

M I N U T E S
OF THE
THIRTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
WEST FLORIDA
FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
HELD WITH
SHILOH FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
BRATT, FLORIDA
SEPTEMBER 7, 1984

MID-YEARLY MEETING
FIRST CHURCH OF NICEVILLE
NICEVILLE, FLORIDA

FEBRUARY 3&4, 1984

STATE MEETING

AUBURNDALE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
OCTOBER 30, 31-NOVEMBER 1, 1985

NEXT SESSIONS

MID-YEARLY MEETING
SHILOH FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
FEBRUARY 1, 1985

ANNUAL MEETING
BEULAH FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
PENSACOLA, FLORIDA
SEPTEMBER 6, 1985

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Beulah.	Lindbergh Bass
Christian Home.	Freeman Dockens
First Church Niceville.	
Shiloh.	Douglas Morgan

Home Missions Board

(85) Jimmy McElhaney
(86) J.D. Parham
(87) Herman Johnson
(88) Lee LaTour

Youth Board Members

(85) R. C. Wiggins, Jr.
(86) David Johnson

Ordaining Council

(85) R. C. Wiggins, Jr.
(85) W. E. Patterson
(86) Lindbergh Bass
(86) Jimmy McElhaney
Moderator: Mircheal Jones

Audit Committee

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DATES OF MEETINGS

STATE ASSOCIATION.....Auburndale
Auburndale, FL
October 30&31
November 1, 1985

DISTRIC WOMAN'S AUXILIARY
PRAYER RETREAT.....Beulah
Pensacola, FL
January 19, 1985

MID-YEARLY MEETING.....Shiloh
Bratt, FL
February 1, 1985

DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.....Christian Home
McDavid, FL
April 6, 1985

C.T.S. CONVENTION.....Christian Home
McDavid, FL
April 19, 1985

STATE WOMAN'S.....Indian River
Association
June 6-7, 1985

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION.....Nashville, Tennessee
July 21-25

WEST FLORIDA ASSOCIATION.....Beulah
Pensacola, FL
September 6, 1985

West Florida Free Will Baptist Association
Shiloh Free Will Baptist Church
September 7, 1985

Thirty-Sixth Annual Meeting

Services opened with prayer. Meeting called to order by Moderator, who called for Standing Delegates. Roll call for Church delegates, M.S.C. Church delegates be seated. Moderator appointed the necessary committees. Bro. Jerry McElhaney led us in the singing of Amazing Grace.

Moderator introduced the speaker Br. Jack Parham, "How Much Are You Willing to Contribute" Genesis 22. Dismissed at 7:45 to 7:55 for refreshments and committees to meet. Moderator called for reports: Credentials Committee Report read, M.S.C., Home Mission Report & Financial Statement, M.S.C., YouthCamp Report accepted as information M.S.C., Camp Constitution Article 5 Section 2 Board should regulate change in constitution, M.S.C. Work day set at Camp Mt. Pleasant October 13, 1984. Treasures Report M.S.C. C.T.S. report M.S.C. Nomination Committee Report M.S.C. Executive Committee Report M.S.C. DistrictAuxiliary Report, M.S.C.

Received \$500.00 earnest money from Berean Bible Assembly.

Article 7 M.S.C. to remain on table until February 1st Meeting. Motion made Article 8 Section IV, be changed to read Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Treasurer, Clerk and Assistant Clerk. Move Section V be added to Article 8 which would read Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, and Assistant Clerk will compose Audit Committee for purpose of auditing Treasurer's books, M.S.C. to table this motion. Motion, Bro. Jerald Amerson that Assistant Moderator and Assistant Clerk be paid \$50.00 love offering from the General Fund at this meeting. M.S.C. that Phase I Youth Camp money be paid from the Association's General Fund in the amount of \$3,000. M.S.C. to allow Moderator to appoint State Delegates at the State Meeting. M.S.C. to receive an offering, which will be given to the First Church of Niceville.

Total monies given to Treasurer Dues: \$85.00, Offering: \$37.00. Minutes accepted as read, M.S.C.

West Florida Free Will Baptist Association
First Free Will Baptist Church
February 3&4, 1984

Bi-Annual Meeting

Friday night Fellowship Service opened with congregational singing and prayer.

Message brought by Bro. Mike Jones reading Psalms 116,
"What Shall I Render Unto The Lord." Dismissed with prayer
by Bro. R. C. Wiggins, Jr.

Saturday 9 A.M.

Service opened with singing and prayer. Moderator
called Meeting to order for business of the day. Moderator
called for Standing Delegates. Roll Call of Church Delegates.
M.S.C. that Church Delegate be seated. Moderator called for
Reports: Executive, M.S.C.; Ordaining Council-none; Treasurer
Report, M.S.C.; Woman's Auxiliary M.S.C.; Camp Mt. Pleasant M.S.C.;
Home Mission, None.

Business: Several suggestions were brought to the floor.
Discussed copy machine, Camp Mt. Pleasant, Article 7 of the
Constitution.

M.S.C. by Bro. W.J. Amerson that Article 7 of Constitution
be changed to read-2nd Friday night in September and 1st
Friday night in February, motion tabled at this time. M.S.C.
that our next meeting in September business and fellowship
take place Friday night with no meeting Saturday. Clerk
to notify all Churches. Moderator called for 15 minutes recess.

M.S.C. that air conditioner & heating unit at the
New Home Church be given to Camp Mt. Pleasant and \$1,000.00
toward instalation be given from West Florida Treasurery.
M.S.C. that Executive Board have permission to purchase a copier
if and when they deem necessary or a good deal is purposed.
M.S.C. that if Bro. Patterson felt there was some in his
Church that would need to go to Youth Camp up to 5 people,
he contact Bro. Mike Jones and their fee up to 5 people be
paid from West Florida Treasurery.

Offering received today M.S.C. that it would go to
Building Fund at Niceville Amount \$146.66-\$60.00 Dues given
to Treasurer. M.S.C. for a rising vote of thanks to host
Church for their hospitality. M.S.C. that minutes be accepted
as read. M.S.C. to adjourn.

Worship

Message by Bro. R.C. Wiggins, Jr. reading Acts 24:24-25
"Divine Word and Conscience." Dismissed for lunch.

Delegates-11 Ministers-4 Officers-3 Deacons-1
Visitors-11

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

4 Ministers, 3 Deacons, 2 Officers, 13 Church Delegates, 11 Visitors, 4 Churches Reporting; Beulah, Shiloh, Bethel, Christian Home. Church letters examined and registration forms examined and counted. Reported by letter 1st Church.

Thelma Bass, Chairman
Maxine McCall
Cathy Miles

HOME MISSION BOARD REPORT

Home Mission Board members contacted by phone June, 1984 and all members agreed to loan Christian Home Free Will Baptist Church \$7,500.00

J.D. Parham, Chairman
Jimmy McElhaney
Lee LaTour

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Executive Committee met on Thursday, July 26 at the New Home Free Will Baptist Church to discuss selling the property to the Berean Bible Assembly. A price of \$25,000 was agreed upon. The Berean Bible Assembly will pay \$500 earnest money and the balance by October 1, 1984. During this time they will occupy and improve the Church.

Rev. Mike Jones, Moderator
Rev. R. C. Wiggins
Rev. Lindbergh Bass
Rev. Pat Patterson
Jerald Amerson
Douglas Morgan

NOMINATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Ordaining Council

(86) Bro. Lindbergh Bass
(86) Jimmy McElhaney

Youth Board

(86) David Johnson

Home Mission Board

(89) Calvin Hyer
(87) Herman Johnson

Audit Committee

Moderator, Assistant Moderator
Clerk and Assistant Clerk

OFFICERS

Moderator - Bro Mircheal Jones
Asst. Moderator - Br. R. C. Wiggins, Jr.
Clerk - Thelma Wiggins
Asst. Clerk - Jackie Johnson
Treasurer - W. J. Amerson

Nomination Committee Report (cont)

Charles H. Cofield
Lee LaTour
Cecil McElhaney

YOUTH CAMP BOARD REPORT

Youth Camp Dates

Teens- 13&up	June 10-15	Director - Rev. Carlie Lloyd
Pre-Teens 10-12	June 17-22	Director - Rev. R. C. Wiggins, Jr.
Juniors 6-9	June 24-29	Director

The Youth Board members met during the State Association to elect officers of the Youth Board and discuss Youth Camp dates and the hiring of Keith Cole to oversee the camp grounds and correlate work days and projects.

It was discussed that the pastors encourage their Churches to put Camp Mt. Pleasant in their budget so there might be sufficient funds for repairs, remodeling and new buildings in the near future.

R. C. Wiggins, Jr.
Chairman Youth Camp Board

WEST FLORIDA DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY
Prayer Retreat
Christian Home F.W.B. Church
January 21, 1984

We were very blessed in our meeting. The Devotion was given by Mrs. Sandra Jackson speaking on "Not My Will" and the message hour was brought by Mrs. Ann Lewis using for her topic "Not My Will."

Everyone really enjoyed themselves as God seemed to pour out an extra blessing on all of us. Offering received \$25.00. Members present: 5 Visitors, 15 Christian Home, 1 Bethel.

Sis. Thelma Wiggins
Secretary/Treasurer

DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY
Beulah
April 7, 1984

Meeting opened with prayer and singing. Welcome address by Sis. Thelma Bass.

Quiz given by Sis. Thelma Bass on our Foreign and Home Missionaries.

Skit presented by Beulah entitled, "Two Sets of Books"
Matthew 18:23-35

Special song "He Restoreth My Soul" Cathy Miles and
Thelma Wiggins.

WORSHIP SERVICE

II Timothy 2:20-21 "Give of Your Best To The Master"
Sis. Ann Lewis, Moultrie, Ga. Dismissed with prayer for lunch.

Meeting called to order by Sis. Cathy Miles, Vice
President, Vice President called for reports. President,
Secretary-Treasurer, Mission Prayer, Mission Action, Mission
Study. M.S.C. all reports be accepted as read. District
Treasurer report M.S.C., Old Business, none. New Business,
M.S. District Project will be \$9.00 per month per auxiliary
M.S.C. that delegates be appointed by President at Jacksonville.

Floor opened for nomination of officers for 1984-1985

President - Shelia Ward
Vice President - Cathy Miles
Secretary-Treasurer - Thelma Wiggins
Mission Action - Charlotte Parham
Mission Study - Thelma Bass
Mission Prayer - Edna Caraway
Field Worker - Catherine Cofield & Jewel Warren

Ladies Present: Christian Home - 7
Beulah - 5
Co-Workers - 0
Visitors - 5

Offering \$21.30

M.S.C. to adjourn. Minutes read M.S.C. to accept as read
dismissed with prayer

Sis. Thelma Wiggins
Secretary/Treasurer

Bal. Brt. Forward	\$ 201.75
Total Rec.	1,369.06
Grand Total	1,570.81
Total Paid Out	1,204.51
Total In Bank	366.30

Project 1984-1985 \$9.00	
\$1.25	WNAC
1.50	Dennis Owen
3.00	Camp Mt. Pleasant
.50	District Treasurer
1.25	St. Petersburg
1.00	Gainsville
<u>\$9.00</u>	

Sis. Thelma Wiggins
Secretary/Treasurer

ORDINATION COMMITTEE MEETING FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1984
AT BEULAH FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, PENSACOLA, FL.

The Ordination Committee of the West Florida Association of Free Will Baptist met at the Beulah FWB Church on Friday, Oct. 5, 1984 at the request of Rev. Lindbergh Bass to examine Mr. Ray Kelly for a license to preach the Gospel. Present were Rev. Lindbergh Bass, Rev. R. C. Wiggins, Mr. Jimmie McElhaney, and Rev. Mike Jones as members of the Ordination Committee (Rev. Pat Patterson attempted to attend but his car broke down on the way to the meeting.).

The Meeting began with prayer led by Rev. R. C. Wiggins. Brother Kelly then distributed the questionnaire that is to be filled out by all candidates that come before the counsel. Brother Jones then made a statement about his stand against a divorced man being ordained to the ministry. Brother Bass commented that he interpreted the scriptures differently than Brother Jones. Brother Kelly then told about his feelings of being called into the ministry and he shared about his salvation experience and some of his fruitful ministry to sick and lost people.

Brother Wiggins then asked about Brother Kelly's time that he left the Beulah Church and then returned. Brother Kelly said he felt led to go to the Fairfield Presbyterian Church and minister there due to the problems the Church was having. He worked there in various ministries and was eventually elected to be a ruling Elder. After a period of approximately 8 months he felt led to return to Beulah Church.

Brother McElhaney then shared his convictions about a divorced man being ordained to the ministry. This was a personal conviction and a conviction of the Church he represented. Brother Wiggins then shared his view that the Conference as a whole did not allow a divorced man to be ordained because of the guidelines it had adopted.

Brother Kelly was dismissed to allow the committee to vote. They voted 3 to 1 to deny Brother Kelly's petition to be licensed to preach the Gospel. Brother Kelly returned to hear the Committee's decision and he led in the dismissal Prayer.

WEST FLORIDA DISTRICT C. T. S.
SHILOH
April 21, 1984

Meeting called to order by President, Bro. Ronnie Stabler. He then read Exodus 20:3, Mark 12:30, Acts 5:34-39. Prayer by Bro. R. C. Wiggins, Jr.

Is C. T. S. Competition of the Lord? Yes, it is a family affair. Then Bro. Stabler refers us back to the scripture he just read, bringing us a very timely message.

Meeting turned over to Sis. Ruby Amerson.

Memorization: First Grade - Jennifer Mauldin - Shiloh
Second Grade - Andy Miles - Christian Home

Sword Drill: Fourth Grade - Lynn Miles - Christian Home
Sixth Grade - Amy Caraway - Christian Home

Tic Tac Toe: Lisa Caraway, Michelle Criswell, Penny West, Pam West - Christian Home.

Business session - Treasurer report given, M.S.C. to accept as read. Sis. Ruby Amerson gave following report: Questions - \$46.20, Trophys - \$46.00, Contestants - \$25.00 to travel to Marianna, FL for State Competition. Floor open for nominations. They are as follows: M.S. C.

President - Bro. Ronnie Stabler

Vice President - Cathy Miles

Secretary & Treasurer - Kathy Mauldin

Quiz Leader - Ruby Amerson

Asst. Quiz Leader - Edna Caraway-Christian Home

Shirley Gafford-Beulah

Ann Hall-Shiloh

Awards were presented by Sis. Ruby Amerson

M.S.C. that trophys be given to Memorization contestant due to fact trophy had been purchased for tie position.

Meeting adjourned with prayer by Bro. Mike Jones.

Refreshments served by host church.

Kathy Mauldin
Secretary/Treasurer

DISTRICT C.T.S. TREASURER'S REPORT

CHECKBOOK BALANCE APRIL 12, 1983	\$370.22
BEULAH 4-25-83 -----11-28-83	48.52
CHRISTIAN HOME 10-6-83--4-4-84	45.89
SHILOH 7-2-83-----4-2-84	41.15
TOTAL MONEY TO ACCOUNT FOR	\$505.78

TOTAL MONEY IN BANK APRIL 21, 1984	\$505.78
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DISBURSEMENTS _____ NONE

DEPOSITS

5-4-83	\$ 12.25
7-27-83	12.25
10-11-83	34.63
12-8-83	36.27
1-13-84	3.20
4-16-84	36.96
	<u>\$135.56</u>

Thelma Wiggins, Sect., Treas.

HOME MISSIONS FINANCIAL STATEMENT

9-1-83 thru 8-31-84

RECEIPTS

Lake Jackson Church repay on loan.....	1,827.87
Christian Home " " " "	145.00
Earnest money on New Home Property.....	500.00
Interest on Savings.....	<u>742.29</u>
TOTAL RECEIVED	\$ 3,215.16

DISBURSED

Loan to Christian Home Church.....	7,500.00
Certified Check.....	2.00
Withheld by IRS.....	3.86
New Home Property Expense.....	148.98
Adjustment.....	<u>.17</u>
TOTAL DISBURSED	\$ 7,655.01

Balance 9-1-83.....	5,701.00
Received.....	<u>3,215.16</u>
TOTAL ..	\$ 8,916.16
DISBURSED.....	<u>7,655.01</u>
Balance 8-31-84	1,261.15 (In Money Mkt. Acct.)

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE:

Lake Jackson Church.....	17,447.85
Christian Home "	8,555.00
Total.....	26,002.85
Money Market Acct.	<u>1,261.15</u>
TOTAL ASSETS.....	\$27,264.00


Wallace J. Amerson, Treasurer

WEST FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST
TREASURER'S REPORT

9-1-83 thru 8-31-84


<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Coop.</u>	<u>Dues</u>	<u>St. Petersburg</u>	<u>General Fund</u>
Bethel	75.00	60.00	15.00		
Beulah	4,990.42	4,950.42	40.00		
C. Home	2,861.99	2,821.99	40.00		
Shiloh	4,085.13	4,045.13	40.00		
Niceville	415.00	355.00	35.00	25.00	
Offering	253.56				253.56
Interest	169.27				169.27
TOTALS	\$ 12,850.37	\$ 12,232.54	\$ 170.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 422.83

DISBURSEMENTS

Niceville Church (love offering).....	251.56
Camp Mt. Pleasant.....	900.00
Printing of minutes.....	120.50
Florida State Coop. Plan.....	9,786.05
Dues to State Association.....	75.00
Clerk Supplies.....	12.33
St. Petersburg Church.....	25.00
Moderator.....	50.00
Clerk.....	50.00
Treasurer.....	50.00
TOTAL	\$11,320.44

Balance 9-1-83.....	3,663.79
Received.....	12,850.37
TOTAL	\$16,514.16
DISBURSED	11,320.44
Balance as of 8-31-84.....	\$ 5,193.72*

*Checking Account..... 28.30
 Money Market Acct..... 5,165.42
\$ 5,193.72


 Wallace J. Amerson, Treasurer

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. Tbtal 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.