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OFFICERS

Moderator	Rev. Loyd Reddick 20604 Pioneer, Lakewood, 865-8143
Assistant Moderator	Rev. Robert Riddle 6521 Cassandra Dr., Bell Gardens
Clerk	Clara Staggs 11242 Ferina, Norwalk, 864-1115
Assistant Clerk	Louise Riddle 6521 Cassandra Dr., Bell Gardens
Treasurer	Gene Vandivert 10832 Holly Drive, Garden Grove, 534-3465
Assistant Treasurer	<i>Jon O'Connor</i> , Rev. James Clark 15444 Ashgrove Drive, La Mirada, 521-1134

EXECUTIVE BOARD AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR INCORPORATION

Rev. Oscar Wright <i>Bro. Gene Rogers</i> 1045 Ontario Street, Oxnard	5 Year
Rev. Malcolm Garrett 3278 Patritti Avenue, Baldwin Park	4 Year
Rev. Joe Horner 1049 West 149th Street, Gardena	3 Year
Rev. Robert Leeds 6318½ Santa Fe Avenue, Huntington Park	2 Year
Rev. Edwin Wade 8782 Lampson Avenue, Garden Grove	1 Year

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD

<i>Bro. Rogers</i> Rev. John Staggs 11242 Ferina, Norwalk	3 Year
Glenn Cummings 3643 East 59th Place, Huntington Park	2 Year
Rev. Joe Horner 1049 West 149th Street, Gardena	1 Year

MISSION BOARD

<i>Bro. Geo. Kuehl</i> Leon Butler 5903 Ludell, Bell Gardens	5 Year
Rev. Malcolm Garrett 3278 Patritti Avenue, Baldwin Park	4 Year
Rev. Riley Haskin 5433 Orchard Avenue, Montclair	3 Year
Rev. Joe Horner 1049 West 149th Street, Gardena	2 Year
Rev. Don Bias 22208 Arline, Artesia	1 Year

PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE

The service was opened with singing of the Doxology directed by Bill Harrison. Prayer was led by Rev. Edwin Wade. The welcome to the 18 Annual Conference was given and the session was called to order by the Moderator. Scripture reading was given by Malta King.

Special was given by Rev. and Mrs. John Staggs singing, "Fellowship of Peace."

The congregation sang "I Know My Name is There" directed by Rev. Loyd Reddick.

Prayer was led by Bro. King.

Rev. Robert Riddle, speaker of the hour, used John 15:1-17 as his message text.

Motion carried to receive Executive Board Report as information. (See Reports)

Proposed Constitution alteration Article Five the name Progressive Building Fund be changed to Mission Fund, Motion carried to table the until the business on Saturday.

The Committee on Committees was appointed as follows: Rev. Jeff Butler, George Reel, Rev. Oscar Wright.

The host pastor assigned homes for guests needing lodging. Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Don Bias.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

The service began with singing directed by Larry Williams. Led in prayer by Rev. Wilburn Clark.

The welcome was given by Rev. Orbin Doss, the response was given by Bro. Douglas. The visitors were welcomed by the Moderator, special recognition to CBI QUARTET, Wiley Gregory, Jess Dunn, Bill Adkinson and wife.

Scripture reading by Rev. Harmon Herndon.

Letter from 17 churches were read, accepted, letter from Buena Park Church referred to Executive Board for study, Rev. Oscar Wright led in prayer to seat delegates.

Motion carried to accept Executive Board Report. (See Reports)
Motion carried to accept minutes as read.

Report of the Committee on Committees was read and accepted. The committee were as follows:

PROGRAM	RESOLUTION	FINANCE
Bobby Martin	Glen Cummings	Gene Vandivert
Glen Jackson	Bill Maxey	Jewel Blaine
L. T. Reddick	Larry Williams	Monte Hughes

OBITUARY

David Butler
Estells Harper
Alfred Adams
Don Harrison

TEMPERANCE

Pat Robinson
John Jeter
Eupel Higgenbotham

PULPIT

Rev. Orbin Doss
Ken Mitchell
Dave Taylor

A motion carried to give the moderator power to fill vacancies on the committees.

Election of Officers was held. (See Officers)

Rev. Oscar Wright was elected as the five year member of the Executive Board. Rev. John Staggs was elected as the three year member of the Sunday School Board. Rev. Joe Horner was elected as the one year member of the Sunday School Board. Leon Butler was elected as the five year member of the Mission Board.

A motion carried to remove from the table the motion on the proposed Constitutional Alterations to change Progressive Building Fund to Mission Fund and delete the electing of the Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer, from Article Five. The table motion carried.

Bro. Bill Johnson gave oral report on CBI College.

Motion carried to adjourn business session in prayer led by Rev. Bill Adkinson.

SATURDAY MORNING WORSHIP HOUR

The service opened with singing directed by Larry Condit, prayer led by Bro. Wiley Gregory. Special songs were sung by CBI Quartet.

The message was brought by Rev. Don Bias. The benediction and the blessing on the noon meal was offered by Bro. Jess Dunn.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session was opened with singing directed by Larry Williams, "Just A Little Talk With Jesus;" led in prayer by Rev. John Staggs.

Scripture reading by Rev. John Staggs from Psalms 133.

Motion carried to recommend to the State Association – Rev. Orbin Doss for the General Board.

Delegates appointed to the State Association were as follows: Norma Dixon, Doris Kirk, Ken Kirk, Linda Riddle, Leta Taylor, Dave Taylor, Alfred Adams, Isaac Banda, Bernall Adams, Larry, Williams and Jan Williams.

The West Coast Associational letter to the State Conference was read and accepted.

The quarterly meeting dates, places and speakers were set as follows:

August 23-24, 1968 at Princeton, Ontario, Speaker: Rev. John Staggs, Alternate Speaker: Rev. Gene Smith; November 22-23, 1968 at 119 East Belmont, Ontario, Speaker: Rev. Orbin Doss, Alternate Speaker: Rev. Edwin Wade; February 21-22, 1969 at Norwalk, Speaker: Rev. Malcolm Garrett, Alternate Speaker: Rev. Robert Riddle; Annual May 23-24, 1969 at Gardena, Speaker: Rev. Wilburn Clark, Alternate Speaker: Rev. Leo Pergson.

Treasurers report was given by Gene Vandivert and accepted as read.

The report of the Mission Board Treasurer was given by Rev. Don Bias. A motion carried to accept the report. (See Reports)

A motion carried to accept Mission Board report. (See Reports)

The Youth Camp report was given by Rev. Malcolm Garrett and accepted as information.

Motion carried stating that anyone who plans to leave Camp before Saturday morning check-out must leave by Friday noon.

A motion carried to accept the report of the Obituary Committee. (See Reports)

A motion carried to accept the report of the Resolution Committee. (See Reports)

A word of prayer by Robert Vandivert.

A motion carried to accept Finance Committee report and to delete Item No. 6. (See Reports)

Motion carried to accept Executive Board report and consider one at a time. (See Reports)

Motion carried to accept Program Committee report as amended.

The report of the Sunday School Board was read by Glen Cummings and accepted as information.

A motion carried to send a letter from the West Coast Association to the State Association in Bakersfield.

General Board report by Rev. Robert Riddle received as information.

Motion carried for West Coast Association to give \$15.00 to each contestant to be used toward expenses to the National Convention in Oklahoma City.

Motion carried to give \$50.00 to CBI plus to buy \$100.00 ticket for moderator and his wife to the CBI Victory Dinner. An offering of \$45.21 was received, led in prayer by Bro. Lewis.

Rev. Loyd Reddick led in singing "Bles't Be The Tie!" Announcements were made.

Motion carried to have 500 minutes printed. A motion carried to adjourn, prayer led by Delmar Wright.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

We recommend that this Association retain the report as stated in the 17th Annual Association minutes:

1. Be it resolved that the Annual Association convene on Friday night and Saturday.
2. Be it resolved that for the quarterly meetings the churches send only the names of the pastors, clerks, delegates, number of members and any requests they may have.
3. Be it resolved that a standing vote of thanks be given the host church for its hospitality.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE

The Obituary Committee reports that the following people have been called to meet the Lord: Mary Hunt, Bell Gardens; Thomas Middleton, Earl White from Garden Grove; Barney Henthorn, Santa Paula; Horace Hartwell, Oxnard.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

We recommend that this Association retain the report as stated in the 17th Annual Association minutes, delete Item No. 6.

1. We recommend that each church send 25¢ per member for the Associational expenses and 25¢ per member for the Mission Board, making a total of 50¢ per member.
2. We recommend that each church send \$10.00 for feeding delegates at each quarterly session of the Association and \$10.00 for feeding at the annual session of the Association.
3. We recommend that the clerk and moderator each be paid \$15.00 per each meeting of this Association.
4. We recommend that the assistant clerk be paid \$20.00 per year and that this officer be responsible for printing programs for each meeting.
5. We recommend that we pay the Executive Board 6¢ per mile for necessary business trips.

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT

The Executive Board met on May 18, 1968 to consider the Resolution to work out details in changing the Constitution to conform to three meetings.

We recommend, after due consideration, that the Association continue to meet quarterly and the Constitution remain as is.

We also find that such a change would be in conflict with our Treatise and State Constitution and would cause confusion in our West Coast Association work. Members present: Rev. Robert Leeds, Rev. Oscar Wright, Rev. Edwin Wade and Rev. Joe Horner.

1. We have examined and recommend Bro. John Staggs for fellowship into the Association.

2. We recommend Bro. Dave Fox, Jr. to be licensed to preach the Gospel for one year.

3. We recommend that action be deferred on the ordination of Bro. Stewart until the Executive Board can evaluate guide lines used. We recommend that Bro. Stewart license to preach be renewed for one year.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

The Executive Board met and voted to retain the Temperance Committee report as stated in the 17th Annual Association minutes:

1. We recommend that this Association reaffirm the position taken in the Church Covenant by total abstinence from the sale and use of intoxicating beverages.

2. We recommend that this Association take a definite stand against the use of tobacco in any form. We feel that the progress of the Lord's work has been hindered because of this. We further recommend that no minister or deacon be ordained who uses tobacco.

3. We recommend that our people carefully consider the type of programs they bring into their homes through the medium of television and radio.

4. We recommend that our people dress with modest apparel at all times in these days when there is such a prevalent tendency toward worldliness.

5. We recommend that our people study and practice Proverbs 23:20-21.

MISSION BOARD ANNUAL REPORT – 1967-1968

West Coast Mission Board Report, May 25, 1968.

Prayer by Bro. Horner.

Rev.'s Malcolm Garrett, Joe Horner, Don Bias and Bro. Leon Buttler met June 12, 1967 at Norwalk. Rev. Garrett was elected Chairman; Bro. Bias, Clerk-Treasurer; Bro. Leon Buttler, Ass't. Clerk-Treasurer. Report from Chula Vista read and accepted as information. Many ideas in regard to a Mission Program was discussed and tabled until next meeting of the Board.

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Buttler.

Rev. Malcolm Garrett
Chairman

Rev. Don Bias
Clerk-Treasurer

Rev.'s Malcolm Garrett, Joe Horner, Don Bias, Bro. Leon Butler met at Norwalk Church.

Prayer by Bro. Bias.

An application from the Norwalk Church for a loan of \$1,000.00 to help pay for a parking lot, was presented, discussed and approved.

A project for a trailer to be used as a church for Mission work in different parts of our Association was discussed and tabled for a later date.

A card call plan operation was discussed and approved. Bro. Horner to work out the details, to be presented at the first quarterly meeting of the Association.

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Horner.

MISSION BOARD TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash in Building and Loan – April 31, 1968 \$1009.22

INCOME

Association Treasurer		\$761.34	
Loan Payments			
Blythe	\$ 25.00		
Norwalk	450.00		
Spring Valley	1100.00	\$1575.00	
Bond Interest		60.00	
Building & Loan Interest		59.97	
Card Call Plan		42.00	\$2498.31
			<u>\$3507.53</u>

DISBURSED

Loans			
Norwalk	\$1000.00	\$1000.00	
Card Call Plan		41.00	
Transfer to Home Bank		500.00	\$1542.00

Net Gain \$1966.53

ASSETS

Cash in Building & Loan	\$1966.53
Cash in Checking Account	535.15

Bonds		
Norwalk	\$1000.00	\$1000.00

Accounts Receivable		
Blythe	775.00	
Chula Vista	2817.97	
Norwalk	400.00	
Spring Valley	900.00	4892.97
		<u>5892.97</u>

Net Worth \$8394.65

REPORT OF FINANCE AND EXPENSE FOR
RADIO PROGRAM

INCOME FROM CHURCHES

Gardena	\$ 220.00
Artesia	232.50
Baldwin Park	210.00
Downey	52.50
Garden Grove	202.50
Huntington Park	232.50
Ontario First	184.00
Norwalk	168.00
Jesse Walden (Donation)	100.00
Nelson P. Harks	150.00

TOTAL \$1752.00

EXPENSES

Radio Station KTYM (31 Weeks at \$47.50 per Week)	\$1472.50
Tape Recorder	209.48
Mike	31.24
Tapes For Recording	32.03
Checks From Bank	2.00

TOTAL \$1747.25

BALANCE IN BANK – May 24, 1968 4.75

Submitted to Annual Quarterly Meeting when convened with
the Santa Paula Church, May 24-25, 1968.

COMMITTEE
Robert Vandivort
Robert Leeds

CHURCHES AND PASTORS

Artesia – 22110 Pioneer Blvd., Artesia

Pastor – Rev. James Clark, 15444 Ashgrove Drive,
La Mirada, 90638

Clerk – Maxine Clark, 15444 Ashgrove Drive
La Mirada, 90638

Baldwin Park – 3939 Merced Avenue, Baldwin Park

Pastor – Rev. Malcolm Garrett, 3278 Patrilli,
Baldwin Park, 91706

Clerk – Frances Boggs, 131 W. Cypress Ave., Monrovia

Bell Gardens – 7235 Granger, Bell Gardens

Pastor – Rev. Robert Riddle, 6521 Cassandra Drive
Bell Gardens

Clerk – Hester Bowser, 11202 Joslin St., Santa Fe Springs

Blythe – 283 Solano, Blythe

Pastor – Rev. Harmon Herndon

Clerk – June Rowe, P. O. Box 956, Blythe 92225

✓ Buena Park – 7142 Thomas St., Buena Park

Pastor – Rev. Billy Hood, 10718 Roseton St., Santa Fe Springs

Clerk – Marie Stewart, 8360 La Villa, Downey

✓ Chula Vista – 644 G Street, Chula Vista

Pastor – Rev. Jeff Butler, 3235 Orange Ave., National City

Clerk – Betty Hurley, 741 Colorado, Chula Vista 92010

✓ Downey Avenue – 17040 Downey Ave., Bellflower

Pastor – Rev. Don Bias, 22208 Arline, Artesia 90715

Clerk – Bernell Adams, 6524 Purdy Ave., Bell Gardens

✓ Gardena – 1049 West 149th Street, Gardena

Pastor – Rev. Joe Horner, 1049 West 149th, Gardena

Clerk – Sandra Maxey, 14807 Berendo, Gardena

✓ Garden Grove – 8782 Lampson Ave., Garden Grove

Pastor – Rev. Edwin Wade, 8782 Lampson, Garden Grove

Clerk – Carol Vandivert, 10832 Holly Drive, Garden Grove

✓ Huntington Park – 6312 Santa Fe, Huntington Park

Pastor – Rev. Robert Leeds, 6318½ Santa Fe Ave.,
Huntington Park 90255

Clerk – Barbara Sheldon, 2768¾ Randolph Street,
Huntington Park 90255

- ✓ Norwalk – 11242 Ferina, Norwalk
 Pastor – Rev. John Staggs, 11242 Ferina, Norwalk
 Clerk – Juanita Rogers, 15329 Roper, Norwalk
- ✓ Princeton – 810 East Princeton, Ontario
 Pastor – Rev. Wilburn Clark, 823 East Princeton
 Ontario 91762
 Clerk – Louise Cottrell, 1421 Amador, Ontario 91762
- ✓ Ontario – 119 East Belmont, Ontario
 Pastor – Rev. Riley Haskins, 5433 Orchard, Montclair
 Clerk – Pansy Cravens, 783 East Grand, Pomona
- ✓ Oxnard – 831 7th Street, Oxnard
 Pastor – Rev. Oscar Wright, 1045 Ontario, Oxnard 93030
 Clerk – Dorothy Mims, 2151 Norma Court, Oxnard 93030
- ✓ Santa Paula – 139 Ojai Street, Santa Paula
 Pastor – Rev. Orbin Doss, 235 North 10th Street, Santa Paula
 Clerk – Myrtle McEuers, P. O. Box 647, Santa Paula 93060
- ✓ Spring Valley – 8936 Troy Street, Spring Valley
 Pastor – Rev. A. G. Robershaw, 7676½ Burnell Street
 Lemon Grove
 Clerk – Lura Martin, 8377 Lake Ashwood Ave., San Diego 92119
- ✓ Valley – 15503 Roxford Street, Sylmar
 Pastor – Rev. Eual Gorman, 13629 Gain St., Pacoima 91331
 Clerk – Donnie Stansbury, 13143 Woodcock, Sylmar

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Bias, Don, 22208 Arline, Hawaiian Gardens, 429-5257
Butler, Jeff, 3235 Orange, National City, 477-3338
Clark, James, 15444 Ashgrove Drive, La Mirada, 521-1134
Clark, Wilburn, 1441 South Monterey, Ontario
Doss, Orbin, 235 North 10th Street, Santa Paula, 525-3729
Duckworth, Charles, 7142 Thomas Street, Buena Park
Garrett, Malcolm, 3278 Patritti Avenue, Buena Park
Haskins, Riley, 5433 Orchard Avenue, Montclair, 626-6028
Herndon, Harmon, 283 North Solano, Blythe, 922-7505
Hicks, Clarence, 5047 Newcastle Drive, Riverside, 685-3051
Hood, B. J., 19718 Roseton Avenue, Santa Fe Springs, 864-7316
Horner, Joe, 1049 West 149th Street, Gardena, 327-2367
Johns, Edward, 11242 Ferina, Norwalk, 864-1115
Johnson, Clyde, 3520 Frazier, Baldwin Park
Leeds, Robert, 6318½ Santa Fe Ave., Huntington Park, 582-9309
Pergson, Leo, 106 Shady Lane, Ojai
Reddick, Loyd, 2604 South Pioneer, Lakewood, 865-8143
Reed, Doit, 1350 West E Street, Ontario, 983-1904
Richey, Jack, 6521 Cassandra, Bell Gardens, 927-3092
Scroggins, Henry, 21903 Elaine, Hawaiian Gardens
Smith, Gene, 6528 Specht, Bell Gardens, 773-3009
Wade, Edwin, 8783 Lampson Avenue, Garden Grove, 539-2324
Wright, Oscar, 1045 Ontario Street, Oxnard, 483-5725

LICENSED MINISTERS

Fite, Gaylon, Jr., 13162 East Emery, Baldwin Park
Fite, Jerry, 14448 E. Palmrose Ave., Apt. B, Baldwin Park
Maxey, Bill, 14709 Estrella Avenue, Gardena, 323-5562
Stewart, Fred, 8360 La Villa Street, Downey

ORDAINED DEACONS

Berka, Francis, 125 South Madrona, Brea
Bentley, Lloyd, 300 North Alladin Drive, Anaheim
Cherry, Calvin, 937 East Princeton, Ontario 91762
Clark, Porter, 14448 E. Palmrose Ave., Apt. A, Baldwin Park
Davidson, G. W., 792 Sycamore Drive, Port Hueneme
Douglas, Mirl, 4724 Highland Avenue, Oxnard
Gray, Carl 22303 Funston, Hawaiian Gardens
Gillam, Ed, 2919 Flower Street, Huntington Park
Harris, John, 5922 Burnham, Buena Park
Harrison, Bill, 1051 Kamala Street, Oxnard
Henthorn, Pat, 1232 Manizanita, Santa Paula
Horton, Henry, 446 East Los Angeles, Moorpark
King, Leonard, 335 Acacia Road, Santa Paula 93060

King, Malta, 1218 Hawthorn, Santa Paula 93060
Lewis, Everett, 3334 Aliso Canyon Road, Santa Paula
Miller, John D., 427 East Maple, Ontario 91761
Mims, Truman, 2121 Norma Court, Oxnard
Newport, Estel, 18450 S. Mountain Road, Santa Paula
Reel, George, 6731 Klondike, Westminster
Rodden, Carl, 2633 Hill Street, Huntington Park
Sparks, James, 12237 South Fidel, Whittier
Spaulding, Doug, 13013 Ramsey Drive, La Mirada 90638
Suggs, Cleo, 343 Colgate Street, Santa Paula
Vandivort, Gene, 10832 Holly Drive, Garden Grove
Vandivort, G. R., 11662 Magnolia, Garden Grove

WEST COAST ASSOCIATION STATISTICAL REPORT

Number of Churches	17
Number of Parsonages	9
Number of Ordained Ministers	25
Number of Licensed Ministers	14
Number of Ordained Ministers	48
Number of Sunday School	16
Number of CTS'S	12
Number of Woman's Auxiliaries	11
Number of Master's Men	1
Number of Prayer Meetings	17
Number of Junior Churches	2
Church Membership	853
Resident Members	787
Non-Resident Members	144
Members Received	244
By Baptism	111
By Letter	66
By Statement of Faith	67
Members Dismissed	140
By Letter	66
Excluded	63
Deceased	7
Sunday School Enrollment	1257
CTS' Enrollment	338
Woman's Auxiliary Membership	131

FINANCIAL REPORT

TOTAL GIVING IN THE THE CHURCHES	\$143,681.32
General Offerings	134,557.42
Building Fund	9,123.90
 SPENT FOR LOCAL CAUSES	
Pastor's Salary	40,677.88
Evangelistic Work	900.20
Building and Repair	38,462.60
Literature	4,028.87
Advertising (Radio Programs)	1,043.73
Miscellaneous	16,374.09
Other	<u>12,176.85</u>
 TOTAL LOCAL EXPENDITURES	 \$113,664.22

SPENT FOR OUTSIDE CAUSES

Cooperative Plan	12,438.30
Foreign Missions	2,466.75
Home Missions	784.33
Education	3,701.57
Associational Projects	1,815.93
Other	1,010.10

TOTAL OUTSIDE EXPENDITURES \$22,317.80

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY \$700,500.00

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY (Parsonages) 76,000.00

**WEST COAST ASSOCIATION
WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION MINUTES**

THEME: "LAUNCH OUT INTO THE DEEP"

The West Coast Association Annual Woman's Auxiliary Convention met with the Baldwin Park Free Will Baptist Church.

The president called the meeting to order. Congregational singing was led by Jackie McAlister accompanied by Fannie Smithen. Prayer was led by Rev. Bill Maxey.

The welcome was given by Katherine Oliver and the response by Rosella Horner. Cille Daniels read Luke 6:8 for scripture meditations.

Letters from the following auxiliaries were read and accepted: Ontario, Norwalk, Garden Grove, Oxnard, Baldwin Park, Huntington Park, Gardena. A combined treasurer's report was read and accepted.

The minutes of the last meeting was read and accepted.

The nominating committee was elected from the floor as follows: Cindy Vandivort, Rosella Horner, Pansy Cravens.

The president appointed the following committees:

REGISTRATION

Diane Clark
Betty Beckham
Trudell Maxey

CREDENTIALS

Alma Johns
Peggy Smith
Shirley Maxey

FINANCE

Fannie Smithen
Mrs. Suggs
Lillian White

RESOLUTION

Kathie Henthorne
Norma Dixon
Mrs. McAlister

OBITUARY

Mrs. Wilkinson
Jean Fox
Katherine Oliver

Our State President, Reba Kirk, challenged us to be more prayer-minded, and reported on the State Meeting which will be held April 6th at Kerman. She also gave a report on the work of the Don Robirds in Brazil.

An offering of \$54.12 was received for CBI. Prayer led by Rev. Robert Riddle.

WORSHIP HOUR

Congregational singing was led by Jackie McAlister. Prayer was led by Cindy Vandivort. Special music was presented by Rosella Horner. Rev. Joe Horner brought the morning message using Luke 5:1-11 as his text.

The benediction and blessing on the noon meal were offered by Wanda Rogers.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session was opened with congregational singing. Our State Field Worker, Sis. Wanda Rogers, gave a report of our National, State, District and Local Work.

A special prayer led by Rev. Horner was offered for our Study Course Chairman, Katheryne Clark, who was in the hospital.

The reports of the Registration, Credentials, Finance, Resolution, Obituary and Nominating Committees were read and accepted. (See Reports)

The conventions for the coming year will be held as follows: May 4, 1968 at Garden Grove; August 3, 1968 at Oxnard; November 2 1968 at Baldwin Park; February, 1969 at Garden Grove.

Rev. Robert Leeds was elected to be the speaker at the May meeting in Garden Grove. The alternate is Rev. Bill Maxey.

The secretary's report to the State Woman's Auxiliary was read and accepted. The treasurer's report to the State Convention was read and accepted.

Sis. Donna Wade conducted the installation of officers. Cindy Vandivort prayed the prayer of dedication. Two offices which were not filled by the Nominating Committee were filled from the floor. They were: Personal Service Chairman, Trudell Maxey; Historian, Cindy Vandivort.

Motion carried to adjourn. Dismissed in prayer by Norma Dixon.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

The total present was 58, which included 35 Auxiliary members, 3 ministers, 20 visitors and children. The attendance banner was given to the Gardena Auxiliary with 69% of its members present.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. We recommend that we give quarterly to the Co-Laborer offering \$3.00 per Auxiliary.
2. We recommend the Don Robirds family as our adopted missionaries and that we send them \$3.00 per Auxiliary quarterly.
3. We recommend that each Auxiliary receive an offering on Fathers Day to be used for superannuation.
4. We recommend that we pay \$10.00 for the printing of our minutes in the West Coast Association Minutes.
5. We recommend that 20% of each offering taken at our district meetings go to the CBI Student Loan Fund.
6. We recommend that the treasurer pay for bulletins, postage, and telephone calls for the Auxiliary business out of the treasury.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

All letters received are in order. We graded the following charts A-1: Gardena and Garden Grove. We graded Oxnard and Norwalk's charts B. We graded Ontario C.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

1. Be it resolved that each local Auxiliary bring its Standards of Achievement Chart to the annual meeting to be graded.
2. Be it resolved that we request in our State letter that the State Convention be held in the Fresno Area.
3. Be it resolved that we award an attendance banner to the Auxiliary having the highest percentage of Auxiliary members present at each District Meeting.

4. Be it resolved that we give a certificate to each Auxiliary having an A-1 Standard of Achievement Chart at the annual meeting. Motion ammended that we grade the Standards with ribbons which will have the grades printed on them.

5. Be it resolved that our District Auxiliary consider meeting less frequently in the future. Motion tabled until such time as schedule of meetings could be worked out with the Ministers and Deacons Conference.

6. Be it resolved that we give the host church a standing vote of thanks.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE

We are happy to report that there have been no deaths among our members in the past year.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

President – Mrs. Oscar Wright

Vice President – Diane Clark

Recording Secretary – Carol Vandivort

Corresponding Secretary – Pansy Cravens

Treasurer – Fannie Smithen

Missions Chairman – Donna Wade

Study Course Chairman – Katheryne Clark

Program Prayer Chairman – Cille Daniels

WEST COAST ASSOCIATION CTS RALLY MINUTES

THEME: "LOOK TOWARD CHRIST"

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE

Friday evening service opened in song led by Claudia Briscoe. Selection was "Only Trust Him." Led in prayer by Bill Maxey. Congregation sang "At Calvary," and "Sweet By and By." Services were turned over to L. T. Reddick for Brainstorming and Panel Discussion. Services were turned over to Bill Maxey for the worship service. His text was Matthew 7:13-23. Dismissed in prayer.

SATURDAY MORNING SERVICE

Saturday morning service was opened in song led by Claudia Briscoe. Selection was "I Want To Be A Worker." Led in prayer by Bro. Bias. The congregation sang, "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart." Scripture reading was given by Dave Fox which was taken from Hebrews 12:2. Letters and minutes read and approved. Letters received from the following churches: Gardena, Bell Gardens, Norwalk, Ontario, Baldwin Park, Oxnard and Garden Grove. Treasurers report given by Debbie Johns. Accepted as read. Motion made and carried to empower the chair to appoint a Pulpit Committee. The Committee appointed was: Dave Fox, Br. Reel, Pat Jackson, Joy Wade and Ken Sluder. Report from the Pulpit Committee selected Rev. Robert Riddle to speak in the absence of Rev. Orbin Doss. The C.T.S. Rallies are set for the coming year as follows: April 12-13 at Gardena; July 19-20 at Ontario; October 11-12 at Garden Grove; January 11-12 at Oxnard. Speaker for the April Rally was elected with Glenn Masters the speaker and Dave Fox as the alternate.

There was a motion made and carried to have each church pay \$10.00 plus 25¢ per member at our April Rally to off set the cost of the State Rally.

Motion made and carried that the chair be empowered to select a committee for a district banquet. Motion made and carried to table the above motion until after the election of officers.

Report from nominating committee read and approved. The officers elected for the coming year were:

President – L. T. Reddick; Vice President – Dave Fox; Recording Secretary – Linda Riddle; Corresponding Secretary – Jan Williams; Treasurer – Debbie Johns; Assistant Treasurer – Gail Bradshaw; Choister – JoAnn Maxey; Pianist – Starlet Shipp; Assistant Pianist – John Clark; Special Activities Director – Larry Williams; General Directors – Bro. and Sis. George Reel.

Motion made and carried to remove Banquet Committee from table. Committee appointed was: Pat Jackson, Lynda Riddle, Dave Fox, Bro. and Sis. George Reel, Bro. and Sis. Larry Williams.

Motion made and carried to adjourn business meeting. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Leeds.

Competition in Bible Bowl was between Bell Gardens and Garden Grove with Garden Grove as the winner.

Dismissed for a fellowship break, led in prayer by Bro. Maxey.

Services reopened in song led by Claudia Briscoe, "Kneel At The Cross." Led in prayer by Larry Willaims. Congregation sang, "Count Your Blessings."

Special singing was presented by Dave Fox, Sr. who sang, "He." Trio from Gardena sang "How Great Thou Art." Joy Wade sang "Where He Leads I'll Go."

Services were turned over to Bro. Riddle for the morning worship. Text was John 11:28-29. We had 3 conversions. Services dismissed in prayer by Bro. Bias, for lunch.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Afternoon services opened with singing led by Claudia Briscoe. Selections were: "Where We'll Never Grow Old" and "I Will Sing The Wondrous Story."

Gene Rogers gave an informative talk on C.B.I. They took up an offering for CBI amounting to \$39.20.

The new officers were installed by Bro. Joe Horner followed by a prayer of consecration.

Bible Bowl competition resumed with Gardena and Garden Grove with Garden Grove the winner.

Competing in Bible Tic-Tac-Toe was Bell Gardens, Oxnard, Garden Grove and Gardena. Oxnard emerged as the winner. Sword Drill winner was Ronnie Sneed.

Presentation of the attendance banner went to Gardena. The attendance for the Rally on Saturday was as follows:

Gardena	52
Garden Grove	45
Baldwin Park	31
Oxnard	24
Bell Gardens	12
Norwalk	6
Ontario	4
Huntington Park	2

Total 176

Presentation of awards went to the Oxnard Bible Tic-Tac-Toe team, the Garden Grove Bible Bowl team and to Ronnie Sneed, the Sword Drill competitor from Gardena.

A standing vote of thanks was offered the host church. The Rally was dismissed in prayer by Bro. Maxey.

CONSTITUTION

PREAMBLE: From long experience, we the members of the Free Will Baptist Denomination, being regularly baptized upon the profession of our faith in Christ and realizing the necessity of a bond of union and fellowship among us as an association of churches and to preserve and maintain correspondence and coordination with us, do therefore ordain this constitution for our better denominational government.

ARTICLE I

This organization shall be known as the West Coast Association of Free Will Baptists of the State of California.

ARTICLE II

The object and purpose of this organization shall be to unify the work of our churches and associated bodies of this Association and to devise and execute measures of expanding our work in the in the cause of Christ in broader fields.

ARTICLE III

Delegates to this Association shall consist of two types of delegates.

1. **STANDING DELEGATES.** Standing delegates shall be all of the ordained members of any church being a constituent part of this Association, and in good standing with the Association of which they are members, their wives, church clerk and the unmarried widows of deceased ordained members.

2. Representation to the West Coast Association is to be by subordinate church. Each subordinate church shall be entitled to three delegates to be selected from the laity.

ARTICLE IV

The West Coast Association shall have the right to settle any and all questions of discipline doctrine or practice, that may properly come before it from any of the bodies composing this organization or act upon an appeal that may be made by any church or individual which is a component part of the body. Said appeal shall have been written and properly signed by the constituent body or bodies making such appeal from the lower to the next higher body.

ARTICLE V

Officers: The officers of the West Coast Association shall consist of a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer, each of whom shall be elected at the opening of each setting of the Annual Association.

Section 2. Moderator shall appoint a Committee on Committees the opening night of the Association Meeting. The selected Committees shall be appointed by the committee and shall hold office

until work is completed or their successors are appointed. This will enable all committees to be ready the following morning and a time be set aside for committee work and no business be transacted until the committee work has been completed and have returned to the service. Also, any further examinations by the Examining Council be made at this time. (1959)

ARTICLE VI

The Executive Board shall be composed of five members. Each member shall be an ordained minister in good standing in the West Coast Association and their terms of tenure shall be as follows:

- (1) One for one year.
- (1) One for two years.
- (1) One for three years.
- (1) One for four years.
- (1) One for five years.

Succession to office thereafter shall be determined as order requires.

ARTICLE VII

The West Coast Association shall hold its meetings quarterly. The date and place to be decided upon at each annual meeting of said West Coast Association.

ARTICLE VIII

Should necessity arise which call and requires immediate action, the West Coast Executive Board shall convene upon call of its chairman and shall take whatever action it deems necessary in the best interest of the cause of Christ. The action however shall not conflict with the purpose and edicts of the Constitution as set forth in the preceding articles.

ARTICLE IX

This constitution may be altered or amended at any regular session of the West Coast Association by a two-thirds vote of members present and voting. All proposed alterations or amendments shall be presented in writing to the body one day in advance.

ARTICLE X

No Minister will be received in this Association who cannot obtain a written recommendation from the Association from which he comes and must be a member in good standing in said Association and shall have no voice or hold any office in this Association until he has obtained a recommendation from the Examining Council of the West Coast Association.

CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God by faith in Christ and adopted the Word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this solemn covenant. We promise by His Grace to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid all appearance of evil, to abstain from sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world, from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages, and to "provide things honest in the sight of all men."

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of scripture, secret prayer, family devotion, and social worship, and by self denial, faith, and good works endeavor to "grow in grace and the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ." We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship and the observance of the ordinances of the Gospel, nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor, and all its benevolent work. We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to "keep the unity of the Spirit in the bonds of Peace," to be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and to seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring and as far as we are able, to promote the success of the church, and the Gospel. We will everywhere hold Christian principles sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme, counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society, constantly praying and toiling that the Kingdom of God may come and His will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprises, the support of missions, the success of Sunday School, and Evangelistic efforts for the salvation of the worlds. And may the God of Peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

ARTICLES OF FAITH
Of The
FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

ARTICLE I
The Bible

We believe the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by the inspiration of God, and are our infallible rule of faith and practice.

Matt. 22:29; Mark 15:28; John 2:22; John 5:39; John 7:38; Acts 1:16; Acts 8:35; Acts 18:28; Rom. 15:40; Gal. 1:8; II Tim. 3:16-17; II Peter 1:12,20,21.

ARTICLE II
God

We believe there are three persons in the God head, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and that all things were created by them.

First John 5:7; Gen. 1st and 2nd Chapters; Exo. 20:9-11; Psa-33:6; Jer. 51:15; John 1:1-3; Acts 14:14-17; I Cor. 8:5; Eph. 3:8-10; Col. 1:9-17; Rev. 4:9-11.

ARTICLE III
Man

We believe that God created Man innocent, but by disobedience he fell into a state of sin and death. His posterity therefore inherited an alien nature of such tendencies that all who come to the years of accountability sin and become guilty before God.

Gen. 2:15-17; Gen. 3:14-19; Isa. 53:6; Rom. 3:9-26; Rom. 5:12-15; I Cor. 15:21,22; Gal. 3:22; I John 1-10.

ARTICLE IV
Children Saved

We believe that children are born in a saved state and we must become like unto them if we enter into the Kingdom of Heaven.

Matt. 18:2,3; Luke 18:16,17.

ARTICLE V
General Atonement

We believe that Christ died for all and whosoever will may be saved.

Matt. 28:19,20; Luke 24:45-53; John 3:16; I Tim. 2:1-6; Titus 2:11; Heb. 2:9; II Peter 3:9; I John 2:1,2; Rev. 22:17.

ARTICLE VI

Terms Of Salvation

We believe the terms of Salvation are:

1st Repentance or sincere sorrow for sin and a hearty denunciation of it.

2nd Faith, or the unreserved committal of one's self to God through faith in Christ with purpose to love and obey Him in all things.

Luke 13:3-5; Luke 15:25-27; Luke 24:45-53; John 3:16; Acts 10:43; Acts 15:8,9; Acts 16:31; Rom. 5:1,2; Rom. 10:8-13; Gal. 3:26; Eph. 2:8,9; Heb. 11:6.

ARTICLE VII

Divine Call To The Ministry

We believe that God in His wisdom and goodness displays His power of Grace in a great degree in calling and qualifying His servants by the teaching of the Holy Spirit to go forth and proclaim life and salvation. Yet those who are called are commanded to study to show themselves approved unto God, etc.

John 5:39; John 1:16,17; Acts 3:22; Acts 13:14; Acts 18:27,28; Acts 20:28; Acts 22:14,15; Rom. 10:14,15; Gal. 1:11-23; II Tim. 2:15; Titus 1:7-9.

ARTICLE VIII

The Christian Sabbath

Be set apart for the worship of God and that no work of worldly nature should be done on that day. Work of piety, mercy and necessity excepted.

Mark 16:1,2; John 20:1,19,26; Acts 13:27; Acts 16:13; Acts 20:7; I Cor. 16:1,2; Rev. 1:10,11.

ARTICLE IX

Apostasy

We believe that only those Christians who through grace and patience endure unto the end have promise of Eternal Salvation.

Ezek. 18:24-26; Matt. 10:22; Matt. 24:12,13; Matt. 24:48-51; Matt. 25:14-30; Mark 13:13; Luke 12:45,46; John 15:1-6; Rom. 11:21; I Cor. 10:11,12; I Cor. 15:12; I Thes. 3:4,5; Heb. 3:1-6; Heb. 6:4-6; Heb. 10:24-30; II Peter 2:12-16; II Peter 2:20-22; Rev. 2:10; Rev. 3:5.

ARTICLE X

General Resurrection

We believe in the general resurrection of all men – they that have done good unto the resurrection of life, and they that have done evil unto the resurrection of damnation.

John 5:28,29; Acts 4:1,2; Acts 17:18; Acts 23:6; Acts 24:14,15; Acts 26:6-8; I Cor. 15:12,22; I Thes. 4:15-17; Rev. 20: 12-15.

ARTICLE XI

General Judgment

We believe that there will be a general or universal judgment when all nations will be gathered before the Judgment Seat of Christ, to be judged according to their works. The wicked shall go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into life eternal.

Eccl. 11:9; Eccl. 12:14; Matt. 12:36,37; Matt. 13:37-43; Matt. 25:31-46; Mark 9:43-48; John 5: 28,29; Acts 10:42; Acts 17: 30,31; Rom. 14:10-12; II Cor. 5:10; Heb. 9:27,28; Rev. 20:12-15; Rev. 21: 7,8.

RULES OF ORDER

1. The Moderator or Assistant Moderator or, in their absence the oldest minister present, shall call the Association to conference.
2. Each session shall be opened and closed by prayer.
3. Five members from two or more churches shall constitute a quorum. A lesser number may adjourn until such time as a quorum is present.
4. Visiting brethren are invited to seat as advisory members.
5. Those who speak shall rise and address the Moderator. Personal reflection shall be avoided in all debates.
6. If any proposition or motion under debate contains two or more points, it shall be divided at the request of any member and a vote taken.
7. Motions made and lost shall not be recorded.
8. No one shall speak more than twice on the same subject without special leave of the Moderator.
9. The Moderator shall not allow discussion when not carried in a Christian manner.
10. The ruling of the Moderator may be overruled by a two-thirds majority of the membership voting.
11. No question from any church shall come under the consideration of the Association unless it has first been discussed at its own church.
12. At each Association arrangement shall be made to insure two or more sermons on their equivalent devotional services each day.
13. The West Coast Association shall have no power to fill vacancies in the delegation from any composite body.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Introductory Sermon.
2. House called to order by the Moderator.
3. Letters called for, read and received.
4. Right hand of fellowship and seating of Delegates.
5. Election of Officers.
6. Appointment of Committees.
7. Unfinished Business.
8. New Business.
9. Report of Committees.
10. Miscellaneous Business.

