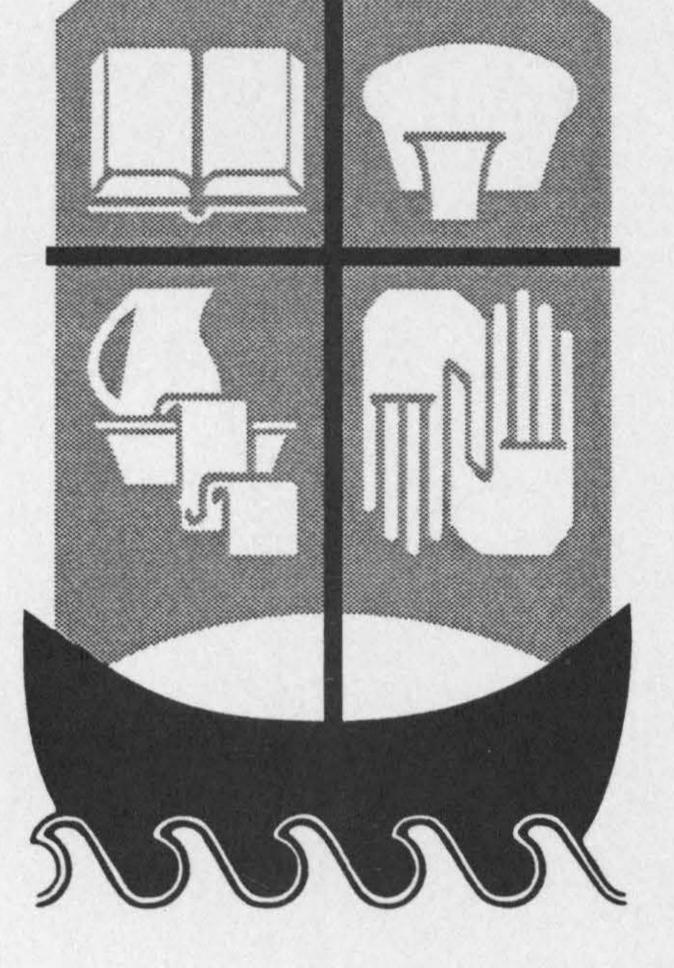
# FORTY EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

# OF THE WEST FLORIDA FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION



FORTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING HELD WITH FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH PENSACOLA, FL FEBRUARY 2, 1996, 7:00 P.M.

NEXT SESSIONS

STATE ASSOCIATION MEETING HILTON HOTEL OCALA, FL MAY 8 - 10, 1996

BI-ANNUAL MEETING CHRISTIAN HOME FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH SEPTEMBER 6, 1996

DISTRICT WOMEN ACTIVE FOR CHRIST FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH MARCH 1, 1996

DISTRICT C.T.S. COMPÈTITION SOULS HARBOR FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH APRIL 9, 1996

> STATE C.T.S. COMPETITION HILTON HOTEL OCALA, FL MAY 10-11, 1996

FLORIDA WOMEN ACTIVE FOR CHRIST HILTON HOTEL OCALA, FL MAY 9-10, 1996

NATIONAL FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FORT WORTH, TEXAS JULY 21-25, 1996

> CAMP MEETING CAMP MT. PLEASANT BONIFAY, FL AUGUST 4-7, 1996

ANNUAL WEST FLORIDA ASSOCIATION CHRISTIAN HOME FEBRUARY 7, 1996

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#### FORTY EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION of the WEST FLORIDA FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION held with *FIKST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH* FEBRUARY 2, 1996

Service opened with congregational singing "Victory In Jesus" and "Heaven's Jubilee". Prayer led by Bro. Harley Dockens.

Moderator called for Standing Delegates. Roll call of church delegates read by clerk. M. S. C. that church delegates be seated. Moderator appointed various committee's to meet during the break and report back to this meeting.

Moderator introduced our State Promotional Secretary Bro. Millard Sasser who gave us a report of our State work. Bro. Millard Sasser brought our devotion reading Matthew 9:36-38, "Harvest" what can we do for the harvest? Moderator declared recess for committees to meet and ordaining council to meet with Bro. Keith Peebles.

Moderator declared session in order. Treasure's report was given. M.S.C. to accept report. M.S. C. to accept: Credentials report, Appreciation report, and Obituary report. Prayer given by Bro. Chuck Walker for our loved ones that have gone on to meet our Lord.

Bro. Len Scott gave us a report on State Youth Board. M. S. C. to accept Ordaining Council report and Audit report.

M. S. C. for District Youth Competition at Soul's Harbor on Saturday, March 9, 1996, 6:00 p.m. Nominating Committee report was read in its entirety. M. S. C. to be accepted as read. M. S. C. that nominations to cease and vote by acclamation.

Motion made by Bro. Chuck Walker, second by Bro. Len Scott, to give our State Promotional Secretary \$200.00 for office supplies. Money to be taken from District Enrichment Fund. Motion so carried by vote.

Motion made by Bro. Michael Waddell that we give Bro. Tim Owen money, not more than \$100.00, for a meal as an Honorarium for the many years of service as Moderator. M. S. C. by body.

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Motion made to dismiss. Bro. Len Scott led our dismissal prayer. Total money given to treasurer \$135.00 - church dues.

Respectfully Submitted, A mee Scott

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#### REPORTS

#### **CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE**

#### **REPORTING AT THIS SESSION:**

Churches by Letter and Delegates Churches paying dues Total Dues Paid by Church

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE: Chairman - Chuck Walker Mike McCall Edna O'Dell

Ministers	5
Deacons	2
Officers	3
Church Delegates	13
Visitors	12 🕤
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# \$135.00

#### AUDIT COMMITTEE

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

**Respectfully Submitted:** 

Thelma Wiggins, R. C. Wiggins, Tim Owen

#### APPRECIATION COMMITTEE

We wish to express our appreciation to the First Free Will Baptist Church for their hospitality and fellowship. Also, thank you to the ladies who prepared the refreshments.

**Respectfully Submitted:** Chairman: Aimee Scott Louise Dockens **OBITUARY COMMITTEE** Linda Rentz February 6, 1995 Maggie Dockens April 16, 1995 **Ruth Stuart** February 8, 1995 Vera Ogerton July 2, 1995 Respectfully Submitted: Chairman: Herman Johnson Lisa McCall, Thelma Holley, Marianne Waddell, Linda Pinson

#### NOMINATING COMMITTEE

ORDAINING COUNCIL: (97) Michael Waddell (98) L. V. Pinson Moderator is Chairman (98) R. C. Wiggins

STATE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER: .: R. C. Wiggins

HOME MISSIONS BOARD: (99) John Pinson

CAMP MT. PLEASANT YOUTH BOARD: (98) Len Scott

MODERATOR: ASST. MODERATOR: CLERK: ASST. CLERK: TREASURER:

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Chairman: (98) Herman Johnson (2001) Dan Reece

(97) Danny Conn

Chuck Walker R. C. Wiggins Aimee Scott Maxine McCall Thelma Wiggins

Danny Conn Keith Peebles Ronnie Glaze

#### ORDAINING COUNCIL

The council has met with Keith Peebles and unanimously recommend that Keith Peebles be licensed by the West Florida Association.

Respectfully Submitted:

Chairman -

Tim Owen R. C. Wiggins, L. V. Pinson, Chuck Walker, John McCall

#### EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING May 16, 1995 Shiloh Free Will Baptist Church

Moderator, Bro. Tim Owen, read Isaiah 40:28. He then took prayer request and prayer was led by Bro. Len Scott.

Bro. Tim Owen gave oral report concerning C. T. S. competition. Bro. R. C. Wiggins made a motion that we help C. T. S. competitors by giving singles \$81 and siblings \$102 (60% based on \$135 for room, meals, gas), second by Bro. Len Scott. Motion carried by vote of body.

Bro. Tim asked that we take \$1,500.00 from Youth Fund for Back-to-School retreat. Bro. R. C. Wiggins made motion to give \$1,500.00 for Back-to-School retreat, second by Bro. Willie Oglesbee. Motion carried.

. Next Executive Board Meeting set for August 25, 1995 at 6:30 p.m.

Motion made by Bro. Len Scott to send \$2,000.00 to help the Bible College to close out in the black, second by Bro. Danny Conn. Motion carried.

Bro. Tim appointed committees to search out if possible to give added support to the Dennis Owen family. Committee: Chairman - Michael Waddell, John Pinson and John McCall.

M. S. C. to dismiss. Dismissal prayer by Bro. Danny Conn

Aimee Scott, Clerk

WEST FLORIDA FREE WILL BAPTIST

#### BI-ANNUAL MEETING September 1, 1995

#### BEULAH FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Meeting opened with congregational singing. Special song by Sis. Teresa Brown from Shiloh. Offering taken in the amount of \$37.87. This offering will be forwarded to Camp Mt. Pleasant. Special music by Daniel Payne, Beulah and Bro. & Sis. Harlie Dockens, Christian Home. "What A Day That Will Be", Christian Home. Congregational songs were rendered between the specials. Specials by Bro. Michael & Marianne Waddell, Souls Harbor; Bro. Wes & Karla Moreno, Beulah; and Bro. Tim Owen, Michael Waddell, and Len Scott.

Devotion brought by Bro. Tim Owen reading from Esther 4:13-16 <u>"Influence of One Person</u>". Will we do the something that we can do?

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. R. C. Wiggins

Aimee Scott, Clerk

#### WEST FLORIDA WOMEN ACTIVE FOR CHRIST March 1, 1996 *FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH*

The 1996 District Meeting began with the congregational singing "This Little Light of Mine" led by Sis. Diane Conn. Sis. Myrtice O'Dell opened with a word of prayer.

Offering was taken in the amount of \$64.70 while the Ladies Ensemble from Soul's Harbor sang "We Will Carry The Torch". Sixty who were in attendance are as follows:

Beulah - 24, Christian Home - 5, First - 10, Shiloh - 9, Soul's Harbor - 12 The devotion "Making the Grade" was given by President Marianne Waddell. The meeting was called to order by the President. Secretary's report was read by Sis. Thelma Wiggins. Motion was made to accept the report as read, second, and carried. Treasurer's report was read by Sis. Thelma Wiggins. Motion was made, second, and carried to accept the report.

President appointed Plan of Work Committee, Nominating Committee, Financial Committee, and Appreciation Committee.

President called for Old Business, there was none. New business: Motion made by Aimee Scott to send \$50 to the Bible College ear marked for Canadian students. Second motion was amended to send \$300 for the Canadian students. Amended motion was seconded and carried by the body. President challenged each lady to lead one person to Christ this year, along with some of her thoughst for the upcoming year. Prayer was led by Sis. Ann Walker.

President asked for volunteers to be delegates for the state meeting.

Letter of Petition for membership in the West Florida Women's Auxiliary from Christian Home was read and accepted by the body. A break was taken for the committee's to meet and everyone was given a chance to look at auctioned items.

Body reconvened for business. President called for the Financial report and Appreciation report. M. S. C. to accept reports as read. Plan of Work report is as follows: 1) district goal to raise \$1500. (about \$300 per each local auxiliary in the distric), M.S.C. to accept report; 2) Ladies Retreat at Soul's Harbor on April 19, M. S. C. to accept report. Committee was appointed for retreat, 3) County Fair with crafts, bake goods, and games for September. M. S. C. to accept report. Committee appointed. Nominating Committee report: President - Marianne Waddell, Vice-President - Aimee Scott, Secretary - Edna O'Dell, Treasure - Lisa McCall, Field Worker - Karen Owens, Mission Chairman - Linda Pinson, Study Chairman - Lisa Cross, Prayer Chairman - Ann Walker, Service Chairman - Edna Caraway. M. S. C. to accept as whole.

Ladies of Beulah won the Talent Show. They chose to send the offering and proceeds from the silent auction to the Free Will Baptist Bible College ear marked for the Canadian Students.

Everyone adjourned for fellowship and the evening was enjoyed by all.

Respectively Submitted, Edna O'Dell

Church	Membership	Sunday School	C.T.S.	Women's Aux.	Masters Men	Offering Tithes
Beulah	200	125	24	15		120,000.00
Christian Home	e 77		77	13	<b></b>	18,382.32
First Church	<b>89</b>	40	34	6	5	22,921.66
Shiloh	150	100	51	12	<b></b>	91,990.84
Soul's Harbor	<b>7</b> 8	66	<b>15</b>	15		62,000.00

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#### WEST FLORIDA ASSOCIATION TREASURER'S REPORT 1/1/95 - 12/31/95

#### GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT

Balance brought forward 1/1/95	· · ·	\$ 5,260.82
Income Expense	· · ·	\$ 6,537.82 \$ 11,242.92
	Fund Balance	<u>\$ 555.72</u>

#### HOME MISIONS FUND ACCOUNT

Balance brought forward 1/1/95

Received from Soul's Harbor Balance due on Note (\$25,760.62) \$ 14,696.57 <u>\$ 3,883,44</u>

Fund Balance

\$18,580.01

DISTR	TRICT ENRICHMENT FUND			
Balance brought forward 1/1/95		\$ 4,264.58		
Income		\$ 1,736.11		
Expense		<u>\$ 84.55</u>		
· ··································	Fund Balance	<u>\$ 5,916.14</u>		
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	YOUTH FUND			
Balance brought forward 1/1/95		\$ 9,555.54		
Income		\$ 6,424.27		
Expense		<u>\$12.800.54</u>		
	Fund Balance	<u>\$ 3,179.27</u>		

#### **RETIREMENT FUND**

Balance brought forward 1/1/95 \$ 470.44 Income **\$** 522.13 Expense 700.87 \$ e estation e • . Fund Balance \$ <u>291.70</u> : . **FUND BALANCES** ì **GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT** \$ 555.72 HOME MISSION FUND \$18,580.01 DISTRICT ENRICHMENT FUND \$ 5,916.14 YOUTH FUND **\$ 3,179.27 RETIREMENT FUND \$ 291.70 Total Funds** \$28,522.84  $(e^{ix})$ <u>\$28,522.84</u> **Bank Balance** 

#### CO-OP INCOME

CO-OP AMOUNT

DUES

TOTAL

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TOTAL	\$ 26,107,17	 \$200.00	\$26,307.17
FIRST CHURCH	<u>\$ 2.531.75</u>	<u>\$ 25.00</u>	<u>\$ 2.556.75</u>
SOUL'S HARBOR	\$ 4,803.54	\$ 25.00	\$ 4,828.54
SHILOH	\$ 7,014.62	<b>\$ 70.00</b>	\$ 7,084.62
CHRISTIAN HOME	\$ 1,974.74	 \$ 40.00	\$ 2,014.74
BEULAH	\$ 9,782.52	\$ 40.00	\$ 9,822.52
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**CO-OP DISTRIBUTION** 

\$15,664.31 STATE CO-OP \$ 2,480.17 EXECUTIVE SECRETARY \$ 2,480.18 GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT DISTRICT ENRICHMENT ACCOUNT \$ 1,736.11 YOUTH FUND ACCOUNT \$ 3,224.27 MINISTERS RETIREMENT <u>\$ 522.13</u>

**\$26,107.17** TOTAL 11 5 # 1 **5** 7 1 1 1 1

#### 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 Flor da 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, Assistant 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 as 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.

#### <u>ARTICLE 5</u>. Ordaining Council (Presbylery):

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 licer se 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 Baptis: faith. This council to convene upon the request of any church of this association.

#### <u>ARTICLE 6</u>. Boards and Committees:

Section I. The Executive Board shall be composed of one (1) member from each church to be elected by the church to serve at the churches discretion. The members of all standing boards 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 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 nonvoting 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 Eoard 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 Association Annual Meeting will be held the first Friday night in February. Report period January 1 - December 31. The Bi-Annual Meeting will be held the first Friday night in September.

#### **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 approval by the body. The Finance Committee shall consist of the Executive Board, Moderator, Clerk, and Treasurer to be present at Executive Eoard Meetings concerning Finances. Section IV. A Love Offering of \$100.00 shall be given from the General Fund to the Moderator and Clerk at the Annual ASsociation meeting. The Assistant Moderator and Assistant Clerk shall be given a \$50.00 Love Offering. The Treasurer will be paid monthly an amount to be determined by the Association, form the General Fund. Expenses incurred to fulfill the duties of the 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.

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

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#### 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 licenses or orclained 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 Baptist 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 FCR THE WEST FLORIDA HOME MISSION BOARD OF FREE WILL BAPTIST <u>CONSTITUTION</u>

<u>ARTICLE 1.</u> Name: This board shall be known as the West Florida Home Missior Board of Free Will Baptists.

#### ARTICLE 2. Purpose:

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

#### ARTICLE 3. Membership:

This board shall be composed of members elected by the West Florica 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 and by-laws of the West Florida Association.

#### ARTICLE 4. Officers:

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

#### ARTICLE 5. Meetings:

Meetings shall be held as the need arises. Necessary meetings may be called by the Moderator of the Association. Mileage for board members expense 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 I. Missions and churches receiving financial support from this board must be Free Will Baptists which prove themselves sound in doctrine and practices as FreeWill 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 denominational cooperative program.

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

#### ARTICLE 2. Voting Quorum:

A majority membership shall constitute a quorum and be duly authorized to transact business. All items of business must receive a majority vote to 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.