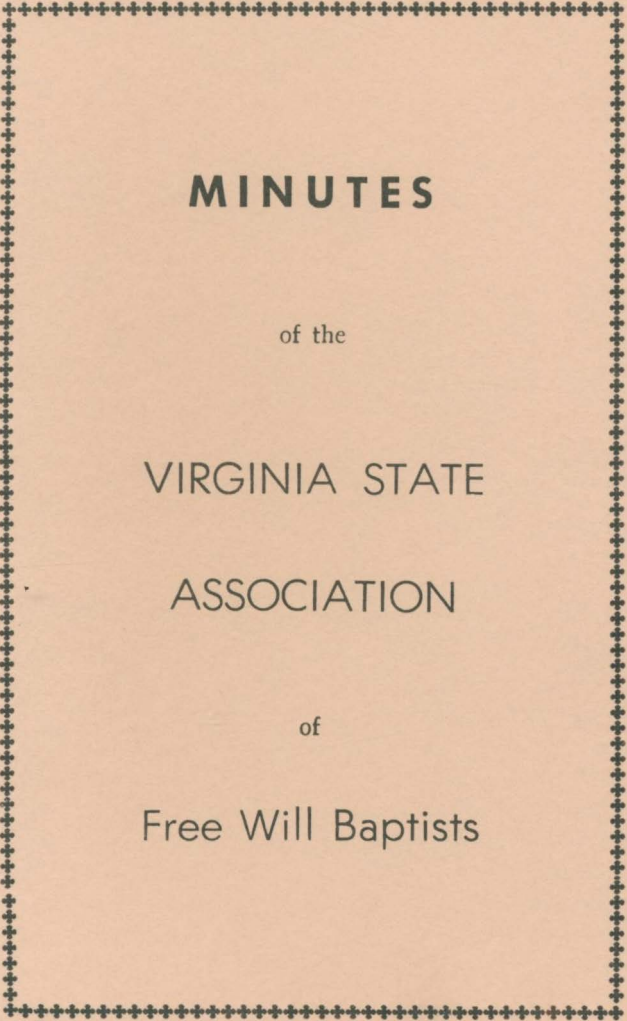




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**Thirtieth Session Held with the
West View Free Will Baptist Church
Kingsport, Tennessee
June 14-15, 1968.**

The next session will be held with the 1st Free Will Baptist Church, Richmond, Virginia, Friday and Saturday before the third Sunday in June, 1969. Opening time 10:00 A. M.

OFFICERS ELECTED

Moderator - Rev. Ralph Flannary, Dungannon, Va.

Assistant Moderator - Rev. John Smith, Jr.,
1421 Tyler Street, Kingsport, Tenn.

Treasurer - Rev. J. C. Barnett,
728 Howard Hill, Kingsport, Tenn.

Clerk - James Myers, Jr.,
Rt. 2, Doran Add., Kingsport, Tenn.

Assistant Clerk - Mrs. James Myers, Jr.,
Rt. 2, Doran Add., Kingsport, Tenn.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

W. H. Dail -
3322 Lens Avenue, Norfolk, Va. — 1969
Rev. Bill Vaughn
Box 117, Old Fort, N. C. — 1970
Rev. Richard Castle
Idle Hour Road, Kingsport, Tenn. — 1971

HOME MISSIONS

W. H. Dial
3322 Lens Avenue, Norfolk, Va. —
Rev. Charles Brown
Portsmouth, Va. — 1969
Rev. Ralph Flannary
Dungannon, Va. — 1970
Rev. Walter Statzer
Bristol, Va. — 1971
Guy Culbertson
1225 Holyoke Ave., Kingsport, Tenn. — 1972

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Rev. Bill Davidson, Norfolk, Va.

SUPERANNUATION

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

E. J. Kilgore, Coeburn, Va.

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

Rev. Harold Kilgore, Essersville, Va.

CHURCH TRAINING SERVICE

Miss Rudene Kennedy, Dungannon, Va.

Miss Joy Rice, Norfolk, Va.

CHILDREN'S HOME BOARD

Rev. John Smith, Jr.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION BOARD

Rev. Robert Hill

PROCEEDINGS

The thirtieth annual session of the Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists convened with the West View Free Will Baptist Church, Kingsport, Tenn., June 14, 15, 1968.

The session was opened by singing, "In The Sweet Forever," and "I Love The Lord Down In My Heart." The singing was led by the clerk, James Myers, Jr., Sister Georgia Hill accompanied at the piano, and Sister Martha Luster at the Organ.

Rev. Lester Horton led in prayer.

Rev. Paul Catterman gave the devotions, reading from Genesis 42, verse 36, Isaiah 38, verse 16, and Romans 8, verse 37, the thought, "attitude toward daily problems." At the conclusion of the devotions, he gave his report for the Bible College.

The welcome address was given by the host pastor, Rev. Arthur Luster. Rev. Charles Brown gave the response in behalf of the Association.

The Moderator, Rev. Robert Hill instructed the Executive Board to appoint necessary committees.

All five association letters were read, approved, and the delegates seated.

Clinch Valley: Letter and delegates, and \$150.00 for state fund.

Southwest Virginia: Letter and \$50.00 for state fund.

Sandy Valley: Letter and delegates and \$60.00 for state fund.

Tidewater: Letter and delegates and \$75.00 for state fund.

John Wheeler: Letter and delegate and \$60.00 for state fund.

A total of \$385.00 was received for state funds from the district association.

The Executive Board selected Rev. Lester Horton the Moderator of the Maryland Association to bring the Friday morning message, and Rev. Robert Shockey, National Home Mission representative to bring the Saturday morning message. The Friday morning business session was closed by prayer offered by Rev. Ray Goode.

The worship service was opened by singing, "I'll Fly Away," and "The Land of Perfect Day." Bro. and Sister Myers, and Sister Malone sang, "The Lord Will Make A Way Some How," and Bro. Myers sang, "Ten Thousand Angels." Prayer was led by Rev. J.W. Chesnutt. The Moderator introduced Rev. Lester Horton who brought an inspiring message on, "The Three Challenges in Joshua, Chapter one." Reading from Joshua Chapter 1, verses 1 through 9.

Prayer of dismissal, and thanks for the food was offered by Rev. Winston Sweeney. A wonderful meal was served by the churches of the Tri-Cities Quarterly Meeting.

The afternoon session was opened by singing, "Love Lifted Me." Rev. Ralph Flannary presided over the devotional period. Prayer was led by Rev. Charles Brown. Rev. Billy Morris read from the ninth Chapter of Mark, verse 7 & 8, his thought, "Know Jesus."

Bro. W. H. Dail gave the State Home Mission report. The report was accepted by the body.

Bro. W. H. Dail was given authority by vote of the association, as secretary and treasurer of the State Home Mission Board to open its account with the Virginia National Bank. Also, to give an eleven month report next session so that the report can be audited for May 1.

Rev. Bill Davidson gave the Foreign Mission Report. The oral report was accepted as information.

Mrs. Georgia Hill gave the Women's Auxiliary report. The oral report was received as information.

Rev. Charles Brown gave the Ministers' Conference report. The report was received as information. The secretary was to forward minutes of the conference to be included in these minutes. (not received)

Rev. John Smith, Jr. gave the treasurer's report, the report was approved.

In the Absence of Sister Della Salyer, the Superannuation report was read by the clerk, and approved by the body.

The executive board recommended that the moderator appoint a separate committee to work out a solution for the printing of the "Virginia Link." The recommendation was adopted, and Rev. Hill appointed Rev. John Smith, Jr., Rev. J. W. Chesnutt, and Rev. Bill Davidson to the committee.

THE FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE

The Friday evening service, which is under the direction of the State Home Mission Board was opened by singing, "There Is Power In The Blood." The moderator introduced Bro. R. J. Kennedy who acted as master of ceremony for the program. Bro. Kennedy introduced Rev. William D. Ellis, Superintendent of the Children's home. Rev. Ellis read from the third Chapter of Ephesians, verse 11, his topic, "Total Purpose of God." A quartet of girls from the home sang, "You Can Have A Melody in Your Heart," and "Follow Me..". The team that is to represent Virginia illustrated the "Bible Bowl." The congregation sang, "When The Roll is Called Up Yonder." Rev. Tony Gonzalez and his wife sang, "So Many Reasons Why I Love The Lord." and "He Touched Me." Rev. Gonzalez read from the tenth

Chapter of Luke, verses 25 through 37, and brought a soul stirring message on, "What the Devil is Stripping Our Young People Of." A number came forward for re-dedication when the altar call was given.

Bro. W. H. Dail presented to Joy Rice a Bible for Sister Rudene Kennedy. Sister Rudene was sick and unable to attend the convention. This Bible was presented in behalf of the Home Mission Board in appreciation for her untiring work and devotion.

An offering of \$38.76 was received.

THE SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

The Saturday morning session was opened by singing, "I'm In the Glory Land Way. Rev. John Smith, Jr. presided over the devotional period. Altar prayer was led by Rev. Ralph Flannary. A trio sang, "You Must Be Born Again." Rev. Marvin Lane read from the second Chapter of II Kings, verses 1 through 15, the thought, "Get Involved in God's Work."

The committee that was appointed by the moderator to investigate the financing of the Link gave their report which consisted of the following four items. (2) That the next issue be paid from money in the State Association Treasury. (2) That all conference moderators ask each of their churches to give a special gift of at least \$10.00 to the Link fund.)3) That a special column be run in each Link asking for personal donations and given credit for each donation. (4) That a layman in the Richmond area be appointed by the Link Editor as treasurer for the Link Fund. These items were approved.

The report from the registration committee chairman, Rev. Arthur Luster was received. There were 29 association ministers, nine visiting ministers, eleven deacons, and eleven delegates registered. The registration com-

mittee did an outstanding job for the association. Tables were set up and ribbons were issued to each one who registered.

Rev. Wallace Hayes gave a report for the Sunday School Department.

The Memorial prayer was led by the Rev. J. C. Barnett for the deceased ministers: Rev. W. H. Frazier, Rev. Lewis Maulton, and Rev. Fannie Puckett.

The executive board sent the next session to the Free Will Baptist Church of Richmond, Virginia. The Rev. Bob Hill is the pastor.

The following officers and committees were elected:

Rev. C. J. Flannary, moderator; Rev. John Smith, Jr., assistant moderator; Rev. J. C. Barnett, treasurer; Rev. Richard Castle, 3-year member executive board; Bro. Guy Culbertson, 4 years on the Home Mission Board; Bro. W. H. Dail, secretary and treasurer of the Home Mission Board; Rev. Bill Davidson, Foreign Mission; Mrs. Della Salyer, E. J. Kilgore, S. M. McFall, and Harold Kilgore on the Superannuation board; Miss Rudene Kennedy and Miss Joy Rice, Church Training Service. Rev. Bob Hill was elected to represent the Virginia State on the National Board. Rev. John Smith, Jr. was elected to represent the state on the board for the Children's Home.

Mr. & Mrs. W. H. Dail, Mrs. Edith Forehand, Mrs. John Smith, Jr., and Mrs. Arthur Luster was elected delegates to the National Association. The moderator was designated to add alternates as needed.

Prayer of dismissal by the moderator Rev. Bob Hill.

SATURDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

The Saturday morning worship service was opened by singing, "Calvary." Prayer was led by Rev. Ralph Flannary. The moderator introduced Rev. Robert Shockey who gave National Home Mission report and brought the message. The message was taken from St. John, Chapter 9, verse 4, and II Timothy, Chapter 1, the text "Preach the Word, Through Involvement." He brought a soul stirring and inspiring message.

The conference was served another wonderful meal by the West View Church.

Rev. Robert Hill, Moderator

Rev. Ralph Flannary, Asst. Moderator

James Myers, Jr., Clerk

Mrs. James Myers, Jr., Asst. Clerk

MINISTER REGISTRATION

Robert Hill, Billy Morris, Charles Brown, Bill Davidson, Edward Kirkpatrick, Richard Castle, Carl Bowser, B. N. Powers, Marvin Lane, G. T. France, Hobert Addington, Ralph Flannary, Arthur Luster, Lowman Umberger, J. V. Estep, J. W. Chesnutt, Ray Goode, Frank McCann, Billy R. Crawford, Ray Weatherly, Bill Vaughn, John Smith, Jr., Eugene Minton, Reed Mullins, W. E. Vicars.

VISITING MINISTERS

Lester Horton, Winston, Wallace Hayes, Paul Ketterman, B. C. Powers, William D. Ellis, Edward C. Dillow, Walter Statzer, Tony Gonzolez.

DEACONS

D. L. Parker, M. A. Stepp, William A. Hall, John Price, W. H. Dail, Cecil White, Raidford Dingus, Charlie Lane, Guy Culbertson, Claude Riner, Jack Churchwell, James Myers, Jr.

DELEGATES

Lillie Barnett, Mrs. J. W. Chesnutt, Emma Dale, Eulena Rynes, Fay Sams, Namoni Umbarger, Mrs. Robert Hill, Sherry Hill, Mrs. James Myers, Jr., Ludema Lane.

1968 TREASURER'S REPORT

INCOME

South West Va. Association - - - - -	\$50.00
John Wheeler Association - - - - -	50.00
Tide-Water Association - - - - -	50.00
Sandy Valley Association - - - - -	50.00
Clinch-Valley Association - - - - -	75.00
Special Offering - - - - -	34.00
June 17, 1967 Amt. Brought Forward - - - - -	.16
Total Amount - - - - -	\$309.16

AMOUNT PAID OUT

Mrs. M. C. Foran (for clerk) - - - - -	\$15.00
Rev. J. B. Chism (treasurer) 1966 - - - - -	15.00
Rev. J. B. Chism (treasurer) 1967 - - - - -	15.00
Loan from Rev. Chism - - - - -	2.00
National Association of F. W. B. - - - - -	50.00
Mr. Dewey Phelp (Va. State Minutes) - - - - -	158.00
Total Amount - - - - -	\$255.00
Amount in treasury this 14th day of June 1968 -	\$54.16

Rev. John Smith, Jr., Treasurer

**VIRGINIA STATE
SUPERANNUATION FUND REPORT
June 1967 to June 1968**

Balance Forwarded from last year ----- \$337.84

RECEIVED:

Dungannon F. W. B.	\$23.00
Beech Grove F. W. B.	None
Gillenwaters Chapel	9.00
Beckners Chapel	None
Mary's Chapel	20.00
Tacoma F. W. B.	1.50
Ramsey F. W. B.	12.00
Steven's Chapel	6.00
Mt. Olive	7.50
Wilson's Chapel	20.00
Mt. View Church	4.50
Indian Creek F. W. B.	12.00
Davis Chapel	11.00
Hopkins Chapel	8.00
Bull Run F. W. B.	4.00
Stallard Memorial	20.00
Bethel Chapel	7.85
West End F. W. B.	9.00
Valley View Church	6.50
Lone Pine Chapel	12.00
Martha's Chapel	1.50
Glamorgan Chapel	9.00
Dry Fork F. W. B.	20.00
Central F. W. B.	None
Inman F. W. B.	None
West Norton F. W. B.	20.00
Esserville F. W. B.	12.00
Bondtown F. W. B.	1.50
Addison's Chapel	8.00
Durham's Chapel	None

Flatwoods F. W. B.	None
Pippins Chapel	3.00
Kelly View Church	\$1.00
Toms Creek F. W. B.	1.00
Fairmount Park F. W. B.	60.00
Marion F. W. B.	12.00
E. J. Kilgore	50.00
Friends	10.00
Total Receipts	\$402.85

DISBURSEMENTS

Rev. Ben Powers	\$120.00
Rev. Charlie Mullins	120.00
Rev. Orville Oquinn	120.00
Supplies	10.00
Total Disbursements	\$370.00
Balance in Treasure	\$370.69

Mrs. L. M. Salyer, Treasurer

Report of Virginia Home Mission Treasurer June 1, 1967 — May 31, 1968

General Receipts

Bethany F. W. B. Church, Norfolk, Va.

H. M. & Pro., Work	\$495.24
Bond Town, Coeburn, Va.	4.00
Bull Run F. W. B. Church, Coeburn, Va.	48.00
Cardwell Town, Saltville, Va.	118.04
Clinchport F. W. B. Church, Clinchport Va.	100.00
Collingswood F. W. B., Portsmouth, Va.	276.59
Cooper Creek, F. W. B., Gate City, Va.	43.11
Doran Addition F. W. B., Kingsport, Tenn.	65.00
Fairmount Park Church, Norfolk, Va.	
H. M. & Pro. Work	300.00
First Church, Richmond, Va. & Pro. work	5.00
Home Mission, Rally, Dungannon, Va.	43.62

John Wheeler Association - - - - -	5.00
Leslie Ketron Coeburn, Va. - - - - -	1.00
Pippins Chapel F. W. B. Church - - - - -	4.00
Princess Ann F. W. B., Virginia Beach, Va. - - - - -	16.53
Sale of Bibles - - - - -	45.25
Shiloh F. W. B., Bristol, Va. - - - - -	127.00
Tidewater Quarterly Meeting - - - - -	75.00
State Ladies Auxiliary - - - - -	43.80
Wilsons Chapel Church, Norton, Va. - - - - -	8.00
Total General Receipts - - - - -	\$1,824.18

Ear Marked Miss Rudene Kennedy

Mr. & Mrs. Joe Rice, Newbern, N. C. - - - - -	\$548.20
Fairmount Park, Norfolk, Va. - - - - -	63.24
Central F. W. B. Church, Norton, Va. - - - - -	454.38
State Ladies Auxiliary - - - - -	171.87
Miss Joy Rice, Norfolk, Va. - - - - -	155.00
East Bristol F. W. B., Bristol, Tenn. - - - - -	35.65
Total - - - - -	\$1428.34

Ear Marked Link

Tri-City Ministers Association - - - - -	\$25.00
Tidewater Association - - - - -	50.00
First Church, Richmond, Va. - - - - -	25.00
Total - - - - -	\$100.00

Ear Marked Danville

Mr. E. J. Kilgore, Coeburn, Va. - - - - -	\$50.00
First F. W. B., Newport News, Va. - - - - -	100.00
Tidewater Quarterly Meeting - - - - -	100.00
Donald & Joe Wade - - - - -	10.00
Rev. I. J. Carter - - - - -	5.00
Mrs. Sarah E. Jiles - - - - -	2.00
Mr. J. K. Bryan - - - - -	10.00
Fairmount Church, Norfolk, Va. - - - - -	42.15

Mrs. Ruth Hensley	5.00
Danville Meeting	45.00
Bethany Young Adult Sunday School Class	27.72
First F. W. B. Church, Richmond, Va.	20.00
Total	\$416.87

Total Receipts ----- \$3,769.39

Expenditures General — Home Missions

Jimmie Cox Services rendered Mission Rally ...	\$23.00
Free Will Baptist Tracts	6.55
W. H. Dail, Pro. work & miles traveled	75.35
Miss Rudene Kennedy, Pro. work	22.50
Cicero Book Store	36.37
Rev. Charles Brown, Pro. work	27.50
Repair on Projector	28.48
Cash for Stamps & Mailing	8.00
Salary, Miss Rudene Kennedy	1,200.00
Total	\$1,427.75

Expenditures — Danville, Va.

Printing, Stamps, Mailing	\$40.00
Building Rental	50.00
Radio & T V Adv.	85.25
News Paper Ad.	19.20
Miss Joy Rice, Pro. work	75.00
Rev. Charles Brown, Pro. work	71.25
Rev. & Mrs. Riggs Services	220.00
Total	\$560.70
Exp. ear marked Miss Rudene Kennedy	\$1,428.34
Link Expenditures Publish & Equipment	571.30
Danville Project as above itemized	560.70
Exp. Home Mission & Pro. work	1,427.75
Total Expenditures ..	\$3,988.09

Brought forward, 1967-68	\$1,626.86
Total Received	3,769.39
Sub Total	\$5,396.25
Total Expenditures	3,988.09
Balance on hand 6-1-68	\$1,408.16

**STATE OF VIRGINIA CONTRIBUTIONS
FREE WILL BAPTIST HOME FOR CHILDREN**

Route 9, Greeneville, Tennessee 37743

June 1, 1968 to May 31, 1968

Churches

West View	\$356.00
New Buffalo	200.00
Cassels Chapel	50.00
Starnes Bend	77.88
Safra Chapel	50.00
Morrison City First	154.71
Pine Hill	34.58
Dry Hollow	263.35
Durham's Chapel	40.00
Macedonia	304.59
Bear Wallow	55.00
Orebank	240.92
Clinchport	100.00
Pendleton's	219.70
Hilton	240.00
Howard Hill	395.00
Parkers Chapel	162.06
Doran Addition	300.00
Mabe Chapel	73.74
Hills Chapel	65.00
Copper Creek	111.69
Tipton's Chapel	118.00

Stanleytown Community	175.00
Clinchco	198.26
Counts Chapel	100.84
Dyers Chapel	120.00
Flemingtown	36.80
Fremont	42.00
Georges Fork	39.00
Hill Ridge	31.00
Lick Fork	115.00
Martin's Chapel	32.00
Meades Chapel	120.00
Middle Branch	229.60
Mill Creek	60.00
Peuther Chapel	125.00
Phillips Chapel	40.00
Pine Creek	74.45
Pine Grove	45.00
Pyles Memorial	80.00
Rugby	83.32
Splashdam	17.79
Straight Hollow	81.00
Tarpon	35.46
Valley View	120.00
Durham	54.47
Fergie Chapel	60.00
Frying Pan	10.00
McCoy Chapel	1.00
Rachel Chapel	15.00
Castlewood	10.00
Macedonia	81.56
Shiloh	458.91
Cardwell Town	203.81
Greenwood	220.77
Island Road	211.22
Mills Chapel	51.67

Clay Hill	10.00
Marion	58.00
Linkous Chapel	452.43
Good Will	50.00
Venia	27.88
Valley View	12.92
Yost Chapel	104.25
Laymen's Chapel	6.00
Russell Fork	92.45
Richlands	10.00
Gillenwater Chapel	15.00
Bethel	28.70
Mary's Chapel Union	42.58
Kellyview	10.00
Martha's Chapel	129.30
Rock Lick	73.10
Inman	55.00
Newport News First	508.62
Wilson's Chapel	70.00
Dunham's Chapel	65.50
Fairmount Park	569.27
Hyde Park	445.00
Cherry Grove	52.50
Central	150.00
Dungannon	323.65
Collinswood	310.07
Esserville	126.37
Davis Chapel	23.00
Bloss Memorial	145.45
West End	309.48
Stevens Chapel	31.00
West Norton	82.53
Bryan Park	115.00
Beech Grove	50.00
Oak Grove	440.00

Mt. Carmel	90.00
Mt. Olive	109.16
Indian Creek	144.35
Bull Run First	106.50
Stallard Memorial	200.00
Glamorgan	110.00
Dry Fork	75.00
Flatwoods	40.00
Hurricane Bethel	7.85
Hopkins Chapel	71.81
Pippins Chapel	18.60
Ocoonita	122.36
Emmanuel	153.95
Maple Springs	134.80
Ramsey	71.92
Tunnell Hill	40.00
Lone Pine Chapel	102.50
Princess Ann	30.00
East Lebanon	29.34
Richmond First	97.31
Zion	55.00
Valley View	71.93
Bondtown	5.00
Bethany	103.15
Bishop Memorial	13.00
Toms Creek	27.00
Cole Chester	117.00
Red Hill	60.00
Liberty	40.00
Bandown Chapel	5.00
Heavenly Rest	27.14
North Fork	7.50
Adams Chapel Union	10.89
Yorkshire	5.00
Total	\$14,295.26

QUARTERLY MEETINGS AND ASSOCIATIONS

Tri-Cities League	\$100.00
Tri-Cities Quarterly Meeting	215.61
Sunbright Quarterly Meeting	33.00
Letcher County Conference	454.16
Dickerson County Conference	265.70
Wise County Conference	438.14
New River Quarterly Conference	14.00
Mason Dixon Association	209.00
Virginia State Auxiliary	60.40
Southwest Virginia Association	55.00
Clinch River Quarterly Meeting	25.00
Total	\$1,870.01

PERSONAL DONATIONS

Mr. & Mrs. James E. Sturgill	20.00
Mrs. Sarah E. Jiles	5.00
Charlotte Nickels	5.00
C. L. Judd	5.00
Lee R. Brown	25.00
Davis Pipe & Metal Fabricators	100.00
Mrs. 'Addie Barrus	10.00
Mrs. John F. Marshall	5.00
The "Lab Crew"	20.00
Mrs. Virgie Terry	55.00
Mrs. L. M. Salyer	8.00
Mrs. Hubert Gibson	3.00
Charles B. Duckett	70.00
E. J. Kilgore, Sr.	10.00
Mattie Lawson	1.00
Mary Puckett	5.00
Lula Ramsey	150.00
Mrs. Lillie Bitner Ring	2.00
Walton E. Beverly	5.00
Mrs. John Seechia	1.00
Clyde C. Qualls	15.00

Mr. & Mrs. D. K. Wampler	30.00
Mrs. Lydia Ison	10.00
Mrs. D. K. Harris	5.00
Friends	158.75
Mr. W. C. Lambert	100.00
Free Will Baptist Workers	11.00
Miss Mattie Richmond	31.00
John R. Powers	90.00
Lewis Dingess	216.00
H. W. Pearce	150.00
Mrs. Flora D. Stallard	5.00
Palmyra Bolling	2.00
Everette Lee Mullins	5.00
Rena Hale	40.00
Mrs. Marvin G. Waters	100.00
Mrs. George Holmes	4.00
Mrs. Henry C. Everhart	5.00
Mr. & Mrs. Arthur M. Fagon	5.00
Mr. & Mrs. Olen Terry	10.00
Mr. & Mrs. R. E. Baker	250.00
Mr. & Mrs. M. E. Howard	10.00
Carolyn Jean Sproles	25.00
Kilgore Grocery	120.00
Mrs. G. B. Lanebert	10.00
Mr. & Mrs. Donald R. Wade	10.00
Mr. & Mrs. John Richard	25.00
Mr. & Mrs. R. A. Farmer	10.00
Mr. Guy R. Sproles	150.00
Mrs. Nancy L. Meade	25.00
Rev. Hobert Addington	5.00
Mr. & Mrs. Frank Brooks	2.00
Mr. & Mrs. D. E. Wood	5.00
Mrs. Alice B. Meekins	10.00
Mrs. Linda Hall	1.50
Rev. Stuart McFall	50.00

Mr. & Mrs. Arthur M. Salyer - - - - -	10.00
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas L. Gibson - - - - -	65.00
Mr. Ernest Fletcher - - - - -	25.00
Total - - - - -	\$2,306.25
Grand Total - - - - -	\$18,471.52

STATISTICAL REPORTS OF THE ASSOCIATIONS

Southwest Virginia Association

Number of quarterly meetings - 1; quarterly meetings reported - 1; number of churches - 34; church membership - 1869; members received - 143; members dismissed 59; members deceased - 22; number of Sunday Schools - 34; Sunday School enrollment - 2159; number of leagues - 12; league enrollment - 382; number of ordained ministers - 62; number of licentiates - 6; paid pastors - \$10,157.06; paid evangelists - \$4,621.49; literature - \$2,194.44; foreign missions - \$416.47; home missions - \$2,276.23; superannuation - \$270.35; building and repair - \$17,429.45; enclosed for association - \$50.00.

Elder Ben Powers, Moderator
Leslie G. Ketron, Clerk

Ministers belonging to the Southwest Virginia Association

Hobert Addington — Box 414, Wise, Va.
Howard Ashworth — 203 Pinehurst Dr.
Kingsport, Tenn.
Jeff Bevins — Wise, Va.
Palmer Blevins — Rt. 1, Box 245, Coeburn Va.
J. R. Cowden — Norton, Va.
Billy Ray Crawford — Box 55, Banner, Va.
Robert Dixon — Rt. 1, Big Stone Gap, Va.
Ralph Flanary — Dungannon, Va.
U.L. Graham — Big Stone Gap, Va.

C. B. Addison — Rt. 1, Wise, Va.
Edgar Baltimore — Rt. 1, Dryden, Va.
Robert Bevins — Rt. 1, Box 108, Wise, Va.
Bernard Broskey — Box 165, Norton, Va.
Roger Craiger — Rt. 2, Wise, Va.
Denver Dean — Wise, Va.
Carson Dotson — Rt. 2, Box 125, Wise, Va.
G. T. Francis — Pound, Va.
J. T. Greer — Norton, Va.
Ray L. Goode — Wise, Va.
James L. Hicks — St. Paul, Va.
Perry W. Honeycutt — Norton, Va.
Vestus Jessee — Rt. 2, Norton, Va.
James H. Kilgore — P.O. Box 114, Norton, Va.
Roy Kilgore — Nickelsville, Va.
Roy C. Kennedy — Rt. 1, St. Paul, Va.
Willard Kiser — RFD 2, Box 219, Coeburn, Va.
James E. Laney — Rt. 2, Wise, Va.
Richard McFarland — Eolia, Kentucky
Charlie R. Mullins — Rt. 2, Box 231, Wise, Va.
Hansford Mullins — Rt. 2, Box 259, Wise, Va.
Elmer Miner — Rt. 1, Coeburn, Va.
Arnold Powers — Pound, Va.
David D. Powers — Norton, Va.
James A. Ramey — 242-12th St. S.E., Norton, Va.
Milam L. Hall — Rt. 4, Coeburn, Va.
Theodore Holmes — Keokee, Va.
Shelby H. Jackson — Rt. 1, Coeburn, Va.
C. L. Kilgore — Coeburn, Va.
J. D. Kilgore — Pound, Va.
William Kilgore — Rt. 2, Box 229H, Wise, Va.
Edward C. Kirkpatrick — Norton, Va.
C. B. Layne — Rt. 2, Box 96, Wise, Va.
Paul Leonard — Norton, Va.
William Maness — Big Stone Gap, Va.

George Mullins — Eolia, Ky.
Thurman Mullins — P. O. Box 1021, Wise, Va.
Kermit R. Moore — 4201 Americana Dr.
Annandale, Virginia
Ben R. Powers — Wise, Va.
Wade H. Powers — Wise, Va.
Ethel Robbins — Norton, Va.
Covey Robinette — Wise, Va.
James Rose — Rt. 1, Box 411, Coeburn, Va.
Jeff Salyer — Rt. 1, Nickelsville, Va.
Fred Sturgill — Pound, Va.
Tylor Tate — P. O. Box 705, St. Paul, Va.
Ray Robinette — Rt. 1, Big Stone Gap, Va.
Della Salyer — Rt. 2, Norton, Va.
Eddie Sturgill — Box 705, Jenkins, Ky.
Garland Summers — St. Paul, Va.

JOHN WHEELER ASSOCIATION

Number of quarterly meetings, 2; number of quarterly meeting reported, 2; number of churches, 13; church membership, 800; members received, 77; number of ordained ministers, 28; members deceased, 10; members dismissed, 26; number of licensed ministers, 1; enrollment of Sunday School, 898; average attendance of Sunday Schools, 600; enrollment of CTS, 6; enrollment of Woman's Auxiliaries, 3; mid-week services, 10; number baptised, 56; pastor's salaries, \$10,578.65; Evangelistic work, \$3,206.95; building and repair, \$6,032.58; foreign missions, \$1,802.72; home missions, \$746.74; education, \$473.02; orphanage, \$733.73; publications, \$278.58; miscellaneous, \$2,492.72; expenditures, \$15,739.65; total expenditures, \$26,858.66; amount enclosed for fees, \$50.00.

Ministers belonging to the John Wheeler Association

Rev. Howard Shaver
Rev. Shelton Norris — Rt. 3, Bristol, Tenn.
Rev. Virginia Brannan — Rt. 3, Bristol, Va.
Rev. Winton Blaylock — Rt. 4, Bristol, Va.
Rev. J. W. Chesnutt — 520 Page St., Bristol, Va.
Rev. Kyle 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, Tenn.
Rev. Joe E. Tolliver, — Rt. 2, Bristol, Tenn.
Rev. Samuel Johnson — P. O. Box 123
Gary, West Virginia
Rev. Orville Trivette — Rt. 4, Bristol, Tenn.
Rev. C. C. Olinger — P. O. Box 247
Saltville, Va.
Rev. L. F. Henley — 264 Lowlands St., Abingdon, Va.
Rev. Herbert Adams — Rt. 4, Bristol, Va.
Rev. Edd Pendergrass — Box 497,
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, Tenn.
Rev. Jennings Wilson — 224 Parson St.,
Danville, Va.
Rev. H. M. Whittaker
Rev. Elmer Adkins — Rt. 4, Blountville, Tenn.
Rev. John Taylor — Rt. 1, Saltville, Va.
Rev. A. L. Pope — Rt. 3, Bristol, Tenn.
Rev. Homer Goodson — Rt. 5, Bristol, Va.
Rev. Cecil Pressley, — Saltville, Va.
Rev. Neal Wright — Saltville, Va.
Rev. Orville Quinn — 228 Crockett St.
Bristol, Va.

Licensed Ministers:

Rev. Ray Willis — Rt. 2, Blountville, Tenn.

TIDEWATER ASSOCIATION

No. quarterly meetings - 1; No. quarterly meetings reported - 1; No. of churches - 9; church membership - 2,561; members received - 275; members dismissed - 27; members deceased-5; No. of Sunday Schools-9; Sunday School enrollment - 2,000; No. of women's auxiliaries - 9; women's auxiliary enrollment - 225; No. of Leagues - 8; League enrollment - 525; No. of Master Men's - 6; Master Men enrollment - 68; No. of ordained ministers - 12; No. of ordained deacons - 30; paid pastors - \$52,000.00; paid evangelistics - \$1,050.00; literature - \$5,800.00; charity - \$2,350.00; foreign missions - \$13,959.48; home missions - \$2,490.83; Bible Colleges - \$6,018.64; superannuation - \$175.00; paid to children's home - \$1,689.93; building & repair - \$10,000.00; miscellaneous expenses - \$700.00; total expenditures - \$96,233.88; value of church property - \$1,000,000.00; no. of parsonages - 7; value of parsonages - \$110,000.00; enclosed for Association - \$75.00.

Rev. Bill Davidson, Moderator
Mrs. E. V. Welton, Clerk

Ministers belonging to the Tidewater Association

Rev. Dale Burden
Rev. Robert C. Hill
Rev. Kenneth Riggs
Rev. W. H. Fentress
Rev. I. J. Carter
Rev. Charles Brown

Rev. Joe Hurst
Rev. Billy Morris
Rev. Bill Davidson
Rev. C. H. Denton
Rev. John Gibbs
Rev. Doug Roberson

SANDY VALLEY ASSOCIATION

No. of quarterly meetings -3; no. of quarterly meetings reported -3; no. of churches - 15; church membership - 548; no. of Sunday Schools - 13; no. of ordained ministers - 26; no. of licentiates - 1; no. of ordained deacons - 26; value of church property - \$130,700.00; enclosed for Association - \$50.00;

Allen Stevins, 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 — Grundy, Va.
Rev. Lester Gilley — Fairfax, Va.
Rev. A. H. Dye — Rt. 1, Swords Creek, Va.
Rev. Dewey Dye — Rt. 1, Swords Creek, Va.
Rev. Luther Hubbard,— Rt. 1, Swords Creek, Va.
Rev. Elmer Hess — Honaker, Va.
Sister Jettie Dye — Swords Creek, Va.
Sister Rhods Dye — Swords Creek, Va.
Rev. Cecil Ramey — Rt. 1, Cedar Bluff, Va.
Rev. George Barrett — Newport News, Va.
Rev. Garnet Vance — Tazewell, Va.
Rev. Earl Cole — Jewell Valley, Va.
Rev. James Blott — Cedar Bluff, Va.
Rev. Dallas W. Barber — Coopers, West Va.
Rev. James M. Sargent — Rt. 1, North Tazewell, Va.
Rev. Ernest Lynn — Bandy, Va.
Rev. Kenneth M. Skeens — Richlands, Va.
Rev. G. C. Sizemore — Abingdon, Va.

Rev. Allen Stevins — Seaboard, Va.
Rev. Oliver Osborne — Richlands, Va.
Rev. Ralph Bostic — Swords Creek, Va.
Sister Renia Hale — Richlands, Va.

CLINCH VALLEY ASSOCIATION

No. of quarterly meetings - 4; no. quarterly meetings reported - 4; no. of churches - 29; church membership - 1506; members received - 199; members dismissed - 67; members deceased - 11; no. of Sunday Schools - 28; Sunday School enrollment - 1885; no. of women's auxiliaries - 3; women's auxiliary enrollment - 59; no. of leagues - 5; league enrollment - 201; no. of ordained deacons - 74; paid pastors - \$18,412.47; paid evangelistics - \$2,614.06; literature - \$1,939.16; charity - \$2,616.22; foreign missions - \$860.69; home missions - \$863.68; paid to children's home - \$3,981.80; building and repair - \$46,111.83; miscellaneous expenses - \$4,449.15; Total expenditures - \$81,527.77; value of church property - \$362,000.00; enclosed for Association; \$150.00.

Rev. John Clifford Pierson, Moderator
James Myers, Jr., Clerk

Ministers belonging to the Clinch Valley Association

Earl Austin, Marvin Winkle, Ellis Hammond, Elbert Wallen, Sam Welch, James A. Boatright, Walter Brick-ey, Walker Darnell, Joe Osborne, J. B. Quillen, Hermon Dickenson, Carson Bishop, Jimmy Combs, C. B. Brooks, William Jones, Harold Free, Joe Taylor, Gene Qualls, B. N. Powers, Lowman Umberger, Bill Burchett, G. A. Minton, Leonard Cross, Robert L. Parker, Clint Proffitt, Erritt Darnell, Roy Sampson, Lee Smith, B. D. Proffitt, Joe Leonard, Lee Clark, Luther Lane, Clifford Pierson, James Cassell, Emmett Lane, Milligan Herron, M. D. Hyatt, Willie Ashworth, Carl France, Fred Waters, W. H. Frazier, Rufus Hood, Roy Jennings, Arthur Luster, F. M. McCann, Richard Castle, Harold Hawkins, C. J. Ewing, J. C. Barnett, Ray Weatherly, Willie Jennings, Echel Herron, Cline Massie, William Lane, Harold Shaffer, Pat Bishop, Virgil Winkle, D. W. Jones, John Smith, Jr., Eugene E. Minton, Willie Vicars, Lubert Hammonds, Lonnie Townsend, Bob R. Lane, Blaine Morgan, Carl Bowser, Bill Vaughn, Kelly Estep.

**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. These officers to be elected annually.

Article VI

Committees & 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 alter-

ation 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 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 and deacons 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 asso-

ciation of the Free Will Baptist church, or act upon any appeal that may be made by any body belonging to said 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 (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 or deacon 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 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.

