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OFFICERS ELECTED 2007

Moderator (2009).....	Marty Puckett
Assistant Moderator (2009)	Bob Brown
Clerk (2012).....	Wayne Perry
Assistant Clerk (2012).....	Donald White
Treasurer (2009).....	Gary Hill
Assistant Treasurer	Dave Nobles

Elected Executive Board:

Fred Bates.....	2011
Cary Lane.....	2012
Don White.....	2013
Wayne Perry.....	2009
Dave Nobles.....	2010

Home Missions Board:

Glen Johnson	2011
David Neitch	2012
Hal Jones.....	2013
Dave Nobles	2009
Jack Blanton	2010

Children's Home:

Joan White.....	2011
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National Association Board:

Glen Johnson	2009
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Promotional Secretary:

Paul Collins.....	2009
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CTS Representative:

Contact the State Promotional Secretary Paul Collins at (540) 434-5734

70th Session Proceedings:

The 70th session of the Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists met at the Mary's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church in Coeburn, Virginia on Thursday, June 12, 2008. The business and official session was proceeded Thursday morning by the annual Bible Conference.

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE CONFERENCE

The Bible Conference was opened by the moderator Rev. Marty Puckett. A time of community prayer was opened by Rev Jack Blanton and closed by Rev. Gary Hill. The focus of the prayer was for the men who would be bringing the messages at the conference and for the request which were brought before the congregation.

The theme of the conference was "**Back to the Basics, Dealing with Sin.**" The theme would be developed by the topics of: "Defining Sin" to be delivered by Dr. Matthew Pinson, "Sin's Deception" to be delivered by Dr. J. D. Norris, "Sin Defeated, The Cross and Justification" to be delivered by Dr. Lorenza Stox, "Sin Defeated, Sanctification" to be delivered by Rev. Roger Bevins, and "Sin's Destruction" to be delivered by Rev. Roger Freeman

The 11:00 AM service was opened with congregational singing. The Gateway Bible College Trio also sang "Living By Faith."

Dr. Mathew Pinson developed the topic "Sin Defined" from the text of Romans 3:23 and I John 3:4. The message was a reminder to all in attendance to understand the right balance between grace and law and our obligation to please God and an admonishment to not mar the holiness and glory of God.

At 1:00 PM Dr. J. D. Norris delivered a message taken from Psalms 19:14 by answering the question, "What Kind of Church Do I Want My Church to Be?" The message was an encouragement to be part of a church that pleased God and not man.

At 2:00 PM the service was opened by special singing from the Gateway College and the Southeastern College singers. The message was delivered by Dr. Lorenza Stox and was taken from Galatians 1:6 and Malachi 2:1-2. The message was a reminder that we did not want to rob God of His Glory, Word, Money, and our Best.

THURSDAY EVENING SESSION JUNE 14, 2007:

At 6:00 PM a musical concert was presented by groups from Southeastern Free Will Baptist College, Gateway Free Will Baptist College, and the Free Will Baptist College.

The official session was opened with prayer at 7:00 PM on Thursday evening.

Rev. Marty Puckett, the host pastor, welcomed the Association to the church. The Clerk of the State Association, Rev. Wayne Perry, introduced the State officers and presented the Moderator.

The Moderator, Rev. Marty Puckett, called the session to order, and received a motion and second to seat the delegates to the meeting. Following brief remarks by the Moderator the appointment of the Nominating Committee and the Registration & Credentials Committee was completed.

Appointment of Committees

Nomination Committee

Jack Blanton-Chairman

Don White

Joel Cantrell

Registration & Credentials Committee

Junuis Sturgill-Chairman

Courtney Kilgore

Stephanie Perry

Tammy Puckett

Rev. Marty Puckett delivered the announcement for the evening. Brother Puckett also introduced and called to podium Rev C. L. Kilgore who was recognized for 65 years of service to the ministry. Brother Kilgore was given a plaque and after his remarks was congratulated by a standing ovation.

The business session was then recessed to proceed into the evening worship service. The worship service opened in prayer, and congregational singing.

An offering was received and placed in the treasury for the State Associational budget. The offering totaled \$506.00.

The evening message followed. Rev. Roger Bevins expounded on the assigned subject "Sin Defeated, Living the Life, Sanctification" with his text taken from Psalms 40. Bro. Bevins delivered a thought provoking message and a wonderful time of worship and renewal was experienced.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION JUNE 15, 2007

8:15 AM: The morning prayer time was opened with requests taken by Rev. Marty Puckett. A community altar prayer followed with Rev. Wayne Perry leading the prayer.

The session began at 9:00 AM when Rev. Marty Puckett, delivered a devotional message taken from Galatians 6:7-9. The message challenged each of those in attendance to determine if they were a giver or a taker with the encouragement to become a giver.

The Business Session received the Minutes of the sixty-ninth session as printed in the booklet Minutes of the Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists Sixty-ninth Session, by motion and second to disavow the reading of the minutes and approved them as printed.

Bro. Junuis Sturgill presented the Credentials Committee Report. A motion was made and carried to receive the report.

CREDENTIAL'S REPORT

Districts or Associations Reported June 12-13, 2008

Treasurer's Report:

District or Association	Number of Churches	Fees Received
Central Virginia Quarterly	5	\$ 750.00
Clinch Valley Association	8	\$ 1,500.00
Harmony Association	4	\$ 600.00
John Wheeler Association	12	\$ 1,800.00
Northern Virginia Association	17	\$ 2,550.00
Sandy Valley Association	3	\$ 450.00
Southwest Association	24	\$ 3,600.00
Tidewater Association	14	\$ 2,100.00
		\$ 13,350.00

Credentials Committee Statistical Report:

Title	Total
Ministers	45
Deacons/Delegates	17
Visitors	100
Total	162

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT:

Rev. Wayne Perry presented the Executive Board report to the body.

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting
February 17, 2008
Roanoke, VA

The Executive committee met on February 18, 2008 at the Roanoke Free Will Baptist Church in Roanoke, Virginia to discuss and plan the Seventh Virginia State Association Annual Meeting. The following members were in attendance:

Hal Jones	Cary Lane
Fred Bates	Paul Collins
Gary Hill	Dave Nobles
Wayne Perry	Hal Jones

The meeting was opened in prayer and scripture reading from Ephesians 2. Reverend Marty Puckett led in a devotional time and Dr. Dave Nobles lead in prayer.

First Item: The first item on the agenda was the presentment of the treasurers report and proposed budget for 2008-2009 by Brother Gary Hill. The reports were approved with the proposed budget to be presented to the State Association meeting to be held in June 2008.

Second Item: The second item on the agenda was the appointment of Committees for the 2008 Annual meeting as follows:

Nominating Committee:
Jack Blanton- Chairman
Don White
Joel Cantrell

Credentials Committee:
Junuis Sturgill- Chairman
Others to be chosen by Todd from the Manassas Church

Third Item: The Executive Committee suggested the following slate of officers for the coming year:

Moderator	Marty Puckett
Assistant Moderator	Bob Brown
Clerk	Wayne Perry
Assistant Clerk	Don White
Treasurer	Gary Hill
Assistant Treasurer	Dave Nobles
Executive Board	Don White
Home Missions Board	Hal Jones
National Association Board	Glen Johnson
Promotional Secretary	Paul Collins
Family Ministries Board	Joan White

Fourth Item: The forth item on the agenda was the theme and speakers for the 2008 Meeting.

A. The theme verses are to be James 4:17

B. The theme will be, **"Back to the Basics, Dealing With Sin"**

C. The speakers and topics will be:

Thursday Morning- "Sin Defined"== Dr. Matthew Pinson

Thursday Afternoon- "Sin's Deception"==Dr. J. D. Norris

"Sin Defeated"==Dr Lorezo Stox

Thursday Evening- "Sin Defeated"==Rev. Roger Bevins

Friday Morning- "Sin's Destruction"==Rev. Roger Freeman

Devotional messages will be presented by Rev. Marty Puckett and Rev. Bob Brown.

The Board approved the recognition of Rev. C. L. Kilgore for his years of service to the ministry.

The next Virginia State Association meeting will be held at the Great Bridge Free Will Baptist Church in Great Bridge, Virginia on June 18th and 19th 2009.

Brother Dave Nobles gave a financial report from the Virginia State Home Missions

Board. He also updated the executive board on the progress of the Home Missions Support Program. There are 19 churches participating in the program. Both reports were received by the board.

Brother Hal Jones gave a report concerning the International Missions Board's plan for the restructuring of the giving process. After much discussion a motion was approved to mail a letter to the International Missions Board expressing the concerns of the Virginia State Executive Board.

The Meeting was closed in prayer.

The Executive Board met June 12, 2007 following the Thursday afternoon Bible Conference.

The first item of business was a report from the Virginia State Home Missions Board concerning the change in the Giving Plan which was approved by the International Missions Board at their April meeting. The board was informed that the Virginia State Home Missions Board has approved a resolution to be presented at the National Convention opposing the plan.

After much discussion the Virginia State Executive Board unanimously approved supporting the resolution in opposition to the International Missions Giving Plan.

The treasures report and proposed budget were reviewed and approved to be presented to the annual meeting.

The minutes of the Executive board meeting which was held on February 18th 2008 was approved with corrections

The board approved an expenditure of \$100.00 to be given to the First FWB Church of Richmond to offset the expense of the state CTS meeting which was hosted by the church.

The board was informed that the Virginia State Association web site was up and functional and could be viewed at www.vafwb.org.

The board was also informed that the state news letter The Plumblin would after the next issue be published on the state website and would not be mailed out unless requested by the recipient.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

The Virginia State Home Missions Board report was presented by Hal Jones. The report included the presentment of the following resolution opposing the International Missions proposed plan of Giving:

The Commonwealth of Virginia Free Will Baptist appreciate the International Missions effort to hear from local pastors all over the country. The churches of Virginia also applaud the

obvious burden for souls by the I.M. Board. It is evident the restructuring process desired by the I.M. Board is being implemented because projected giving for future missionaries will not be sufficient to keep them on the field. It is unfortunate our generation faces such apathy concerning the Great Commission. Yet after reading the report from the International Missions, The following resolution is proposed to be presented at the 2008 Free Will Baptist National Convention;

1. Whereas we believe the autonomy of the local church should not be challenged in any manner and;
2. Whereas the proposed plan currently faces much adversity from many local churches in Virginia and;
3. Whereas the redistribution of local church contributions distorts the intent of the donor and;
4. Whereas we believe the new proposal will create an unhealthy distance between churches and missionaries and;
5. Whereas we believe the new program could promote a socialistic work ethic among missionaries (those with no initiative prospering) and;
6. Whereas the missionaries will suffer by loss of support from dissenting churches and;
7. Whereas the local church pastor's desire to support certain missionaries should not be usurped by National employees or boards.

The Home Missions Department representing the State of Virginia would like to propose an immediate dismissal of the already approved plan. We suggest the I.M. Board allocate sufficient time to receive alternative proposals from Free Will Baptist pastors that would appeal to all Free Will Baptist and meet the future missionary needs.

The Commonwealth of Virginia, the Mission's Board, and Virginia's pastors love every person involved with the I.M. This proposal is not a result of personality conflicts, but a result of challenged biblical convictions. We do not oppose change itself; but we do oppose change when we feel it is wrong. As Free Will Baptist leaders we go on record as saying this new proposal is wrong and will not be supported by many local churches in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Thank-you in advance for reading and considering our resolution.

Signed by Va. Officers; Executive Board, and Home Missions Board

A motion was made to approve the resolution. After much discussion, the resolution was approved by a twenty two to three vote.

Brother Glen Johnson presented the report as Virginia's representative on the National General Board

Business was suspended for the Morning Worship Service.

The Gateway Bible College singers and Sister Hattie Jane Kilgore opened the service with special singing.

Rev. Roger Freeman presented a message from the assigned topic "Sin's Destruction." Brother Freeman took his text from Hosea 13:1-4. The message was well received and a time of renewal was experienced by all.

Friday Afternoon, 1:00 PM June 17, 2005

Rev. Gary Hill presented the Treasurer's Report and a Proposed Budget for 2008-2009. A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and adopt the Budget was approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT
June 1, 2007 through May 31, 2008

INCOME		EXPENSES	
Central Va	\$875.00	Corp. Fee	\$25.00
Clinch Valley	\$1650.00	National Fee	\$8,800.00
Harmony	\$600.00	Exec. Mtg. Expense	\$1,694.07
John Wheeler	\$1,950.00	Va. Home Missions	\$940.75
Northern Va	\$2,550.00	Minutes	\$839.94
Sandy Valley	\$450.00	Newsletter	\$51.96
Southwest Va	\$3,600.00	Promo Office Reimb.	\$235.00
Tidewater	\$2,100.00	Salaries	\$800.00
Total Fees	\$13,500.00	Speakers	\$450.00
State Offering	\$293.00		
Community FWB	\$600.00		
1 st FWB Richmond	\$267.12	Total Expense	\$13,852.93
Yorkshire FWB	\$600.00		
Total Income	\$15,260.12		
		NET INCOME	\$1407.19

Beginning Balance	\$ 4,822.26
Ending Balance	7,170.20
Balance After Dist.	5,877.65

Surplus Funds Distribution

	<u>05/06</u>	<u>07/08</u>
Balance at End of Year	\$ 5,763.01	\$7,170.20
-\$2,000.00 Contingency	3,763.01	5,170.20
50% General Fund	1,881.50	2,585.10
25% Home Missions	940.75	1,292.55
25% Promo Office	940.75	1,292.55

The Moderator called for reports from the State Representatives and Boards.

- Report** from State Promotional Secretary, by Rev. Paul Collins
- Report** from National General Board Member, by Rev. Glen Johnson
- Report** from Harvest Child-Care Ministries, by Sister Martha Stone.
- Report** from Family Ministries, by Rev. Dr. James Kilgore
- Report** from Gateway Christian College, by Rev. Carl Sexton
- Report** from Camp Jacob, by Bro. Daniel Osborne
- Report** from Southeastern Freewill Baptist College, by Dr. Lorenza Stox
- Report** from Rhode Island Missions, Rev Bill Reynolds

Each State Report was received by motion, second, and adopted.

The Moderator called for National Leaders to give their reports.

- Report** from Rev. Glen Johnson, Executive Office National Association.
- Report** from Rev. Paul Collins, for the National Home Missions Board.
- Report** from Rev. John Carter, of the Free Will Baptist Bible College, Nashville Tennessee.
- Report** from Randy Walser, Randall House Publications.
- Report** from Richard Davis, of the Free Will Baptist Foundation.
- Report** from John Brummitt, for the Free Will Baptist Board of Retirement.

Each National Report was received by a motion, second, and adoption.

The Moderator called for old business, none was presented.

The Moderator called for new business.

Reverend Don White presented a written resolution to change the Association by-laws as follows: Article IV Section C Item 8 part C to read as, "He shall serve for a period of (6) six years. The resolution was tabled to be considered for a vote at the 2009 meeting,

A motion was made to change the standing rules of the Association to add the following rule: A certificate of honor suitable for framing will be delivered to the surviving relative of any deceased minister of the Virginia State Association.

Election of Officers:

The Moderator called for the report of the Nominating Committee.

Elected Officers:

Moderator (2009).....	Marty Puckett
Assistant Moderator (2009)	Bob Brown
Clerk (2012).....	Wayne Perry
Assistant Clerk (2009)	Don White
Treasurer (2009).....	Gary Hill
Assistant Treasurer.....	Dave Nobles

Executive Board:

Don White (2013)

Home Missions Board:

Hal Jones (2013)

National Association Board:

Glen Johnson (2009)

Family Ministries Board:

Joan White (2011)

Promotional Secretary:

Paul Collins (2009)

The floor was then opened for additional nominations and none were presented.

A motion was made, and second received, that the nominations cease and that the slate of officers be elected by acclamation. The motion carried.

Election of National Delegates:

The Moderator called for the election of delegates to represent the Virginia State Association at the National Convention in Charleston West Virginia. The following delegates were elected:

Ann Brown
Penny Perry
Cindy Jones
Teresa Hill
Lottie Horton
Alternate:
Patty Collins
Cecilia Sinkhorn

The Moderator called for the Obituary Report. The following individuals were presented to the Clerk for inclusion in the report:

Tim Elkins
Tommy Lawson
Everett Funk
Betty Funk
Rev. Kyle French
Lottie Cardwell
Thelma P Kilgore
Douglas Greear
Rev Bill Steele
Karl Weaver
Virginia Mahnes

Rev. Dave Nobles presented the Memorial Prayer.

A standing vote of appreciation was given to the Mary's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church for their hospitality and work in hosting the Virginia State Meeting.

Next years meeting will be held at the Great Bridge Free Will Baptist Church in Chesapeake Virginia on June 18th and 19th 2009.

A motion for adjournment was received and the meeting was dismissed in prayer.

**COMPLIATION OF VIRGINIA STATE ASSOCIATION
REPORTS FROM ASSOC. TO STATE**

June 13, 2008
Clerk C. Wayne Perry

A.	Church Characteristics	
1.	Total # Assoc.....	8
2.	Total # Assoc Reporting.....	8
3.	Total Churches.....	87
4.	Total Churches Rep.....	87
5.	Total Churches in city/town.....	31
	Rural	56
6.	Total Churches with:	
	full-time pastors.....	42
	bi-vocational.....	41
B.	Membership Information	
1.	Total # Baptisms	204
2.	Total Members Added.....	269
3.	Total Members Lost	120
4.	Total Membership	4,485
C.	Stewardship Information	
1.	Total Income all Churches.....	\$2,265,081.00
2.	Total Churches with Budgets	32
D.	Building Information	
1.	Total # Churches with Parsonages	10
2.	Total Value of Church Property.....	102,891,888.00
E.	General Information	
1.	Total # Ministers:	
	Ordained	167
	Licensed.....	30
2.	Total # Ordained Deacons	205

3. Total # Churches with:	
Daycare.....	3
Kindergarten	4
Christian Day School	5
Bible Institutes.....	0
Colleges	1
4. Total S.S. Enrollment	3,914
5. Total C.T.S. Enrollment	651
6. Total WNAC Enrollment	456
7. Total Master's Men Enrollment.....	70

CENTRAL VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION

Total number of churches.....	5
Total number of churches in city/town	1
Total number of churches rural.....	4
Total number of churches reporting.....	5
Churches with Full-time Pastors	2
Churches with Bi-vocational Pastors.....	1
Total Baptisms.....	12
Total members added.....	15
Total members lost.....	13
Total membership.....	171
Total income for all churches.....	\$110,183.10*
Total number of churches with budgets.....	3
Total number of churches with parsonages.....	2
Total value of all church property	\$1,671,000.00*
Total number of ordained ministers	4
Total number of licensed ministers.....	2
Total number of ordained deacons.....	6
Total number of churches with Day Cares	0
Total number of churches with Kindergartens	0
Total number of churches with Christian Day School.....	0
Total number of churches with Bible Institutes	0
Total number of churches with Colleges	0
Sunday School enrollment	133
Total CTS enrollment.....	0
Total WNAC enrollment.....	34
Total Master's Men enrollment	9
Number of district assoc. minutes requested.....	0
Number of state assoc. minutes requested.....	20
Amount of representation fee enclosed	\$750.00
* three churches reporting	

Moderator: Curtis Ashley
289 Orchard Drive
Bassett, VA 24055

Clerk: Brenda Burks
1089 Bell Hill Road
Big Island, VA 24526

CHURCHES AND PASTORS

Charity FWB Church
415 Orchard Drive
Bassett, VA 24055

Curtis Ashley
289 Orchard Drive
Bassett, VA 24055
(276)-629-8712

Chestnut Hill FWB Church
13771 Lee Jackson Highway
Big Island, VA 24526
(434) 299-5066

No pastor at present

King of Kings FWB Church
12371 Lynchburg-Salem Turnpike
Forest, VA 24551
(434) 525-7244

No pastor at present

Lighthouse FWB Church
942 Burks Hill Rd.
Bedford, VA 24523
(540) 586-1234

Rick Gatten
1110 Lakeview Lane
Bedford, VA 24523
(540) 587-3606

Woodland Heights FWB Church
1995 Old Chatham Rd.
Martinsville, VA 24211
(540) 634-0995

Terry Hadrison
1513 Grandview Road
Martinsville, VA 24112

OTHER MINISTERS

Bob Breeden
1147 Woodland Ave.
Buena Vista, VA 24416
(540) 261-1043

CLINCH VALLEY ASSOCIATION

Total number of churches.....	8
Total number of churches in city/town.....	0
Total number of churches rural.....	8
Total number of churches reporting.....	8
Churches with Full-time Pastors	3
Churches with Bi-vocational Pastors.....	5
Total Baptisms.....	6
Total members added.....	8
Total members lost.....	12
Total membership.....	231
Total income for all churches.....	\$106,635.85*
Total number of churches with budgets.....	0

Total number of churches with parsonages.....	0
Total value of all church property.....	\$923,000.00*
Total number of ordained ministers.....	20
Total number of licensed ministers.....	1
Total number of ordained deacons.....	14
Total number of churches with Day Cares.....	0
Total number of churches with Kindergartens.....	0
Total number of churches with Christian Day School.....	0
Total number of churches with Bible Institutes.....	0
Total number of churches with Colleges.....	0
Sunday School enrollment.....	225
Total CTS enrollment.....	0
Total WNAC enrollment.....	0
Total Master's Men enrollment.....	0
Number of district assoc. minutes requested.....	0
Number of state assoc. minutes requested.....	40
Amount of representation fee enclosed.....	\$1,500.00
*six churches reporting	

Moderator: Kyle Akers
2189 Bishoptown Rd
Duffield, VA 24244
(276) 940-2215

Clerk: Evelyn C. Herron
5660 Orebank Road
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(423) 288-8490

MIDWAY QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

Moderator: Charles E Wallen
404 Sierra Dr.
Kingsport, TN 37664
(423)288-3774

Clerk: Evelyn C. Herron
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Kingsport, TN 37664
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CHURCHES AND PASTORS

Bishop Memorial FWB Church
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Gate City, VA 24244

Daryle Hurd
449 Fraley Ave.
Duffield, VA 24244
(276) 431-1121

Clinchport FWB Church
PO Box 444
Duffield, VA 24244
(276) 940-2348

Greg Collins
105 Kingsley Ave
Kingsport, TN 37660
(423) 723-3434

Hill's Chapel FWB Church
Rt. 4
Duffield, VA 24244

Roger Herron
5660 Orebank Rd.
Kingsport, TN 37664
(423) 288-8547

Orebank FWB Church
5663 Orebank Rd.
Kingsport, TN 37664

Charles E Wallen
404 Sierra Drive
Kingsport, TN 37664
(423)288-3774

Valley View FWB Church
Dungannon, VA 24245

L.W. Sallings
Rt. 1 Box 290
Ft. Blackmore, VA 24250
(276) 995-2311

SUNBRIGHT QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

Moderator: Lonnie Townsend
135 Blueberry Ridge Rd
Duffield, VA 24244
(276) 431-4504

Clerk: Martha Townsend
Rt. 4 Box 289
Duffield, VA 24244
(276) 431-2302

CHURCHES AND PASTORS

Bowens Chapel FWB Church
Rt. 5 Box 225
Duffield, VA 24244

William Bowen
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Duffield, VA 24244
(276) 431-2533

Mabes Chapel FWB Church
Rt. 4
Duffield, VA 24244

M.D. Hyatt
187 Hillcrest Circle
Jonesborough, TN 27659
(423) 753-2240

Red Hill FWB Church
Rt. 7
Gate City, VA 24251

Vernon McDavid
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OTHER MINISTERS CLINCH VALLEY ASSOCIATION

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Joe Townsend
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Ewing Gilliam
Rt 3 Box 305-A
Clinchport, VA 24244

HARMONY ASSOCIATION*

Total number of churches.....	4
Total number of churches in city/town.....	0
Total number of churches rural.....	4
Total number of churches reporting.....	4
Churches with Full-time Pastors	0
Churches with Bi-vocational Pastors.....	4
Total Baptisms.....	2
Total members added.....	16
Total members lost.....	1
Total membership.....	254

Total income for all churches.....	\$68,886.54
Total number of churches with budgets.....	4
Total number of churches with parsonages.....	0
Total value of all church property	\$441,800.00
Total number of ordained ministers	12
Total number of licensed ministers.....	0
Total number of ordained deacons.....	15
Total number of churches with Day Cares	0
Total number of churches with Kindergartens.....	0
Total number of churches with Christian Day School.....	0
Total number of churches with Bible Institutes	0
Total number of churches with Colleges	0
Sunday School enrollment	213
Total CTS enrollment.....	0
Total WNAC enrollment.....	52
Total Master's Men enrollment	0
Number of district assoc. minutes requested	0
Number of state assoc. minutes requested.....	20
Amount of representation fee enclosed	\$600.00

Moderator: Mark McDavid
Rt 4
Clinchport VA 24244
(276) 431-2037

Clerk: Lennis France
4745 Memorial Blvd
Kingsport, TN 37664
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CHURCHES AND PASTORS

Durham's Chapel FWB Church
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JOHN WHEELER ASSOCIATION

Total number of churches.....	12
Total number of churches in city/town.....	2
Total number of churches rural.....	10
Total number of churches reporting.....	12
Churches with Full-time Pastors	5
Churches with Bi-vocational Pastors.....	7
Total Baptisms.....	41
Total members added.....	18
Total members lost.....	10
Total membership.....	519
Total income for all churches.....	\$228,886.00
Total number of churches with budgets.....	4
Total number of churches with parsonages.....	2
Total value of all church property	\$1,250,000.00
Total number of ordained ministers	20
Total number of licensed ministers.....	2
Total number of ordained deacons.....	33
Total number of churches with Day Cares	0
Total number of churches with Kindergartens	0
Total number of churches with Christian Day School.....	1
Total number of churches with Bible Institutes.....	0
Total number of churches with Colleges	0
Sunday School enrollment	322
Total CTS enrollment.....	45
Total WNAC enrollment.....	37
Total Master's Men enrollment	8
Number of district assoc. minutes requested.....	0
Number of state assoc. minutes requested.....	30
Amount of representation fee enclosed	\$1,950.00

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Liberty FWB Church
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Macedonia FWB Chruch
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No information

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NORTHERN VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION

Total number of churches.....	17
Total number of churches in city/town.....	13
Total number of churches rural.....	4
Total number of churches reporting.....	17
Churches with Full-time Pastors	10
Churches with Bi-vocational Pastors.....	7
Total Baptisms.....	79
Total members added.....	109
Total members lost.....	30
Total membership.....	843
Total income for all churches.....	\$1,600,213.00
Total number of churches with budgets.....	11
Total number of churches with parsonages.....	2
Total value of all church property.....	\$5,694,000.00
Total number of ordained ministers.....	23
Total number of licensed ministers.....	6
Total number of ordained deacons.....	21
Total number of churches with Day Cares	0
Total number of churches with Kindergartens.....	0
Total number of churches with Christian Day School.....	2
Total number of churches with Bible Institutes.....	0
Total number of churches with Colleges	0
Sunday School enrollment.....	701
Total CTS enrollment.....	16
Total WNAC enrollment.....	86
Total Master's Men enrollment.....	6
Number of district assoc. minutes requested.....	0
Number of state assoc. minutes requested.....	17
Amount of representation fee enclosed	\$2,550.00

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SANDY VALLEY ASSOCIATION

Total number of churches.....	3
Total number of churches in city/town	0
Total number of churches rural.....	3
Total number of churches reporting.....	3
Churches with Full-time Pastors	2
Churches with Bi-vocational Pastors.....	0
Total Baptisms.....	0
Total members added.....	5
Total members lost.....	13
Total membership.....	113
Total income for all churches.....	\$6,890.09*
Total number of churches with budgets.....	0
Total number of churches with parsonages.....	0
Total value of all church property	N/A
Total number of ordained ministers.....	5
Total number of licensed ministers.....	1
Total number of ordained deacons.....	11
Total number of churches with Day Cares	0
Total number of churches with Kindergartens	0
Total number of churches with Christian Day School.....	0
Total number of churches with Bible Institutes.....	0
Total number of churches with Colleges	0
Sunday School enrollment	107
Total CTS enrollment.....	0
Total WNAC enrollment.....	0
Total Master's Men enrollment.....	0
Number of district assoc. minutes requested.....	0
Number of state assoc. minutes requested.....	20
Amount of representation fee enclosed	\$450.00
*all churches did not report	

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SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION

Total number of churches.....	24
Total number of churches in city/town.....	5
Total number of churches rural.....	19
Total number of churches reporting.....	24
Churches with Full-time Pastors.....	5
Churches with Bi-vocational Pastors.....	18
Total Baptisms.....	26
Total members added.....	49
Total members lost.....	40
Total membership.....	1233
Total income for all churches.....	143,686.76*
Total number of churches with budgets.....	2
Total number of churches with parsonages.....	0
Total value of all church property.....	\$3,987,000.00*
Total number of ordained ministers.....	57
Total number of licensed ministers.....	8
Total number of ordained deacons.....	62
Total number of churches with Day Cares.....	0
Total number of churches with Kindergartens.....	0
Total number of churches with Christian Day School.....	0
Total number of churches with Bible Institutes.....	0
Total number of churches with Colleges.....	0

Sunday School enrollment	905
Total CTS enrollment.....	227
Total WNAC enrollment.....	180*
Total Master's Men enrollment.....	32
Number of district assoc. minutes requested.....	0
Number of state assoc. minutes requested.....	96
Amount of representation fee enclosed	\$3,600.00

*all churches did not report

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TIDEWATER ASSOCIATION

Total number of churches.....	14
Total number of churches in city/town.....	10
Total number of churches rural.....	4
Total number of churches reporting.....	9
Churches with Full-time Pastors.....	11
Churches with Bi-vocational Pastors.....	3
Total Baptisms.....	38

Total members added.....	49
Total members lost.....	3
Total membership.....	1124
Total income for all churches.....	\$946,246.56
Total number of churches with budgets.....	No report
Total number of churches with parsonages.....	4
Total value of all church property	\$88,925,088.00
Total number of ordained ministers.....	26
Total number of licensed ministers.....	12
Total number of ordained deacons.....	43
Total number of churches with Day Cares	3
Total number of churches with Kindergartens.....	3
Total number of churches with Christian Day School.....	2
Total number of churches with Bible Institutes	0
Total number of churches with Colleges	1
Sunday School enrollment.....	1308
Total CTS enrollment.....	363
Total WNAC enrollment.....	67
Total Master's Men enrollment	15
Number of district assoc. minutes requested.....	0
Number of state assoc. minutes requested.....	20
Amount of representation fee enclosed	\$2,100.00

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CONSTITUTION

of the Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists, Inc.

PREAMBLE

We, the Free Will Baptist Churches and Local Associations of the State of Virginia, being saved by grace through faith in the blood of Jesus Christ, submitting to the total authority of the Bible as God's Word, and realizing the necessity of a bond of fellowship among us, do, therefore, adopt this Constitution to the glory and honor of God and for the advancement of His Kingdom on earth.

ARTICLE I. **Name, Purpose, and Affiliation**

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|------------|---|
| Section A. | This association shall be known as the Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists, Inc. |
| Section B. | This association is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Revenue Law). Such purposes include, but are not limited to the establishment and maintenance of religious worship, and the building, maintenance and operation of churches, schools, chapel, radio stations, television stations, rescue missions, print shops, day-care centers, camps, and nursing homes. |
| Section C. | This association shall voluntarily affiliate with the National Association of Free Will Baptists according to the provisions in its treatise and shall support all phases of the denomination's work as much as possible. This being a voluntary affiliation, this association submits to no veto or dictatorial power, and this affiliation can be discontinued at any time. |
| Section D. | This association may correspond by letter or otherwise with other Bible believing bodies. |

ARTICLE II. **Statement of Faith**

Section A. The Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists has adopted A Treatise of Faith and Practices of the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

Section B. Human Sexuality

1. We believe that God has commanded that no intimate sexual activity be engaged in outside of a marriage between a man and a woman. We believe that all forms of homosexuality, lesbianism, bisexuality, bestiality, incest, fornication, adultery, and pornography are sinful perversions of God's gift of sex. Any officer or employee of the association becoming pregnant or causing pregnancy as a result of consensual intercourse, outside of the marriage relationship, shall be terminated from their position. We will not knowingly commission, license, ordain, hire, or countenance any of these lifestyles or practices. Any member association condoning or promoting such practices as stated above will be dismissed from this body (Genesis 2:24; Genesis 19:5, 13; Genesis 26:8,9; Leviticus 18:1-30; Romans 1:26-29; 1 Corinthians 5:1; 6:9; 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8; Hebrews 13:4).

2. We believe that the only legitimate marriage is the joining of one man and one woman (Genesis 2:24; Romans 7:2; 1 Corinthians 7:10; Ephesians 5:22-23).
3. We believe that men and women are spiritually equal in position before God but that God has ordained distinct and separate spiritual functions for men and women in the home and the church. The husband is to be the leader of the home and men are to be the leaders (all ministers and deacons) of the church (Galatians 3:28; Colossians 3:18; 1 Timothy 2:8-15; 3:4,5,12).

Section C. Authority Of Statement Of Faith

The Statement of Faith as recorded in A Treatise of the Faith and Practices of Free Will Baptists or in this document does not exhaust the extent of our faith. The Bible itself is the sole and final source of all that we believe. We do believe, however, that the foregoing statement of faith and this document accurately represents the teaching of the Bible and, therefore, is binding upon all members.

ARTICLE III. Membership and Representation

Section A. Membership

1. The membership of this association shall be composed of properly organized and received Local Associations (yearly or district).
2. Any Local Association (yearly or district) desiring membership in this association must accept Free Will Baptist doctrine, practices, and system of church government as outlined in the most recent publication of A Treatise of the Faith and Practices of Free Will Baptists and must be in total agreement with the declarations of this Constitution.
3. Any organized Free Will Baptist Local Association (yearly or district) desiring to unite with this association, maintaining gospel order and agreeing with the position stated herein concerning doctrine and church government, and which is in favor of our evangelistic enterprises as stated in the final two paragraphs of our Free Will Baptist Church Covenant, may be received into this Virginia State Association in accordance with the procedure set forth in A Treatise of the Faith and Practices of the Free Will Baptists from the National Association of Free Will Baptists, Part IV, Chapter III, Section V, A3, D, & E. Upon completion of this process, any Local Association may become a member after having been received by majority vote by this association.

Section B. Delegates

1. All ordained ministers and deacons who are in good standing with a Local Association belonging to the Virginia State Association, and duly elected officers and members of boards and standing committees shall, upon registration, constitute the standing delegates.
2. Each Local Association in good standing with this body shall be entitled to five (5) delegates to be chosen from the laity and two (2) additional delegates for each district meeting (if divided into districts) to be chosen by the respective district meeting.
3. Each local church affiliated with a Local Association in good standing shall be allowed one (1) delegate to this body.

Section C. Duties of members

1. It shall be the duty of each Local Association belonging to this association to send a letter on the proper form with the required fees to each meeting of this association, reporting in the same its statistics and benevolent work.

2. Any Local Association not corresponding by letter and appropriate fees shall not be seated with its delegates until the matter has been resolved to the satisfaction of the body.

Section D. Discipline of a member

1. The Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists shall have the right to settle any question of discipline, doctrine, or usage that may properly come before it from any association, district meeting or church composing this association or act upon any appeal that may be made by any body belonging to this association. Such appeals are to come before the body after having been appealed from the lower body to the next higher body.
2. This State Association shall have the authority to withdraw fellowship from any Local Association for practices contrary to the Constitution of this association by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of all members present.
3. An official attempt by the Executive Board toward restoration of fellowship must be made prior to exclusion of any member association.
4. Any charge or accusation against any member association, its churches, or its ministers shall be properly presented in writing to the Executive Board for consideration before being discussed on the floor.

ARTICLE IV. Officers, Boards, and Committees

Section A. Election Procedure

1. The Nominating Committee shall select a nominee for each office that is vacant and present the list to the Moderator.
2. The Moderator shall read the name that is nominated for each office, and declare the floor open for additional nominations.
3. Each office shall be filled by a majority vote of the body at the close of each regular session.

Section B. Terms of Office

1. The officers of this association shall consist of Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, and all boards and committees as elected by the body.
2. All officers and committees shall serve for a term of one (1) year except for the following:
 - a) Clerk and Assistant Clerk-four (4) years, to be elected on leap year.
 - b) Executive Board-five (5) years staggered.
 - c) Mission Board-five (5) years staggered.
 - d) State Promotional Secretary-If a volunteer, he will be voted in annually. If salaried, he will be employed by the State Association and elected every two (2) years.
 - e) The Assistant Treasurer (Home Missions Treasurer)-at the will of the Home Missions Board.

Section C. Duties of officers

1. Moderator:
 - a) It shall be the duty of the moderator to call each session to order for the business and to preside over all business sessions of this State Association.
 - b) He shall appoint a Nomination Committee and a Credentials Committee prior to the beginning of each session, each consisting of

- at least three (3) members.
 - c) He is to see that all business is conducted according to *Robert's Rules of Order Revised* (current edition).
 - d) He is to maintain proper Christian order and not allow discussions when not carried on in a Christian spirit or when he thinks it will cause discord or division.
 - e) He is to preside over any special called meeting between sessions whether called by himself or the Executive Board.
 - f) He shall seat the delegates in a designated section of the assembly room at the beginning of each business session.
 - g) He is to promote the work of the Virginia State Association.
 - h) He is to meet with the Executive Board to plan the Bible Conference and the State Association programs.
2. Assistant Moderator:
- a) It shall be the duty of the Assistant Moderator to assist the Moderator whenever called upon, and assume the chair in the absence of the Moderator.
 - b) He is to meet with the Executive Board to plan the Bible Conference and the State Association programs.
3. Clerk:
- a) It shall be the duty of the clerk to keep clear, concise, accurate records of all proceedings of this body whether in special session or regular session.
 - b) The clerk shall be responsible for the printing and distribution to the Local Associations of the minutes of each annual session.
 - c) The clerk is to compile the letters sent from member Local Associations into the proper form to be sent to the to National Association of Free Will Baptists.
 - d) The clerk is to keep all rulings of this body in order and ready for easy reference.
 - e) The clerk is to mail each individual church clerk, pastor, and association clerk a notice of the State Association meeting dates at least one month in advance noting that each local church is allowed one (1) delegate at the State Association meeting. This will include any special or called meetings.
 - f) The clerk will meet as part of the Executive Board to plan the Bible Conference and State Meeting programs and will keep records of these meetings, being able to report to the body.
4. Assistant Clerk:
- a) It shall be the duty of the Assistant Clerk to assist in recording the minutes of the State Association and the keeping of complete records of all business transactions.
 - b) It shall be the duty of the Assistant Clerk to assist the Clerk in the printing of the minutes of each Virginia State Association meeting.
 - c) It shall be the responsibility of the Assistant Clerk to fill the Clerk's place should the office be vacant or the Clerk unable to attend.
5. Treasurer:

It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive, deposit, and disburse all funds at the discretion of this association. The Treasurer will meet as part of the Executive Board to plan the Bible Conference and State Association programs.

6. Assistant Treasurer:
- It shall be the duty of the Assistant Treasurer to assist the Treasurer in the

duties incumbent upon the office. In the absence of the Treasurer the signature of the Assistant Treasurer shall be valid.

7. Promotional Secretary:
 - a) The State Association can have at its discretion a Promotional Secretary.
 - b) He will perform his duties at the direction of and in cooperation with the Executive Board.
 - c) The Promotional Secretary will generally promote the work of the Virginia State Association.
8. Board Member for Family Ministries (Greeneville, Tennessee):
 - a) It shall be the duty of the one elected to serve as a full member of the Family Ministries official Board.
 - b) He shall at all times represent the interests of Virginia in the overall ministry.
 - c) He shall serve for a period of three (3) years.

Section D. Boards and Committees

1. Executive Board:
 - a) The Executive Board shall consist of the Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and five (5) members elected by the association on a five year rotating basis.
 - b) This Board shall have the power to act in behalf of and for the State Association from one regular session to another. It shall have the 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.
 - c) This board shall have power to fill vacancies that may occur in any area of the work.
 - d) 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.
 - e) This board shall consider whatever business is placed upon it, or referred to it by this association or its membership.
 - f) This board shall promote the work of the Virginia State Association.
 - g) This board shall plan each Bible Conference and State Association.
 - h) This board shall set the place for the State CTS competition each year when needed.
 - i) The Executive Board will oversee the office of the State Promotional Secretary.
 - j) This board shall each year develop a reasonable budget for the work of the State Association and the disbursement of its funds. It shall present this budget to the body in its regular session. It shall have authority to disburse funds as approved in the association budget.
 - k) This board shall provide an audit of the financial records annually and report to the body at regular session.
3. State Home Missions Board:
 - a) The State Home Missions Board shall consist of five (5) members elected by this association on a five year rotating basis, and shall be responsible for carrying out the desires of this association in establishing and supporting mission churches in needed areas under the direction of the Virginia State Association. It shall report annually to this association.

- b) The treasurer of the Home Mission Board shall come from the membership of the Board. He will serve as the Assistant Treasurer of the State Association and serve at the will of the Home Missions Board.
 - c) This board will have its own Constitution detailing its own responsibilities under the direction and authority of the Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists.
 - d) This board shall have authority to make decisions, on location, personnel, and finance. Upon approval of this association or the Executive Board, it shall be authorized to deal with real estate property and mortgages as needed for the advancement of the work of missions.
3. Nominating Committee:
- a) The Nominating Committee shall consist of at least three (3) members.
 - b) The Nominating Committee shall choose a nominee for each vacant office prior to the regular session making written report to the Moderator for report to the body.
 - c) Each nominee should be contacted prior to being presented to the body to be sure that he is willing and able to perform the duties incumbent to the office.
 - d) No one should be nominated who is not in good standing with his church, his Local Association, and this body.
4. Credentials Committee:
- a) The Credentials Committee shall consist of at least three (3) members.
 - b) The Credentials Committee is to examine all letters to the State Association and the credentials of the various delegates.
 - c) The committee shall make recommendations to the State Association in session concerning the seating of delegates.
5. Other Committees:

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 V. Meetings

Section A. Time of meetings

- 1. The Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists shall hold its regular meetings annually.
- 2. The State Association shall meet beginning at 7:30 p.m. on the Thursday before the third (3rd) Sunday in June each year, and shall continue in session until its work is completed.
- 3. Special sessions may be called by the Moderator or the Executive Board when conditions demand.
- 4. This State Association will sponsor a Bible Conference on the Thursday of the General Session beginning at 11:00 a.m.

Section B. Procedure of Annual General Session

- 1. Each session will begin with prayer and congregational singing.
- 2. The Clerk shall take charge of the devotional service.
- 3. The Clerk shall then introduce the officers, concluding with the Moderator.
- 4. The Moderator shall declare the session to be in order for business and remind the association of its responsibility to do work for the Lord.

5. The quorum consists of those who attend the meeting, provided it is either a stated meeting or one that has been properly called.
6. If a quorum is present, he shall then proceed with the business.
7. The minutes of the previous sessions will be made available in writing and are to be read only if asked for by a majority vote. The minutes of the present session will be made available to the Moderator at the first possible opportunity. He will assist the Clerk in any needed corrections.
8. This body will be governed as stipulated in the most current edition of A Treatise of the Faith and Practices of Free Will Baptists unless otherwise plainly stated in this document.
9. The rules contained in Robert's Rules of Order Revised (current edition) shall govern the body in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are not inconsistent with this document.

ARTICLE VI. Indemnification

Section A. Actions Subject to Indemnification

The association may indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending, or completed action, suit, or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative, or investigative, including all appeals (other than an action by or in the right of the association) by reason of the fact that the person is or was a moderator, assistant moderator, officer, employee, or agent of the association, against expenses, including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines, and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection with the action, suit, or proceeding; and if that person acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the association and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful. The termination of any action, suit, or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction, or on a plea of *nolo contendere* or its equivalent, shall not, of itself, create a presumption that the person did not act in good faith and in a manner that he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the association and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had reasonable cause to believe that his or her conduct was unlawful.

Section B. Expenses Subject To Indemnification

To the extent that a moderator, assistant moderator, officer, employee, or agent has been successful on the merits or otherwise in defense of any action, suit, or proceeding referred to in this Article, or in defense of any claim, issue, or matter in that action, suit, or proceeding, he or she may be indemnified against expenses, including attorneys' fees, actually and reasonably incurred by him or her in connection with the action, suit, or proceeding.

Section C. Limitations Of Indemnification

Any indemnification made under this Article, may be made by the association only as authorized in the specific case of a determination that indemnification of the moderator, assistant moderator, officer, employee, or agent is proper in the circumstances because he has met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in Section A of this Article. The determination shall be made (a) by a majority vote of a quorum consisting of the members of Executive Board who were not and are not parties to, or threatened with, the action, suit, or proceeding; (b) if the described quorum is not obtainable, or if a majority vote of a quorum of disinterested Executive Board members so directs, by independent legal counsel in a written opinion; or (c) by a majority vote of the members of the association.

Section D. Timing Of Indemnification

Expenses of each person seeking indemnification under this Article, may be paid by the association as they are incurred, in advance of the final disposition of the action, suit, or proceeding, as authorized by the Executive Board in the specific case, on receipt of an undertaking by or on behalf of the moderator, assistant moderator, officer, employee, or agent to repay the amount if it is ultimately determined that he or she is not qualified to be indemnified by the association.

Section E. Extent Of Indemnification

The indemnification provided by this Article shall be deemed to be discretionary unless otherwise required as a matter of law or under any agreement or provided by insurance purchased by the association, both as to action of each person seeking indemnification under the Article in his official capacity and as to action in another capacity while holding that office, and may continue as to a person who has ceased to be a moderator, assistant moderator, officer, employee, or agent and may inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors, and administrators of that person.

Section F. Insurance

The association may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a moderator, assistant moderator, officer, employee, or agent of the association against any liability asserted against him and incurred by him in that capacity, or arising out of his status in that capacity, whether or not the association would have the power to indemnify him against liability under the provisions of this article. Such insurance will be purchased when deemed necessary by the body.

ARTICLE VII. Tax Exempt Provisions

Section A. Private Inurement

No part of the net earnings of the association shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, officers, or other private persons, except that the association shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for the services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article I, Section B hereof.

Section B. Political Involvement

No substantial part of the activities of this association shall be the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation. This association shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

Section C. Dissolution

In the event of the dissolution of the Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists, any assets of the organization then remaining shall be conveyed to such organizations then existent dedicated to similar objectives to those of this organization, selected by the Executive Board at the time of dissolution. This organization must be exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Revenue Law) as amended or under successor provisions of the Code as may be in effect at the time of dissolution.

Section D. Racial Nondiscrimination

This association shall have a racially nondiscriminatory policy and therefore shall not discriminate against members, applicants, students, and others on the basis of race, color, or national or ethnic origin.

Section E. Limitation Of Activities

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Constitution the association shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes stated in Article I, Section B.

ARTICLE VIII. Designated Contributions

From time to time the association, in the exercise of its religious, educational, and charitable purposes, may establish various funds to accomplish specific goals. Contributors may suggest uses for their contributions but all suggestions shall be deemed advisory rather than mandatory in nature. All contributions made to specific funds or otherwise designated shall remain subject to the exclusive control and discretion of this association. No fiduciary obligation shall be created by any designated contribution for the general furtherance of any private persons.

ARTICLE IX. Binding Arbitration

Section A. Submission to Arbitration

Believing that lawsuits between believers are prohibited by Scripture, all members of this association agree to submit to binding arbitration for the resolution of any matters which cannot otherwise be resolved, and agree to expressly waive any and all rights in law and equity to bringing any civil disagreement before a court of law, except that judgment upon the award rendered by the arbitrator may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof.

Section B. Notice Of Arbitration

In the event of any dispute, claim, question, or disagreement arising out of or relating to this Constitution or any other associational matter, the parties shall use their best efforts to settle such disputes, claims, questions, or disagreement as befits Christians. To this effect, they shall consult and negotiate with each other in good faith and, recognizing their mutual interests not disgrace the name of Christ, seek to reach a just and equitable solution. If they do not reach such solution within a period of sixty (60) days, then upon notice by either party to the other, disputes, claims, questions, or differences shall be finally settled by arbitration as described in Section 1, above, and such Procedures for Arbitration as are adopted pursuant to the following two sections.

Section C. Limitations On Arbitration Decisions

Should any dispute involve matters of associational discipline, the arbitrators shall be limited to determining whether the procedures for associational discipline as outlined under this Constitution were followed.

Should any dispute involve the removal from office of any association officer, the arbitrators shall be limited to determining whether the procedures set forth in this Constitution were followed.

Section D. Arbitration Procedures

The procedures for arbitration shall be as adopted by the Executive Board.

ARTICLE X. Amendments

The Constitution of the Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists may be altered or amended at any regular session by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of members present, providing the change has been submitted in writing and tabled from the previous session.

