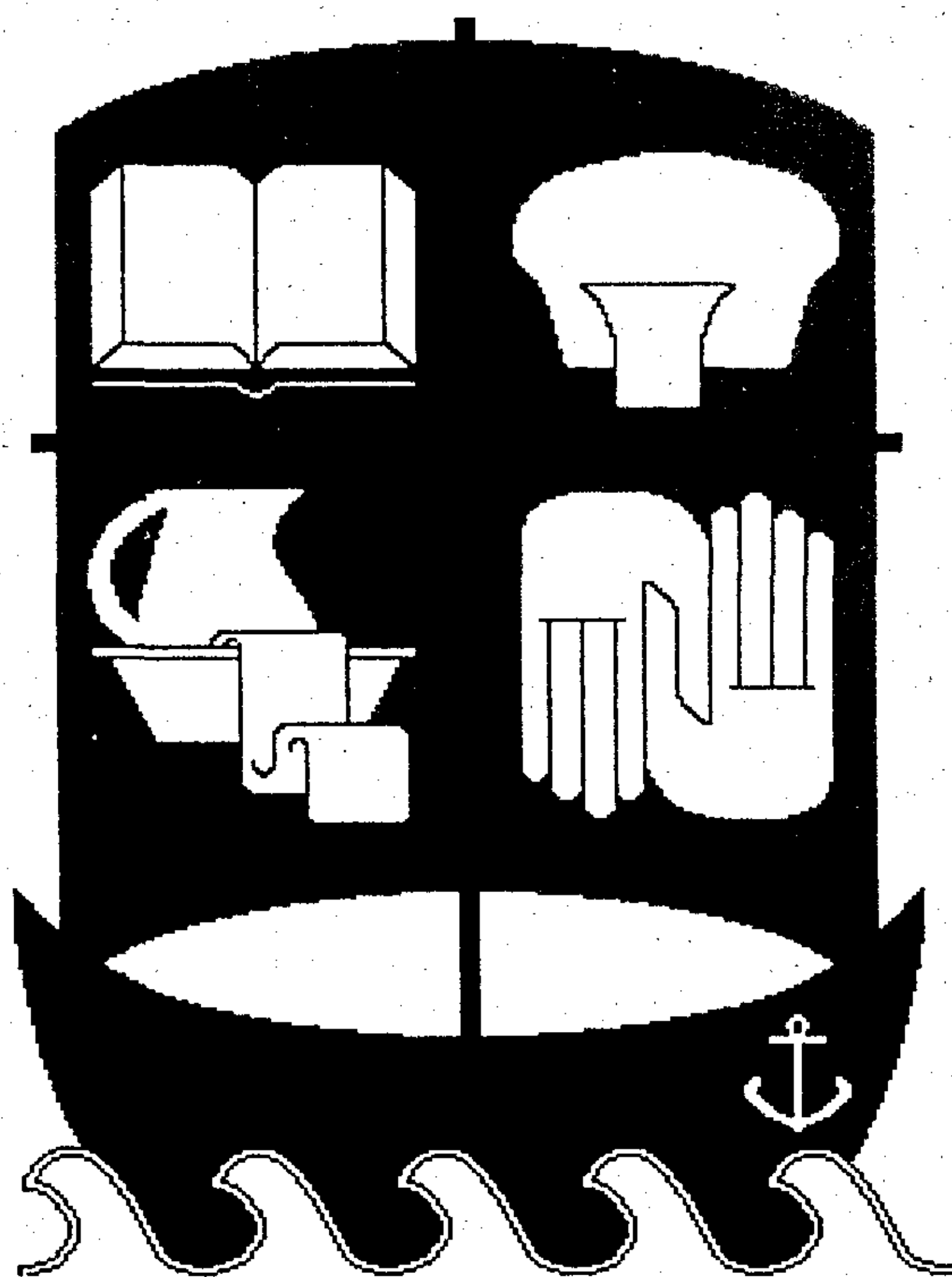


FIFTY-THIRD
ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
WEST FLORIDA
FREE WILL BAPTIST
ASSOCIATION



**FIFTY-THIRD ANNUAL MEETING
SHILOH FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH
BRATT, FL
FEBRUARY 2, 2001**

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**STATE ASSOCIATION MEETING
MARRIOTT-JACKSONVILLE, FL
MAY 8-11, 2002**

**C.H. BI-ANNUAL MEETING
~~BEULAH~~ FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
SEPTEMBER 6, 2002**

**CHRISTIAN WORKERS' CONFERENCE
COMFORT INN-PANAMA CITY, FL
SEPTEMBER 21-22, 2001**

**STATE OPERATION SATURATION
LYNN HAVEN, FL
SEPTEMBER 29, 2001**

**TEEN CAMP RETREAT
CAMP MT. PLEASANT BONIFAY, FL
OCTOBER 26-27, 2001**

**DISTRICT WOMEN ACTIVE FOR CHRIST
SOULS HARBOR FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
MARCH 1, 2002**

**DISTRICT C.T.S. COMPETITION
? SOULS HARBOR FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
Shilo H MARCH 16, 2002**

**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FREEWILL BAPTIST
MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE
JULY 21-25, 2002**

**LADIES RETREAT
CAMP MT. PLEASANT BONIFAY, FL
JANUARY ~~26-27~~, 2002
18-19**

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~~SOULS HARBOR~~ FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
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CHRISTIAN HOME	Bro. Harlie Dockens
FIRST CHURCH, PENSACOLA	Bro. John Pinson
SHILOH	Bro. John McCall
SOUL'S HARBOR	Bro. Bill Walker

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(2002) Harlie Dockens
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(2004) Danny Conn
(2005) Kevin Flannagin

CAMP MT. PLEASANT YOUTH BOARD

(2002) Tim Vincent
(2003) Mike McCall

STATE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER

R. C. Wiggins

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(2002) R.C. Wiggins
(2002) David Baker
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(2003) Diego Moreno

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FIFTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION
of the
WEST FLORIDA FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
held at
Shiloh Free Will Baptist Church
FEBRUARY 2, 2001

The congregation sang together "At the Cross" to open the fifty-third annual session of the West Florida Free Will Baptist Association. Bro. L.V. Pinson led in prayer.

Our Moderator, Bro. Kevin Flannagin, called the meeting to order and seated the standing delegates. MSC to seat the church delegates.

Bro. David Williford, our State Executive Secretary, addressed the body and thanked them for their faithfulness to serve in different areas of ministry in our state. He also specifically expressed his appreciation to the laymen for their willingness to allow their local pastors to serve on different state boards and committees. He then gave a brief summary of upcoming state events.

Bro. Chris Hawkins encouraged our hearts with his message in the worship service. He pointed us clearly to Calvary and stated that if we will lift up Jesus Christ, and Him crucified, God's purpose for our individual lives and ministry will be accomplished. He took his text from I Corinthians 2:2 and closed in prayer.

Committees were appointed by our Moderator and we then enjoyed a time of food and fellowship. Upon returning to the auditorium, we continued our business session.

Secretary's report was given and accepted as read.

Treasurer's report was given, with a balance as of December 31, 2000, of 2,270.09. It was accepted as printed.

All Committee Reports were given and MSC to accept.

Bro. R.C. Wiggins led in prayer for all those families who had lost loved ones in the previous year.

The Children's Home report included two items of praise: (1) The Home is now debt-free. (2) They have a new Director, Bro. Randy Keyes.

Sis. Amy Holland announced that the **CTS District Competition** will be March 17 at 10AM at Christian Home FWB Church. She also offered her assistance to any church which might need help in preparing for competition.

The Camp Board report included the dates for the camps for the summer. Teen Camp will be June 3-8; Junior Camp—June 17-22; Primary Camp—June 28-30. Camp Meeting will be August 5-8.

District WAC report expressed the ladies heartfelt appreciation for the Association's monetary support through the distribution of the District's 50% of the local churches' tithes (Co-op).

The Home Mission Board report stated that "Shiloh FWB Church has requested to meet with the Home Mission Board to discuss securing a loan, as outlined in our Constitution and By-Laws for the West Florida Home Mission Board of Free Will Baptists."

Old Business:

- ◆ MSC to take off the table the proposed Constitutional change concerning Article 8, Section II. The change to be as follows: "A \$25.00 fee per church will be assessed at the annual meeting and the bi-annual meeting." MSC to adopt this change.

New Business:

The following recommendations were given by the Executive Board and voted on accordingly:

- ◆ MSC to amend our policy guideline for our Scholarship Fund Distribution for FWBBC. The amendment to be: "The Association will pay \$500.00 on the tuition bill per semester of a part-time student. Each student is to be reviewed on a case-by-case basis by the Executive Committee."
- ◆ MSC to give the following to our Association's participants in the CTS Competition. (This amount to be taken from the Youth Fund.): (1) State Competition—\$90.00 for the first competitor and \$50.00 for any siblings who are also competing. (2) National Competition—\$225.00 for the first competitor and \$150.00 for any siblings who are also competing.
- ◆ MSC to contribute \$500.00 to the Bill George Scholarship Fund this year and to encourage our churches to receive an offering for this fund.
- ◆ MSC to pay the State Executive Board Member's expenses to any Executive Board Meeting and to the State Meeting.

State meeting delegates were appointed as follows: Alfred and Frances Jordan, Diane Conn, Pam Flannagin, and Thelma Wiggins.

MSC to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,
Pam Flannagin
Clerk

REPORTS

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

REPORTING AT THIS SESSION:

Ministers	7
Deacons	7
Officers	4
Church Delegates	15
Churches by Letter and Delegates	5
Churches paying dues	5
Total Dues Paid by Church	\$115.00

Respectfully Submitted:

Chairman: Clark Caraway
Alfred Jordan
Ray Stacey

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Auditing Committee has met and examined the Treasurer's books and found them to be in order. We appreciate the fine job Sis. Thelma does

Respectfully Submitted:

Chairman – Kevin Flannagin
Pam Flannagin
David Baker

APPRECIATION COMMITTEE

We would like to thank Shiloh for inviting us to their church. We enjoyed the worship, food and fellowship.

Respectfully Submitted:

Chairman—Amy Holland
Francis Jordan

OBITUARY COMMITTEE

We, the Obituary Committee, respectfully submit the following list of members of our churches who have died in the year 2000:

Harry Merritt—Beulah FWB
Herman Johnson, Sarah Parham, Dorothy Brown—Christian Home FWB
Robert Clark, Irene Moore—First FWB Church, Pensacola
Lula O'Farrell—Shiloh FWB

We would ask for a time of prayer in remembrance of these our loved ones.

Respectfully Submitted:

Chairman—Maxine McCall
Allen Cawthon

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

ORDAINING COUNCIL:

(2002) R.C. Wiggins
(2002) David Baker

Moderator is Chairman
(2003) Jimmy McElhaney
(2003) Diego Moreno

STATE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER: R.C. Wiggins

HOME MISSIONS BOARD:

(2002) Harlie Dockens
(2003) John Pinson

(2004) Danny Conn
(2005) Kevin Flannagin

DISTRICT YOUTH COORDINATOR: Amy Holland

VIDEO LIBRARY COMMITTEE

(2002) Wayne Holland
(2003) David Johnson
(2004) Rod Johnson

CAMP MT. PLEASANT YOUTH BOARD:

(2002) Tim Vincent
(2003) Mike McCall

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Respectfully Submitted:
Chairman –Rod Johnson
Linda Pinson
Jimmy McElhaney

**WEST FLORIDA FREE WILL BAPTIST
BI-ANNUAL MEETING**

September 1, 2000

First Free Will Baptist Church of Pensacola

Bro. Kevin Flannagin presiding.

Churches reporting:

Beulah	\$15.00	Shiloh	\$15.00
Christian Home	\$15.00	Soul's Harbor	\$15.00
First Church	\$15.00	TOTAL	\$75.00

Bro. John Pinson led the congregation in singing, "He Keeps Me Singing".

Bro. Ron Glaze led in prayer. Bro. Kevin welcomed everyone and a special welcome was extended to Bro. and Sis. Chris Hawkins as the new Pastor at Christian Home FWB.

Bro. Kevin seated standing delegates and MSC to seat church delegates. Secretary's report was given and accepted as read. Treasurer's report was given with the balance as of August 17, 2000, being \$1,010.05. This was accepted as printed report stated.

The delegates addressed the following business:

- ◆ MSC to pay the hotel and gas expense of those participating in the Operation Saturation Project on October 21.

- ◆ MSC to pay the registration fee and gas expense of those attending the Youth Workers' Retreat on November 3,4 in Ocala.
- ◆ MSC that the local churches pay \$50.00 of the National dues and the Association will pay \$50.00.
- ◆ MSC to table the vote, until the February Annual meeting, on a change to the Constitution concerning Article 8, Section II to read as follows: "A \$25.00 fee per church will be assessed at the annual meeting and the bi-annual meeting."
- ◆ MSC to license Bro. Chris Hawkins as a minister of the Gospel in the Free Will Baptist denomination.

Bro. Kevin expressed appreciation to the association for their support for the youth in the CTS competitive activities. He also thanked everyone for their continued support of the Children's Home in Eldridge, AL. They held their dedication for the new building in July and requested prayer as they continue to look for a Director.

Bro. Kevin stated that the State Missions Board is looking at the possibility of starting a new mission work in the Gainesville area and encouraged everyone to continue their faithful support to the Mission Shares program.

Bro. David Williford, our new Executive Secretary for the state, gave his thanks for all the Association is doing. He encouraged participation in the retreats and expressed the desire of the state boards of wanting to be very supportive of the local church. He reported that the Mission Shares budget for 2001 would be \$262,000.00 and thanked everyone for their sacrificial giving to support our missionaries. He also encouraged us in our local churches to look for opportunities for cross-cultural outreach. He shared that Bro. Eddie Payne is involved in a program to use adults from the local church in short-term mission work and he encouraged everyone to pray about what opportunity God might give them to participate.

We then adjourned for refreshments.

Bro. John Pinson and his daughter, Jennifer, blessed our hearts with two songs as we came together for worship time. They shared "Love Grew" and "Dust will Sing". Bro. Danny Conn shared the message "When Leaders Mislead" from II Chronicles. He pointed out that when leaders mislead, we cannot follow. We must follow God. Our spiritual relationship with God should be our guiding purpose in life.

After prayer together, we were then adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pam Flannagin, Clerk

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

September 1, 2000

Meeting opened with prayer. Discussion followed as to everyone considering having an Executive Board meeting at the mid-year mark, perhaps in June. The following business was addressed and voted on:

- ◆ MSC to pay the hotel and gas expense of those participating in the Operation Saturation Project on October 21, not to exceed \$1,000.00.

- ◆ MSC to pay the registration fee and gas expense of those attending the Youth Workers' Retreat on November 3,4 in Ocala.
- ◆ MSC that the local churches pay \$50.00 of the National dues and the Association will pay \$50.00.
- ◆ MSC to change the Constitution concerning Article 8, Section II to read as follows: "A \$25.00 fee per church will be assessed at the annual meeting and the bi-annual meeting".

The decision was made to throw away the old typewriter that belonged to the Association. It was not longer functioning. Upcoming events for the churches were announced and we closed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Pam Flannagin, Clerk

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

February 2, 2001

Shiloh Free Will Baptist Church

Meeting opened with prayer. The secretary's, and the treasurer's, reports were read and approved. The following were discussed and voted on to present to the body:

- ◆ MSC to amend the policy guideline for the Scholarship fund distribution for FWBBC to read: "The Association will pay \$500.00 on the tuition bill per semester of a part-time student from our Association. Each student to be reviewed on a case-by-case basis by the Executive Committee."
- ◆ MSC to pay State Executive Board member's expenses to any executive board meeting and the State meeting.
- ◆ MSC to pay the following CTS competitors from our association: (1) State Competition—\$90.00 for the first competitor and \$50.00 for any siblings competing. (2) National Competition—\$225.00 for the first competitor and \$150.00 for any siblings competing.
- ◆ MSC to contribute \$500.00 to the Bill George Scholarship Fund this year, and to encourage each local church to receive and offering for this fund.

We were then closed in prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Pam Flannagin, Clerk

CHURCH REPORTS

Church	Membership	Sunday School	C.T.S.	Women Aux.	Masters-Men	Tithes
Beulah	329	121	—	25	—	\$157,218.61
Christian Home	—	43	—	12	—	\$46,039.90
First Church	49	30	20	8	5	\$33,089.85
Shiloh	154	104	69	12	—	\$101,349.18
Soul's Harbor	54	40	25	15	—	52,232.09

WEST FLORIDA ASSOCIATION TREASURER'S REPORT 1/1/2000 –12/31/2000

GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT

Balance brought forward 1/1/20	\$1,133.03
Income	\$6,266.41
Expense	<u>\$3,996.32</u>
Fund Balance	\$2,270.09

HOME MISSIONS FUND ACCOUNT

Balance brought forward 1/1/20	\$37,040.26
Received from Soul's Harbor	\$ 4,589.52
Interest	<u>\$ 1,651.26</u>
Fund Balance	\$43,281.07

DISTRICT ENRICHMENT FUND

Balance brought forward 1/1/920	\$5,236.91
Income	\$ 1,995.08
Expense	<u>\$ 2,756.07</u>
Fund Balance	\$ 4,475.92

YOUTH FUND

Balance brought forward 1/1/20	\$3,927.77
Income	\$4,227.14
Expense	<u>\$5,010.58</u>
Fund Balance	\$3,144.33

MINISTERS RETIREMENT FUND

Balance brought forward 1/1/20	\$ -0--
Income	\$ 635.22
Expense	<u>\$ 635.22</u>
Fund Balance	\$ -0--

WEST FLORIDA WOMEN ACTIVE FOR CHRIST

Balance brought forward 1/1/20	\$ -0--
Income	\$ 587.12
Expense	<u>\$ 587.12</u>
Fund Balance	\$ -0--

FUND BALANCES

GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT	\$ 2,270.09
DISTRICT ENRICHMENT ACCOUNT	\$ 4,475.92
YOUTH FUND ACCOUNT	\$ 3,144.33
RETIREMENT FUND ACCOUNT	\$ -0--
HOME MISSION ACCOUNT	\$ 43,281.07
WEST FLORIDA WOMEN ACTIVE FOR CHRIST	<u>\$ -0--</u>
Total funds	\$ 53,171.41
Bank Balance	\$ 53,171.41

CO-OP INCOME

	CO-OP AMOUNT	DUES	TOTAL
BEULAH	\$13,053.59	\$40.00	\$ 13,093.59
CHRISTIAN HOME	\$ 4,094.55	\$40.00	\$ 4,134.55
SHILOH	\$10,154.52	\$40.00	\$ 10,194.52
SOUL'S HARBOR	\$ 4,111.52	\$40.00	\$ 4,151.52
FIRST CHURCH	<u>\$ 2,941.92</u>	<u>\$40.00</u>	<u>\$ 2,981.92</u>
TOTAL	\$34,356.10	\$200.00	\$ 34,556.10

CO-OP DISTRIBUTION

STATE CO-OP	\$17,128.05
MISSIONS & MISC.	\$
GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT	\$ 3,996.32
DISTRICT ENRICHMENT ACCOUNT	\$ 2,756.07
YOUTH ACCOUNT	\$ 5,010.58
MISSION SHARE PROGRAM	\$ 4,800.00
MINISTERS RETIREMENT	\$ 635.22
WEST FLORIDA WOMEN ACTIVE FOR CHRIST	\$ 587.12
TOTAL	\$34,913.36

WEST FLORIDA WOMEN ACTIVE FOR CHRIST DISTRICT MEETING

MARCH 2, 2001

Shiloh Free Will Baptist Church

The 2001 District Meeting began with Congregational Singing - "Burdens are Lifted at Calvary" - led by Diane Conn.

Prayer led by Debbie Moore.

Welcome by President Pam Flannagin.

Special music by Soul's Harbor.

Devotion "Sharing Hope and Healing" - Regene Martin.

Prayer led by Pam Flannagin.

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

Beulah 7

Christian Home 1

Shiloh 4

Soul's Harbor 9

MSC to accept delegates as read.

Frankie Johnson handed out invitations to a Tea Party in honor of missionary June McVay to be held at Soul's Harbor on March 19.

President appointed the following committees:

Plan of Works

Nominating Committee

Financial Committee

Appreciation Committee

Break was taken for Committees to meet, place bids on Baskets, enjoy refreshments and fellowship.

Meeting reconvened for business.

Secretary's Report - report was distributed. MSC to accept reports as typed.

Treasurer's Report - report was distributed. MSC to accept report as typed.

Old Business:

- Executive Committee recommend to take the \$1221.00 in the Gate Fund and add \$749.00 from the general fund to be sent to the FWBBC to purchase the Main Circulation Desk for the Library. MSC
- Executive Committee recommend that we take \$500.00 from the general fund (to be combined with \$400.00 sent last year) to purchase a washer/dryer set for Camp Mt. Pleasant. MSC
- Executive committee recommend we take \$1000.00 from the general fund and send to the (2000 State project/WNAC project) Dr. Mary Wisheart Organ Fund. MSC

Year 2003 - We as a state auxiliary are responsible for hosting the National WNAC in Tampa in the Year 2003. We are to give \$8000.00 to WNAC for operating expenses and the cost of decorations for the banquet, we have about \$7709.60. Expected interest 2001 — \$400.00. Expected interest 2002 — \$400.00. A total of about \$8500.00, \$8000.00 will go to WNAC and \$500.00 for banquet decoration.

Retreat - January 25th and 26th, 2002. Committee appointed as follows:

Diane Conn - Director

Pam Flannagin - Co-Director

Ann Walker - Food

Lisa McCall - PR

Joan White, Lurie Chavers, Faye Harvey - Decorations

Edna O'Dell - Registration/programs

Lisa Cross - Music

Clean up - Piney Grove and Chipley ladies have expressed that they would go over and clean the camp before the Retreat.

New Business:

Recommend that we take \$1000.00 from the General fund for the State Meeting tangible Project. The \$1000.00 will be put on a WalMart Card to be given to the Provision closet at the State meeting in May. Each local auxiliary is encouraged to add money to the WalMart card - money will need to be sent to Lisa McCall by April 15, 2001/

We will be taking baskets to the state meeting for a silent auction. The proceeds will be combined with the approximately \$500.00 we expect to have in the 2003 goal for the decorations for the banquet.

Plan of Works:

We ask each local auxiliary to support Florida Missions Shares Program with the purchase of (1) one share, or a portion thereof, each month. \$20.00 month/\$240.00 per year. MSC

Financial Report:

We have examined the financial statement and find it to be correct. MSC to accept report as read.

Delegates to State Meeting:

Diane Conn, Lisa Cross, Michelle DuBose, Edna Caraway, Amy Holland, Frances Jordan

Nominating Report:

President	-	Diane Conn
Vice President	-	Ann Walker
Secretary	-	Edna O'Dell
Treasurer	-	Lisa McCall
Field Worker	-	Pam Flannagin
Mission Chairman	-	Edna Caraway
Study Chairman	-	Lisa Cross
Prayer Chairman	-	Faye Harvey
Service Chairman	-	Caroline Long

MSC to vote on nominations as a whole.

MSC to accept new officers.

Appreciation Report:

On behalf of the West Florida Women Active for Christ we express our appreciation to Shiloh for your hospitality and providing special music, and a wonderful speaker and plenty of food and fellowship.

Offering - \$56.00 Baskets - \$317.00

MSC to adjourn Business meeting.

Respectfully Submitted
Edna O'Dell

**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 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. The Executive Board shall be composed of one member from each church to be elected by the church to serve at the churches discretion. The members of all standing boards exclusive of this 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 32. 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. A \$25.00 fee per church will be assessed at the annual meeting and the bi-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 from the General Fund. Expense 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 it 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 II. All churches of this association shall call as their pastors only duly licensed 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 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 obligation.

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 the 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 maybe 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 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.