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Thirty-Seventh Session Held with the
First Free Will Baptist Church
Roanoke, Virginia
June 13, 1975

The next session will be held with the First Free Will Baptist Church, Roanoke, Virginia, Friday before the third Sunday in June, 1976, 9:00 A.M.

OFFICERS ELECTED

Moderator — Rev. Jim Cox
Roanoke, Virginia
Assistant Moderator — Rev. G. C. Sizemore
Box 521 Abingdon, Virginia
Clerk — Mrs. Lottie Caldwell 1978
Route 2, Saltville, Virginia 24370
Assistant Clerk — Rev. Jack Sprinkle
Route 1, Bristol, Virginia 24201
Treasurer — Rev. Ralph Flanary
Dungannon, Virginia

EXECUTIVE BOARD

W. H. Dail
3322 Lens Avenue, Norfolk, Virginia — 1978
Rev. Walter L. Statzer
P.O. Box 873, Marion, Virginia — 1976
Rev. Ray Goode — 1977
Box 1304, Wise, Virginia

HOME MISSIONS

Rev. Don Hanna
712 North Barton, Arlington, Virginia
Rev. Walter L. Statzer
P. O. Box 873, Marion, Virginia — 1977
Rev. Charles Brown
Portsmouth, Virginia — 1976
Rev. Ralph Flanary
Dungannon, Virginia — 1976
Rev. Galen Dunbar — 1978

SUPERANNUATION

Rev. Billy Stover, Chairman
Rev. Denver Dean
Rev. Billy Crawford

CHURCH TRAINING SERVICE

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sams — Western Section
Route 2, Box 190, Wise, Virginia
Mr. Blain Hughes — Eastern Section

CHILDREN'S HOME BOARD

Mr. Paul Sams

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION BOARD

Rev. Charles Brown — 1976

37TH SESSION PROCEEDINGS

The 37th Session of the Virginia State Association met at the First Free Will Baptist Church in Roanoke, Virginia on Friday, June 13, 1975. The session was opened by singing "Jesus Saves" and "Blessed Assurance". Singing was led by Harold Payne with Brother Blain Hughes at the piano.

Rev. A. B. Brown read from the first chapter of Philippians, verses 9 and 10 for devotions. The welcome was given by Harold Payne. The clerk gave the response and introduced the officers of the Association, concluding with the moderator, Rev. Jim Cox, who called the Association to order and proceeded with the business. The program was presented and adopted with modification as needed.

Billy Crawford was elected member pro-tem of the executive committee in the absence of Ray Goode. George Sizemore was elected treasurer pro-tem until Ralph Flanary arrived. The moderator appointed Charles Brown, Billy Crawford and Walter Statzer as the nominating committee.

The Association Letters were called for, read and approved:

Southwest Virginia letter and \$50 for state work

Clinch Valley letter and \$150 for state work

Tidewater letter and \$75 for state work

John Wheeler letter and \$100 for state work

Sandy Valley letter and \$30 for state work

The letter from the Lee County Association requesting dismission was read and approved.

The moderator called for the reports from the National Association offices. Rev. Cline Morgan gave the C. T. S. Report. Rev. Bob Shockey gave the Home Mission Report. Rev. Harold Harrison gave the Sunday School Department Report. Rev. Henry Van Clide gave the Foreign Mission Report. Rev. James Earl Rapier gave the Childrens Home Report.

We then adjourned for the morning worship service. The

morning worship service was opened by singing "When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder". Brother Blain Hughes sang "He Touched Me." Brother Shockey read from I Corinthians, chapter 1, verses 17 through 31, and brought an inspiring message on "Commission to Evangelize". Prayer of dismissal and Thanks for the food was given by Brother Dale Burden. The host church served a wonderful meal at the park.

The afternoon session was opened with devotions by Rev. Stanley Outlaw. He read from St. John, chapter 7, verses 31 through 36. After the devotions, he gave the report of the Bible College.

Rev. Rufus Coffee gave the National Executive Office Report. All of these reports were received as information, and literature was passed out to those present.

Motion was made that Article 5, Section 1 of the Constitution be ammended to include that the moderator cannot succeed himself for more than one year. This was tabled until the next session in compliance to Article IX (9).

Motion passed that the Executive Board continue to assign placement for the Association.

Motion passed to leave the time of the Association as it is.

Ministers Conference Report was read and is included for information.

Superannuation report was given and incl. as information.

Home Mission Report was given by Brother Dail and is included as information.

Treasurers Report of \$436.55 was given by state treasurer, Ralph Flanary, and was approved by the body.

Elected delegates to the National Association are: Blaine Hughes, Jane Burden, Barbara Dunbar, Madge Statzer and Glenda Cox. The moderator was given power to appoint delegates as needed.

Association approved the printing of 500 minutes. Memorial prayer was led by Brother Dail.

Rev. A. B. Brown gave a report on the formation of the Norfolk Bible College.

An offering was taken to defer expenses of serving lunch to the Association.

Motion passed that the clerk send a letter to Lee County Association requesting those that became independent please drop the name Free Will Baptist from their name and signs.

The Association was recessed until 6:30 P.M.

Rev. Charles Brown was elected to the National Association Board. Mr. Paul Sams was elected to the Childrens Home Board, Mr. & Mrs. Paul Sams and Blain Hughes were elected to the Church Training Service. Rev. Billy Stover, Rev. Dennis Dean and Rev. Billy Crawford were elected to the Superannuation Board. Rev. Galen Dunbar was elected to the Home Mission Board. Rev. Dan Hanna was elected as director of the State Home Mission Board. Brother W. H. Dail was elected to a three-year term on the Executive Board. Rev. Jack Sprinkle was elected Assistant Clerk of the Association. Sister Lottie Caldwell was elected clerk of the Association. Rev. G. C. Sizemore was elected Assistant Moderator. Rev. Jim Cox was elected Moderator of the next session. Rev. Ralph Flanary was elected as Treasurer. The Executive Board set the next session back to the Roanoke Church.

Minutes were read and approved. Prayer of dismissal was given by Rev. John Burgess.

Rev. Jim Cox, Moderator
James Myers, Jr., Clerk

MINISTERS CONFERENCE

June 12, 1975

Conference opened with hymn "To God be the Glory"
Prayer by Hobart Addington. Welcome by host pastor,
Rev. Jim Cox. Moderator, Kenneth Skeens. Special Songs
by Harold Payne and Blaine Hughes.

A very timely message was given by James E. Raper,
Supt. of Childrens Home, Greenville, Tennessee, using,
scripture from I Timothy 1:12, text, "The test of the
call to the ministry".

Offering was received in amount of \$32.00.

The following officers were elected for 1976:

President —

Walter Statzer

Vice-President —

Ralph Flannary

Secretary-Treasurer —

Jim Cox

Financial Report:

Balance brought forward	\$45.00
Offering — 1975	<u>32.00</u>
	\$77.00

Disbursements:

Paid Bobby Laney, message 1974 \$27.00

Paid James E. Raper, message 1975 \$50.00

Total in treasure as of end of conference 1975 — None.

Walter L. Statzer, Secretary-Treasurer

VIRGINIA STATE SUPERANNUATION REPORT

From June 1974 to June 1975

RECEIPTS:

Fairmount Park Church, Norfolk, Va. \$ 81.50

Bull Run Church, Coeburn, Va.	20.00
Davis Chapel, Norton, Va.	40.00
Dry Fork Church, Coeburn, Va.	20.00
Lone Pine Church, Pound, Va.	50.00
Marys Chapel, Coeburn, Va.	20.00
Valley View Church, Dungannon, Va.	5.00
Rock Lick Church, Keokee, Va.	40.00
Ramsey Church, Norton, Va.	55.00
Flat Woods Church, Coeburn, Va.	20.00
Beckners Chapel, Wise, Va.	20.00
Bethel Chapel, Wise, Va.	13.92
Esserville Church, Esserville, Va.	20.00
Glady Fork Church, Pound, Va.	15.00
Glamorgan Chapel, Wise, Va.	27.00
Hopkins Chapel, Norton, Va.	15.00
Kelly View, Appalachia, Va.	20.00
Mount Olive, Wise, Va.	20.00
Mt. View, Wise, Va.	20.00
Stevens Chapel, Wise, Va.	20.00
West Norton, Norton, Va.	28.50
Wilson Chapel, Norton, Va.	15.00
Dungannon Church, Dungannon, Va.	29.00
Indian Creek, Pound, Va.	20.00
Southwest Virginia Ministers Conference	60.00
Pippin Chapel, Coeburn, Va.	2.00
Inman Church, Inman, Va.	110.00
Otis Bush	10.00
Oscar Sheppard	10.00
Total Receipts for 1974 & 1975	\$ 826.92
Balance carried forward	<u>224.77</u>
Total	\$1,051.69
Total Disbursements	<u>690.00</u>
Balance	\$ 361.69

DISBURSEMENTS:

Rev. Ben Powers, Wise, Va.	\$ 230.00
Rev. Orville O'Quinn, Bristol, Va.	230.00
Rev. William Kilgore, Wise, Va.	<u>230.00</u>

\$ 690.00

Respectfully Submitted By: Billy R. Stover, Treasurer

VIRGINIA STATE HOME MISSION BOARD OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

Financial Report May 1, 1974 to May 1, 1975

HOME MISSION RECEIPTS:

Bethel, Newport News	\$ 20.00
Cardwell Town, Saltville	185.04
Copper Creek	76.00
Doran Addition, Kingsport, Tenn.	130.00
Fairmount Park Church, Norfolk	110.00
Fairmount Park (St. John's Bible Class)	75.00
Fairmount Park (7 Year Old Class)	37.12
Fairmount Park (Steadfast Class).	10.00
First Church, Newport News	15.50
Rev. Ralph Flanery	10.00
Glaysmorgan, Wise	30.00
Hyde Park, Norfolk	50.00
Lone Pine Chapel, Pond.	5.00
Rev. Earl Cole	20.00
East Wise County Quarterly Meeting	15.00
Rock Lock	10.00
Shiloh Church, Bristol	35.72
Shiloh (Christian Workers)	50.00
Shiloh (Young Adult League)	85.00
Shiloh (C. T. S. League)	26.00
Shiloh (Ladies Auxiliary)	45.00
South West Assoc. Meet at Glaysmorgan Church	26.84

Virginia State Youth Rally	45.12
John Wheeler Quarterly Meeting	10.00
Tidewater Association	100.00
Trinity F. W. B. Church Travel Expense	25.00
Virginia State Women's Auxiliary	158.45
Rev. Howard Wolf	<u>10.00</u>
Total Home Mission Receipts	<u><u>\$1,415.79</u></u>

MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS:

Contributions for LINK	\$ 315.00
Sale of Bibles	40.25
Sale of Fruit Cakes	1,247.95
Glaysmorgan, Wise (Ed Green's Account)	<u>76.00</u>
Total Miscellaneous Receipts	<u><u>\$1,679.20</u></u>

Total Combined Receipts \$3,094.99

PROJECT ROANOKE

Central, Norton	\$ 390.00
Fairmount Park Church, Norfolk	820.81
Fairmount Park (St. John's Bible Class)	1,110.00
Fairmount Park (15 & 16 Year Old Class)	425.00
Fairmount Park (St. Paul's Bible Class)	70.00
Fairmount Park (Steadfast Bible Class)	10.00
Glaysmorgan, Wise	90.00
Shiloh Church, Bristol	129.00
Virginia State Women's Auxiliary	362.18
Wilson Chapel, Norton	40.00
Robert & Judy Bryant	95.00
Ocoonita, Pennington Gap	<u>50.00</u>
Total Project Roanoke Receipts	<u>\$3,591.99</u>
Total Combined Receipts	<u>\$6,686.98</u>

EXPENDITURES

Jim Cox, Rent — Project Roanoke	\$1,200.00
Jim Cox, Social Security — Project Roanoke	490.00
Building Fund — Project Roanoke	2,448.54
LINK	678.24
Promotional Work	317.90
Speaker at Youth Rally	35.00
Music at Youth Rally	30.00
Benson Fruit Cakes	1,110.32
Bibles	41.42
Ed Green's Account	76.00
Gary Watson's Account	<u>40.00</u>
Total Expenditures	\$6,467.42
Total Receipts May 1, 1974, to May 1, 1975.	\$6,686.98
Balance Brought Forward May 1, 1974	<u>924.62</u>
Total	\$7,611.60
Less Expenditures	<u>6,467.42</u>
Bank Balance as of May 1, 1975	\$1,144.18

SAVINGS

Balance Brought Forward May 1, 1974 \$1,867.14

RECEIPTS:

Bethany, Norfolk	\$ 112.25
Carrollton, Norfolk	100.00
Emanuel, Norfolk	480.00
Cardwell Town, Saltville	113.78
First F. W. B. Church, Richmond	36.00
Florence Sawyer	10.00
Virginia State Women's Auxiliary	66.00
Fairmount Park Church, Norfolk.	426.13
Fairmount Park (St. John's Bible Class)	338.55
Shiloh Church, Bristol (C. T. S.)	85.00

Shiloh (Christian Workers)	236.00
Shiloh (Young Adult League)	10.00
Total Receipts	\$2,013.71
Interest	106.87
Total	\$3,987.72
Less Paid out for Project Roanoke	3,000.00
Balance In Savings Account as of March 1, 1975. \$	987.72

MINISTER REGISTRATION

Hobart Addington	G. C. Sizemore	A. B. Brown
Jack Shuler	J. V. Estep	Kenneth Skeens
Charles Brown	Henry Van Kleyne	David Luster
Galen F. Dunbar	Dale Burden	Dan Merkh
Walter Statzer	Billy Morris	John Burgress
James E. Rapier	John D. Tilson	Cecil Presley
Jack Sprinkle	Claude Richardson	Paul J. Moore
Stanley Outlaw	Billy R. Crawford	Don Hanna
Eddie Salyer	Ray Taylor	Ronnie Floyd
Bobby Laney	Ralph Flanary	

DEACONS REGISTERED

Lawrence Honeycutt	James Myers, Jr.	Jack W. Ketron
Charles R. Stergill	Everett Noe	Bill Lovell
Stephen C. Kripp		

DELEGATES REGISTERED

Raymond Baird	Verna Knipp	Lottie Caldwell
John Moore	Brenda Luster	Marcia Tilson
Freda Shuler	Mrs. Billy Crawford	Madge Statzer
Clint Morgan	Margie Ketron	

STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE ASSOCIATIONS

Clinch Valley Association

No. Quarterly Meetings—4
No. Quarterly Meetings Reported—4
No. of Churches—23
Church Membership—1,042
Members Received—92
Members Dismissed—28
Members Deceased—6
No. of Sunday Schools—21
Sunday School Enrollment—1,650
No. of Women's Auxiliaries—1
Women's Auxiliary Enrollment—20
No. of Master Men's—1
Master Men Enrollment—15
No. of Ordained Ministers—48
No. of Licentiates—1
No. of Ordained Deacons—62
Paid Pastors—\$14,903.48
Paid Evangelistics—\$3,900.06
Literature—\$2,151.06
Charity—\$3,665.09
Foreign Missions—240
Home Missions—316
Paid to Children's Home—\$2,463.52
Building and Repair—\$19,751.41
Total Expenditures—\$47,391.62
Value of Church Property—\$383,000.00
No. of Parsonages—1
Value of Parsonages—\$20,000.00
Enclosed for Association—\$150.00

Rev. Earl Austin, Moderator
James Myers, Jr. Clerk

Ministers belonging to the Clinch Valley Association:

ELDERS:

David Luster, 4303 Harber Dr., Kingsport, Tenn.

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

Kyle Akers, Rt. 1, Fort Blackmore, Va.

George Hubbard, 2309 Cranshaw Dr., Kingsport, Tenn.

Jimmie Combs, Rt. 1, Gate City, Va.

Rufus Hood, Rt. 3, Clinchport, Va.

Edgar Baltimore, Dryden, Va.

Robert Ramey, Rt. 1, Fall Branch, Tenn.

Gene Qualls, Rt. 1, Gate City, Va.

Carl France, Rt. 1, Gate City, Va.

M. D. Hyatt, Jonesboro, Tenn.

Willie Jennings, Rt. 4, Gate City, Va.

Billy Tignor, Rt. 4, Gate City, Va.

Willie Vicars, Kingsport, Tenn.

Thurman Holcomb, Big Stone Gap, Va.

Hugh Arrington, Kingsport, Tenn.

Vernon McDavid, Rt. 1, Clinchport, Va.

Fred Gillenwaters, Rt. 1, Gate City, Va.

Echol Herron, Rt. 4, Gate City, Va.

Milligan Herron, Rt. 1, Gate City, Va.

Lee Smith, Rt. 4, Gate City, Va.

Willie Ashworth, Rt. 1, Clinchport, Va.

Harold Gilley, Big Stone Gap, Va.

Carson Bishop, 1122 Windson St., Kingsport, Tenn.

Lonnie Townsend, Rt. 1, Clinchport, Va.

Theodore Fleenor, Brown Ave., Johnson City, Tenn.

Billy Dingus, Rt. 1, Fort Blackmore, Va.

Leonard Begley, Rt. 1, Fort Blackmore, Va.

William Bise, Rt. 1, Gate City, Va.

Walter Brickey, 113 Beason Well Rd., Kingsport, Tenn.

Eckle Carter, Rt. 1, Fort Blackmore, Va.

Eritt Darnell, Rt. 1, Fort Blackmore, Va.

Orsen Jenkins, Rt. 1, Clinchport, Va.

Luther Lane, Rt. 1, Clinchport, Va.
Joe Osborne, Rt. 1, Dungannon, Va.
John Clifford Pierson, 853 Pace St., Kingsport, Tenn.
J. B. Quillen, Rt. 2, Independence Dr., Kingsport, Tenn.
L. W. Sallings, Rt. 1, Fort Blackmore, Va.
Robert Mathis, Rt. 1, Dungannon, Va.
Earl Austin, 238 Hamilton Dr., Kingsport, Tenn.
C. J. Flanary, 319 Kincaid St., Kingsport, Tenn.
Marvin Winkle, 2021 Todd Dr., Kingsport, Tenn.
B. D. Proffitt, General Delivery, Blountville, Tenn.
Jerry Davenport, Rt. 8, Kingsport, Tenn.
James Owens, Blountville, Tenn.
Jack Shuler, 2316 Amy Ave., Kingsport, Tenn.
Warren Meade, Rt. 6, Kingsport, Tenn.

Southwest Virginia Association

No. Quarterly Meetings—2
No. Quarterly Meetings Reported—2
No. Churches—38
Church Membership—1,890
Members Received—156
Members Dismissed—76
Members Deceased—44
No. of Sunday Schools—38
Sunday School Enrollment—2,156
No. CTS—17
CTS Enrollment—530
No. Ordained Deacons—109
No. Ordained Ministers—47
No. of Licentiates—3
Paid Pastors—\$34,378.71
Paid Evangelists—\$9,913.74
Literature—\$5,956.16
Foreign Missions—\$1,811.58

Home Missions—\$2,389.91
Superannuation—\$651.39
Home for Children—\$4,868.69
Building and Repairs—\$41,509.52
Value of Church Property—\$706,500.00
Enclosed for Association—\$50.00

Rev. Denver Dean, Moderator
Rev. Hobert Addington, Moderator
Rev. William C. Maness, Clerk
Sharon Maness, Clerk

Ministers belonging to the Southwest Virginia Association

Rev. Hobart Addington, Box 414, Wise, Va., 24293
Rev. C. B. Addison, Rt. 1, Wise, Va., 24293
Rev. Bernard Berosky, P. O. Box 371, Norton, Va. 24273
Rev. Jeff Bevins, Wise, Va. 24293
Rev. Robert Bevins, Rt. 1, Box 109B, Wise, Va. 24293
Rev. Palmer Blevins, Rt. 1 Box 245, Coeburn, Va. 24230
Rev. J. R. Cowden, 101 8th St. S.W., Norton, Va. 24273
Rev. Billy R. Crawford, Box 17, Banner, Va.
Rev. E. R. Davis, Pennington Gap, Va.
Rev. Denver Dean, Box 565, Wise, Va. 24293
Rev. J. V. Estep, Rt. 1 Box 71A, Big Stone Gap, Va. 24219
Rev. Ralph Flanary, Dungannon, Va.
Rev. Ronnie Floyd, 318 Kentucky Ave., Norton, Va. 24273
Rev. G. T. Francis, Rt. 2 Box 524, Pound, Va. 24279
Rev. Roger Freeman, Rt. 2 Box 318, Pound, Va. 24279
Rev. Ray L. Goode, Box 1304, Wise, Va. 24293
Rev. Monroe Hale, Wise, Va. 24293
Rev. Milam L. Hall, Coeburn, Va. 24230
Rev. Theodore Holmes, Rt. 1 Box 197A3, Keokee, Va.
Rev. Perry W. Honeycutt, Dungannon, Va.
Rev. Vestus Jessie, P. O. Box 662, Wise, Va. 24293
Rev. C. L. Kilgore, Coeburn, Va. 24230
Rev. J. D. Kilgore, Box 1, Pound, Va. 24279

Rev. J. Harold Kilgore, Box 785, Wise, Va. 24293
Rev. Roy W. Kilgore, Rt. 1 Box 202, Nickelsville, Va. 24271
Rev. William Kilgore, Rt. 2 Box 211, Wise, Va. 24293
Rev. J. E. Laney, Wise, Va. 24293
Rev. J. E. Leonard, Rt. 1 Box 164, Big Stone Gap, Va. 24219
Rev. Richard McFarland, Eolia, Ky.
Rev. William C. Maness, Rt. 1, Box 21, Big Stone Gap, Va.
Rev. Hobert Martin, Jonesville, Va.
Rev. Elmer Miner, Sr., Rt. 1, Coeburn, Va. 24230
Rev. Danny C. Mullins, P. O. Box 284, Pound, Va. 24279
Rev. Everett J. Mullins, Wise, Va. 24293
Rev. Hansford Mullins, Rt. 2 Box 259, Wise, Va. 24293
Rev. Leroy Mullins, Rt. 1 Box 236C, Wise, Va. 24293
Rev. B. R. Powers, Wise, Va. 24293
Rev. David D. Powers, 326 Kentucky Ave., Norton, Va. 24273
Rev. James A. Ramey, Norton, Va. 24273
Rev. Donnie R. Rutherford, Rt. 1, Box 179A, Pound, Va. 24279
Rev. Jeff Salyers, Nickelsville, Va. 24271
Rev. I. T. Stallard, Rt. 1 Box 23, Pound, Va. 24279
Rev. Billy R. Stover, 915 Kentucky Ave. S. E., Norton, Va.
Rev. Eddie Sturgill, Box 705, Jenkins, Ky. 41537
Rev. Garland H. Summers, Rt. 1, Box 122, St. Paul, Va. 24283
Rev. Tyler Tate, P. O. Box 705, St. Paul, Va. 24283
Rev. C. G. Turner, Wise, Va. 24293

John Wheeler Association

No. Quarterly Meetings—2
No. Quarterly Meetings Reported—2
No. of Churches—17
Church Membership—1,155
Members Received—117
Members Dismissed—15
Members Deceased—9
No. of Sunday Schools—16
Sunday School Enrollment—1,139

No. of Women's Auxiliaries—8
Women's Auxiliary Enrollment—97
No. of Ordained Ministers—36
No. of Licentiates—8
No. of Ordained Deacons—58
Paid Pastors—\$35,327.40
Paid Evangelistics—\$4,175.10
Literature—\$3,089.33
Foreign Missions—\$604.73
Home Missions—\$1,310.29
Bible College—\$387.33
Superannuation—\$10.00
Paid to Children's Home—\$1,608.46
Building and Repair—\$25,344.73
Miscellaneous Expenses—\$5,329.46
Total Expenditures—\$77,186.83
No. of Parsonages—1
Value of Parsonages—\$20,000.00
Enclosed for Association—\$100.00

Rev. Cecil Presley, Moderator
Raymond J. Freeman, Clerk

Ministers belonging to the John Wheeler Association

Rev. Avery Sheets, Rt. 3, Marion, Va. 24354
Rev. Kyle French, Box 87, Chilhowie, Va. 24319
Rev. Howard Campbell, Rt. 4, Bristol, Tenn. 37620
Rev. Harold Rouse, Rt. 4, Bristol, Tenn. 37620
Rev. Shelton Norris, Box 3078, Bristol, Tenn. 37620
Rev. Walter Statzer, 238 Meadowcrest Dr., Bristol, Va. 24201
Rev. Glen Powers, Rt. 2, Marion, Va. 24354
Rev. John Tilson, Rt. 3, Bristol, Tenn. 37620
Rev. Orville O'Quinn, 228 Crockett St., Bristol, Tenn. 24201
Rev. Herbert Adams, Rt. 6, Bristol, Va. 24201
Rev. Elmer Adkins, Rt. 4, Blountville, Tenn. 37617
Rev. Junior Gobble, Rt. 5, Abingdon, Va. 24210

Rev. Robert L. Spears, Rt. 3, Abingdon, Va. 24210
Rev. Ralph Carty, Rt. 5, Abingdon, Va. 24210
Rev. Samuel Johnson, Rt. 2, Glade Spring, Va.
Rev. Orville Trivette, Rt. 4, Bristol, Tenn. 37620
Rev. Jennings Wilson, Chilhowie, Va.
Rev. J. E. Floyd, Rt. 2, Marion, Va. 24354
Rev. Arthur Rhymer, Rt. 3, Bristol, Tenn. 37620
Rev. John Taylor, Cleveland, Va.
Rev. Ralph Graham, Rt. 4, Marion, Va. 24354
Rev. Calvin Baumgardner, Rt. 1, Damascus, Va. 24354
Rev. Paul Rouse, Jr., 2161 Bradley St., Bristol, Va. 24201
Rev. Johnny Hooker, Rt. 1, Blountville, Tenn. 37617
Rev. Kenneth Shaffer, 1208 Virginia Ave., Bristol, Tenn.
Rev. Edd Pendergrass, Rt. 1, Bristol, Tenn. 37620
Rev. Herman Cress, Rt. 1, Marion, Va. 24354
Rev. C. C. Olinger, Box 274, Saltville, Va. 24370
Rev. Homer Goodson, Rt. 5, Bristol, Va. 24201
Rev. C. F. Sprinkle, Rt. 1, Bristol, Va. 24201
Rev. Joe Tolliver, Rt. 2, Bristol, Tenn. 37620
Rev. Eddy Foster, Marion, Va.
Rev. J. W. Chesnutt, 520 Page St., Bristol, Va. 24201
Rev. Garry Rowlett, Bristol, Va. 24201
Rev. Lula Henley, 264 Lowland St., Abingdon, Va. 24319
Rev. Cecil Presley, Box 337, Saltville, Va. 24370
Rev. Clyde Gamble, 2975 Lee Hwy., Bristol, Va. 24201
Rev. Levi Arnold, Rt. 9, Jonesboro, Tenn.
Rev. Kenneth M. Skeens, 414 Fairfax Ave., Richlands, Va.
Rev. George Sizemore, Box 521, Abingdon, Va. 24210
Rev. E. E. Edwards, Rt. 3, Blountville, Tenn. 37617
Rev. Otis Barker, Rt. 1, Marion, Va. 24354
Rev. David Neitch, Rt. 3, Marion, Va. 24354
Rev. Joe Powers, Rt. 2, Marion, Va. 24354
Rev. Bob Surber, Rt. 2, Meadowview, Va. 24361
Rev. Elmer G. Cardwell, Jr., Rt. 2, Saltville, Va. 24370
Rev. Bobby Collins, Rt. 2, Saltville, Va. 24370

Sandy Valley Association

No. Quarterly Meetings—3
No. Quarterly Meetings Reported—3
No. of Churches—10
Church Membership—480
Members Received—23
Members Dismissed—5
No. of Sunday Schools—9
Sunday School Enrollment—655
No. of Ordained Ministers—27
No. of Licentiates—2
No. of Ordained Deacons—27
Paid Pastors—\$7,378.62
Paid Evangelistics—\$2,514.84
Literature—\$180.77
Charity—\$593.40
Home Missions—\$1,525.00
Paid to Children's Home—\$1,541.00
Building and Repair—\$73,636.20
Total Expenditures—\$87,369.83
Value of Church Property—\$109,000.00
Enclosed for Association—\$30.00

Bro. Luther Hubbard, Moderator
Bro. Perry Reynolds, Assistant
Sister Gladys Compton, Clerk
Sister Rutha Hess, Assistant

Ministers belonging to the Sandy Valley Association

Bro. Earl James, Rt. 2, Honaker, Va.
Bro. Perry Reynolds, Rowe, Va.
Bro. Lester Gilley, Honaker, Va.
Bro. Manuel Colley, Jewell Valley, Va.
Bro. A. H. Dye, Swords Creek, Va.
Bro. Dewey Dye, Swords Creek, Va.

Bro. Luther Hubbard, Swords Creek, Va.
 Bro. Worley Harris, Swords Creek, Va.
 Bro. Elmer Hess, Honaker, Va.
 Bro. Marion Harris, Honaker, Va.
 Bro. Herman Dye, Swords Creek, Va.
 Bro. Ralph Bostic, Swords Creek, Va.
 Sis. Rhoda Dye, Swords Creek, Va.
 Sis. Jettie Dye, Swords Creek, Va.
 Bro. Kelley McCoy, Richlands, Va.
 Bro. Holland Miller, Gate City, Va.
 Bro. Bill Shook, Rt. 1, Cedar Bluff, Va.
 Bro. Samuel Altizer, Cedar Bluff, Va.
 Bro. J. H. Sargent, Jr., Rt. 1, North Tazewell, Va.
 Bro. Ernest Lynn, Bandy, Va.
 Bro. Oliver Osborne, Richlands, Va.
 Bro. J. C. Johnson, Cedar Bluff, Va.
 Bro. Garnet Vance, Richlands, Va.
 Bro. Earl Cole, Jewell Valley, Va.
 Bro. James Blott, Arlington, Va.
 Bro. Dallas W. Barber, Cooper, W. Va.
 Bro. Roy Lee Smith, Bluefield, Va.
 Bro. Berk Hess, Honaker, Va.

Tidewater Association

No. Quarterly Meetings—4
 No. of Churches—13
 Church Membership—3,659
 Members Received—765
 Members Dismissed—338
 No. of Sunday Schools—13
 Sunday School Enrollment—3,857
 No. of Women's Auxiliaries—11
 Women's Auxiliary Enrollment—218
 No. of Master Men's—1

Master Men Enrollment—25
No. of Ordained Ministers—20
Paid Pastors \$96,885.00
Foreign Missions—\$26,235.22
Home Missions—\$5,704.01
Bible College—\$9,003.49
Paid to Children's Home—\$2,972.00
Total Expenditures—\$436,805.22
Value of Church Property—\$3,000,000.00
No. of Parsonages—7
Value of Parsonages—\$260,500.00
Enclosed for Association \$75.00

Rev. Don Pegram, Moderator
Edward H. Curtis, Clerk

Ministers belonging to the Tidewater Association:

Rev. I. J. Carter
Rev. C. H. Denton
Rev. Ed Hill
Rev. Robert Smith
Rev. Lewis McCurry
Rev. Dave Nobles
Rev. T. O. Terry
Rev. Bob Lewis
Rev. Galen Dunbar, 4624 Larkin St., Norfolk, Va. 23513
Rev. Gene Parisher, 133 Raymond Dr., Hampton, Va. 23666
Rev. Don Hannah, 712 North Barton, Arlington, Va. 22201
Rev. Charles Brown, 1058 City Park Ave., Portsmouth, Va. 23701
Rev. Claude L. Richardson, 1103 Eastover Rd., Norfolk, Va.
Rev. Dale Burden, 2718 Chesapeake Blvd., Norfolk, Va. 23509
Rev. Don Pegram, 692 Lucas Creek Rd., Newport News, Va.
Rev. Billy Morris, 913 Burksdale Ave., Norfolk, Va.
Rev. John Burgess, 9810 Luscombe Lane, Richmond, Va.
Rev. Jim Cox, 326 Madduck Ave., Roanoke, Va. 24012
Rev. Tim Young, 10 Twin Lakes Circle Apt. B-1, Hampton, Va.

VIRGINIA STATE ASSOCIATION

STATISTICS:

No. District Associations—5
No. of Churches—101
No. New Members Gained—1,153
No. Members Lost—525
No. of Membership at Present—8,226
No. of Deacons—312
No. of Ordained Ministers—178
Licensed Ministers—14
No. of Deacons—312
No. of Parsonages—9
Value of Church Parsonages—\$4,839,000.00
Enrollment Sunday Schools—8,802
Enrollment of CTS—530
Enrollment of Women's Auxiliaries—335
Enrollment of Master's Men enrollment—40

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

No. of Churches in Retirement and Insurance Plan—4
No. providing hospital Insurance for pastor or staff—6
Combined income of all churches—\$5,442,003.19
Total Local Expenditures—\$391,245.47
No. of churches giving to Cooperative Plan—2
Cooperative Plan—\$8,421.60
Foreign Missions—\$28,891.53
Bible College \$9,390.82
Home Missions & Church Extension—\$11,245.21
Orphanage—\$13,450.97
Combined total outside giving—\$71,400.13
Amount Enclosed for fees—\$50.00

Rev. Jim Cox, Moderator
1019 Venton Road N. E.
Roanoke, Virginia

James Myers, Jr., Clerk
Route 2 Independence Drive
Kingsport, Tennessee 37660

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 and deacons 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 are 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 (3/4) vote of the members 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 member to be present at each meeting if possible.
4. By a two-thirds vote of all the members present a ruling of the president may be over ruled.
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 member 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. Also, each local church be allowed three (3) delegates to the state 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 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 the state association shall consist of a Moderator, an Assistant Moderator, a Clerk, an Assistant Clerk, a Treasurer, and an Executive Board, each of which shall be elected as follows: the Moderator shall appoint a Nominating Committee consisting of at least three (3) members at the beginning of each session. They shall select a nominee for each office that is vacant and present the list to the Moderator. The Moderator shall read the name that is nominated for each office, and declare the floor open for additional nominations. Each office shall be filled by a standing vote of the body at the close of each regular session, except the clerk and assistant clerk which shall be for a period of four (4) years or during good behavior, and the executive board which shall be elected asherein after provided.

SECTION 2

The state executive secretaries of department work shall be as follows: foreign missions, home mission, 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 Enterprise: 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 ($\frac{2}{3}$) vote of the members present, provided that specific notice has been given at the last previous day.

BY LAWS

ARTICLE I

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 II

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 III

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 IV

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

ARTICLE V

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

ARTICLE VI

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

ARTICLE VII

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

ARTICLE VIII

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

ARTICLE IX

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 X

No member shall absent himself from the association

during its meeting without first obtaining permission from the moderator.

ARTICLE XI

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

ARTICLE XII

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 XIII

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 XIV

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

ARTICLE XV

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 XVI

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 XVII

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.

