686.39; paid for literature, \$1,983.06; for charity, \$1,744.85; foreign missions, \$458.79; home missions, \$728.29; Children's Home, \$2,770.38; buildings and repairs, \$24,062.26; miscellaneous expenses, \$2,207.74; total expenditures, \$49,810.92; value of church property, \$324,000; enclosed for association, \$75.

Elder Harold Hawkins, *Moderator*
James Myers Jr., *Clerk*

Ministers belonging to the Clinch Valley Association:

Elder Earl Austin, Kingsport, Tenn.
Elder Marvin Winkle, Church Hill, Tenn.
Elder C. J. Flannary, Kingsport, Tenn.
Elder Ellis Hammonds, Kingsport, Tenn.
Elder Elbert Wallen, Kingsport, Tenn.

Elder Ray Sampson, Kingsport, Tenn.
Elder Lee Smith, Hilton, Va.
Elder Bob Ray Lane, Gate City, Va.
Elder Virgil Winkle, Kingsport, Tenn.
Elder B. D. Proffitt, Blountville, Tenn.
Elder Joe Leonard, Blountville, Tenn.
Elder Lee Clark, Bristol, Tenn.
Elder Johnny Hooker, Blountville, Tenn.
Elder Clint Proffitt, Kingsport, Tenn.
Elder Sam Welch, Bristol, Tenn.
Elder James A. Boatright, Clinchport, Va.
Elder Luther Lane, Clinchport, Va.
Elder A. F. Puckett, Ft. Blackmore, Va.
Elder Eritt Darnell, Ft. Blackmore, Va.
Elder Walker Darnell, Dungannon, Va.
Elder James Cassell, Dungannon, Va.
Elder Joe Osborn, Dungannon, Va.
Elder Echol Herron, Gate City, Va.
Elder J. R. Quillen, Kingsport, Tenn.
Elder Walter Brickey, Kingsport, Tenn.
Elder Clifford Pierson, Kingsport, Tenn.
Elder Milligan Herron, Gate City, Va.
Elder William Jones, Gate City, Va.
Elder William Lane, Hilton, Va.
Elder Pat Bishop, Duffield, Va.
Elder Willie Ashworth, Clinchport, Va.
Elder Rufus Hood, Clinchport, Va.
Elder Carson Bishop, Kingsport, Tenn.
Elder Harold Free, Clinchport, Va.
Elder Leonary Cross, Ellicott City, Md.
Elder Carl France, Gate City, Va.
Elder George Rhoton, Gate City, Va.
Elder Ray Jennings, Gate City, Va.

Elder Ray Jenkins, Clinchport, Va.
Elder Willie Jennings, Gate City, Va.
Elder Willie Vicars, Kingsport, Tenn.
Elder Lubert Hammonds, Clinchport, Va.
Elder W. H. Frazier, Duffield, Va.
Elder Fred Lane, Clinchport, Va.
Elder Joe Taylor, Grundy, Va.
Elder Wrightly Lane, Gate City, Va.
Elder M. D. Hyatt, Church Hill, Tenn.
Elder James Combs, Gate City, Va.
Elder F. M. McCann, Kingsport, Tenn.
Elder Lawman Umbarger, Kingsport, Tenn.
Elder Bill Burchett, Kingsport, Tenn.
Elder Richard Castle, Kingsport, Tenn.
Elder Reece Bowser, Kingsport, Tenn.
Elder Kelly Estep, Kingsport, Tenn.
Elder Arthur Luster, Kingsport, Tenn.
Elder J. C. Barnett, Kingsport, Tenn.
Elder Blaine Morgan, Kingsport, Tenn.
Elder Eugene Minton, Kingsport, Tenn.
Elder G. A. Minton, Kingsport, Tenn.
Elder C. J. Ewing, Kingsport, Tenn.
Elder John Smith Jr., Kingsport, Tenn.
Elder Robert Parker, Kingsport, Tenn.
Elder Ray Weatherby, Kingsport, Tenn.
Elder Harold Hawkins, Kingsport, Tenn.
Elder Bill Vaughn, Kingsport, Tenn.

SANDY VALLEY ASSOCIATION

To the Virginia State Association of
Free Will Baptists when convened with
the Shiloh Church, Bristol, Virginia, on
Friday and Saturday, June 17, 18, 1966.

We send as delegates Mrs. Franklin Hickman and Mrs. Allen Stevens.

Our statistics are: Number quarterly meetings, 3; number of churches, 15; church membership, 604; number ordained ministers, 35; value of church property, \$106,300; enclosed for association, \$50.

Rev. Orville O'Quinn, *Moderator*

Mrs. Gladys Compton, *Clerk*

Ministers belonging to the Sandy Valley Association:

Rev. Earl James, Route 2, Honaker, Va.

Rev. Orville, O'Quinn, 228 Crockett Street,
Bristol, Va.

Rev. Arnold Simpkins, Richlands, Va.

Rev. Perry Reynolds, Swords Creek, Va.

Rev. Junior Colley, Jewell Valley, Va.

Rev. Porter P. Cordle, Doran, Va.

Rev. James H. Sargent Jr., Route 1, North
Tazewell, Va.

Rev. Roy Childress, Richlands, Va.

Rev. Renia Hale, Richlands, Va.

Rev. A. H. Dye, Swords Creek, Va.

Rev. Clarence Miller, Swords Creek, Va.

Rev. Kyle Brown, Swords Creek, Va.

Rev. Hobert Bostic, Swords Creek, Va.

Rev. Luther Hubbard, Swords Creek, Va.

Rev. Dewey Dye, Swords Creek, Va.

Rev. Holland Miller, Route 4, Gate City,
Va.

Rev. R. E. Hylton, 1108 Harlford Avenue
N. E., Canton, Ohio

Rev. Elmer Hess, Honaker, Va.
Sister Jettie Dye, Swords Creek, Va.
Sister Rhoda Dye, Swords Creek, Va.
Rev. Cecil Ramey, Route 1, Cedar Bluff,
Va.
Rev. Garnet Vance, Adria, Va.
Rev. Dallas W. Barber, Cooper, West,
Va.
Rev. Earl Cole, Jewell Valley, Va.
Rev. George Barrett, Newport News, Va.
Rev. James Blott, Cedar Bluff, Va.
Rev. Ernest Lynn, Bandy, Va.
Rev. Emory E. Edwards, Vancouver,
Washington
Rev. Kenneth Skeens, Richlands, Va. .
Rev. Henry Roberts, Richlands, Va.
Rev. George C. Sizemore, Richlands, Va.
Rev. Oliver Osborne, Richlands, Va.
Rev. Elmer Hankins, Route 1, North Taze-
well, Va.
Rev. Ed Harless, Richlands, Va.

TIDEWATER ASSOCIATION

To the Virginia State Association of
Free Will Baptists when convened with
the Shiloh Church at Bristol, Virginia, on
Friday and Saturday, June 17, 18, 1966.

We send as delegates Mrs. Raymond
Riggs, Mrs. Sam Hardy, and Mrs. Leroy
Hall.

Our statistics are: Number quarterly
meetings, 1; quarterly meetings reported,
1; number of churches, 9, church member-

ship, 2,568; members received, 269; members dismissed, 127; members deceased, 7; number Sunday schools, 6; Sunday school enrollment, 1,345; number woman's auxiliaries, 6; auxiliary enrollment, 150; number leagues, 5, league enrollment, 458; number Master's Men, 3; Master's Men enrollment, 43; ordained ministers, 10; licentiates, 2; ordained deacons, 23; paid for literature, \$4,609.95; for charity, \$2,-283.51; foreign missions, \$9,465.92; home missions, \$2,292.83; Bible College, \$1,-984.64; superannuation, \$75; Children's Home, \$675.36; buildings and repairs, \$16,355.14; miscellaneous expenses, \$8,-933.35; total expenditures, \$119,473.89; value of church property, \$725,000; number of parsonages, 5; value of parsonages, \$86,000; enclosed for association, \$50.

Rev. Raymond Riggs, *Moderator*

Mrs. E. V. Walton, *Clerk*

Ministers belonging to the Tidewater Association:

Rev. Raymond Riggs, 464 Larkin Street,
Norfolk, Va.

Rev. Arthur Taylor, 2403 Dickins Road,
Richmond, Va.

Rev. Charlie Brown, 4817 Portsmouth
Boulevard, Portsmouth, Va.

Rev. J. C. Lynn, 913 Burksdale Road,
Norfolk, Va.

Rev. Dale Burden, 3301 Verdun Avenue,
Norfolk, Va.

Rev. J. B. Chism, 6148 Jefferson Drive,
Newport News, Va.

Rev. Joe Hurst, 712 N. Barton Street,
Arlington, Va.

Rev. Robert Hill, 5218 Monument Avenue,
Richmond, Va.

Rev. Louis Moulton, 2719 North Landing
Road, Princess Anne, Va.

REPORT OF MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

The Virginia State Ministers' Conference met June 16, 1966, with the Shiloh Church, Bristol, Virginia, with the Elder J. W. Chesnutt as host pastor. The conference theme was "Being Faithful to God" and "Our Greatest Task."

The devotional was conducted by Elder Ralph Flannary, reading from the fourth chapter of First Corinthians. Prayer was offered by Brother Wilton Dale.

Elder C. F. Sprinkle gave the welcome address with Elder Charlie Brown responding.

Elder Earl Austin presided in the absence of the president, Elder J. B. Chism.

The registrar, Elder J. W. Chesnutt, gave a report of 17 ministers and 6 deacons present. There were also several visitors.

Special music was rendered by the church trio: Mrs. Doris Dunn, Mrs. Mary Lou

Hanger, and Miss Mildred Helbert, singing "God, Our Maker" and "God Will Pilot Me." Brother and Sister James Myers Jr. sang, "He Was Searching for Me" and "Take Up Thy Cross."

The message was brought by the Elder Raymond Riggs, reading from his Scripture John 19:1-23. His subject was "Our Greatest Taks as Free Will Baptists."

Elder Charlie Brown was elected to serve pro tem in the absence of Elder Ralph Staten. Elder Brown read the minutes of the last session.

Officers were elected as follows:

Elder J. B. Chism was retained as president.

Elder Ralph Flannary was elected as secretary-treasurer.

Elder Earl Austin was elected as vice-president.

Elder Robert Hill was retained on the executive board, and Elder Hobert Addington was elected to serve on the board.

Elder John Smith Jr. was elected as director of the Ministerial Conduct and Improvement committee.

An offering was received in the amount of \$16.80.

The meeting closed with prayer by Elder Robert Hill.

Constitution and Bylaws
of the
MINISTERS' CONFERENCE
of the
VIRGINIA STATE ASSOCIATION
of
FREE WILL BAPTISTS

CONSTITUTION

Article I

NAME: This organization shall be called the Ministers' Conference of the Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists.

Article II

MEMBERSHIP: The membership of this Ministers' Conference shall consist of ordained ministers in good standing who hold their membership in a Free Will Baptist church within the Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists.

Article III

FINANCE: This Ministers' Conference will be financed by freewill offerings which will be received at each session of the conference.

Article IV

PURPOSE: The purpose of this conference is to promote unity and brotherly love; to promote the gospel; to promote intellectual and spiritual improvement; and to pro-

mote exegetical, doctrinal, and homiletical study of the Scriptures.

Article V

OFFICERS: The officers of this conference shall be a president, vice-president, and a secretary-treasurer. These officers to be elected annually.

Article VI

COMMITTEES AND COUNCILS

Section 1

Executive Committee: The executive committee shall be composed of the president, vice-president, secretary-treasurer, and two members elected from the floor.

Section 2

Special Committees: Any special committee may be elected or appointed as needed.

Section 3

A Committee on Ministerial Conduct and Improvement: This committee shall be composed of five (5) pastors elected by the body. Their term of office shall be 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 years. One new member to be elected each year.

Article VII

MEETINGS: The time of meeting of this Ministers' Conference shall be 7:30 p. m. on Thursday evening, before the third Sunday in June.

Article VIII

AMENDMENTS: This constitution may be amended or altered at any regular meeting of the Ministers' Conference by a three-fourths ($\frac{3}{4}$) vote of the ministers present, provided that proposed amendment or alteration be presented in writing to the body at the last regular meeting.

BYLAWS

1. Each meeting shall be opened with Scripture and prayer and shall be closed with prayer.

2. DUTIES OF OFFICERS

A. President: It shall be the duty of the president to call each meeting to order, preside over all meetings, maintain proper Christian order and discipline in each meeting, and to perform the various duties relating to his office.

B. Vice-President: It shall be the duty of the vice-president to perform all the duties of the president in his absence.

C. Secretary-Treasurer: It shall be the duty of the secretary-treasurer to record minutes, maintain records, keep accurate account of all finances, and to perform such other duties as pertaining to his office. It shall further be his duty to notify all ministers in this conference of the time and place of each meeting three (3) weeks in advance of the meeting.

3. It shall be the duty and responsibility of each minister to be present at each meeting if possible.

4. By a two-thirds ($2/3$) vote of all the ministers present, a ruling of the president may be overruled.

5. Any person not a member of this conference may be allowed to take part in its discussions by a majority of the body.

6. The president shall not allow discussions when not carried on in a Christian spirit, or when he thinks it will cause discord or division.

7. On any question of procedure, "Robert's Rules of Order" shall be final.

8. No minister of this conference shall be allowed to speak more than ten (10) minutes, nor more than twice (2) on the same subject without permission from the president.

9. DUTIES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

A. Executive Committee: It shall have power to act in behalf of and for the Ministers' Conference from one regular session to another. Any action taken by the executive committee when the conference is not in session, shall be reported in writing to the next regular conference for its approval.

CONSTITUTION

Preamble

We, the FREE WILL BAPTISTS of the state of Virginia, realizing the importance of a higher decree of cooperation and a greater spirit of unity, do ordain and constitute this Constitution and Bylaws for the government of the State Association of Virginia.

Article I

Name: The name of this association shall be known as the VIRGINIA STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS.

Article II

Purpose: The object or purpose of this organization shall be to unify the efforts of various local associations of this state and adjacent territory.

Article III

Section 1

Representation: All ministers in good standing in the denomination in the state shall, upon application, become members in full standing.

Section 2

Each association within the state shall be entitled to five (5) representatives to be chosen from the laity of the local association and additional delegates for each quar-

terly meeting to be chosen by the respective quarterly meeting.

Article IV

Discipline: The state association shall have the right to settle any question of discipline, doctrine, or usage that may properly come before it from any association, quarterly meeting or church composing said state association of the Free Will Baptist church, or act upon any appeal that may be made by any body belonging to said state association. Said appeal shall have been written and properly signed by the constituent body or bodies. Such appeals are to come before the state association after having been appealed from the lower body to the next higher body.

Article V

Section 1

Officers: The officers of this state association shall consist of a moderator, an assistant moderator, a recording secretary, an assistant recording clerk, a treasurer and an executive board, each of which shall be nominated from the floor and elected by a standing vote of the body at the close of each regular session—excepting the clerk which shall be for a period of four (4) years or during good behavior—and the executive board which shall be elected as hereinafter provided.

Section 2

The state executive secretaries of department work shall be as follows: foreign missions, home missions, young people's work, Sunday schools and education, and shall be nominated from the floor and elected by a standing vote of the body at each regular session.

Section 3

Committees as necessary shall be appointed by the chair unless otherwise provided for, and shall hold office until work is completed or until their successors are elected and installed.

Article VI

Section 1

Executive Board: An executive board of three (3) members shall be nominated from the floor and elected by a standing vote of the body. The first member named shall serve one (1) year, the second member named shall serve two (2) years, the third member named shall serve three (3) years, and one elected annually as order requires, to serve for a three-year term.

Section 2

This executive board shall have power to act in behalf of and for the state association from one regular session of the association to another, and shall have power to elect such officers as may be necessary for its own

government, and to carry out the plans and undertakings of the state association.

Section 3

This executive board shall have power to fill vacancies that may occur in its body, and shall also have power to fill any vacancies that occur in any department of work. It shall be the duty of this board to make written reports of all its work to the next regular session of the state association.

Article VII

Time of Meeting: This state association shall hold its regular meetings annually. The time of the meetings shall be Friday before the third (3) Sunday in June each year, and shall continue in session until its work is completed—providing notice shall have been served to the clerk of each association composing the state association—said notice to have been given ten (10) days previous to the time of the meeting stating the time and place of meeting. Adjourned session may be called when conditions demand.

Article VIII

Denominational Enterprises: It shall be the right and purpose of this state association to establish and maintain home missions, publishing houses, orphanages, aged ministers' homes, and summer camps for young people.

Article IX

This constitution may be altered or amended at any regular session of this state association of Free Will Baptists by a two-thirds ($2/3$) vote of the members present, provided that specific notice has been given at the last previous session.

BYLAWS

Article One

The moderator, or in his absence the assistant moderator, shall call the association to order and if a quorum is present shall proceed with the business.

Article Two

Any minister in good standing from any association composing the state association shall be eligible for membership upon application, and any delegate legally appointed or elected by any association and quarterly meeting of that association composed of the state association shall be eligible to membership in this association.

Article Three

It shall be the duty of each body belonging to this association to send a letter to every annual session of this association, reporting in the same its spiritual condition, benevolent work and its statistics. Any local association which fails to report itself for two successive sessions will be considered dropped from this association.

Article Four

Each meeting shall be opened by reading a portion of the Bible and with prayer, and shall be closed with prayer.

Article Five

By a two-thirds vote of all members pre-

sent a ruling of a moderator can be over-ruled.

Article Six

This association may correspond by messenger or otherwise with other religious bodies.

Article Seven

This association shall sit with open doors except when it shall go into a committee as a whole.

Article Eight

Any person not a member of this association may be allowed to take part in its discussions by obtaining permissions of the moderator.

Article Nine

It shall be the duty of all members of this association to be present at the time appointed for each meeting and anyone wishing to retire shall first obtain leave of the moderator.

Article Ten

No member shall absent himself from the association during its meeting without first obtaining permission from the moderator.

Article Eleven

No person shall be allowed to nominate more than one member of any committee, provided the person nominated be elected.

Article Twelve

The moderator shall not allow discussions when not carried on in a Christian spirit or when he thinks it will cause discord or division.

Article Thirteen

Anyone desiring to speak shall rise to his feet and address the moderator by the appellation, "Brother Moderator," but shall not speak further until recognized by the moderator.

Article Fourteen

The "yeas" and "nays" may be taken on any question by request of one-fifth of the members present.

Article Fifteen

No member of this association will be allowed to speak more than ten minutes nor twice on the same subject without permission of the moderator.

Article Sixteen

It shall be the duty of the moderator to seat the delegates in a body in a designated section of the assembly room at the beginning of each business session.

Article Seventeen

These bylaws may be altered or amended at any regular or adjourned session of this state association by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

