

M I N U T E S
OF THE
THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
WEST FLORIDA

FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH
SHILOH FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
BRATT, FLORIDA
SEPTEMBER 10, and 11, 1982

MID-YEARLY MEETING

CHRISTIAN HOME FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
McDAVID, FLORIDA
FEBRUARY 5&6, 1982

STATE MEETING

IMMANUEL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
NOVEMBER 3, 4, 5, 1982
JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

NEXT SESSIONS

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CHRISTIAN HOME FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
McDAVID, FLORIDA
FEBRUARY 4&5, 1983

ANNUAL MEETING

BEULAH FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
PENSACOLA, FLORIDA
SEPTEMBER 9 & 10, 1983

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(83) Ray Kelly
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(85) Jimmy McElhaney
(86) J.D. Parham
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DATES OF MEETINGS

State Association.....	Immanuel Free Will Baptist Church Jacksonville, FL November 3-5, 1982
Mid - Yearly Meeting	Christian Home Free Will Baptist Church February 4&5, 1982
Women's District Auxilary Meeting	Christian Home Free Will Baptist Church April 2, 1983
C.T.S. District Convention	Shiloh Free Will Baptist Church April 16, 1983
State Youth Ralley.Place To Be Announced
State Women's AuxilaryPlace to be announced June 3 & 4. 1983
National AssociationColumbus, Ohio July 17-21,1983
West Florida Annual Association.Beulah Free Will Baptist Church September 9 & 10, 1983

West Florida Free Will Baptist Association
Shiloh Free Will Baptist Church
September 10, 1982
Thirty Fourth Annual Meeting

Fellowship Meeting opened with singing and prayer. Moderator remarks, welcome by Host Pastor, Bro. Mike Jones. Special music by Rickie Parham and Thelma Wiggins. Bro. and Sis. Ivan Stewart. Message hour, Bro. John Burnham read from Matt. 26: 36-41, Text: "And HE Went a little Farther." Dismissed with Prayer.

Saturday 10 a.m.
September 11, 1982

Service opened with singing and then prayer. Welcome address by Bro. Mircheal Jones. Clerck called meeting to order for business of the day. Standing delegate recognized and seated. Church roll call of Delegates was read. M. S. C. to seat church delegates.

Moderator appointed the Audit Committee, Credential Committee, Nominating Committee, and the Appreciation Committee. Moderator then called for reports. Reports as follow: Home Mission, M.S. C. Youth Camp; M.S.C., C.T.S.; M.S.C., Sunday School Report; M.S.C., District Women's Auxilary; M.S.C., Ordaining Council; M.S.C., Treasurer Report; M.S.C.

Worship Service
11:00 a.m.

Service opened with singing, Special by, Sis. Ruby Amerson; "Don't Let Me Walk Too Far From Calvary", and Bro. Rickie Parham; "I Should Have Been Crucified".

Message, Bro. Al Cobb, II Cor. 5:14-15, I Cor. 15:34, Romans 13:11, John 4:35. Title: "Why Hurry". Dismissed for lunch. Offering \$55.25.

1:00 p.m.

Services opened with singing and prayer, Devotion: Bro. Pat Patterson II kings 10:15-16, Moderator called for old business. M.S.C. to remove from table Art. 8 Section II & Section IV M.S. to change Art. 8 Sec. II & Sec. IV, motion sc carried by body. Credential Committee, M.S.C., Audit Committee; M.S.C., Appreciation Committee; M.S.C., Executive Board; M.S. to accept the report as read and vote on Item by Item. M.S.C. to accept April 12 Ex. Bd. Report. Ex. Board Report August 23, 1982 Item 1, M.S.C.; Item 2, failed by vote of body. M.S.C. that money be disbursed as such; \$15,000; Camp Mt. Pleasant; \$3,000 D. Owen, \$2,000 Gainesville project; \$2,000 Tallahassee project, \$102.62 to remain in General Fund; \$15,000 placed in West Florida Home Mission .

Nominating Committee M.S.C. to accept as read and vote on office by office. (So Carried) Audit Committee M.S.C. Moderator Bro. M. Jones accepted. Moderator appointed committee to examine Art. 8 Section I, Committee will be the Pastors of the churches. M.S.C. the minutes be accepted as read (so carried) M.S.C. to adjourn. Dismissed with Prayer.

Thelma Wiggins Cler k

Ministers Present

Rev. R.C. Wiggins Jr.
Rev. Mircheal Jones
Rev. Al Cobb
Rev. Lindbergh Bass
Rev. Thomas Coxwell
Rev. Pat Patterson
Rev. Lloyd Carroll

Deacon's Present

Freeman Dockens
Clark Caraway
Rickie Parham
Ray Purvis
Jimmy McElhaney
John McCall

VISITOR

Rev. John Burnham

Church Delegates

Bethel: Jewel Warren
Calvin Hyer

Ensley: Betty Ward
Pam Cobb

Beulah: Thelma Bass
Lee LaTour
Myrtle LaTour
Bessie Reddick
Alpha Garrett

First Ch.: Ruth Patterson

New Haven: Ralph Baggett

Christian Home: Herman Johnson
Raymond Holland
Harlie Dockens

Shiloh: Jerald Amerson
Douglas Morgan
Cecil McElhaney
Jackie Johnson
Judi McElhaney

Church Fees Paid—\$125.00

Christian Home Free Will Baptist Church Mid-Yearly Meeting February 5 & 6, 1982

Fellowship service opened with congregational singing and prayer. Choir Director, Randall Jackson; Pianist, Sandra Jackson. Special songs by Randall and Sandra Jackson; Rickie and Charlotte Parham and Shelia Ward. Message by Bro. J.D. Parham reading St. John 15:1-5, Relating to us how Jesus is the vine, We are the branches and that we are to bring forth fruit. Dismissed with prayer.

Saturday

Service opened with singing and prayer. Meeting called to order for business of the day. Standing Delegates seated. Roll call of church delegates read. Church Delegates seated for this session. Oral reports from, Camp Mt. Pleasant, M.S.C.; Home Mission, M.S.C.; Executive Board Report Nov. 16, Dec. 19, Feb. 6, M.S.C.; Ordaining Council, M.S.C.; Treasurer Report, M.S.C.

Worship Service

Service opened with singing and prayer. Special singing by, Rickie Parham, Charlotte Parham and Shelia Ward. Message by Bro. Mike Jones reading Ps. 63:1-8; Text: "God's Power, our fellowship with God, our praise to God." Dismissed with prayer for lunch. Offering \$34.18, Church Dues \$50.00 turned over to Treasurer.

Afternoon Session

Special song by Rickie Parham. Ordaining Council Report, M.S.C.: Petition Letter from New Haven Church requesting to unite with our Association, M.S.C.; M.S.C. to elect Lindbergh Bass as Assistant Moderator until September. M.S.C. to change Article 8, Section II and Section IV. M.S.C. that these be changed to read Article 8, Section II, to read; An additional fee of \$15.00 at the Mid-Yearly Meeting will be assessed and a \$25.00 fee for churches over 50, and a \$20.00 fee for churches of membership under 50 to be paid at the yearly meeting. Article 8 Section IV to read; A love offering of \$50.00 shall be given from the General Fund, at the Annual Association Meeting to the Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer. Expenses incurred to fulfill the duties of these offices shall be paid from the General Fund. Expenses incurred carrying out the duties to the Association by others appointed a duty, will be paid after approval of the Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk, Asst. Clerk, and Treasurer from the General Fund Account. MSC that Article changes be tabled until September meeting. M.S.C. that church forms be mailed a few weeks in advance along with program of speakers and where the meeting is going to be held. M.S.C. that minutes be accepted as read. Attendance of today's meeting: 7 ministers, 6 deacons, 4 officers, 18 church delegates and 15 visitors.

LETTER OF PETITION

New Haven Free Will Baptist Church
398 W. Griffeth Ave. Crestview, Fl 32536

We the New Haven Free Will Baptist Church wish to petition the West Florida Association for membership. We are now meeting in a store building on Griffeth Ave., we also have seven charter members. The Lord has blessed us in our new work. We have paid our bills and are now sending 10% tithes to the Association.

We the New Haven Free Will Baptist Church Organized into a church the 31st. of January with the help of Rev. Woodroe Wilkerson from a Free Will Baptist Church in Baker, Fla. We just finished a revival with Bro. Don Grice as the speaker. We had 20-25 present each night, our Sunday School runs about 10-15.

Thank You

Bro. Thomas Coxwell, Pastor
Sis. Baggett, Clerk

M.S.C. to accept New Haven Church February 6, 1982.

THE WEST FLORIDA DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY
BEULAH FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
APRIL 3, 1982

Meeting opened with scripture reading from I Corinthians 3:9 by the President. Everyone joined in singing, "Rescue The Perishing". Welcome address by Sis. Thelma Bass. Sis Myrtle LaTour gave Devotion reading St. John 4:35.

President called meeting to order for business. Officers reports were given, MSC to accept these reports as read. Following Committees were appointed by President; Credentials, Finance, Registration, Nominating.

President gave a quiz on "I Got You Treed". Dismissed for lunch.

The days message was brought by Sis. Myrtice O'Dell on , The Declared Word of God. Delegates to State Auxiliary Meeting are; Edith Allen, Lona Chestney, Nancy Payne and Thelma Bass. Treasurer report given, M.S.C. to accept as read. Credential, Finance, Registration reports were given, M.S.C. to accept as read.

District Meeting, April 2, a983 place Christian Home 9:30 am.

Bi-Annual Meeting October 1, 1982 Christian Home 7:00 pm. District Auxiliary Prayer Retreat January 15, 1983 Beulah 9:30 am.

M.S.C. that the District Project remain same as last year. Sandra Jackson made motion to take \$100.00 from the treasure to buy gas, and motel expense for those ladies going to State Meeting in Boca Raton, seconded and so carried by body.

Nominating Committee Report; President, Sandra Jackson; Vice President, Myrtle LaTour; Secretary-Treasurer, Thelma Wiggins; Mission Action, Charlotte Parham; Mission Study, Myrtice O'Dell; Mission Prayer, Jewell Warren; Field Worker, Edna Caraway; M.S.C. to accept as read. M.S.C. to send \$30.00 to State to help with expense of speaker. M.S.C. to send offering of \$27.02 to Camp Mt. Pleasant. At October meeting the body will vote as to where the Host Church will provide the lunch for the day. M.S.C. to accept the minutes as read. Dismissed with prayer by Sis. Myrtice O'Dell.

TREASURER REPORT

	BETHEL	BEULAH	CHRISTIAN HOME
District Project	\$18.00	\$72.00	\$72.00
State Project		\$132.50	\$35.30
Camp Mt. Pleasant		\$60.00	
Per Capita Dues		\$25.00	\$22.50
Pre Easter		\$61.75	
Pre Thanksgiving			\$22.00
Linda Cook		\$20.00	
Daytona Beach			\$120.00
Gainesville		\$10.00	
Mabel Willey		\$10.00	
Student Loan	\$25.00		
Dock Caton			\$51.30

Dennis Owen		\$42.45
Bible College	\$43.50	
Mission Act. in Red	\$43.50	
Patrick Dickens	\$120.00	
Balance APRIL 1981		\$ 224.75
TOTAL RECIEVED		<u>\$1,186.83</u>
TOTAL		<u>\$1,411.58</u>
TOTAL DISBURSED		<u>\$1,181.30</u>
BANK BALANCE APRIL 1982		\$ 230.28

Secretary and Treasurer
Edna Caraway

WEST FLORIDA SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION
CHRISTIAN HOME CHURCH
MAY 15, 1982

Meeting opened with singing and prayer. Opening remarks by Bro. Harlie Dockens reading Psalm 84.11. Special singing from Hugh McKimmon family and the Gospel Travelers.

New Haven Church presented a skit entitled "The Trip". Bro. Dockens had a discussion on our Sunday School Convention. Why have Sunday School, Bro. Mircheal Jones. Dismissed for lunch.

12:30 pm

Singing and prayer. "How to make a Sunday School Grow", by Bro. R. C. Wiggins, Jr. "How to keep Members that you have". Bro. L. Bass.

Bro. Dockens called for a vote as to whether or not we continue our Sunday School Convention. Vote taken by body was to discontinue the Sunday School Convention at this time until we might have a greater need. M.S. that the money that is in the Sunday School Treasurer be sent to the church at Niceville. Bro. Harlie Dockens stated that there was about \$500.00 in the Treasurer. Motion so carried.

M.S. that we have a report to the West Florida Association as to how much money we have in the S.S. Treasurer. Motion so carried. Sis. Frankie Mathews the past secretary and treasurer is to send money to West Florida Treasurer and a full report to the West Florida Association meeting in August, so carried by body. Minutes read and approved by body. Minutes of todays meeting taken by Thelma Wiggins

WEST FLORIDA DISTRICT C.T.S. CONVENTION
AUGUST 30, 1982

The District C.T.S. Convention was cancelled due to lack of competition from the churches. Next year's Convention to be announced.

Treasurer's Report on next page.

TREASURER'S REPORT APRIL 18, 1981—AUGUST 30, 1982

District C.T.S. Offering	4-18-81	\$ 15.58
West Fla. Association	5-3-81	\$ 900.00
Shiloh	6-81, 7-82	\$ 47.71
Beulah	6-81, 3-82	\$ 48.81
Christian Home	8-81, 3-82	\$ 58.85
Cash returned Beulah	6-81	\$ 50.00
Total		<u>\$1,120.65</u>
BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD	4-18-81	\$ 103.90
	4-81, 8-82	<u>\$ 1,120.65</u>
TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR		\$ 1, 224.55
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	4-81, 8-82	<u>\$ 968.12</u>
BANK BALANCE	8-30-82	<u>\$ 256.43</u>

Secretary and Treasurer
Thelma Wiggins

WEST FLORIDA HOME MISSIONS REPORT Feb. 6, 1982

No meeting has been called since last report. Bro, Pat Patterson was given the go ahead to pastor the Niceville church after being Licensed.

Financial Report

No finances recieved since last report.

Begining Balance	\$2,821.29
Episcopal Diocese	540.00
BALANCE AS OF FEB. 6,1982	2, 281,29
BALANCE IN SAVINGS 2-6-82	1,673.16
SAVINGS New Home	1,230.46

Sept. 10, 1982

The Home Missions board met on August 7, 1982 to discuss the rein-statement of the Corporation of the Niceville Church and the work the Lawyer had completed. Motion was made by Bro. Ray Kelly and seconded by Bro. J.D. Parham that the Home Missions Board pay the lawyer's fee of \$462.90 for handling the legal work.

The members of the Home Missions Board would like to extend their appreciation to Bro. Pat Patterson pastor of the Niceville Church for the Faithful work being done there.

BEGINING BALANCE	9-10-82	\$2,202.09
PAID OUT EPISCOPAL DIOCESE		540.00
BALANCE AS OF	9-10-82	1,662.09
BAL. IN SAVINGS	9-10-82	2,245.65
BAL. IN SAVINGS New Home		1,230.46

Secretary and Treasurer
9 Harlie Dockens

ORDAINING COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 16, 1981

Ordaining council met at Christian Home Church to examine Pat Patterson for purpose of granting a license for the ministry. Ordaining council agreed to grant Pat Patterson license to preach the gospel November 16, 1981.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 16, 1981
CHRISTIAN HOME FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Meeting opened with prayer. Moderator called business meeting to order. Treasurer's report M.S.C. M.S.C. that we present to body that each church be responsible for \$10.00 fee for State Dues to be mailed in to West Florida Treasurer. M.S.C. that folding chairs and van to be returned to Bro. Thomas Coxwell. M.S.C. that Bro. R.C. Wiggins will contact parties interested in the furniture and building at New Home Church.

M.S.C. that Bro. R.C. Wiggins and Bro. Harlie Dockens be empowered to go to Crestview to contact real estate and close the Mission at Crestview. Dismissed with prayer.

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT
DECEMBER 19, 1981

Bro. Henley from Cantonment called Bro. R.C. Wiggins to ask if the Association would lease the church property known as New Home Church. The Executive Board agreed to lease said property for one (1) year with option to buy at end of year. All Executive Board members agreed to lease property for \$150.00 per month. Bro. J.D. Parham and I, R.C. Wiggins, Jr., went to said property, discovered back door was rotten and needed replacing. Louvers were out of end of building needed to be replaced and several other repairs needed to be done. After talking to Bro. Henley it was agreed to let group pay first quarter payment of \$450.00 and they were to do repairs for second quarter payment.

We drew up contract and they paid first quarter payment and held services in church December 27, 1981. M.S.C.

Executive Board Members; R.C. Wiggins, Freeman Dockens, Douglas Morgan, Randall Jackson, W.C. Stanford.

Clerk, Thelma Wiggins

EXECUTIVE BOARD
FEBRUARY 6, 1982

The 20% to be retained in the West Florida Association was reviewed and found that most of the money is being spent on designated expenditures and agreed by members that the remainder of the 20% will be needed for local expenses.

Submitted: R.C. Wiggins, D. Morgan, R. Jackson F. Dockens, & W.C. Stanford.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
APRIL 12, 1982

Meeting called to order by Moderator. Bro. Douglas Morgan moves that we refuse the contract offer made from Faircloth as stated, second vote se carried. M.S.C. that we make offer to Faircloth to sell for \$45,000.00 but we cannot finance, we will not pay for recording mortgage deed, stamps or Title Insurance. We will be responsible for Realtor commision. Bro. Douglas Morgan made motion that \$1000,00 be taken from general fund of Association to be sent to Camp Mt. Pleasant toward payment on pump, second and so carried by vote. M.S.C. to send letters of recommendation for Bro. Douglas Ferguson and Bro. Gary Fry to respective Associations.
Thelma Wiggins, Clerk

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 23, 1982
CHRISTIAN HOME CHURCH

Meeting opened with prayer by Bro. Ward. Moderator called meeting to order. The Ensley Church ask that they be permitted to pay 25% of their money to the Association after all their expenses have been paid due to the fact they cannot meet the 10% of their gross income at the present time. This will have to be decided at the Association due to the Constitution. M.S.C. that the Association appoint a committee to study Article 8, Section I and the By Law of Handbook on this issue as to whether a church is out of fellowship if they do not tithe 10% as stated in Constitution and could be discharged from the Association. Program for the September meeting was outlined by body. M.S.C. that we the Association disburse the money from the sale of property as such; \$30,000.00 Camp Mt. Pleasant; \$3,000.00 Dennis Owen: \$2,000.00 Gainesville Project; \$2,000.00 Tallahassee; \$102.62 to be retained in the General Fund. M.S.C. that we send a letter in good standing for Rev. John W. Burnham to the respective Association. M.S.C. that we pay our visiting minister \$30.00 for the September meeting. Dismissed with prayer.

Thelma Wiggins, Clerk

YOUTH CAMP REPORT

The last visit to the camp site was during camp meeting Aug. 2, 1982. There was a window air conditioner put in the kitchen area this summer. A well of good water was put down at the camp this year and was paid for by special offering with a little left over. We had 3 weeks of youth camp, the camp fees and canteen sales were not enough to cover the cost of the three weeks. There was one week camp meeting. At that time there was heavy equipment on the camp grounds and work had already begun clearing the grounds and plans were for some paving for tennis courts, basketball courts, and road. I had a report from the treasurer the bills were paid as of August with a balance of \$17.56 in the treasurer. There are two loan notes amounting to \$10,128.86 outstanding.

R.C. Wiggins
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CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

7 ministers, 6 deacons, 1 officer, 19 visitors, 19 delegates were present at last meeting. Church letters examined registration forms examined and counted.

Committee: Jimmy McElhaney, Thelma Bass, Betty Ward

Churches reporting: Bethel, Shiloh, New Haven, Beulah, Ensley, First Church Niceville, Christian Home.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

1. We the Audit Committee find the Finances to be in order with the information available.
2. We recommended that an Audit Committee be appointed for the coming year in order to properly Audit the books prior to the annual meeting.

Pat Patterson, Herman Johnson, Mike Jones

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We the Nominating Committee would like to suggest the following names for the Association officers, Home Missions Board and Ordaining Council. Moderator, Mircheal Jones; Asst. Moderator, R.C. Wiggins; Clerk, Thelma Wiggins; Asst. Clerk, Jackie Johnson; Treasurer, Jerald Amerson.

Home Missions Board Calvin Hyer (84), Rickie Parham (87)
Ordaining Council Lindbergh Bass (84), Jimmy McElhaney (84)
The Audit Committee; Moderator, Asst. Moderator, Clerk, Asst. Clerk.
Committee Members; W.J. Amerson, Rickie Parham, Lee LaTour, Calvin Hyer.

APPRECIATION COMMITTEE

We the Appreciation Committee wish to extend our appreciation to the Shiloh Church for their Love in Christ, their Hospitality, and the wonderful meal that was served and more that the association give the Shiloh church a rising vote of Thanks for their Hospitality.

Chairman: Rev. Al Cobb, Bro. Baggett, Bessie Reddick

WEST FLORIDA ASSOCIATION TREASURER'S REPORT

September 1981 - August 1982

Income	CO-OP TITHES	D. OWEN	C. HANNA	J. GIBBS	CH. HOME	ASSOC. DUE	OTHER
BEULAH	\$ 4,423.10					\$ 30.00	
BETHEL	\$ 202.25					\$ 10.00	
CHRISTIAN HOME	\$ 1,896.72					\$ 30.00	
ENSLEY	\$					\$ 30.00	
FIRST NICEVILLE	\$ 40.00						
FLOMATON						\$ 25.00	
NEW HAVEN	\$ 404.84						
SHILOH	\$ 3,129.75	\$2,066.06	\$380.00	\$15.00	\$180.00	\$30.00	
TORAH						\$ 15.00	
ASSOC. OFFERING							\$ 34.18
INCOME LEASE N.H.							\$ 900.00
SUNDAY SCHOOL							\$ 723.69
CRESTVIEW PROPERTY SALE							\$37,102.62
TOTALS	\$10,096.66	\$2,066.06	\$380.00	\$15.00	\$180.00	\$170.00	\$38,760.49
TOTAL INCOME						\$ 51,668.21	

Disbursements of 80%
CO-Op Tithes \$8,077.33

Disbursements of 20%
Camp Mt. Pleasant \$1,900.00
Aeolian Printing 105.90
State Dues 60.00
Edward M. Keen CREA 100.00
Edward Anderson Type 44.20
TOTAL OF 20% \$2,230.10

DISBURSEMENT OF SPECIAL MONIES
Dennis Owen \$2,066.06
Carlisle Hanna 380.00
Jerry Gibbs 15.00
Children's Home 180.00
Niceville First Church 723.69
TOTAL SPECIAL MONIES \$3,364.75

TOTAL INCOME \$51,668.21
BAL. BROUGHT FORWARD \$ 489.25
Found Deposite \$52,157.46
nct rec. Aug. 81 1,046.19
TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR \$53,203.65

TOTAL PAID CUT
9-81 to 8-82 \$13,672.18
8-82 Bal. in Bank \$39,531.47

Late Ck. Posted Sept. 1982
New Haven \$ 51.62
9-1-82 Bal. \$39,583.09

West Florida Association Treasurer
Sandra Jackson

<u>CHURCH LETTERS</u>	<u>Beulah</u>	<u>Christian Home</u>	<u>Bethel</u>	<u>Ensley</u>	<u>Shiloh</u>	<u>New Haven</u>	<u>First Church</u>
Church Membership	303	50	10	80	147	7	19
Members Lost	13	2		12	4		2
Members Recieved	27	12		20	3		
S.S. Enrollment	255	45		80	125	7	12
Avg. Attendance	136	45		50	90	7	12
Woman's Auxilary	11	15		8			
C.T.S. Enrollment	62	31			78		
Avg. Attendance	32	25			69		
Mid-week Prayer ser.		27		20	30	7	15
Ordained Ministers	2	2		3	3	1	
Licensed Ministers							1
Pastor Salary	\$12,024.28	\$6,000.	1,885.	5,720.	10,007.		
Building Repairs	\$ 6,615.55	4,401.78		4,000.	10,000.	\$600.	

CONSTITUTION AND BY LAWS OF THE WEST FLORIDA
ASSOCIATION OF THE FREE WILL BAPTISTS

Article 1. Name:

This association shall be known as the West Florida Free will Baptists Association.

Article 2. Membership:

Section I. This association shall be composed of such regularly organized and well disciplined Free Will Baptist Churches conveniently located as may embody themselves under this constitution.

Section II. Any church regularly organized, may by 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 III. Churches from other Free Will Baptist Association 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, Asst. Clerk, Treasurer and Ordaining Council. Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk and Treasurer to be elected annually.

Article 4. Representation:

Section I. Each church of this association shall be entitled to one vote and one vote for each additional twenty-five (25) members or fraction thereof.

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

Article 5. Ordaining Council (Presbytery)

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

Article 6. Boards and Committees:

Section I. All standing boards shall be composed of three members except the Executive Board which shall be composed of one (1) member from each church to be elected by the church to serve at the churches discretion. The personnel of each 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 named for a period of three years. Succession of office thereafter shall be determined as order requires.

Section II. The Moderator and Assistant Moderator will have the privilege to set on Executive Board Meetings and to moderate the meeting. The clerk and Treasurer shall be present as non-voting members.

Section III. 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.

Section IV. The duties of the various standing boards shall be to plan a program and regulate their work as may become necessary and as may be found in harmony with the principals and tinets of the association.

Article 7. Meetings:

Scheduled Associational Meetings will be as follows: The Associational Annual Meeting will be held the second Saturday in September with fellowship meeting the preceding night. The Mid-Yearly Meeting will be held the first Saturday in February with fellowship meeting the preceding night, at places designated by the body.

Article 8. Finances

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

Section II. An additional fee of \$15.00 at the mid-yearly meeting will be assessed from each church. A \$25.00 fee for churches over 50, or a \$20.00 fee for churches of membership under 50 will be assessed at the annual meeting.

Section III. Total cooperative income of the West Florida Association will be disbursed by a finance committee and aproved 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 Love offering of \$50.00 shall be given, from the General Fund, at the Annual Association Meeting to the Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer. Expenses incurred to fulfill the duties of these offices shall be paid from the General Fund. Expenses incurred carrying out the duties to the Association by others appoints a duty, will be paid, after approval of the Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk, Asst. Clerk and Treasurer from the General Fund Account.

Article 9. Discipline:

Section I. This association shall have power to discipline churches of which is composed and to exclude them for disorderly walk if they practice doctrine contrary to Bible principles and standards to those of the Free Will Baptists 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 liceses or ordained Free Will Baptists 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 Baptists Association shall be re-examined by the Ordaining Council and 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 association, 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 at the association at any regular session; notice of such intended alterations of amendments having been given in writing and recorded 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 meeting.

CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS FOR THE WEST FLORIDA
HOME MISSION BOARD OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

CONSTITUTION

Article 1. Name:

This board shall be known as the West Florida Home Mission Board of Free Will Baptists.

Article 2. Purpose:

The purpose of this board shall be that of promoting mission work among Free Will Baptists in the West Florida Association.

Article 3. Membership:

This board shall be composed of members elected by the West Florida Association and shall serve terms established on a rotational basis: one member's term shall expire annually. The number of members of this board shall be determined by the constitution & by-laws of the West Florida Association.

Article 4. Officers:

Officers of the board shall be; A chairman, a vice-chairman and a secretary and treasurer. These officers shall hold office for one (1) year and may be elected to serve succeeding terms. Members of the board shall elect the officers of the board.

Article 5. Meetings:

Meetings shall be held as the need arises. Necessary meetings may be called by the Chairman or the Secretary-Treasurer. Mileage for board members expenses shall be paid from the general fund limited to 10¢ per mile one way.

Article 6. Reports:

A complete report of the board meetings and activities and a complete financial report must be presented to the annual West Florida Associational Meeting.

Article 7. Finances:

This board shall receive it's finances from churches and individuals making special contributions, cooperative program allocations. interest on loans, and special offerings received through promoting missions.

Article 8. Miscellaneous:

Section 1. Missions and churches receiving financial support from this board must be Free Will Baptists which prove themselves sound in doctrine and practices as Free Will Baptists.

Section II. Missions and churches receiving financial support from this board shall consider this board as an advisory body in such matters as the selection of a pastor and further financial obligations.

Section III. Any work receiving financial support must agree to support the demonational cooperative program.

Section IV. Any work receiving financial support must accept such as a loan on terms and conditions agreed upon by them and the board as set forth in this constitution and such information shall be made available to them and full understood by those receiving the support.

Section V. Proper security must be granted the board for loans received. First Mortgage is desired but second mortgage may be accepted; however, no loan shall be granted in excess of the appraised value of the property. Interest shall be paid at the rate of 6% per annum. Monthly payments shall be paid at the rate of \$10.00 per \$1,000.00 loaned.

Section VI. Missions or churches receiving financial support must be in good standing with the West Florida Association and must have a pastor in good standing with the West Florida Free Will Baptist Association.

Section VII. An agreement must be understood between the borrower and the board that in the event financial obligations cannot be met, rights to the property must be relinquished, said rights shall be turned over to the Mission Board and the decision of the Board in regards to the property shall be final.

Section VIII. Contracts shall be considered delinquent when three (3) successive payments have not been met.

It shall be determined by the board if contracts may be held valid and open for a longer period of time.

Section IX. The board shall have the right by majority vote to purchase property in desirable locations when there is good potential for organizing a Free Will Baptist Church. This action shall of necessity be subject to the availability of funds. In such matters full title property. Organizational work under such conditions shall be under complete supervision of the Mission Board.

BY-LAWS

Article 1. Duties of Officers:

Officers of the Mission Board shall hold office according to the terms set forth in the constitution and shall carry out those duties peculiar to their respective offices. The secretary-treasurer shall maintain a permanent record of the board's activities and financial transactions. All records and property mortgages and titles shall be surrendered to the succeeding secretary-treasurer.

Article 2. Voting and Quorum:

A majority membership shall constitute a quorum and be duly authorized to transact business. All items of business must receive a majority vote of board members before it is considered final. All members not present in meeting shall be notified of decisions made by the board.

Article 3. Duties of Members:

All members shall endeavor to support mission work through cooperative efforts of the board. Any member that fails to cooperate with the board for a period of one year may, upon recommendation of the board, be replaced by the West Florida Association.

Article 4. Amendments:

This constitution and by-laws may be amended by a majority vote of the board members and final approval of the West Florida Association.