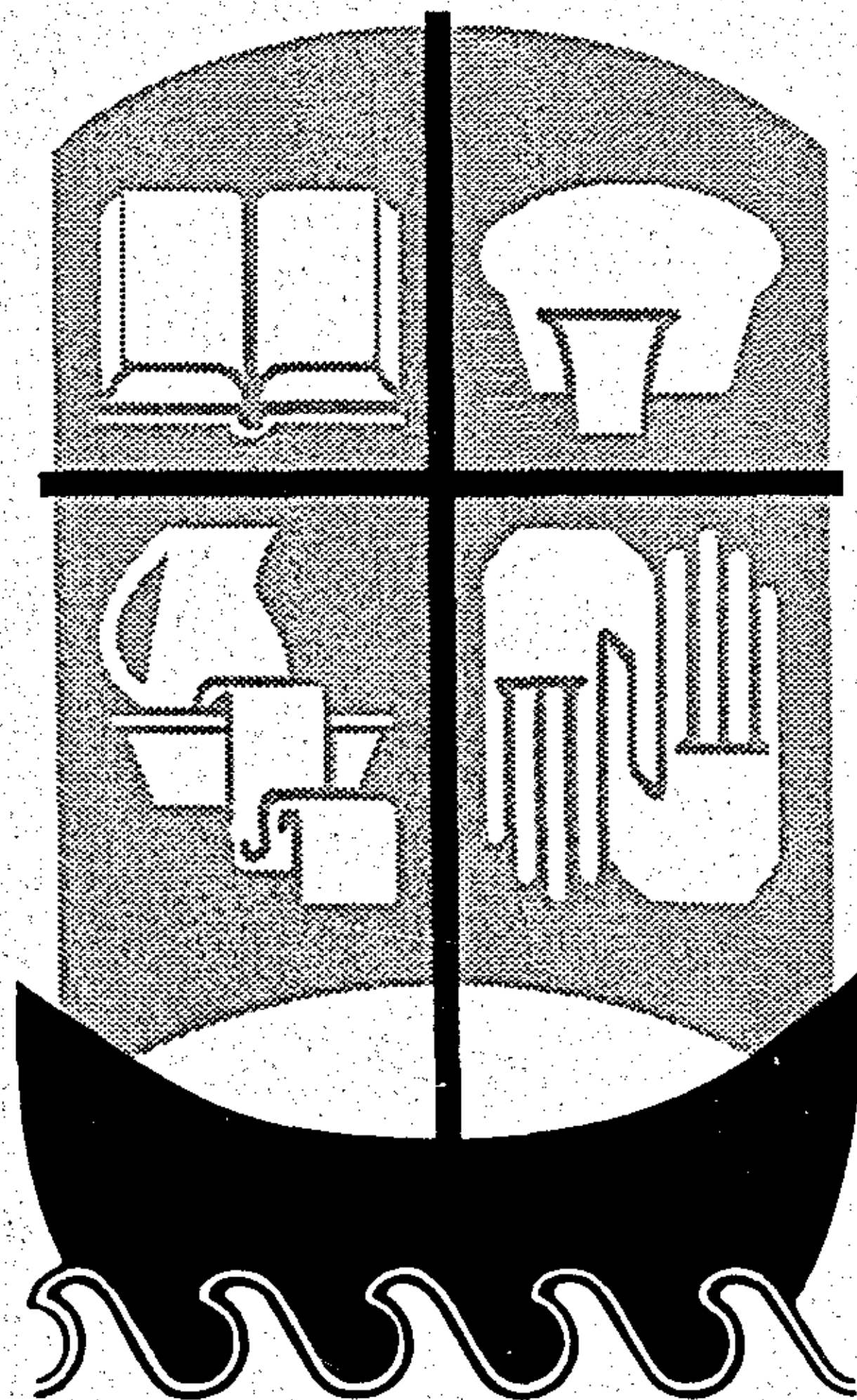


**FIFTIETH
ANNUAL SESSION**
*OF THE
WEST FLORIDA
FREE WILL BAPTIST
ASSOCIATION*



FIFTIETH ANNUAL MEETING
HELD WITH
FIRST FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH
PENSACOLA, FL
FEBRUARY 6, 1998, 7:00 P.M.

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STATE ASSOCIATION MEETING
HOLIDAY INN DELAND, FL
MAY 6-8, 1998

BI-ANNUAL MEETING
SOUL'S HARBOR FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
SEPTEMBER 4, 1998

DISTRICT WOMEN ACTIVE FOR CHRIST
SOUL'S HARBOR FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH
MARCH 6, 1998

DISTRICT C.T.S. COMPETITION
SOULS' HARBOR FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH
MARCH 28, 1998

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HOLIDAY INN DELAND, FL
MAY 6-8, 1998

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HOLIDAY INN DELAND, FL
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BONIFAY, FL
AUGUST 2-5, 1998

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FEBRUARY 5, 1999

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Mrs. Thelma Wiggins
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Bro. Ronnie Glaze
Bro. John McCall
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(99) John Pinson
 (2000) Elmer Turnbough
 (2001) Kevin Flannagin
 (2002) Herman Johnson

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(99) Jimmy McElhaney
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 (2000) R. C. Wiggins
 (2000) L. V. Pinson

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(99) David Johnson
 (2000) Tim Vincent

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FIFTIETH ANNUAL SESSION
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held with
FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
FEBRUARY 6, 1998

Welcome: Bro. John Pinson

Singing and time of fellowship

Prayer: Bro. Kevin Flannagin

Special Music: Bro. John Pinson

Speaker: Bro. Elmer Tumbough reading from St. John 17:15 The Lord's Prayer, "Christians As Sent Ones"

Business

Session called to order. Moderator seated the standing delegates. M.S.C. to seat church delegates.

Committee reports given and accepted as read.

Secretary's report given and accepted as read.

Treasurer's report given, with balance as of December 31, 1997 of \$34,849.33, accepted as read.

Nominating Committee's report given. M.S.C. to accept as read.

Bro. Kevin Flannagin reported on supporting our missionaries through the Florida Shares Plan of giving. Executive Board recommends:

- (1) 50-50 Plan
- (2) 20 mission shares (\$3,600 per year)
- (3) 22% general; 19% youth, 9% district enrichment total of 50% to state
50% to association

M.S.C. to accept as recommended.

Video Library Committee:

- (1) Brian Bruley
- (2) Ron Johnson
- (3) Wayne Holland

M.S.C. to budget \$500.00 from district enrichment for library use.

Bro. Millard Sasser reported on our work in Florida and spoke about the Florida Shares Program and how it will help our missionaries. M.S.C. to receive as information.

M.S.C. to give letter of recommendation for Bro. Chuck Walker and to radify credentials of Bro. Elmer Tumbough.

M.S.C. for Ordaining Council to meet with Bro. Dale Johnson and Bro. John Fillingim with full authority to license.

M.S.C. to receive Bro. Elmer Tumbough into association.

M.S.C. to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,
Maxine McCall
Clerk

REPORTS

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

REPORTING AT THIS SESSION:

Ministers	7
Decons	3
Officers	2
Church Delegates	9

Churches by Letter and Delegates	5
Churches paying dues	5
Total Dues Paid by Church	\$125.00

Respectfully Submitted:

Chairman - R. C. Wiggins
Ronnie Glaze
Kevin Flannagin

AUDIT COMMITTEE

We, the Audit Committee, have found the treasurer's books and statements to be correct and in agreement with the bank statements.

Respectfully Submitted:

Chairman - Bill Walker
John McCall
Edna Caraway

APPRECIATION COMMITTEE

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

Chairman - Harley Dockens
Jackie Johnson

OBITUARY COMMITTEE

Fannie Amerson
John Doddard
Jeffrey Payne

Mike Vaughn
Ann Hurst
Melton Handrop

Claudel "Red" King
Martha Pennise

Respectfully Submitted:

Chairman - David Johnson
L.V. Pinson

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

ORDAINING COUNCIL:

(99) Jimmy McElhaney
(2000) R. C. Wiggins

Moderator is Chairman

(99) Elmer Turnbough
(2000) L. V. Pinson

STATE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER: R.C. Wiggins

HOME MISSIONS BOARD:

(2000) Elmer Turnbough
(2002) Herman Johnson

(99) John Pinson
(2001) Kevin Flannagin

CAMP MT. PLEASANT YOUTH BOARD:

(2000) Tim Vincent

(99) David Johnson

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

Mike Waddell
Kevin Flannagin
Maxine McCall
Hazel Glaze
Thelma Wiggins

Respectfully Submitted:

Chairman - Clark Caraway
John Pinson
Ann Walker

WEST FLORIDA FREE WILL BAPTIST BI-ANNUAL MEETING

September 5, 1997

Christian Home Free Will Baptist Church

Bro Chuck Walker presiding:

Churches reporting:

Shiloh	\$15.00
Beulah	\$15.00
First Baptist	\$15.00
Soul's Harbor	\$15.00
Christian Home	<u>\$15.00</u>
	\$75.00

Began meeting with prayer led by Bro. Clark Caraway. Bro. Harlie Dockens led in singing "Everybody Will Be Happy Over There". Special music by Christian Home church "The Glory Did Roll" and others. Betsy Johnson also brought special music, "Jesus, Born To Die" and "In The Garden". Bro John Pinson sang "Mansion Over The Hilltop". Special time of prayer for the White family, in the passing of two small children and the father.

Bro. Kevin Flannagin brought the evening message from Daniel 3: 1 - 30 "Taking A Stand For Christ" and ended with a poem entitled "You Can Trust Him". Closed with prayer.

Future business will be carried out at each meeting if needed. Closed with prayer

Maxine McCall, Clerk

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

February 6, 1998

First Free Will Baptist Church

Bro. Ronnie Glaze lead in opening prayer. Sis. Thelma Wiggins reported on program of giving for association: moving from 60 - 40 plan of giving to 50 - 50 plan.

MOTION: (1) begin 50 - 50 plan

(2) 20 Florida Missions Shares (\$3,600 per year)

(3) 22% program, 22% general, 19% youth, 9% district enrichment
total 50%

M.S.C. to present plan to association.

Video Library Committee:

(1) Brian Bruley

(2) Ron Johnson

(3) Wayne Holland

MOTION: Budget \$500.00 from district enrichment for video library committee use.

Plan to be presented to association. Motion to adjourn.

Maxine McCall, Clerk

CHURCH REPORTS

Church	Membership	Sunday School	C.T.S.	Women's Aux.	Masters Men	Tithes
Beulah	320	—	—	25	—	164,958.75
Christian Home	—	—	—	11	—	22,510.46
First Church	54	35	34	9	7	26,730.05
Shiloh	147	101	60	13	—	111,644.20
Soul's Harbor	—	89	70	30	—	—

WEST FLORIDA WOMEN ACTIVE FOR CHRIST

FEBRUARY 26, 1998

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

6 members present

President called meeting to order, Lisa Cross opened with prayer. Secretaries report read. M.S.C. to accept as read. Treasurer's report read. M.S.C. to accept as read. District Meeting will be held at Soul's Harbor, March 6 at 6:30. Remind all ladies to make a craft for the silent auction. Each district officer needs to have their district report ready. Diana Bryant is requesting each local auxiliary provide her with a list of names and addresses of all of it's members.

New Business: District County Fair - September 12, 1998. Committee to be selected at district meeting.

Ladies Retreat - January 22-23, 1999 at Camp Mt. Pleasant. Committee to be selected at the district meeting.

Motion made to send \$200 to Camp Mt. Pleasant for use of the camp at the 1998 Ladies Retreat

Discussed some ideas for the year's goals and how to spend the money we have on hand. These ideas will be given to the Plan of Works Committee at the District Meeting.

Motion made to reimburse Marianne for the cost of refreshments. M.S.C. Motion made to reimburse Sandra Carmichael for the cost of her picture that was broken at the Ladies retreat. M.S.C. Motion made to adjourn. M.S.C.

Respectfully,
Edna O'Dell

WEST FLORIDA WOMEN ACTIVE FOR CHRIST
DISTRICT MEETING
MARCH 6, 1998
SOUL'S HARBOR FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

The 1998 District Meeting began with Congregational singing - "Take My Life and Let It Be" -led by Amy Holland. Edna O' Dell opened with a word of prayer.

Pam Flannagin sang "Through Every Storm".

Drama - "Talents" was performed by the ladies from Soul's Harbor.

A time of sharing what we are thankful for.

Meeting was called to order by President with delegates being seated as follows:

Christian Home	3
Shiloh	8
Soul's Harbor	16

M.S.C. to accept delegates as read.

Secretary's Report was read by Edna O'Dell. M.S.C. to accept as read.

Thank you letters from Tom Malone and Gary from Russia were read in appreciation for the money and clothing that we sent last year.

Treasurer's Report was read by Lisa McCall. M.S.C. to accept report as read. Thelma Wiggins reminded we need to have our 1998 dues paid by May.

President appointed the following committees:

- Plan of Works
- Nominating Committee
- Financial Committee
- Appreciation Committee

Ann Walker announced that we would be giving out decorated quart "Sacrifice Jars". Each lady is asked to fill it with loose change, and turn it in to their local treasurer during the first week in May. We will take this money to the state meeting for the year 2003. We presently have \$3600.00 and will need \$8000.00.

Break was taken for Committees to meet, place bids as the silent auction, enjoy refreshments and fellowship.

Meeting reconvened for business.

Old Business:

Marianne read a thank you note from Diana Bryant for all the hard work West Florida District ladies did for the 1997 State meeting.

County Fair scheduled for September 19 at Soul's Harbor. Committee appointed as follows:

Chair-Michelle Dubose & Sandra Carmichael, Jackie Johnson, Trish Witt, Edna Caraway

Retreat January 22 & 23 at Camp Mt. Pleasant. Committee appointed as follows:

Chair-Pam Flannagin & Marianne Waddell, Judi McElhaney, Edna Caraway, Sandra Carmichael, Ann Walker, Stephani Johnson, Maxine McCall

Thelma Wiggins announced that there are still cookbooks and cookbook money outstanding and that this needs to be turned in.

New Business:

Delegates to State: Amy Holland, Tammy Norstrum, Lauri Vincent, Ann Walker, Sandra Carmichael, Edna Caraway, Stephanie Johnson, Edna O'Dell, Frankie Johnson, Trish Witt

Financial Report read:

We very much appreciate the faithful work that Mrs. Lisa McCall our Treasurer is doing and would like each lady to show her our thanks for the many hours she puts in for us. We recommend a rising vote of thanks by all of our ladies. M.S.C. to accept report as read.

Plan of Works Report read as follows:

District Long Term goal:

Purchase gates for the entrance to the New Bible College. (\$1000.00 per year for the next 5 years)

District Short Term Goal:

Camp Mt. Pleasant	\$250.00
Miami Church	\$250.00

Motion made to amend as follows:

District Long Term Goal:

Purchase gates to the entrance of the Bible College. (\$1000.00 per year for the next 5 years.)

District Short Term Goal:

Camp Mt. Pleasant	\$500.00
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M.S.C. by body to accept amended motion.

Motion made to spend our \$2000.00 in excess as follows:

Wedding Dress for Trena Owen (for Miranda's wedding and Family Bible for Bride and Groom)	\$ 250.00
Camp Mt. Pleasant	\$1000.00
State Speaker Fund	\$ 200.00
Dr. Mary Wischart (retirement)	\$ 250.00
Long Term Goal (College Gate)	\$ 300.00

M.S.C. to accept

Nominating Report read as follows:

President	Marianne Waddell
Vice President	Pam Flannagin
Secretary	Edna O'Dell
Treasurer	Lisa McCall
Field Worker	Thelma Wiggins
Mission Chairman	Jackie Johnson
Study Chairman	Ann Walker
Prayer Chairman	Stephanie Johnson
Service Chairman	Edna Caraway

M.S.C. to vote on nominations as whole. M.S.C. to accept new officers.

Appreciation Report read:

The appreciation committee would like to thank Soul's Harbor Church for the gracious hospitality, beautiful decorations, delicious food and thought provoking devotion. We recommend a rousing round of applause to show our appreciation. M.S.C. to accept as read.

Offering taken in the amount of \$81.28

Silent Auction collected \$357.00

M.S.C. to adjourn business meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,
Edna O'Dell

WEST FLORIDA ASSOCIATION
TREASURER'S REPORT
1/1/97 - 12/31/97

GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT

Balance brought forward 1/1/97	\$ 2,339.27
Income	\$ 7,307.46
Expense	<u>\$ 8,065.98</u>
Fund Balance	<u>\$ 1,580.75</u>

HOME MISSIONS FUND ACCOUNT

Balance brought forward 1/1/97	\$22,816.49
Received from Soul's Harbor	\$ 4,236.48
Balance due on note (\$20,057.84)	
Fund Balance	<u>\$27,052.97</u>

DISTRICT ENRICHMENT FUND

Balance brought forward 1/1/97	\$ 3,607.56
Income	\$ 2,224.66
Expense	<u>\$ 1,500.00</u>
Fund Balance	<u>\$ 4,332.22</u>

YOUTH FUND

Balance brought forward 1/1/97	\$ 1,533.40
Income	\$ 4,231.53
Expense	<u>\$ 3,381.58</u>
Fund Balance	<u>\$ 1,883.38</u>

MINISTERS RETIREMENT FUND

Balance brought forward 1/1/97	\$ -0-
Income	\$ 477.57
Expense	<u>\$ 477.57</u>
Fund Balance	<u>\$ -0-</u>

FUND BALANCES

GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT	\$ 1,580.75
DISTRICT ENRICHMENT ACCOUNT	\$ 4,332.22
YOUTH FUND ACCOUNT	\$ 1,883.38
RETIREMENT FUND ACCOUNT	\$ -0-
HOME MISSION ACCOUNT	<u>\$ 27,052.97</u>

Total funds	\$34,849.32
Bank Balance	<u>\$34,849.32</u>

CO-OP INCOME

	CO-OP AMOUNT	DUES	TOTAL
BEULAH	\$13,542.82	\$40.00	\$ 13,582.82
CHRISTIAN HOME	\$ 2,334.92	\$40.00	\$ 2,374.92
SHILOH	\$ 8,456.22	\$40.00	\$ 8,496.22
SOUL'S HARBOR	\$ 6,066.71	\$40.00	\$ 6,106.71
FIRST CHURCH	<u>\$ 2,574.06</u>	<u>\$40.00</u>	<u>\$ 2,614.06</u>
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$32,974.73</u>	<u>\$200.00</u>	<u>\$33,174.73</u>

CO-OP DISTRIBUTION

STATE CO-OP	\$19,784.90
DENNIS OWEN	\$ 3,178.10
GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT	\$ 3,178.10
DISTRICT ENRICHMENT ACCOUNT	\$ 2,224.66
YOUTH ACCOUNT	\$ 4,131.53
MINISTERS RETIREMENT	<u>\$ 477.57</u>
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$32,974.73</u>

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, 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.

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. 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 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 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 Board 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.

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 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 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 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 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 shall 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.