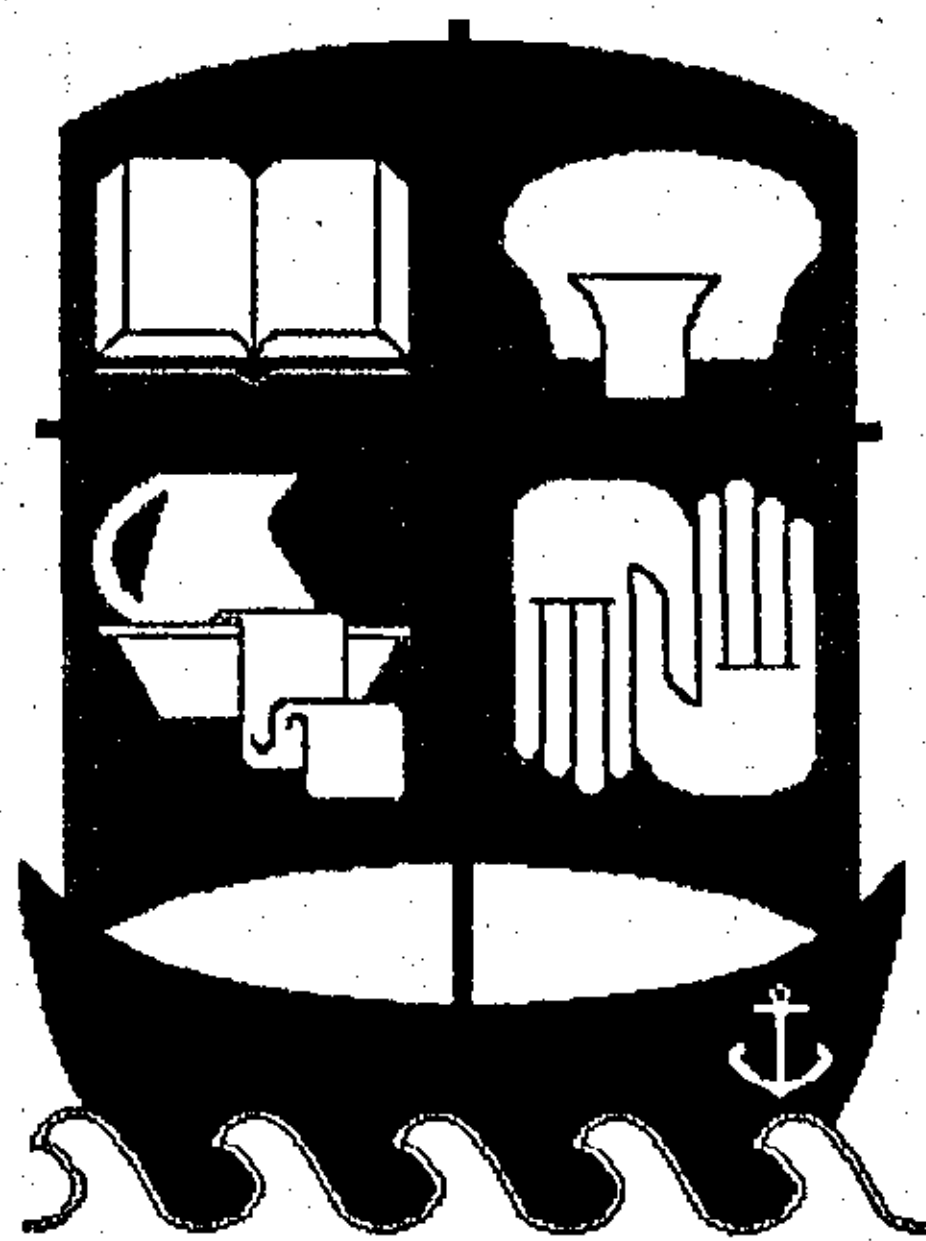


MINUTES
OF THE
FIFTY-FIFTH
ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
West Florida
Free Will Baptist
Association



Held at
First FWB Church, Pensacola
February 7, 2003

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Bi-Annual Meeting

Shiloh Free Will Baptist Church
September 5, 2003

Christian Workers' Conference

Four Points Sheraton – Ft. Walton Beach, FL
October 24-25, 2003

Ladies Retreat

Camp Mt. Pleasant – Bonifay, FL
January 23-24, 2004

Annual West Florida Association

Soul's Harbor Free Will Baptist Church
February 6, 2004

District Women Active for Christ

Christian Home Free Will Baptist Church
March 5, 2004

District C.T.S. Competition

First Free Will Baptist Church
March 20, 2004

State Association Meeting

Marriott – Jacksonville, FL
May 4-8, 2004

National Association Free Will Baptist

Kansas City, Missouri
July 18-22, 2004

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Moderator	Rev. David Baker
Assistant Moderator	Bro. John McCall
Clerk	Mrs. Diane Conn
Treasurer	Mrs. Thelma Wiggins
Beulah	Bro. Tommy Payne
Christian Home	Bro. Harlie Dockens
First Church	Bro. John Pinson
Shiloh	Bro. John McCall
Soul's Harbor	Bro. Bill Walker

Home Missions

(2004) Danny Conn
(2005) Kevin Flannagin
(2006) Harlie Dockens
(2007) Rod Johnson

Ordaining Council

(2004) R.C. Wiggins
(2004) Kevin Flannagin
(2005) John Pinson
(2005) Danny Conn

Camp Mt. Pleasant Youth Board

(2004) Gene Wooton
(2005) Mike McCall

Video Library Committee

(2004) Rod Johnson
(2005) Wayne Holland
(2006) Ron Johnson

State Executive Board Member

R. C. Wiggins

District Youth Coordinator

Amy Holland

Florida State Executive Secretary

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Fifty-Fifth Annual Session

held at

First Free Will Baptist Church

February 7, 2003

The 55th Annual session of the West Florida Free Will Baptist Association Meeting opened with congregational singing led by Bro. John Pinson. Bro. Danny Conn led in prayer. Bro. John Pinson and Jennifer Williams presented our special music.

Bro. Gene Wooton brought a message from Ephesians 4:17-24. He pointed out the change that Christ makes. Christ changes our lives, our minds, and our hearts daily.

Moderator, Bro. David Baker, called the meeting to order and seated the standing delegates. MSC to seat the church delegates. Committees were appointed. Hannah and Rachel Williams sang a song in Spanish. We were dismissed for a time of fellowship and for the committees to meet.

Clerk's Report was accepted as read.

Treasurer's Report was given, with a balance as of December 31, 2002 of \$5,214.48. MSC.

State Executive Secretary, Bro. Randy Bryant, gave the following report: West Florida Association is the best giver in the State.

- Minister's Retreat – March 24-26, 2003, Gainesville Baymont Inn. The cost will be \$50.00 per person.
- State Meeting – April 30-May 3, 2003, at the Jacksonville Marriott. Dr. David Wood is the speaker and evangelist. Hotel Reservation deadline is April 7, 2003.
- National Association Meeting – July 20-24, 2003. Tampa, Florida.
- Christian Workers Conference – October 24-25, 2003, at Four Points Sheraton, Fort Walton Beach, FL.
- Sunday School order through the State Office gets 10% of order total donated to State Ministries.
- Florida Mission Shares report – Bro. Jack Cowart of Panama City resigned. Gainesville work is doing well.

Bro. Randy handed out some papers about Mission Shares and Co-op for the State.

All Committee reports were given and MSC to accept.

The Children's Home Report by Bro. Kevin Flannagin. Doing well, had 24 children in January of 2003. He encouraged us to visit and also to contact Bro. Randy Key, the director, to speak in our churches and share about the home.

CTS Competition report given. District competition will be March 15 at 9:30 am at the Soul's Harbor Free Will Baptist Church.

Camp Mt. Pleasant report given by Bro. Gene Wooton. Fees for camp will be \$65.00.

Teen camp - June 8-13, 2003, will have FWBBC Drama group.

Primary Camp - June 16-19, 2003.

Junior Camp - June 22-27, 2003.

Camp Meeting - March 2-5, 2003, evangelist, Dr. Curtis Linton.

Men's Steak Out - May 23, 2003.

National Youth Conference - report given by Bro. Danny Conn. Need judges for competition. Sunday night is fun night for youth. Monday night is Youth Workers Reception.

WAC Report given by Lisa McCall. 102 registered for Retreat, Tina Tolbert was our speaker and did a marvelous job. Also asked that everyone bring a special offering to our District meeting on March 7, 2003 at Beulah FWB Church at 7:00 pm.

Executive Committee report was given.

Old Business:

- Savings account at the Free Will Baptist Foundation has been opened. Balance as of December 31, 2002 was \$19,162.50.
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New Business:

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Delegates to State Meeting, April 30 – May 3, 2003:

Diane Conn, Pam Flannagin, Linda Pinson, Thelma Wiggins, Edna O'Dell.

Item of Information: FWBBC Choir will be at Beulah on March 21, 2003.

Announcements - Prayer requests given. Revival at Shiloh FWB Church, February 23-27, 2003 with Bro. Jerry Whitworth. Youth Fund Raiser is "Mom & Pop Wiley March for Missions."

Respectfully Submitted,
Diane Conn
Clerk

REPORTS

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Reporting at this Session:

Ministers	5
Deacons	6
Officers	2
Church Delegates	17

Visitors Attending	19
Churches by Letter and Delegates	5
Churches paying dues	5
Total Dues Paid by Church	\$135.00

Respectfully Submitted:

Chairman: Eugene Wooton
Pam Flannagin

ORDAINING COUNCIL REPORT

We recommend licensing Bro. John Shamblin for a period of one year, at which time we will meet with him again for questioning for recommendation of Ordination.

Respectfully submitted:

Chairman: Bro. David Baker
Bro. R. C. Wiggins
Bro. Kevin Flannagin

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Auditing Committee regrets that they could not meet because of hindrances. They will meet before the Semi-Annual meeting and give a report then.

Respectfully Submitted:

Chairman: Bro. David Baker

APPRECIATION COMMITTEE

To our loved ones at First FWB Church, thank you for the fellowship, wonderful Mexican food, and our special music by Rachel and Hannah. It's a wonderful blessing where we are able to spend special time in the Lord together.

Respectfully Submitted:

Chairman: Maxine McCall
Edna O'Dell

OBITUARY COMMITTEE

We, the Obituary Committee, respectfully submit the following list of members of our churches who have died in the year 2002:

Beulah FWB – Tommy McNair, Bessie Reddick, Mrs. Diamond,
and Lona Chesney

Shiloh FWB – Ethelene Gibson

Prayer of remembrance offered by Bro. John Pinson.

Respectfully Submitted:

Chairman: Linda Smith
Jackie Johnson

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Ordaining Council

(2004) R.C. Wiggins

(2005) John Pinson

Moderator is Chairman

(2004) Kevin Flannagin

(2005) Danny Conn

State Executive Board Member: R. C. Wiggins

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Camp Mt. Pleasant Youth Board

(2004) Gene Wooton (2005) Mike McCall

Video Library Committee

(2004) Rod Johnson (2005) Wayne Holland

(2005) Ron Johnson

District Youth Coordinator: Amy Holland

Respectfully Submitted:

Chairman: Kevin Flannagin
Rod Johnson
John Pinson

Bi-Annual Meeting

September 6, 2002

Christian Home Free Will Baptist Church

Bro. David Baker presiding.

Churches reporting:

Beulah	\$10.00	Shiloh	\$35.00
Christian Home	\$25.00	Soul's Harbor	\$25.00
First Church	\$25.00	TOTAL	\$120.00

Congregational singing, "Victory in Jesus" and "Blessed Assurance" was led by Amy Holland with Pam Flannagin as the pianist. Youth from our churches in the district had a special contribution to our services. The Beulah Youth Praise Team presented special music. Katie Flannagin recited Proverbs 16:1-9. Christian Home Youth presented a skit. Hannah William played the piano during the offertory. \$229.76 was received. Brian Vincent preached the sermon "Follow Me" from Matthew 4:18-22. The passage is about Jesus and his call to Simon Peter, Andrew, James, and John. He asked the following questions: Will you answer the call? Will you commit to follow? Will you continue to follow? Christ is calling, will you follow Him? We were then dismissed for a time of fellowship and refreshment.

Bro. David seated the standing delegates and MSC to seat church delegates. The clerk's report was read and approved. The treasurer's report was read and approved. The general fund balance as of August 17, 2002, was \$4,417.05.

The Executive Committee's report was read and MSC as follows:

- MSC to pay 20% of Dale Johnson's tuition to FWBBC.
- MSC to authorize that Amy Holland schedule and plan a District Youth Event. This would be an annual event and the budget would be up to a \$450.00. Suggestions were to rent a church gymnasium for a lock-in.

Ordaining Council Report was read and MSC as follows:

- Grant a letter of good standing, issued to the Southern Quarterly Meeting of the Cumberland Association of Free Will Baptists for Bro. Michael Waddell.
- Recommend Bro. Gene Wooton to be ordained to the Gospel ministry at a time to be set-up by him.

A report was given about Camp Mt. Pleasant by Bro. Danny Conn. He encouraged us with all of the things happening at CMP.

The CTS Competition report was given by Amy Holland. She challenged us to encourage participation among our youth in each church.

Diane Conn gave a report about the West Florida WAC. The ladies retreat is scheduled for January 24-25, 2003 at Camp Mt. Pleasant. The theme is "Joy for the Journey," and the speaker will be Tina Tolbert, drama director at FWBBC.

Bro. Kevin Flannagin gave a Mission Shares Program update. He state that the Florida state works are doing well. We are not meeting our budget at this time, so he challenged everyone to please give sacrificially.

The Alabama Children's Home report was also given by Bro. Kevin. The new buildings and grounds look great. He told everyone to go visit sometime.

Beulah FWB Church Missions 2002 Team trip was reported on. 12 people were able to go and work. They distributed tracts. Everyone shared a testimony about how it changed their lives. Much thanks were given to the district for their contribution.

Kelli Flannagin traveled with "Academy of Arts." It is a drama and song touring group. She shared her experiences with us, and also thanked the district for their financial help.

Bro. Danny Conn shared the needs for help with the 2003 National Convention in Tampa, Florida. He asked for all who will be able to attend to please offer their services to help at the convention.

Our meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Conn, Clerk

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

September 7, 2002

Christian Home Free Will Baptist Church

Bro. David opened our meeting with prayer. The clerk's and treasurer's reports were read and approved.

The following items were discussed and voted on to present to the body:

Old Business:

- The Savings Account, has it been opened? Not yet.
- The Christian Worker's Conference registrations to be paid from the District Enrichment Fund. 37 will attend with the cost being \$1,665.00.

New Business:

- MSC to pay 20% of Dale Johnson's tuition to FWBBC.
- MSC to authorize that Amy Holland schedule and plan a District Youth Event. This would be an annual event and the cost would have up to a \$450.00 budget. Suggestions were to rent a church gymnasium for a lock-in.

Thank you cards were received from Kelli Flannagin and the Beulah FWB Missions 2002 team for the donations.

Our meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Conn

Clerk

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

February 7, 2003

First Free Will Baptist Church

Our meeting was opened with prayer. The Clerk's and Treasurer's reports were read and approved. The following items were discussed.

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- FWBBC Choir at Beulah March 21, service & housing needs.
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Diane Conn
Clerk

CHURCH REPORTS

	Membership	Sunday	C.T.S.	Women	Masters	Tithes
		School		Auxiliary	Men	
Beulah	347	174	50	8	0	\$166,868.14
Christian						
Home		38	36	11	0	
First						
Church	48	38	30	8		\$25,644.30
Shiloh	165	96	60	6	0	\$144,679.84
Soul's						
Harbor	44	55	16	15	18	\$63,226.45

WEST FLORIDA ASSOCIATION TREASURER'S REPORT 1/1/2002 -12/31/2002

GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT

Balance brought forward	\$ 2,981.46
Income	\$ 9,422.77
Expenses	<u>\$ 4,208.29</u>
Fund Balance	\$ 5,214.48

HOME MISSIONS FUND ACCOUNT

Balance brought forward	\$ 9,498.85
Received from Soul's Harbor	\$ 4,236.48
Received from Shiloh	\$ 5,728.68
Interest	\$ 180.26
Fund Balance	\$ 19,644.27

DISTRICT ENRICHMENT FUND

Balance brought forward	\$ 3,022.00
Income	\$ 2,398.11
Expense	<u>\$ 4,750.00</u>
Fund Balance	\$ 670.11

YOUTH FUND

Balance brought forward	\$ 3,849.90
Income	\$ 5,448.43
Expense	<u>\$ 6,918.95</u>
Fund Balance	\$ 2,379.38

MINISTERS RETIREMENT FUND

Balance brought forward	\$ 0.00
Income	\$ 878.20
Expenses	<u>\$ 878.20</u>
Fund Balance	\$ 0.00

WEST FLORIDA WOMEN ACTIVE FOR CHRIST

Balance brought forward	\$ 0.00
Income	\$ 706.31
Expense	<u>\$ 706.31</u>
Fund Balance	\$ 0.00

FUND BALANCES

GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT	\$ 5,214.48
DISTRICT ENRICHMENT ACCOUNT	\$ 670.11
YOUTH FUND ACCOUNT	\$ 2,379.38
RETIREMENT FUND ACCOUNT	\$ 0.00
HOME MISSION ACCOUNT	\$ 19,644.27
WEST FLORIDA WOMEN ACTIVE FOR CHRIST	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
Total funds	\$ 27,908.24
Bank Balance	\$ 27,908.24

CO-OP INCOME

	CO-OP AMOUNT	DUES	TOTAL
BEULAH	\$15,177.47	\$ 50.00	\$15,227.47
CHRISTIAN HOME	\$ 4,027.14	\$ 50.00	\$ 4,077.14
FIRST CHURCH	\$ 2,617.67	\$ 50.00	\$ 2,667.67
SHILOH	\$11,616.81	\$ 85.00	\$11,701.81
SOUL'S HARBOR	<u>\$ 8,333.78</u>	<u>\$ 50.00</u>	<u>\$ 8,333.78</u>
TOTAL	\$41,772.87	\$285.00	\$42,057.87

CO-OP DISTRIBUTION

STATE CO-OP	\$20,886.44
MISSION SHARE PROGRAM	\$ 5,900.00
MINISTERS RETIREMENT	\$ 878.20
WOMEN ACTIVE FOR CHRIST	<u>\$ 706.31</u>
TOTAL	\$28,370.95

West Florida Women Active For Christ

District Meeting

March 7, 2003

Soul's Harbor Free Will Baptist Church

Welcome by President Diane Conn. The 2003 District Meeting began with Congregational Singing led by Joan White. Special music by Sally Bush. Skit "Did You Ever Wonder" by the Ladies from Beulah.

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

Beulah	11	Christian Home	2
Shiloh	6	Soul's Harbor	6
Visitors	5		

M.S.C to accept delegates as read.

President appointed the following committees:

Plan of Works	Financial Committee
Appreciation Committee	

Break was taken for Committees to meet, purchase pictures, enjoy refreshments and fellowship. The meeting reconvened for business.

Secretary's Report - report was distributed. M.S.C. to accept reports as typed.

Treasurer's Report - report was distributed. M.S.C. to accept report as typed.

Old Business:

Thank you from Kelli Flannagin for WFWAC contribution in 2002 for her summer mission trip.

Thank you from the Youth at Beulah for WFWAC contribution in 2002 for their mission trip to Spain.

New Business:

Retreat - 2003. Committee appointed as follows:

Chairman	Diane Conn
Co-Chair	Pam Flannagin
Door Prizes	Juliann Lynn / Frankie Johnson
Public Relation	Lisa McCall
Food	Ann Walker
Decorations	Joan White
Registration	Lisa Cross
Music	Amy Holland

Executive Committee makes the following recommendations:

- Recommend to take the \$240.00 from the general fund to purchase 1 Missions Share for the Year 2003.
- Recommend that we take \$300.00 from the general fund and send to the WNAC Refurbishing Project. Missionary in Residence house at FWBBC.

- Recommend we take \$200.00 from the general fund and send to the WNAC operating expenses.
- Recommend we take \$200.00 from the general fund and send to Kelli Flannagin for her Summer Mission's trip with the Academy of Arts Drama Team.
- Recommend that we set aside up to \$400 to offset the cost of the tickets from the WNAC Banquet 2003 for those women from West Florida District who volunteer to be hostesses.

M.S.C. made to vote on as a whole. M.S.C.

Points of interest:

- Tangible Project for the State Meeting will be money for the Missionary in Residence House at FWBBC.
- We will not be having the Baskets sale this year, instead Edna O'Dell will be getting books from the Council on Aging to sell at the State Meeting to raise funds for the Missionary Residence House at FWBBC.
- Will need volunteers to help set up the Banquet centerpieces and be hostesses for the WNAC Banquet in Tampa.
- Are in need of sea shells for the table centerpieces and be hostesses for the WNAC Banquet 2003 – will need at the State Meeting.
- CTS Competition March 15, 2003 at Soul's Harbor FWBC.
- FWBBC Choir will be at Beulah FWBC on March 21, 2003.

Plan of works:

We, the Plan of Works committee recommend the following for 2003 for our local auxiliaries:

- Continue to support the Mission Shares Program of Florida by purchasing one or more shares, and also encourage each local to increase their share commitment this year if possible.
- Support our WAC State Budget with \$4.00/month.
- Support our National WNAC office through a one-time (annual) Emphasis offering or through monthly support. This support would be directly for the National office expenses.

M.S.C. to accept the Plan of Works recommendations.

Financial Committee Report:

We have checked the books and find that Lisa does an outstanding job. Her book total with Bank Statements. We appreciate so very much her faithfulness and diligent work with receiving and disbursing of God's money. M.S.C. to accept the report as read.

Delegates to State Meeting:

Diane Conn, Lisa Cross, Edna Caraway, Amy Holland, Debby Moore, Wendy Baker, Renee Garrett, Sally Bush.

Appreciation Report:

We would like to thank the ladies of Beulah church for their warm hospitality, words of encouragement, both in music and drama and last but certainly not least, their great, wonderful, fantastic, etc. ... FOOD!

Offering / Picture Sale - \$494.00

Closing Prayer by Pam Flannagin. M.S.C. to adjourn Business meeting.

Respectively Submitted,

Edna O'Dell

**CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE
WEST FLORIDA
ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST**

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 tenets 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. 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 III. 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 ASSOCIATION
OF FREE WILL BAPTIST
HOME MISSION BOARD**

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 its 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 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.

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