

MINUTES
OF THE
TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE
WEST FLORIDA
FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

held with

SHILOH FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
BRATT, FLORIDA

September 9, 1972

NEXT SESSION

BEULAH FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
PENSACOLA, FLORIDA
September 8, 1973

Mid-Yearly Meeting
with
NEW HOME FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
Cantonment, Florida
February 3, 1973

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- State Association: Wesconnett Free Will Baptist Church, Jacksonville, Florida, November 1-3, 1972
- Mid-Yearly Associational Meeting: New Home Free Will Baptist Church, Molino, Fla. February 3, 1973
- District Woman's Auxiliary: New Home Free Will Baptist Church, Molino, Florida, April 7, 1973
- Sunday School & C.T.S. Convention: Beulah Free Will Baptist Church, Pensacola, Florida, May 5, 1973
- Annual Associational Meeting: Beulah Free Will Baptist Church Pensacola, Florida, September 8, 1973
- National Youth Convention Macon, Georgia
& National Association : July 9-13, 1973

OFFICERS FOR 1972-73

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LICENSED MINISTERS

R. L. Bartley.....Cantonment, Florida
J. C. Dortch.....Rt. 1 Box 79, Atmore, Alabama 36502 Phone 369-6356

PASTORS FOR 1972-73

Bethel Church - - - - - Rev. B. M. Mathews
515 Woodland Drive, Pensacola, Florida

Beulah Church - - - - - Rev. Lindbergh Bass
Mobile Highway, Pensacola, Florida

Christian Home Church - - - - - Rev. D. Hutchinson
McDavid, Florida

Ensley Church - - - - - Rev. Elzie Carroll
Jones Street, Pensacola, Florida

New Home Church - - - - - Rev. Jack Parham
Cantonment, Florida

Shiloh Church - - - - - Rev. Joseph Wallis
Bratt, Florida

Crestview Church - - - - -
Crestview, Florida

First Church of Milton - - - - - Rev. R. H. Reddick
Milton, Florida

PROCEEDINGS

Proceedings of the Twenty-Fourth Annual Session of the West Florida Association of Free Will Baptist held with Shiloh Church, Bratt, Florida, September 9, 1972.

10:00 A.M.

Opened with congregational singing led by Bro. Harlie Dockens, Prayer by Bro. J. D. Parham. Devotion by Bro. L. Bass reading Ephesians 5:1-2.

Welcome address by Bro. Joe Wallis host pastor. Clerk introduced officers of the association. Clerk called session to order for business, turned meeting to moderator for his remarks and to moderate meeting.

Standing delegates seated. Visiting Brethern, Bro. Norman Richards recognized. Church delegates present; Bethel (3), Shiloh (5), Beulah (3), Christian Home (3), Ensley (3), New Home (3), First Church of Milton (4). MSC to seat church delegates.

Clerk read request from Crestview Free Will Baptist Church to become a member of the West Florida Association of Free Will Baptist. MSC to receive Crestview Church as a member of this association accepting three delegates plus two ordained deacons pending action from the Ordaining Council.

Following reports were given and received; Treasurer, C.T.S. and Sunday School, Ordaining Council, and Woman's Auxiliary.

11:00 A.M.

Opened with singing led by Bro. Harlie Dockens. Morning message by Bro. Norman Richards, Missionary, reading Romans 10. Dismissed for lunch by Bro. Reddick.

1:00 P.M.

Opened with singing. Devotion by Bro. J.D. Parham reading II Timothy 4: 6-8.

Home Mission Board report given and accepted. State delegates were appointed as follows: Bro & Sis. Douglas Carr, Sis. Thelma Bass, Bro. James Hartley, Sis. Thelma Wiggins. Alternates: Sis. Ann Watford & Sis. J. Montee.

Officers elected as follows:

Moderator:	Rev. R. C. Wiggins, Jr.
Asst. Moderator:	Rev. B. M. Mathews
Treasurer:	Bro. Wildon Hall
Clerk:	Bro. W. J. Amerson
Asst. Clerk:	Sis. Thelma Wiggins

Home Missions Board:	Bro. Harlie Dockens - Term ending 1977
Ordaining Council:	Bro. J. D. Parham & Bro. Elzie Carroll Term ending 1974

MSC to have Mid-Yearly Associational Meeting, February 3, 1973 at New Home Free Will Baptist Church, Cantonment Florida. Annual Meeting on September 8, 1973 at Beulah Church, Pensacola, Florida.

MSC for churches to discontinue submitting mid-yearly form letter to association at mid-yearly meeting, but instead submit a letter of information and regular fees, names of delegates to association. Churches to submit form letter to yearly meeting as usual.

Oral report concerning purposed State property for youth camp and camp meeting was given by Bro. & Sis. Ray Purvis and Bro. W.J. Amerson as information for the association.

Minutes of today's session read by clerk and accepted by body. Dismissed with prayer.

MID-YEARLY MEETING
ENSLEY F.W.B. CHURCH
Feb. 5, 1972

Opened with congregational singing, led by Bro. Curtis Amerson. Devotion was given by Bro. Carl Thompson, reading Romans 12:5, I Cor. 12:4. Welcome by Bro. Carl Thompson, Ensley Church.

Clerk introduced officers of association. Prayer by Bro. Jerald Amerson. Meeting turned over to Moderator, Bro. R. C. Wiggins, Jr. for his remarks and to moderate meeting.

Roll Call of ordained ministers, deacons and associational officers. Roll call of church delegates; Beulah (3), Bethel (1), Christian Home (4), Ensley (5) New Home (4), Shiloh (5). Seated delegates, recognized visiting brethren, Rev. A. Ashcraft.

Petition letter from First Free Will Baptist Church of Milton, MSC to accept them into West Florida Association. Seven (7) members present today. Deacons present (6), visiting ministers (2), Rev. A. Ashcraft and Rev. James Cook, Ministers present (8), Rev. Carl Thompson, Rev. Elzie Carroll, Rev. R.C. Wiggins, Rev. R. H. Reddick, Rev. J. D. Parham, Rev. L. Bass, Rev. J. Wallis & Rev. W.C. Stanford.

Report from Crestview Mission read by Rev. James Cook.

11:00 A.M.

Morning message by Bro. Joe Wallis reading I Kings 18:17-24. Title "The Man that God Needs". A very timely message for the day and hour.

1:00 P.M.

Opened with congregational singing, prayer by Bro. L. Bass. Devotion by Bro. Bob Bartley, reading St. Mathew 5:13-17, Treasurers report given by Sis. Alberta Hall.

Home Missions report given by Bro. B.M. Mathews and accepted.

Rev. R. H. Reddick elected to replace Rev. W. M. Compton and Rev. W. C. Stanford elected to replace Rev. Robert Owen as members of the Ordaining Council. Bro. Douglas Morgan elected to replace Rev. Robert Owen on Home Mission Board. Ordaining Report given and accepted.

MSC to take from table motion to delete Section III of Art. 8 of our constitution as it now reads and for Section III Art. 8 to read "Total Cooperative income of the West Florida Association will be disbursed by a finance committee and approved by the body". Main motion carried.

MSC that Finance Committee shall consist of the Executive Board. MSC that moderator, clerk, treasurer be present at executive board meetings concerning finances.

MSC to take from table motion that the association retain 50% of our tithes from local churches to support our home mission work. MS to apply recent change of Section III, Art. 8 of our constitution to dispose of this move. Carried.

Minutes read and accepted. Adjourned.

1972-73 BOARDS

Home Mission Board

- (73) Rev. B. M. Mathews
- (74) Bro. Douglas Morgan
- (75) Bro. M. Carroll
- (76) Rev. J. D. Parham
- (77) Bro. Harlie Dockens

Ordaining Council

- Moderator: Rev. R. C. Wiggins, Jr.
- (73) Rev. W. C. Stanford
 - (73) Rev. R. H. Reddick
 - (74) Rev. Elzie Carroll
 - (74) Rev. J. D. Parham

Executive Board

Bethel Church	- - - - -	Theodore F. Greene, Jr.
Beulah Church	- - - - -	Lindbergh Bass
Milton Church	- - - - -	James W. Hartley
Christian Home	- - - - -	Freeman Dockens
Shiloh Church	- - - - -	Douglas Morgan
Ensley Church	- - - - -	W. C. Stanford
New Home Church	- - - - -	J. N. Parham

CHURCHES

Bethel Free Will Baptist Church:

Beulah Free Will Baptist Church:

Christian Home Free Will Baptist Church:

New Home Free Will Baptist Church:

Ensley Free Will Baptist Church;

Shiloh Free Will Baptist Church:

First Free Will Baptist Church:
of Milton

Crestview Free Will Baptist Church:

CLERKS

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Mrs. James Hartley
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Milton, Florida 32570

Mrs. Naomi Cook
180 Baggett Avenue
Crestview, Florida 32536

Standing of Ministers Report

Church letters list the following ministers in good standing:

Rev. Lindbergh Bass
Rev. B. M. Mathews
Rev. R. C. Wiggins, Jr.
Rev. Buford Godwin
Rev. J. C. Dortch

Rev. Robert L. Bartley
Rev. Zell Cheatham
Rev. J. D. Parham
Rev. Joseph Wallis

Ordaining Council Report

Organized First Free Will Baptist Church at Milton, Florida - Nov. 21, 1971
Council members present: R. C. Wiggins, Moderator and J. D. Parham

Ordained to ministry, Bro. Buford Godwin of Christian Home Church, Dec. 12, 1971.

Organized Church at Crestview February 27, 1972.

Licensed at Cantonment, Florida, New Home Church, Bro. Bob Bartley, March 5, 1972.

Sunday School Convention Report

Sunday School Convention was held at Christian Home Free Will Baptist Church on May 6, 1972. Services began with singing. Rev. L. Bass led in opening prayer and Bro. Albert Paul welcomed each one to the meeting then called the meeting to order for business. Devotion given by Bro. Bill Taylor reading Matt. 19:3.

Bro. Paul asked for minutes and treasurer's report, these were given and accepted as read. Old business was discussed. Sis. Ruby Amerson gave a report on C.T.S. winners trip last year and how the money was used. (the money that the Sunday School Convention gave them.) New business: Sis. Martha Paul made motion to have a nominating committee for C.T.S. and S.S. officers for the next year. This was moved, seconded and carried. It was moved by Rev. B. Mathews, that we retain our same officers this year except our secretary and treasurer, Sis. Jean Montee, was nominated and elected to fill this position. The convention in 1973 will be held with Beulah Church.

Rev. Mathews made a motion for a committee of Bro. Paul, Rev. Wiggins and Bro. Dockens & Bro. Wallis to decide where the money over \$100.00 in the S.S. Treasurer should be spent. It was decided to send \$63.00 to Rev. Kenneth Walker, Mobile, Alabama, \$63.00 to Rev. Norman Richards, in Africa and \$150.00 be given to help the district C.T.S. winners to compete at state level. Meeting was dismissed for ten minutes. Meeting began by congregational singing. Special music was brought by Sis. Ruby Amerson and daughter, Linda, also Sis. Thelma Wiggins and group, then Bethel's young people. Rev. B. Mathews brought the morning message from John 21:15-17.

Treasurer's Report:	Balance brought forward - - - - -	378.09	
	Tithes received for 72- - - - -	<u>43.21</u>	
	Total- - - - -	\$421.30	\$421.30

Disbursements:			
Foreign Missions - - - - -	63.00		
Home Missions- - - - -	63.00		
C.T.S. Winners - - - - -	150.00		
Printing of Minutes- - - - -	10.00		
Stamps- - - - -	<u>2.00</u>		
Total Spent out - - - - -	\$288.00		\$288.00
Balance in treasurer September 9, 1972 - - - - -			\$133.30

Respectfully Submitted,
Jean Montee,
Secretary & Treasurer

C.T.S. Convention Report

Officers for 1972-73: President, Bro. Bill Taylor (Bethel)
V-President, Bro. Harlie Dockent (C. Home)
Sec. & Treasurer, Sis. Martha Paul (Bethel)
Quiz Leader, Sis. Ruby Amerson (Shiloh)
Assistant - North, Sis. Angie Godwin (C. Home)
Assistant - South, Sis. Myrtice O'Dell (Bethel)

The C.T.S. Convention was held with Christian Home Church on May 6, 1972. Opened meeting with song of "Power in the Blood" at 1:00 P.M. Devotion brought by Sis. Ruby Amerson using scripture James 4:17 "The Sin of Omission". All participating children were asked to come to front and a prayer of dedication by Bro. R.C. Wiggins. Meeting was called to order by Sis. Martha Paul due to absence of the president and vice president. Minutes and treasurer's report given and accepted. Report was given by Quiz Leader Ruby Amerson on purchasing some new bibles. Sis. Thelma Bass made motion for Sis. Amerson to sell our C.T.S. bibles and purchase 12 new ones for C.T.S. Competition. M.S.C. that the Sunday School Convention give C.T.S. \$150.00 to help children go to state level competition to be held in Perry. M.S.C. that a guard be placed at front door to stop disturbances during time the participants were giving declamations. Convention will be held with Beulah Church, May 6, 1973.

C.T.S. Winners Sword Drill & Declamations

Learners

Kelli Harvey 1st
Becky Peebles 2nd
Ruth Ann Smith 3rd

Adventurers

Linda Amerson 1st
Kim Blankenship 2nd
Donna Pulaski 3rd

Declamations

Sandra Wiggins 1st,
Mala Carr, 2nd

Bible Tic-Tac-Toe Winners

Shiloh - Timmy Dortch
Vicki McElhaney
Kathy Amerson
Faye Morgan

Bible Bowl Winners

Shiloh - Debbie Smith - Captain
Jackie Downer
LaJuana Wiggins
Pam Amerson
Cynthia Morgan

Treasurer's report:

Balance brought forward- - - 31.06
Received, tithes, etc. - - - 251.84
Total - - - - - 282.90

\$282.90

Disbursements:

Tithes to National - - - - 11.80
State Registration Fee - - - 18.00
Printing of Minutes- - - - 5.00
Jean Montee for CTS Winners- 15.00 (Sword Drill)
Thelma Wiggins " " - 15.00 (Declamation)
Ruby Amerson " " - 60.00 (Bible Bowl & Sword Drill)
Martez Dortch " " - 48.00 (Tic-Tac-Toe Team)
Bill Taylor " " - 15.00 (Mala Carr Declamation)
Medals & Extra Questions - 53.08
Trophies - - - - - 16.48
Total \$257.36

\$257.36 balance \$25.54

Women's Auxiliary Report

Officers for 1972-73:

President, Thelma Wiggins, 3309 N. Franklin Avenue, Pensacola, Florida
V. President, Frankie Mathews, 6824 Whitmire Drive, Pensacola, Florida 32503
Sec. & Treas. Martha Paul, 2717 Copter Road, Pensacola, Florida, 32504
Mission Study Chr. Angie Godwin, Rt. 1, Century, Florida
Mission Prayer Chr. Ella Mae Parham, Rt. 1, McDavid, Florida 32568
Mission Action Chr. Carolyn Taylor, Rt. 11 Box 576, Pensacola, Florida 32503
Field Worker, Barbara Parham, 1015 N. Mexico Drive, Pensacola, Florida

The District Meeting will be held with New Home Church on April 7, 1973. The State Project is \$3.58 per member. Semi-Annual meeting will be held with Christian Home Church on October 13, 1972.

Annual Financial Report 1971-72

Standard of Achievement Chart	1.00
Postage stamps	2.00
Per Capita Dues	95.25
District Project	212.00
W.N.A.C. Emphasis	41.66
Student Loan Fund	26.40
Easter Offering	42.70
Pre-Thanksgiving Offering	24.00
Pre-Christmas Offering	12.83
National Home Missions	9.00
Co-Laborer (Mag.)(Bethel)	5.00
Printing of Minutes	5.00
State Project	101.81
Bible College Building Fund	25.00
South India Ministry	55.00
Eddie Payne	58.43
Jim Combs	25.00
Wendall Walley	60.00
Ed Cook	70.00
Sammy Wilkerson	85.00
Maurice Cousineau	60.00
Mack Owens	27.05
Lonnie Palmer	77.65
Tom Willey, Jr.	25.00
Carlisle Hanna	39.36
Tommy Hughes	<u>44.96</u>

Total \$ 1,231.10

Non Cash gifts \$227.38

Balance brought forward - - - - -	63.50	
Deposited - - - - -	-1,204.08	Total - - - - - \$1,267.58
Paid out- - - - -		1,231.10
Balance in treasurer 3-31-72 - - - - -		\$ 36.48

Submitted by:
Martha Paul
Secretary and Treasurer

Report of Home Missions Board 9-1-71 to 1-31-72

1. Activity: A meeting 9-11-71 (West Florida Association Meeting) Members present were, Robert Owens, Harlie Dockens, B. Mathews - met with Pastors E. Carroll, W. Compton and Bro. Wiggins to discuss Bro. Wiggins resignation from the Crestview Mission. Bro. Wiggins agreed to stay until God sent replacement or indicated otherwise. Churches to send family to visit each Sunday. Bro. Wiggins to call next meeting 10/11/71.
- B. 10/11/71 Met at New Home Church - Bro. Parham, Bro. Owens, Bro. Dockens Bro. M. Carroll and Bro. Mathews of board present. Bro. R. C. Wiggins present, tendered his immediate resignation. Board decided to place mission up for sale since a full time missionary was unavailable and the association could not finance such at present. Bro. Dockens and Bro. Mathews to go to Crestview next week and notify Bro. Cook. If God sends help before sale of property completed, then property to be withdrawn from sale.
- C. 10/21/71 - Bro. Dockens and Bro. Mathews met with Bro. Cook in Crestview. Discussed closing mission and selling property. Bro. Cook asked for more time, said he would keep it open. Decision made to keep mission open until Dec. 31st, 1971. If man for mission not secured and progress not made by then Bro. Cook would also be in accord and the mission would be sold. Bro. Dockens to visit.
- D. 1/24/71 - Received call from Bro. Cook and written report on 1/31/72 stating that a family named Carr had moved to area and had begun to work in the church, Church outlook much improved. Eighteen in Sunday School 1/23/72 and twenty-one in church. Bro. Cook requested Association preachers to come and preach for the church and help.

2. Financial Report:

Received - (Beulah & Crestview paid to date)

Beulah Church	\$100.00	Total in Savings	\$3,069.34
Crestview Mission	125.00	Total in checking	<u>295.00</u>
Association	198.00		
Bank Dividends	<u>64.79</u>	Total	\$3,364.34
Total	\$ 487.79		

Crestview Mission Financial Report

	<u>I</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Brought Forward</u>	<u>Balance</u>
July		181.64	170.05	532.77	544.36
August		208.25	137.64	544.36	614.97
September		152.96	189.75	614.97	578.18
October		147.98	154.41	578.18	571.75
November		53.47	125.11	571.75	500.11
December		55.17	139.48	500.11	415.80

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Burl M. Mathews
Secretary & Treasurer

Report of Home Missions Board 2/1/72 - 8/31/72

1. Activity - No board meetings during this period.

A. The following men, ministers and laymen volunteered to serve in the pulpit of Crestview Free Will Baptist Church on the appointed Sundays. R. Bartley, L. Bass, E. Carroll, H. Dockens, B. Mathews, J. Parham, R. Reddick, J. Wallis, and R.C. Wiggins. These men filled their appointments and have been re-scheduled to cover need for remainder of this year. Additional men appointed are: J.C. Dortch, Wayne Hartzog, (1st Free Will Baptist Church of Chipley, formerly member of Bethel Church) and B. Butcher, who recently moved into area from Arizona and is a member of Beulah Church.

B. Commendation - Those of the Home Mission Board and the men who filled the pulpit there (in the HMB Secretary's opinion) will concur in that Bro. Douglas Carr, layman of Crestview Church, is due our commendations for his consistent and tireless efforts, his enthusiasm, support, and promotion of his church as it's leader, in the absence of Bro. Cook, the pastor during his prolonged illness. Keep up the good work, Bro. Carr! God is with you and we'll help all we can.

C. Information - Miscellaneous - Since

1. Since the 3rd week of July, following an operation Bro. James Cook has been unconscious in hospital bed. He is presently in the specialty care center of Baptist Hospital, Pensacola. Pray for his family.
2. After receiving reminder from mortgagor, efforts were made to secure insurance in Pensacola on Crestview Church, (unsuccessful) The insurance was secured from Crestview Ins. Agency as follows: Church bldg. \$12,000; Educational bldg. \$4,000; Liability-bodily \$25-50,000; property \$5,000; medical \$500 per occurrence. The church paid \$42.70 premium on liability, Home Missions Board paid \$117.00 for the rest. (We are to receive copy of insurance policy).
3. HMB granted their approval and old house on church property to be torn down and removed. HMB checking account changed from Barnett to 1st American of Pensacola, for convenience. No report has been received from Crestview Church for this time period.

2. Financial

Payments receive	Savings Account
Feb. thru Aug. Beulah \$140.00	
Feb. thru July Crestview \$150.00	Balance Jan. 24, 1972 \$2,846.34
	Deposits - Assoc. 198.00 Feb.
	Assoc. 287.00 Sept.
	Churches 315.00
	Interest 78.18
	Total Savings \$ 3,724.52
	<u>Checking</u>
	1-24-72 \$ 295.00
	Pd.out on Ins. 7-8-72 117.00
	\$ 178.00
Total Savings \$3,724.52	
Total Checking 178.00	
Total Funds \$3,902.52	

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. B. Mathews
Secretary & Treasurer
Home Missions Board - West Florida

West Florida Free Will Baptist Association Treasurer's Report
June 30, 1971 to June 30, 1972

	<u>Coop. Tithes</u>	<u>State Home Missions</u>	<u>Foreign Missions</u>	<u>Children's Home</u>	<u>Bible C College</u>	<u>Nat'l Home Missions</u>	<u>Assoc. Fees</u>
Bethel	643.45		150.00				20.00
Beulah	990.61						40.00
Ensley	910.01		165.00		165.00		40.00
New Home	451.51						10.00
Christian Home	317.22	12.00	286.35	54.05			30.00
Shiloh	1,417.81	165.98	966.01	180.00	216.00	20.00	30.00
S. S. Convention		<u>63.00</u>	<u>63.00</u>				10.00
Total	4,740.61	240.98	1,630.36	234.05	381.00	20.00	5.00*
							<u>5.00*</u>
							190.00

* C.T.S. Convention
* Ladies Auxiliary

Disbursements:	State Treasurer	\$ 6,514.02
	State Home Missions	240.98
	West Florida Savings	492.00
	Treasurer - Love Offering	25.00
	Clerk - " "	25.00
	Moderator - " "	25.00
	Northwest Fla. Yearly Mtg.	2.00
	Rev. Kenneth Walker	10.00
	State Assoc. Fee	12.00
	Printing of Minutes	75.00
	Stamps, envelopes & Paper	<u>3.61</u>
	Total paid out	\$ 7,424.61

Balance 6-30-71:	\$ 161.23
Total received:	<u>7,437.00</u>
Total to give acct. for:	7,598.23
Total paid out:	<u>7,424.61</u>
Balance 6-30-72	\$ 173.62

Wildon Hall, Treasurer

Statistics from Church Letters	Crestview	Bethel	Beulah	Christian Home	Milton	Ensley	New Home	Shiloh
Church membership		62	85	70	12	146	120	169
Members received		4	14	2	2	25	31	13
Members dismissed		66	5	1	4	5	2	4
S. S. Enrollment	28	58	73	55	12	90	70	146
Avg. Attendance	23	50	53	48	12	60	50	120
W. Aux. Enrollment		12	11	7		7	12	0
Avg. Attendance		10	6	7		7	9	0
C.T.S. Enrollment		54	52	34		0	0	89
Avg. Attendance		44	33	29		0	0	66
Mid-Week Attendance	18	45	35	25	10	50	20	25
# Ordained Ministers		1	1	2	0	3	2	1
# Licensed Ministers		0	0	0	1	0	1	1
# Ordained Deacons		1	2	3		0	2	5
Pastor's Salary		3,380.00	2,310.00	3,032.00		2,600.00	1,990.00	5,635.00
Evangelistic Work		310.00	193.22	190.33		400.00	150.00	465.04
Building & Repair	234.20	3,524.08	1,746.92	976.05		3,000.00	1,717.00	1,799.58
Literature	119.31	453.20	357.69	210.44	100.00	340.00	-	964.87
Cooperative Plan		643.45	1,025.86	495.11		1,200.00	-	1,432.19
Foreign Missions		516.47	649.81	371.38	75.00	200.00	-	1,352.20
Home Missions		186.24	284.69	95.52		200.00	-	10.00
Education		-	-	-		200.00	-	215.00
Orphanage		-	-	92.65		-	-	180.00
	11,000							
Value of Church Property		40,000	20,000	15,000			15,000	22,500
Value of Parsonage		-	-	7,000				8,000

Constitution & By-Laws of the West
Florida Association of Free Will Baptist

Article 1. NAME:

This association shall be known as the West Florida Free Will Baptist Association.

Article 2. MEMBERSHIP:

Section 1. This Association shall be composed of such regularly organized and well discipline Free Will Baptist churches conveniently located, as may embody themselves under this constitution.

Section 11. Any church regularly organized, may be petition by delegation become members of this association provided they will adhere to Free Will Baptist Doctrine and fully support the benevolent and educational enterprises of the denomination.

Section 111. Churches from other Free Will Baptist Associations desiring membership must present a letter of recommendation from the association of which they were previously a member.

Article 3. OFFICERS:

Officers shall be composed of Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Treasurer and Ordaining Council. Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk Assistant Clerk and Treasurer to be elected annually.

Article 4. REPRESENTATION:

Section 1. Each church of this association shall be entitled to one vote and one vote for each additional twenty-five members or fraction thereof.

Section 11. All churches of this Association to be represented at the regularly scheduled meetings by delegates and letter, to conduct the business of the association affecting the churches and the association.

Section 111. All ordained ministers and deacons in good standing with the association and West Florida Associational officers shall serve as standing delegates.

Article 5. ORDAINING COUNCIL (Presbytery)

Section 1. This council shall be composed of five members, elected by the association to serve a period of two years each. The Moderator is also automatically a member of the Council and the vice-moderator is authorized to sit on the Council when it convenes if the moderator is absent.

Section 11. The purpose of the Council is to license and ordain candidates after due examination as to their qualifications and to try all ordained members for un-christian conduct or the teaching of doctrine contrary to the Free Will Baptist faith. This council to convene upon request of any church of this association.

Article 6. BOARDS & COMMITTEES:

Section 1. All standing boards shall be composed of three members except the Executive Board which shall be composed of one (1) member from each church. The personnel of each of the foregoing, exclusive of the Executive Board, shall be elected as follows; the first named for a period of one year, the second named for a period of two years, and the third named for a period of three years. Succession of office thereafter shall be determined as order requires.

Section 11. The Moderator and Asst. Moderator will have the privilege to set on Executive Board Meetings or to moderate the meeting.

Section 111. The Executive Board shall have the power to act in behalf of and for the Association from one regular session to another, and shall have the power to elect such officers, except the moderator, as may be necessary for it's own government and to carry out the plans and undertakings of the association. It shall be the duty of the Executive Board to make written reports of all its work to each annual session of the association.

BOARDS (cont'd)

Section IV. The duties of the various standing boards shall be to plan a program and supervise its operation in this respective fields. They shall organize themselves and regulate their work as may become necessary and as may be found in harmony with the principles and tenets of the association.

Section V. This Association shall have a Mission Board consisting of five members elected by the West Florida Association. This board shall have a constitution and by-laws approved by this association.

Article 7 MEETINGS:

Scheduled associational meetings will be as follows: The Associational Yearly Meeting will be held the second Saturday in September. The mid-yearly meeting will be held the first Saturday in February, at places designated by the body.

Article 8 FINANCES:

Section I. Each church of the association shall be responsible for sharing the financial obligations of the association by paying into the treasury the tithe (10%) of their income.

Section II. An additional fee of \$10.00 at the mid-yearly meeting will be assessed and a \$20.00 fee for churches with membership over 50, or a \$15.00 fee for churches of membership under 50 at the yearly meeting.

Section III. Total cooperative income of the West Florida Association will be disbursed by a finance committee and approved by the body. The Finance Committee shall consist of the Executive Board. Moderator, clerk and treasurer to be present at Executive Board Meetings concerning finances.

Section IV. A sum of \$25.00 shall be paid annually to the moderator, clerk and treasurer to cover expenses incurred in the line of duty to the association during the year. In event expenses exceed this figure or any other member or officers of the association is appointed a duty in which expenses are incurred, the body may take a vote to reimburse them.

Article 9 DISCIPLINE:

Section I. This association shall have power to discipline churches of which it is composed and to exclude them for disorderly walk if they practice doctrine contrary to bible principles & standards & those of the Free Will Baptist Treatise.

Section II. This association shall not have the right to reverse the decision of the individual church nor to interfere with its internal regulations.

Section III. All churches of this association shall call as their pastors only duly licensed or ordained Free Will Baptist ministers.

Section IV. All ministers entering this association from another denomination or seeking ordination shall walk before this association one year before being fully and officially accepted or ordained into the associational ministry. All ministers coming into the association from another Free Will Baptist Association shall be re-examined by the Ordaining Council & shall be required to bring a letter of recommendation from the association in which they served.

Article 10. BY-LAWS:

This association shall have power to adopt any regulations or by-laws not inconsistent with this constitution, which may be deemed essential to the further regulations of its session.

Article 11. AMENDMENTS:

This constitution may be altered or amended by the vote of the association at any regular session; notice of such intended alterations of amendments having been given in writing and recorded at the previous session.

Article 12. QUORUM:

Representatives from two (2) member churches shall constitute a quorum for transaction of business of the association, at scheduled meetings.