

M I N U T E S

OF THE
THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
WEST FLORIDA

FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH

BEULAH FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

PENSACOLA, FLORIDA

SEPTEMBER 6, 1985

MID-YEARLY MEETING

SHILOH FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

FEBRUARY 1, 1985

BRATT, FLORIDA

NEXT SESSIONS

MID-YEARLY MEETING

CHRISTIAN HOME FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

FEBRUARY 7, 1986

McDAVID, FLORIDA

ANNUAL MEETING

FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 12, 1986

NICEVILLE, FLORIDA

STATE MEETING

LAKE JACKSON

OCTOBER 29-31, 1986

TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

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

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

Youth Board Members

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

Ordaining Council

(86) John McCall
 (86) Jimmy McElhaney
 (87) Rickie Parham
 (87) Floyd Coleman
 Moderator: R.C. Wiggins, Jr.

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DATES OF MEETINGS

MID-YEARLY MEETING.....Christian Home
McDavid, FL
February 7, 1986

DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.....Christian Home
McDavid, FL
April 5, 1986

C.T.S. CONVENTION.....Shiloh
Bratt, FL
April 19, 1986

STATE C.T.S. COMPETITION.....Wesconnett F.W.B.C.
6007 Seaboard AVE.
Jacksonville, FL
May 16-17, 1986

STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.....Ocala, FL
June 5-6, 1986

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION.....Tulsa, Oklahoma
July 20-24, 1986

WEST FLORIDA ASSOCIATION.....First Church
Niceville, FL
September 12, 1986

STATE ASSOCIATION.....Lake Jackson
3617 Old Bainbridge Rd.
Tallahassee, FL
October 29-31, 1986

WEST FLORIDA FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
BEULAH FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
SEPTEMBER 6, 1985

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING

Moderator called Meeting to order and recognized Standing delegates. Roll call of Church Delegates, read by clerk, MSC to seat Church Delegates.

Moderator appointed Credentials Committee, Nomination Committee. Moderator; asked to meet with Ordaining Council and Bro. Duane Cassida during recess.

Special singing by Christian Home Choir, special prayer given for this meeting and Sybil O'Gwen. Devotion, Bro. Duane Cassida reading II Corinthians 5:17-6:10; "Ministers and Ambassadors and our responsibility to Christ". Dismiss for short recess and committees to meet.

Reconvened for business, prayer given by Bro. Lindbergh Bass. Moderator asked for reports: Ordaining Council, MSC; Home Mission, MSC; Credentials Committee, MSC; Executive Committee, MSC. Moved that Bro. Harlie Dockens be Promotional man for Sunday School and CTS with assistant Bro. David Johnson, MSC.

Treasurer's Report, MSC. Moderator asked that everyone stand in silent prayer of recognition in thanks for the many years of service by Bro. Jerald Amerson.

Youth Board, MSC; Woman's Auxiliary, MSC; Audit Committee, MSC..

Letter of recommendation from South Carolina Conference for Bro. Mike Jones, move that we send letter of recommendation for Bro. Mike Jones, second and carried.

Nominating Committee report, MSC.

State Delegates: Thelma Wiggins, Ruby Amerson, Thelma Bass, Donna Cassida, Bernice Purvis. Moderator given authority to appoint Delegates at State Meeting if necessary.

Offering \$44.30 MSC to send tonight's offering to Camp Mt. Pleasant. M.S. that these minutes be accepted as read. \$95.00 Church fees and \$44.30 offering given to treasurer.

MID-YEARLY MEETING
FEBRUARY 1, 1985
SHILOH

Service opened with singing and prayer. Assistant Moderator, Bro. R.C. Wiggins called meeting to order and gave opening remarks and a welcome to Bro. and Sis. Elmer Turnbough from St. Petersburg.

Service turned to Bro. Turnbough who gave us a very good report on the work at St. Petersburg. He gave a devotion , reading St. Matthew 28:18-20 and St Mark 16:15-16 "God's Great Commission and Command". Dismissed for short recess and refreshments.

Bro. R.C. Wiggins called meeting to order for business session. Assistant Moderator asked for standing delegates. Roll call of Church delegates read MSC to seat church delegates. MSC that offering of \$37.00 be sent to St. Petersburg. Ordaining Council report, MSC. MSC to remove from table Article 7. MSC to change Article 7 to read: Scheduled Associational Meetings will be as follows: The Associational Annual Meeting will be held the second Friday night in September. The Mid-Yearly Meeting will be held the first Friday night in February. MSC to remove from table Article 8 Section IV. MSC to change Article 8 Section IV to read: A Love Offering of \$50.00 shall be given, from the General Fund, at the Annuyal Association Meeting to the Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Treasurer, Clerk and Assistant Clerk. 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, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, and Treasurer; from the General Fund Acoount. MSC to add Section V to Article 8 to read Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk and Assistant Clerk will compose Audit Committee for purpose of auditing Treasurer's books. Treasurers report given by Bro. Jerald Amerson MSC. MSC to buy a new typewriter. MSC that Bro. R.C. and Sis Thelma Wiggins decide the type of typewriter the Association shall purchase.

\$75.00 Church dues and \$37.00 Offering given to Treasurer. Minutes read; MSC minutes be accepted as read. Dismissed with prayer.

Thelma Wiggins
Clerk

ORDAINING COUNCIL

We the Ordaining Council have met with Bro. Duane Cassida, Pastor of Shiloh and have examined his letter of Recommendation from Coastal Association and we receive him for Pastor in this Association in good standing.

Rev. R.C. Wiggins, Jr.
Jimmy McElhaney

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

We were able to close out the paper work on the property at Cantonment known as the New Home Church sold to the Berean Bible Assembly, Inc. on April 15, 1985, less closing costs of Attorney fees \$ 300.00

Record Affidavit	5.00
Record QCD	9.45
Record Special WD	18.50
Record QCD	117.50
1984 Property taxes	<u>763.07</u>
Total	\$1,213.52

Total at closing \$23,286.48 received by Moderator, Bro.R.C. Wiggins Jr. and turned over to treasurer Bro. W.J. Amerson.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. R.C. Wiggins, Jr.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

We have reviewed the treasurer's books and bank statements and we do find the books in accord with bank statements.

R.C. Wiggins, Jr.
Thelma Wiggins
Jackie Johnson

We the Home Mission Board have not taken any action this year. We would like to report that Lake Jackson and Christian Home have made their loan payments on time according to terms drawn. The sale of the New Home Property has been finalized and the money is in the bank as of this date.

The financial statement covers a period from 9-1-84 thru 8-31-85

Respectfully submitted,
J.D. Parham; Chariman
Jimmy McElhaney
Herman Johnson
Lee LaTour

YOUTH CAMP REPORT

We feel our Youth Camp was a success this year, a total of 134 adults and young people attended the two camp sessions at Camp Mt. Pleasant. Several decisions were made. Remember the young people in your prayers.

There are many things that could improve our Camp, but it takes money and concern.

We were able to make some needful improvements this past year and have listed some of these for information:
1) New water cooler, 2) cover for pool, 3) Installed privacy fence from pool to showers, 4) playground equipment.

Phase I of building program hasn't gotten under way yet because of lack of finances, people or churches that have responded are Abigail Church and Marvin Chapel. Abigail \$100.00 and Marvin Chapel \$475.00 making a total of \$574.00.

Rev. R.C. Wiggins, Jr.

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

- 4 Ministers, 5 Deacons, 2 Officers, 15 Delegates, 27 Visitors,
- 2 - Churches by Letter Only
 - 1st Church
 - Bethel
- 3 - Byletter, delegates and fees
 - Shiloh
 - Beulah
 - Christian Home

Respectively submitted,
Herman Johnson, Chariman
Maxine McCall
Mack Gafford

WEST FLORIDA DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CHRISTIAN HOME CHURCH APRIL 7, 1985

Meeting opened with congregation singing "Send The Light." President, Shelia Ward called meeting to order for business of the day and read reports from all Local Officers.

Minutes of Prayer Retreat read. Treasurer report read, MSC. MSC to leave District Project as is until after the State Meeting.

MSC that Sis Lucille Parham be placed in position as District Missions Study and we retain all other officers.

Woman's Auxiliary Report continued

MSC that today's offering be sent to the work at St. Petersburg, Fl.

Worship hour by Sis. Shelia Ward, "Ye Are The Light Of The World" St. Matthew 5:14. A very wonderful message on the life of "Huldah" and what we are doing with our lives. Offering \$ 8.50 Dismissed for lunch and meeting.

Secretary
Thelma Wiggins

TREASURER'S REPORT

380.60	BEULAH, Dist. Proj., State, Camp, Dickens, Per Capita, Easter, Thanksgiving.
439.96	Christian Home, D. Proj., State, Per Cap., Easter Thanksgiving, St. Petersburg, Gainesville.
494.00	Co-Workers, Dist. Proj., Per Cap., Easter, Filkin Caton, Webb.
<u>\$1,324.56</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
54.50	District Offering
<u>\$1,369.06</u>	<u>TOTAL GIVINGS</u>
<u>\$1,204.51</u>	<u>TOTAL PAID OUT</u>
\$ 366.30	BALANCE IN TREASURE

C.T.S. DISTRICT CONVENTION

APRIL 19, 1985

CHRISTIAN HOME FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Services were opened by President, Ronnie Stabler. He read Psalm 92: 1, which speaks of praising God. The opportunity was given for two people to give praises to God. The congregation was lead in a song. Services were then turned over to Quiz Leader Ruby Amerson. Sis Ruby sang "The Land of the Free". Rev. R.C. Wiggins, Jr. was ask to pray. Competition then began:

Memorization-1st grade-Dale Johnson-Shiloh

2nd-grade-Jennifer Mauldin-Shiloh

3rd grade-Stephanie Long-Christian Home

Andy Miles-Christian Home

Sword Drill-4th-grade Jennifer Long-Christian Home

5th grade-Lynn Miles-Christian Home

Tic Tac Toe-Miranda Baker, Melissa McCall, Candi McElhaney

Jason Stabler, -Shiloh

Vocal Solo-Lynn Miles-Christian Home

Jason Parham -Christian Home

Vocal Duet-Amy Caraway and Jennifer Long-Christian Home

Choir-Christian Home Youth Choir

Art-Andy Miles-Christian Home.

The business then began. Treasurers report was given. Offering was taken. (\$37.00) MSC that \$100.00 be given to each church (Shiloh) (Christian Home) for winners to go to State Competition. The State is to be held in Tampa, First Free Will Baptist Church on May 17th and 18th.

Nominations were made as follow for election of Officers:

President--Herman Johnson
 Vice President--Ronnie Stabler
 Secretary and Treasurer--Kathy Smith
 Quiz Leader--Ruby Amerson
 Assistant Quiz Leader--Edna Caraway
 MSC

It was recommended that the Association appoint a Sunday School and C.T.S. Promotional Secretary for our District.

Winners were announced:

Memorization---1st grade--Dale Johnson
 2nd grade--Jennifer Mauldin
 3rd grade--Stephanie Long
 Sword Drill ---4th grade--Jennifer Long
 5th grade--Lynn Miles--overall winner
 Tic Tac Toe ---Shiloh Team
 Youth Choir got a 1 rating.

Meeting adjourned and refreshments were served.

DISTRICT C.T.S. TREASURER'S REPORT

CHECKBOOK BALANCE APRIL 21, 1984 \$505.78

DISBURSEMENTS

4-21-84	Randall House Publications	46.20
4-21-84	Ruby Amerson(trophy's)	46.00
4-21-84	Kathy Mauldin (1 contestant)	25.00
4-21-84	R.C.Wiggins, Jr. (7 contestants)	175.00
6-17-84	Ruby Amerson (registration fee)	15.00
TOTAL		\$307.20

DEPOSITS

6-26-84	BEULAH	34.20
7-1-84	SHILOH	12.30
10-17-84	SHILOH	12.80
1-18-85	SHILOH	11.00
2-13-85	CHRISTIAN HOME	26.27
4-3-85	SHILOH	12.40
4-18-85	CHRISTIAN HOME	8.67
TOTAL		117.64

TOTAL MONEY IN BANK APRIL 19, 1985 \$316.22

Kathy J. Smith
 Secretary-Treasurer

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

ORDAINING COUNCIL

Moderator is Chairman;(86) John McCall, (87) Rickie Parham,
 (87) Floyd Coleman

HOME MISSION BOARD;(89) Jimmy McElhaney

YOUTH BOARD CAMP MT. PLEASANT; (87) R.C.Wiggins, Jr.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT CONT.

MODERATOR, R.C.Wiggins, Jr.

ASSISTANT MODERATOR, Duane Cassida

CLERK, Thelma Wiggins

ASSISTANT CLERK, Jackie Johnson

TREASURER, Ruby Amerson

Nomination Committee Report

Chairman, Ray Purvis

Rickie Parham

Lee H, LaTour

WEST FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

TREASURER'S REPORT 9-1-84 thru 8-31-85

<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>COOP.</u>	<u>DUES</u>	<u>GENERAL FUND</u>
Bethel	35.00		35.00	
Beulah	5,289.32	5,254.32	35.00	
C. Home	3,006.10	2,966.10	40.00	
Shiloh	4,748.40	4,713.40	35.00	
Niceville	110.70	95.70	15.00	
Offering	74.00			74.00
Interest	284.75			284.75
TOTAL	\$ 13,548.27	\$ 13,029.52	\$ 160.00	\$ 358.75

DISBURSEMENTS

Niceville F.W.B. Church (Offering)	37.00
Moderator - Love Offering	50.00
Asst. Moderator "	50.00
Clerk	50.00
Asst. Clerk	50.00
Treasurer	50.00
Blank Checks	3.00
State Cooperative Plan	10,347.03
Camp Mt. Pleasant	900.00
Camp Mt. Pleasant	3,000.00
Printing of Minutes	121.00
St. Petersburg Church	32.00
State Dues at State Meeting	75.00

TOTAL DISBURSED \$ 14,765.03

Balance 9-1-84 \$ 5,193.72
Received \$ 13,548.27

Total \$ 18,741.99

Spent Out \$ 14,765.03

Gen. Fund Bal. 8-31-85 \$ 3,976.96

Mrs. Wallace J. Amerson
Mrs. Wallace J. Amerson
Acting Treasurer

HOME MISSIONS FINANCIAL STATEMENT

9-1-84 thru 8-31-85

RECEIPTS

Lake Jackson Church repay on loan.....	1,994.04
Christian Home " " " "	1,740.00
Sale of New Home Property.....	23,286.48
Interest	1,138.96
Mike Jones Returned from Sale.....	<u>35.00</u>
TOTAL RECEIVED	\$ 28,194.48

DISBURSED NONE

Balance 9-1-84.....	1,261.15
Total Received.....	<u>28,194.48</u>
Balance in Account 8-31-85	\$ 29,455.63 (Money Market Account)

TOTAL ASSETS

Loan Balance - Lake Jackson	15,453.81
Loan Balance - Christian Home	6,815.00
Money Market Account	29,455.63
Total General Fund Bal.	<u>3,976.96</u>
Total Assets	\$ 55,701.40

INTEREST RECEIVED

Sept. 84	49.05
Oct. 84	62.60
Nov. 84	59.52
Dec. 84	57.55
Jan. 85	65.63
Feb. 85	52.76
Mar. 85	63.57
Apr. 85	110.67
May, 85	223.42
June, 85	211.50
July, 85	245.98
Aug. 85	<u>221.46</u>
Total	1,423.71
80% H.M.	1,138.96
20% G.F.	284.75

ACTUAL CASH ON HAND

Money Market Acct. Home Missions	29,455.63
General Fund Account	<u>3,976.96</u>
	\$ 33,432.59
Account Bal. Shows	<u>33,427.67</u>
Adjustment of	\$ 4.92

Mrs Wallace J. Amerson
 Mrs. Wallace J. Amerson
 Acting 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 third 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 carryout 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 follow: The Assciation Annual Meeting will be held the second friday night in September.

The Mid-Yearly Meeting will be held the first friday night in February.

Article 8 Finances

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

Sevction II. An additional fee of \$15.00 at the ~~midyearly~~ 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 desbursed by a finance committee and approval 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, Assistant Moderator, Treasurer, Clerk and Assistant Clerk.

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 fo the Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, and Treasurer; from the General Fund.

Section V. Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk and Assistant Clerk will compose Audit Committee for purpose of auditing the Treasurer's books each year.

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.