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MINUTES

of the

VIRGINIA STATE

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Free Will Baptists

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Twenty-Ninth Session Held with the
Dungannon Free Will Baptist Church,
Dungannon, Virginia,
June 16, 17, 1967.

The next session will be held with the West Field
Church, Kingsport, Tennessee, Friday and Saturday
before the third Sunday in June, 1968. Opening time
10:00 a.m., Eastern Standard Time.

OFFICERS ELECTED

Moderator — Rev. Robert Hill, 5218 Monument Avenue, Richmond, Virginia.

Assistant Moderator — Rev. Ralph Flannary, Dungan-
non, Virginia.

Treasurer — Rev. John Smith, Jr., Route 2, Kings-
port, Tennessee.

Clerk — James Myers, Jr., Route 2, Kingsport, Tenn.

Assistant Clerk — Mrs. James Myers, Jr., Route 2,
Kingsport, Tennessee.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

W. H. Dail, 3322 Lens Avenue, Norfolk, Virginia.

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

Rev. Billy Vaughn, Box 117, Old Fort, North Carolina

HOME MISSIONS

W. H. Dail, 3322 Lens Avenue, Norfolk, Virginia.

Rev. Charles Brown, Portsmouth, Virginia.

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

Guy Culbertson 1225 Holyoke Avenue, Kingsport,
Tennessee.

Rev. Ralph Flannary, Dunganon, Virginia.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Rev. Bill Davison, Norfolk, Virginia.

SUPERANNUATION

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

E. J. Kilgore, Coeburn, Virginia.

Rev. S. M. McFall, Clintwood, Virginia.

Rev. Harold Kilgore, Essersville, Virginia.

CHURCH TRAINING SYSTEM

Miss Rudene Kennedy, Dungannon, Virginia.

Miss Joy Rice, Dungannon, Virginia.

PROCEEDINGS

The twenty-ninth annual session of the Virginia State Association of the Free Will Baptists convened with the Dungannon Free Will Baptist Church, Dungannon, Virginia, June 16, 17, 1967.

The service opened with song, "There's Power In The Blood", with Mrs. James Myers at the piano.

Devotions were by the clerk, Mrs. M. C. Foran, reading from the 12th chapter of Ecclesiastes. Brother James Myers offered prayer.

The moderator, Rev. Arthur Luster then took charge.

The welcome address was given by the pastor of the church, Rev. Ralph Flannary. Response was made by Rev. Robert Hill. The minutes of the last session were read by the clerk, Mrs. M. C. Foran.

Executive Board serving: W. H. Dail, Rev. Ralph Flannary and Cecil White.

Delegates were seated by the moderator, Rev. Luster. The District Association reports were received. Rev. Harold Harrison of the National Association gave a report on the Sunday School literature. Adjourned for preaching service.

Intermission

Eleven o'clock preaching service opened by singing, "Victory In Jesus". Rev. Winston Sweeney offered prayer. Rev. Charles A. Thigpen brought the message reading from II Peter 1:3, 18. Romans 8:29.

MINISTERS REGISTERED

Rev. J. V. Estep	Rev. Della Salyer
Rev. Leslie C. Carney	Rev. B. N. Powers
Rev. Charles Brown	Rev. Elmer L. Miner
Rev. J. B. Chism, Jr.	Rev. Allen Stevens
Rev. H. D. Harrison	Rev. Arnold Simkins
Rev. Ray Robinett	Rev. J. W. Chesnutt
Rev. Joe F. Hurst	Rev. Bob Lane
Rev. Billy Morris	Rev. C. L. Kilgore
Rev. Charles A. Thigpen	Rev. Jack Sprinkle
Rev. Dale Burden	Rev. William Steele
Rev. Bill Davison	Rev. Walter Brickey
Rev. Robert Hill	Rev. Eugene Minton
Rev. J. C. Barnette	Rev. Roy W. Kilgore
Rev. R. C. Doran	Rev. Roy L. Goode
Rev. John Smith, Jr.	Rev. A. C. Easterling
Rev. Ralph Flannary	Rev. Jeff Salyer
Rev. Orville O'Quinn	Rev. Bill Vaughn
Rev. Arthur Luster	Rev. James A. Boatright
Rev. Winston Sweeney	

DEACONS REGISTERED

Guy Culbertson	Clyde Rine
William Coffey	Cecil White
Anson Evans	Frank James
Edward Harris	Marion Harris
Malcolm C. Foran	James Myers, Jr.
W. H. Dail	Bill Richardson
Roy Helton	M. A. Stepp
James Ward	W. A. Hall

DELEGATES

Mrs. Frank James	June Luster
Mrs. Sophia Darnell	Mrs. J. W. Chesnutt
Cassie Turner	Mrs. Lillie Barnette
C. G. Turner	Mrs. Allen Stevens

Rosa Lee Ramsey
Anna Lee Price
S. H. Jackson

Hazel Hickman
B. G. Spivey
Mrs. B. G. Spivey

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Opened with song, "Higher Ground." Special songs, "I Can Call Jesus Any Time" and "When He Reached Down His Hand For Me", sung by Brother and Sister James Myers, Jr. For the devotional the clerk read the 2nd chapter of the Song of Solomon. Prayer was made by Rev. J. B. Chism. Rev. Luster, moderator, then took charge of the business session.

At this time the various reports were read and accepted by vote of the body.

The Woman's Auxiliary report was read by Sister Della Salyer. The treasurer's report was read by treasurer Rev. J. B. Chism. Rev. Charles A. Thigpen gave a report on the Bible College. The Superannuation report was read by Rev. Della Salyer, the chairman and treasurer.

A motion was made and carried that Article 9, page 59, be changed from previous session to previous day.

A motion was made and carried to get as many minutes printed for \$150.00 as we could. The motion was accepted.

Delegates were chosen to attend the National Association when it convenes in Jacksonville, Florida, July 10-13. They are as follows: Mr. and Mrs. James Myers, Jr., Mrs. W. H. Dail, Mrs. Edythe Forhan and Mrs. Charles Brown.

Motion was made and carried that Rev. Robert C. Hill have the authority to appoint any delegates to make up the needed delegates at the Association if some of the appointed delegates were unable to go. Brother Myers was chosen to help Rev. Hill make the decisions.

The officers for the Association were elected as follows:

Moderator: Rev. Robert C. Hill

Assistant Moderator: Rev. Ralph Flannary.

Treasurer: Rev. John Smith, Jr.

Clerk: James Myers, Jr.

Assistant Clerk: Mrs. James Myers, Jr.

Executive Board: Rev. Billy Vaughn was retained.

The board members' terms expire as follows: E. T. Darnell 1968; W. H. Dail 1969; Billy Vaughn 1970.

Foreign Mission Board: Rev. Bill Davison.

Home Missions: W. H. Dail, Chairman, Sec.-Treas. Rev. Winton Blaylock, Rev. Charles Brown, Guy Culbertson and Rev. Ralph Flannary. Rev. Blaylock was elected to replace Rev. J. W. Chesnutt who retired at this session.

Church Training Service: Sisters Rudene Kennedy and Joy Rice were retained.

Motion made and carried to adjourn until 9:00 a.m. Saturday. Closed with prayer by Rev. Carson Barrette.

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE

A Youth Rally was sponsored by the Home Mission Board. Brother Eddie Flannary was in charge of the service. Rev. Ralph Flannary led in prayer. Brother E. T. Darnell, Jr., sang a solo entitled, "Ten Thousand Angels".

The Central Church choir sang, "I'm So Happy", "God So Loved The World," "If You Have Joy" and "I Have Decided."

Sister Pat Sturgill sang a solo leading with the choir, "Surely Goodness and Mercy".

Testimonies were given beginning with Patricia Sturgill. Wilma Sturgill played the testimony song

and the church sang.

Sister Rudene Kennedy made a report on the Free Will Baptist Bible Camp. An offering was received by Sam Orendor and Bobbie Robinette for Bible Camp.

The Mary's Chapel quartet sang, "He's Everywhere", "Till the Last Leaf Shall Fall" and "When I Travel My Last Mile".

Eddie Flannary introduced the guest speaker, James Cox from the Free Will Bible College in Nashville, Tennessee. Brother Cox began his sermon reading from I Peter 2:21. He closed with an altar call. Sister Rudene led the dedication prayer and Brother Dail spoke on the Home Missions Program at the close of the service.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

The session opened with the singing of, "Standing On the Promises". The clerk brought the devotional reading from the 53rd chapter of Isaiah. Prayer was made by Rev. Eugene Minton. Rev. Arthur Luster then took charge of the business session and seated the delegates.

Report of the Home Mission Board was read by W. H. Dail. By vote of the body Sister Rudene Kennedy's salary was raised from \$75 to \$100 a month.

Mrs. Ray Turnage gave the Children's Home report. This was accepted by vote of the body. Children from the Home entertained with song - "Surely Goodness and Mercy".

A free will offering was taken in the sum of \$33.30 to finish paying last year's expenses of the Virginia State Association.

The report of the Executive Board was received by vote. Report of the Ministers' Conference was made by Rev. Ralph Flannary.

A motion was made to set aside \$600.00 to take care of the expenses of "The Link" for another year.

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 was received for state funds from the district associations.

The motion was made that the next session convene with the Westfield Church, Kingsport, Tennessee, Rev. Arthur Luster, pastor.

A standing vote of thanks was offered to the church and it's surrounding territory for their kind hospitality shown us during our stay in their locality.

The conference stands adjourned for 1 year.

ELEVEN O'CLOCK SERVICE

The service opened by singing, "Heavenly Sunlight". Rev. James A. Boatright, a Charter Member and the first moderator of the Virginia State Association, brought an inspiring and spiritual message that was enjoyed by all. Brother Rufus Coffey closed with prayer.

Rev. Arthur Luster, Moderator

Mrs. M. C. Foran, Clerk

1967 TREASURER'S REPORT TO THE VIRGINIA STATE ASSOCIATION

Balance on hand at the beginning of the 1966 Session. \$.76

Received in 1966 Session:

Love Offering for Children's Home	25.50
Southwest Va. Association..	50.00
John Wheeler Association...	50.00
Tidewater Association	50.00
Sandy Valley Association ..	50.00
Clinch Valley Association..	75.00

Total to be accounted for: \$301.26

Paid out as follows:

Free Will Baptist Children's Home	\$ 25.50
National Association of Free Will Baptists	50.00
Mrs. M. C. Foran, service as Clerk	15.00
Free Will Baptist Press - Ayden, N.C. - Minutes	212.60

Total paid out: \$303.10

A total of \$2.00 was deposited from personal funds in order to meet our financial obligations. This leaves a total of \$.16 in the bank at the beginning of the 1967 Session.

NOTE: The moderator has not been paid for his services in the 1966 Session.

VIRGINIA STATE SUPERANNUATION FUND

June 1966 to June 1967

Balance Forwarded

\$314.97

Receipts

Addison Chapel	\$ 6.00	
Bethel Chapel	8.37	
Bondtown Church	2.50	
Dungannon Church	20.00	
Dry Fork Church	11.50	
Davis Chapel	12.00	
Durham's Chapel	2.00	
Esserville Church	12.00	
Fairmount Park F.W.B. Church	90.00	
Glamorgan Chapel	12.00	
Hopkin's Chapel	8.00	
Indian Creek Church	12.00	
Lone Pine Chapel	12.00	
Mary's Chapel	18.00	
Mt. Olive Chapel	10.00	
Marion F. W. B. Church	12.00	
Mountain View Church	4.00	
Pippins Chapel	3.00	
Ramsey Church	12.00	
Steven's Chapel	11.00	
Stallard Memorial	20.00	
Tom's Creek Church	1.00	
Tacoma Church	10.00	
Valley View Church	7.50	
West Norton Church	20.00	
West End Church	11.00	
Wilson's Chapel	20.00	
Venia Chapel	3.00	
First F.W.B. Church of Bull Run	2.00	
Total	\$372.87	\$687.84

Disbursements

Rev. Ben Powers	\$120.00	
Rev. Charlie Mullins	120.00	
Rev. Orville O'Quinn	100.00	
Supplies	<u>10.00</u>	
Total		<u>\$350.00</u>
Balance forwarded		\$337.84
Mrs. L. M. Salyer, Treasurer		

VIRGINIA STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION REPORT

Balance in Treasury as of June 1966		\$ 19.91
Nov. 16, from Wise County Auxiliary - Rudene Kennedy	\$ 23.70	
July 1966-June 1967-Tide- wtr. Dist. to Rudene Kennedy	<u>174.86</u>	
		\$198.56

Tidewater District:

Dan Merhks	157.47
Jonathan Merhks (Bloss Mem.)	135.00
Co-Laborer Fund	111.61
Dan Cronks	34.65
Foreign Missions General Fund	43.25
Bibles	53.50
W.N.A.C. Emphasis	56.49
Provision Closet	9.00
Miss Volena Wilson	411.19
Lonnie Sparks	3.00
Sherwood Lee's	2.50
Children's Home	40.00
National Home Mission	111.33
The Godwin Family	10.00
The Bill Phipps	28.80

The Lonnie Palmers	14.24
Barbara Phipps	1.67
Mabel Willy	4.00
W.N.A.C.—General Fund	50.00
Bible College—Dorm for boys	50.00
Pre-Easter Offering —	
Foreign Missions	65.14
	<u>\$1392.84</u>

Total Receipts	<u>\$1591.40</u>
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Disbursements were as designated leaving a Balance of	\$19.91
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HOME MISSIONS TREASURY REPORT

General Receipts

Bethany F.W.B. Church, Norfolk	\$ 468.30
Copper Creek, Gate City, Va.	100.00
Meades Chapel, Coeburn, Va.	4.00
Sale of Books	43.50
W.H. Fentress, Norfolk, Va.	5.00
Fairmount Park Free Will Baptist Church, Norfolk, Va.	300.00
Collingswood Free Will Baptist Church, Portsmouth, Va.	261.74
Clinchport Church, Clinchport, Va.	100.00
Doran Addition, Kingsport, Tenn.	55.00
Tidewater Quarterly Meeting	100.00
Bull Run Church, Coeburn, Va.	48.00
Wilson's Chapel, Norton, Va.	20.00
Young People's CTS, Esserville,	21.91
Cardwell Town Church, Saltville	15.17
Arcola Church, Arcola, Va.	11.00
Shiloh Church, Bristol, Va.	63.57
Greenwood Church, Abingdon, Va.	15.00
Pippins Chapel Church	3.00
Leslie Ketron, Coeburn, Va.	2.00

Midway Quarterly Meeting	20.00
First Church, Richmond, Va.	55.00
State Auxiliary	4.86
Princess Anne Church, Va. Beach	15.62
Amonate Church, Bandy, Va.	24.54
Chesnutt Hill Church, Big Island	5.00
Rev. Raymond Riggs, Itinerary	148.38
Superannuation (Meades Chapel)	4.00
Va. State Association	<u>34.85</u>

TOTAL:

\$1,949.44

Receipts for Rudene Kennedy—Earmarked
And Joy Rice

Mr. & Mrs. Joe Rice, New Bern, N.C.	690.10
Ladies' Auxiliary, Central Church, Norton, Va.	10.00
Ladies' Auxiliary, Bethany Church, Norfolk, Va.	12.50
Ladies' Auxiliary, Esserville, Norton, Va.	11.80
Ladies' Auxiliary, Meades Chapel, Coeburn, Va.	1.20
CTS Fairmount Park, Norfolk, Va.	119.32
Itinerary, Fairmount Park, " "	64.47
Ladies' Auxiliary, Tidewtr., Va.	17.50
Ladies' Auxiliary, Bloss Memorial, Arlington, Va.	6.00
Princess Anne Church, Va. Beach	10.00
Collingswood, Portsmouth, Va.	12.00
Winton Blaylock, Bristol, Va.	10.00
First Church, Richmond, Va.	65.00
Ladies' Auxiliary, First Church, Richmond, Va.	12.00
State Auxiliary	125.78
Central Church, Norton, Va.	231.91

TOTAL: \$1,408.58

State Auxiliary - Cash 9.92
Tidewater Quarterly Meet-Cash 98.88

Expenditures

Purchase of Books 30.60
Promotional Work 75.00
Home Mission Itinerary
(Rudene Kennedy) 50.00
Home Mission Work for Arcola, Va. 23.65
Rudene Kennedy Salary 900.00
Home Mission Itinerary
(Rev. Riggs) 115.00
Office Supplies 18.50
Bible for Arcola Church 15.00
Films for Promotional Work 25.00
Travel S.W. Va. Assoc.,
State Association 29.44
Postage (LINK) 38.91
Printing & Add. Plates-LINK 169.45

TOTAL EXPENDITURES: \$1,490.55

Brought forward from last year \$1,167.97
Received \$1,949.44

TOTAL: \$3,117.41

Disbursed to Rudene Kennedy
as designated above \$1,408.58
Expenditures \$1,490.55

BALANCE IN BANK 6/1/67 \$1,626.86

FREE WILL BAPTIST HOME FOR CHILDREN
Contributions – June 1, 1966 to May 31, 1967

Clinch Valley Association

Doran Addition	\$ 75.00
West View	712.00
Dry Hollow	315.77
Jones Chapel	17.46
Macedonia	290.50
Orebank	413.21
Clinchport	137.65
Hilton	280.00
Island Road	176.85
Sabra Chapel	76.21
Bear Wallow	50.00
Mabes Chapel	166.22
Hills Chapel	89.27
Tiptons Chapel	103.00
Red Hill	60.00
Zion	85.75
Copper Creek	43.90
New Buffalo	100.00
Pine Grove	84.99
Pendleton Chapel	334.89
Cassells Chapel	38.00
Stanleytown Community	297.52
Howard Hill	324.75
Clinch River Quarterly Meeting	25.00
Midway Quarterly Meeting	28.44
Tri Cities Quarterly Meeting	148.19
Sunbright Quarterly Meeting	39.00
Clay Hill	5.00
Mills Chapel	114.62
Morrison City	99.95
Parkers Chapel	<u>62.55</u>

\$4,995.69

John Thomas Association

Letcher County Conference	393.23
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Pine Chapel	40.00
Clinchco	137.52
Counts Chapel	25.04
Dyer's Chapel	120.00
Ferbie Chapel	88.00
Fremont	72.50
Hill Ridge	20.00
Lick Fork	117.00
McCoy Chapel	5.00
Meades Chapel	120.00
Middle Branch	221.00
Mill Creek	80.00
Peuther Chapel	140.43
Phillips Chapel	55.00
Pine Grove	40.00
Pyles Memorial	80.00
Rugby	80.43
Splashdam	13.52
Straight Hollow	38.00
Tarpon	40.41
Valley View	120.00
Dickenson Conference	124.87
Tunnell Hill	46.00
Georges Fork	35.00
Dunham	109.93
Honey Camp	10.00
Martin's Chapel	24.00
Rachel Chapel	37.00
Flemingtown	5.00
Frying Pan	5.00
Castlewood	10.00
Yates Chapel	5.00
	\$2,458.88

John Wheeler Association

Shiloh	413.31
Rooty Branch	134.45
Cardwell Town	75.17

Greenwood	257.61
Pine Hill	34.61
Valley View	33.02
Macedonia	<u>23.40</u>

\$ 971.57

Sandy Valley Association

Amonate	113.37
Marion	61.00
Yost Chapel	115.00
Linkous Chapel	434.96
Venia's Chapel	22.91
Good Will	42.00
Laymen's Chapel	32.67
Lake Park	23.09
Russell Fork	<u>58.11</u>

\$ 903.11

Southwest Virginia Association

Princess Anne	50.00
Inman	60.00
Kilgore Grocery Company	120.00
West End	518.30
Bryan Park	25.00
Hyde Park	360.00
Central	240.00
Fairmount Park	365.01
Newport News First	557.79
Cherry Grove	61.00
Dungannon	318.48
Collingswood	317.89
Durham Chapel	72.57
Esserville	84.90
West Norton	101.32
Stevens Chapel	35.00
Pippins Chapel	30.50
Wise County Quarterly Conf.	430.74
Martha's Chapel	9.65

Tacoma	50.00
Mt. Olive	65.00
Indian Creek	118.86
Bull Run First	57.56
Stallard Memorial	200.00
Glamorgan Chapel	125.00
Beech Grove	20.00
Oak Grove	365.00
Kelley View	19.55
Hopkins Chapel	52.30
Bloss Memorial	283.08
Zion	206.50
Richmond	160.00
Ocoonita	249.74
Lone Pine Chapel	74.37
Ramsey	83.45
Wilson's Chapel	98.20
Maple Springs	202.83
East Lebanon	23.67
Beckner's Chapel	20.00
Woodway	80.00
Pennington Gap First	30.00
Mt. Hope	46.65
Heavenly Rest	24.85
Bethel	10.97
Dry Fork	67.55
Flatwood	20.00
Valley View	55.75
Davis Chapel	27.50
Southwest Virginia Association	10.37
Mt. Carmel	20.00
Bethany	60.00
Mt. View	25.00
	\$6,711.90

Personal Donations and Miscellaneous Churches

Eugene Adkins	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Lambert	165.00

Mrs. Albie Immis	1.00
J. H. Brewer	89.10
Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Berry	65.00
Mrs. Rena Hale	40.00
Peoples Church of Norview	111.63
Stanley	10.00
Friends	135.00
Mr. H. W. Pearce	150.00
Mrs. Minnie Starnes	2.00
Marvin G. Waters	20.00
Rev. Orville O'Quinn	.25
Mrs. Mabel L. Culver	5.00
Lewis Dingus	171.00
Carolyn Jean Sproles	110.00
L. Victor McFall	25.00
S. M. McFall	5.00
Miss Mattie Richmond	25.00
Mrs. George Holmes	5.00
Palmyra Bolling	3.00
Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Baker	500.00
Mrs. Carter Phillips	20.00
Lester Cooper	1.00
Mrs. J. L. Whitehurst	10.00
North Fork	33.26
Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Bryan, Jr.	30.00
Mr. and Mrs. John F. Marshall	6.00
Mason & Dixon Association	225.00
Yorkshire	10.00
Mrs. Arthur Salyer	12.00
Lambert's Motel	10.00
Ernest H. Holmes	24.00
Phillips Auto Supply	10.00
C. D. Porter	40.00
Brabson Furniture Company	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. G.R. Sproles and Family	100.00
Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Lambert	10.00
Rev. Hobert Addington	5.00

Frank Brooks	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Tipton	15.00
Mr. and Mrs. Leo Stidham	5.00
Mrs. Joan Baldwin	9.03
Mr. and Mrs. John R. Powers	40.00
Mrs. Annie E. Whitehurst	2.00
E. O. Quillen	1.00
Dickenson County Singing	44.00
Adams Chapel Union Sun. School	11.00
Va. Women's State Convention	40.00
C. C. Lambert	25.00
Carter Lambert	10.00
Liberty	55.00
Webster Dotson	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Nookes, Sr.	18.00
Mrs. M. Sauls	5.00
Rev. and Mrs. Ralph C. Hampton	17.50
Warren Salyer	5.00
Mrs. Emmett Greene	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Wright	8.00
Virginia State Association	25.50
Cecil C. Presley	10.00
E. J. Kilgore	10.00
	\$ 2,580.27
GRAND TOTAL:	
	\$18,621.42

STATISTICAL REPORTS OF THE ASSOCIATION

TIDEWATER ASSOCIATION

To the Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists when convened with the Dungannon Church in Dungannon, Va., on Friday and Saturday, June 16 and 17, 1967.

We send as delegates Mrs. Charles Brown, Mrs. B. G. Spivey, Mrs. Robert C. Hill, Mrs. Edith Forhand.

Mrs. J. McPeck and Mrs. Wilton Dail will serve as alternates.

Our statistics are: Number of quarterly meetings, 1; quarterly meetings reported, 1; number of churches, 10; church membership, 2,351; members received, 345; members dismissed, 24; members deceased, 3; number of Sunday Schools, 10; Sunday School enrollment, 1500; number of Women's Auxiliaries, 10; Women's Auxiliary enrollment, 165; number of leagues, 9; league enrollment, 443; number of Master Men's, 4; Master Men enrollment, 74; number of ordained ministers, 16; number of licentiates, 0; number of ordained deacons, 30; paid pastors, \$52,000.00; paid evangelists, \$1,975.00; literature, \$5,600.00; charity, \$2,300.51; foreign missions, \$5,733.61; home missions, \$2,001.08; Bible College, \$2,225.61; superannuation, \$184.20; Children's Home, \$966.08; building and repair, \$7,089.36; miscellaneous expenses, \$500.00; total expenditures, \$1,595.27; value of church property, \$1,000,000.00; number of parsonages, 6; value of parsonages, \$95,000.00; enclosed for association, \$50.00.

Rev. Dale Burden, Moderator
Mrs. E. V. Welton, Clerk

Ministers belonging to the Tidewater Association

Rev. Bobby Valentine
Rev. Robert C. Hill
Rev. Kenneth Riggs
Rev. W. H. Fentress
Rev. I. J. Carter
Rev. Charles Brown
Rev. Joe Hurst

Rev. Bill Morris
Rev. Arthur Taylor
Rev. J. B. Chism
Rev. Louis Moulton
Rev. Bill Davison
Rev. C. H. Denton
Rev. John Gibbs

Rev. George Stitt

SANDY VALLEY ASSOCIATION

To the Virginia State Association of Free Will

Baptists when convened with the Dungannon Church in Dungannon, Va., on Friday and Saturday, June 16 and 17, 1967.

We send as delegates Ettie Mitchell, Corrine Lane, Elsie Smith, Jack Lane, Bill Richerson, Marion Harris, Brother and Sister Frank James and Brother and Sister Edward Harris.

Our statistics are: Number of quarterly meetings, 3; quarterly meetings reported, 3; number of churches, 15; church membership, 548; members received, 63; members dismissed, 16; members deceased, 15; number of Sunday Schools, 13; Sunday School enrollment, 300; number of ordained ministers, 32; number of ordained deacons, 28; paid pastors, \$2,068.83; paid evangelists, \$1,445.75; Children's Home, \$429.87; value of church property, \$11,720,000.00; enclosed for association, \$50.00.

Earl James, Moderator
Gladys Compton, Clerk

Ministers belonging to the Sandy Valley Association

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

Rev. Arnold Simpkins, Richlands, Va.

Rev. Perry Reynolds, Swords Creek, Va.

Rev. Manuel Colley

Rev. Lester L. Gilley, 10325 Lee Hwy., Lot 19, Fairfax, Va.

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

Rev. Clarence Miller, Swords Creek, Va.

Rev. Luther Hubbard, Swords Creek, Va.

Rev. Kyle Brown, Swords Creek, Va.

Rev. Hobert Bostic, Swords Creek, Va.

Rev. Dewey Dye, Swords Creek, Va.

Rev. R. E. Hilton, 1108 Hartford Ave., N.E., Canton, Ohio

Rev. Elmer Hess, Honaker, Va.

Sister Jettie Dye, Swords Creek, Va.

Sister Rhoda Dye, Swords Creek, Va.
Rev. Cecil B. Ramey, Rt. 1, Cedar Bluff, Va.
Rev. Dallas W. Barber, Coopers, W. Va.
Rev. Earl Cole, Jewell Valley, Va.
Rev. George Barrett, Newport News, Va.
Rev. James Blott, Cedar Bluff, Va.
Rev. Earnest Lynn, Bandy, Va.
Rev. Emory E. Edwards, Vancouver, Washington
Rev. Kenneth M. Skeens, Richlands, Va.
Rev. Henry Roberts, Richlands, Va.
Rev. George C. Sizemore, Abingdon, Va.
Rev. Oliver Osborne, Richlands, Va.
Rev. James H. Sargent, Jr., Rt. 1, N. Tazewell, Va.
Rev. Elmer Hankins, Rt. 1, N. Tazewell, Va.
Rev. Porter Cordle, Doran, Va.
Rev. Renia Hale, Richlands, Va.
Rev. Ray Childress, Richlands, Va.
Rev. Allen Stevens, Seaboard, Va.
Rev. Garnett Vance, Rt. 1, N. Tazewell, Va.

SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION

To the Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists when convened with the Dungannon Church in Dungannon, Va., on Friday and Saturday, June 16 and 17, 1967.

We send as delegates Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Turner, Edd Davis, Maggie Lane, Bill Cowan and Mrs. Elmer Miner.

Our statistics are: Number of quarterly meetings; 2; quarterly meetings reported, 2; number of churches, 43; church membership, 2,248; members received, 156; members dismissed, 51; members deceased, 12; number of Sunday Schools, 43; Sunday School enrollment, 2,945; number of leagues, 2; league enrollment, 65; number of ordained ministers, 62; number of licentiates, 5; paid pastors, \$13,023.65; paid evangelists, \$5,734.77; literature, \$2,442.36; foreign mis-

sions, \$613.55; Home missions, \$1,845.20; superannuation, \$262.77; building and repair, \$11,530.94; enclosed for association, \$50.00.

Elder Ben Powers, Moderator
Leslie G. Ketron, Clerk

Ministers belonging to the
Southwest Virginia Association

Hobert Addington, Wise, Va.
C. B. Addison, Rt. 1, Wise, Va.
S. R. Ball, St. Charles, Va.
Edgar Baltimore, Dryden, Va.
Jeff Bevins, Wise, Va.
J. R. Cowden, Norton, Va.
E. R. Davis, Pennington, Va.
Denver Dean, Wise, Va.
Robert Dixon, Big Stone Gap, Va.
Carson Dotson, Wise, Va.
J. V. Estep, Big Stone Gap, Va.
Ralph Flannary, Dungannon, Va.
G. T. Francis, Pound, Va.
Ray L. Goode, Wise, Va.
Ulysses Graham, Big Stone Gap, Va.
J. L. Greear, Norton, Va.
James L. Hicks, St. Paul, Va.
Theodore Holmes, Keokee, Va.
S. H. Jackson, Coeburn, Va.
Vestus Jessee, Norton, Va.
C. L. Kilgore, Coeburn, Va.
Harold Kilgore, Esserville, Va.
J. D. Kilgore, Pound, Va.
William Kilgore, Wise, Va.
Willard Kiser, Coeburn, Va.
Bobby Laney, Jonesville, Va.
C. B. Layne, Wise, Va.
William Maness, Big Stone Gap, Va.
S. M. McFall, Clintwood, Va.

Hansford Mullins, Wise, Va.
Kermit Moore, Alexandria, Va.
Paul Pennington, Pennington Gap, Va.
B. R. Powers, Wise, Va.
David Powers, Norton, Va.
Wade Powers, Wise, Va.
James Ramey, Norton, Va.
Roy Robinette, Big Stone Gap, Va.
Della Salyer, Norton, Va.
Jeff Salyer, Nickelsville, Va.
Eddie Sturgill, Jenkins, Kentucky
Garland Summers, St. Paul, Va.

CLINCH VALLEY ASSOCIATION

To the Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists when convened with the Dungannon Church in Dungannon, Va., on Friday and Saturday, June 16 and 17, 1967.

We send as delegates Fronie Belle Myers, Lillie Barnett, Sophie Darnell, Ana Lee Price and June Luster. We send as alternates Allie Cassell, Naomia Unbarger, Elsea Herron, Minnie Bowser and Ruth Lane.

Our statistics are: Number of quarterly meetings, 4; quarterly meetings reported, 4; number of churches, 28; church membership, 1,436; members received, 183; members dismissed, 93; members deceased, 13; number of Sunday Schools, 26; Sunday School enrollment, 2,053; number of Women's Auxiliaries, 3; Women's Auxiliary enrollment, 46; number of leagues, 6; league enrollment, 278; number of ordained ministers, 66; number of licentiates, 11; number of ordained deacons, 76; paid pastors, \$17,036.46; paid evangelists, \$3,420.44; literature, \$2,204.80; charity, \$1,934.42; foreign missions, \$868.05; home missions, \$393.01; Bible College, \$30.00; Children's Home,

\$4,100.24; building and repair, \$31,969.60; miscellaneous expenses, \$3,178.39; total expenditures, \$66,757.02; value of church property, \$181,550; enclosed for association, \$75.00..

Elder Arthur Luster, Moderator
James Myers, Jr., Clerk

Ministers belonging to the Clinch Valley Association

James A. Boatright, Rt. 1, Clinchport, Va.

Luther Lane, Rt. 1, Clinchport, Va.

A. F. Puckett, Rt. 1, Fort Blackmore, Va.

Walter Brickey, Kingsport, Tennessee

Harold Sheffear, 321 Park St., Westfield, Indiana

Jaon C. Pierson, Kingsport, Tennessee

Eritt T. Darnell, Rt. 1, Ft. Blackmore, Va.

Walker Darnell, Dungannon, Va.

James Cassell, Dungannon, Va.

Joe Osborne, Dungannon, Va.

Echol Herron, Gate City, Va.

J. B. Quillen, Kingsport, Tennessee

Clinè Massie, Dungannon, Va.

Emmett Lane, Rt. 4, Gate City, Va.

John Smith, Jr., 1421 Tyler St., Kingsport, Tenn.

Arthur Luster, Rt. 1, Rose Tree Lane, Kingsport,
Tennessee

Blaine E. Morgan, Rt. 3, E. Holiday Hills, Kingsport,
Tennessee

B. N. Powers, 977½ Lynn Garden Dr., Kingsport,
Tennessee

Harold Hawkins, 1608 Seauée Rd., Kingsport, Tenn.

Ray Weatherly, 1842 McGhee St., Kingsport, Tenn.

Kelly Estepp, 1621 Lake St., Kingsport, Tenn..

Robert Lee Parker, Jr., 740 Clouds Ford Rd., Kings-
port, Tennessee

Eugene Minton, 1621 Clouds Ford Rd. Kingsport, Tenn.

G. A. Minton, Rt. 11, Kingsport, Tennessee

C. J. Ewing, Rt. 6, Kingsport, Tennessee

Bill Vaughn, Old Fort, North Carolina
Leonard Cross, Ellicott City, Maryland
J. C. Barnett, 728 Howard St., Kingsport, Tennessee
F. M. McCann, 205 W. Cahremont, Kingsport, Tenn.
Carl Bowser, Rt. 1, Kingsport, Tennessee
Bill Burchett, 97 Ried Place, Kingsport, Tennessee
Lowman Umberger, 1735½ Park Drive, Kingsport,
Tennessee
Roy Sampson, Hilton, Va.
Virgil Winkle, Rt. 8, Kingsport, Tennessee
Lee Smith, Hilton, Va.
Joe Leonard, Rt. 2, Blountville, Tennessee
Sam Welch, Rt. 2, Bristol, Tennessee
Lee Clark, Rt. 2, Bristol, Tennessee
B. D. Proffitt, Rt. 4, Blountville, Tennessee
Clint Proffitt, Kingsport, Tennessee
Earl Austin, 238 Hamilton Drive, Kingsport, Tenn.
Marvin Winkle, Rt. 3, Church Hill, Tennessee
Ellis Hammonds, Sullivan St., Kingsport, Tennessee
Elbert Wallen, Rt. 8, Kingsport, Tennessee
Willie Vicars, Kingsport, Tennessee
W. H. Frazier, Duffield, Va.
Richard L. Castle, Kingsport, Tennessee
Harold Free, Rt. 1, Clinchport, Va.
Pat Bishop, Rt. 1, Duffield, Va.
Milligan Herron, Gate City, Va.
Willie Ashworth, Rt. 1, Clinchport, Va.
Carl France, Gate City, Va.
William Lane, Hilton, Va.
Roy Jenkins, Clinchport, Va.
George Rhoton, Weber City, Va.
Roy Jennings, Weber City, Va.
Joe Frazier, Grundy, Va.
Hermon Dickenson, East Stone Gap, Va.
Bob R. Lane, Gate City, Va.
Wrightly Lane, Gate City, Va.
M. D. Hyatt, Rt. 4, Church Hill, Tennessee

William Jones, Gate City, Va.
Carson Bishop, Kingsport, Tenn.
Lubert Hammonds, Clinchport, Va.
Rufus Hood, Rt. 3, Clinchport, Va.
Jimmy Combs, Rt. 1, Gate City, Va.

JOHN WHEELER ASSOCIATION

To the Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists when convened with the Dungannon Church in Dungannon, Va., on Friday and Saturday, June 16 and 17, 1967.

We send as delegates Jonn Blaylock, Irene Miller and Lottie Cardwell. We send as alternates Dorothy Profitt and Shirley Taylor.

Our statistics are: Number of quarterly meetings, 2; quarterly meetings reported, 2; number of churches, 12; church membership, 825; members received, 30; members dismissed, 22; members deceased, 10; number of Sunday Schools, 12; Sunday School enrollment, 778; number of Women's Auxiliaries, 4; number of leagues, 6; number of ordained ministers, 26; number of licentiates, 1; number of ordained deacons, 29; paid pastors, \$6,608.89; paid evangelists, \$1,351.89; foreign missions, \$73.14; home missions, \$167.99; Children's Home, \$221.00; building and repair, \$3,476.59; total expenditures, \$13,523.53; publication, \$111.20; miscellaneous expenses, \$219.32; education, \$427.25; orphanage, \$221.14; other expenses, \$726.32; enclosed for association, \$60.00.

Rev. Walter Statzer, Moderator
Mrs. M. C. Foran, Clerk

Ministers belonging to the John Wheeler Association

Rev. Virginia Brannan, Rt. 2, Bristol, Tennessee
Rev. Sheldon Norris, Rt. 3, Bristol, Tennessee

Rev. Winton Blaylock, Rt. 4, Bristol, Va.
 Rev. J. W. Chesnutt, 520 Page St., Bristol, Va.
 Rev. Style French, P.O. Box 87, Chilhowie, Va.
 Rev. C. F. Sprinkle, Rt. 5, Bristol, Va.
 Rev. Cecil Clifton, Rt. 1, Meadowview, Va.
 Rev. Arthur Rhymer, Rt. 4, Bristol, Tennessee
 Rev. Joe E. Tolliver, Rt. 2, Bristol, Tennessee
 Rev. L. E. Powers, 1834 Commonwealth Ave., Bristol,
 Va.
 Rev. Samuel Johnson, P.O. Box 123, Gary, W. Va.
 Rev. Orville Trivette, Rt. 4, Bristol, Tennessee
 Rev. C. C. Olinger, P.O. Box 247, Saltville, Va.
 Rev. Lula F. Henly, 264 Lowland St., Abingdon, Va.
 Rev. Herbert Adams, Rt. 4, Bristol, Va.
 Rev. Edd Pendergrass, Box 479, Rt. 3, Bristol, Tenn.
 Rev. Howard Shaffer, Rt. 3, Bristol, Tennessee
 Rev. Douglas K. Offield, Rt. 4, Bristol, Tenn.
 Rev. Walter Statzer, Rt. 2, Marion, Va.
 Rev. Robert F. Smith, Rt. 4, Bristol, Tennessee
 Rev. Jennings Wilson, 224 Parson St., Danville, Va.
 Rev. H. M. Whittaker, Centerville Rd., Centerville, Va.
 Rev. Elmer Adkins, Rt. 4, Blountville, Tennessee
 Rev. John Taylor, Rt. 1, Saltville, Va.
 Rev. A. L. Pope, Box 151, Rt. 1, Abingdon, Va.
 Rev. Homer Goodson, Rt. 5, Bristol, Va.
 Licentiate
 Rev. Walter Fender

REPORT OF MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

The Virginia State Minister's Conference, June 15, 1967, met with the Dungannon Free Will Baptist Church with Rev. Ralph Flannary as host pastor.

The Conference opened with Rev. Dale Burden leading the song, "More about Jesus." Prayer was offered by Rev. John Smith, Jr. Brother Leslie Carney brought the devotional reading from Hebrews 12,

verses 1-12. He spoke of how they were winning Catholics in the state where he is working for Home Missions.

The Registrar, Rev. Joe Hurst, reported 10 ministers, 3 visiting ministers and 5 laymembers.

Rev. Harold Harrison of the National Sunday School Eoard was recognized. Rev. Charles A. Thigpen of the Bible College was also recognized and spoke briefly of the school and it's building program, and invited everyone to visit the Bible College.

Rev. Charles Brown brought the message reading from Ezekiel 3:17, 23, Isaiah 21:11, taking as a text, "Watchman, What of the Night? Preacher, What of Thy Watch?"

Some of the highlights of his message were, Failure in the pulpit, not in the pew. Watchmen should win souls. We set the pulpit on fire, but neglect those outside. This is the greatest opportunity the church has ever had to reach the world for the Lord Jesus. Are we pure from the blood of all men?.

Officers were elected as follows:

Rev. Charles Brown was elected as President, Rev. John Smith, Jr., as Vice President and Rev. Ralph Flannary was retained as Secretary-Treasurer.

Rev. C. L. Kilgore was elected to be director of the Ministerial Conduct Committee for five years.

Rev. Joe Hurst and Rev. Dale Burden were elected to the Executive Committee by acclamation.

Motion to adjourn for 1 year was accepted. The meeting closed with prayer by Rev. S. M. McFall.

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 promote 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.

urer. 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 degree 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 quarterly 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 herein-after 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 day.

BYLAWS

Article 1

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 2

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 and quarterly meeting of that association composed of the state association shall be eligible to membership in this association.

Article 3

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 4

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

Article 5

By a two-thirds vote of all members present a ruling of a moderator can be overruled.

Article 6

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

Article 7

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

Article 8

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

Article 9

It shall be the duty of all the 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 10

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

Article 11

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

Article 12

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 13

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 14

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

Article 15

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 16

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 17

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

