

MINUTES

of the

Sixty First Annual Session

of the

WEST FORK ASSOCIATION

of

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCHES

Held with the

Pleasant Mound Free Will Baptist Church

of

Buffalo Springs, Texas

August 29 - 31, 1950

The next annual session will be held with the
First Free Will Baptist Church of Waco, Texas,
beginning Tuesday night before the first Sunday in
September, 1951,

OFFICERS

MODERATOR: Rev. Tiff Covington, 412 Small Street, Bowie, Texas.

ASSISTANT MODERATOR: Rev. C. J. Hearron, 1114 Lewis Street, Bellmead, Texas.

CLERK: Mrs. A. F. Ferguson, Rt. 1, Box 218-A Weatherford, Texas.

TREASURER: A. J. Fielding, 2206 Vilbig Rd., Dallas, Texas.

BOARDS

HOME MISSION:

Rev. M. L. Sutton, Rt. 3, Box 75, Arlington, Texas.

Rev. C. J. Hearron, 1114 Lewis St., Bellmead, Texas.

Rev. H. Z. Cox, 1412 Beaumont, Dallas, Texas.

Bro. Wesley Broom, Rt. 2, Bellevue, Texas.

Bro. Franklin Parham, 3110 Seevers, Dallas, Texas.

Bro. W. D. Phillips, Rt. 1, Decatur, Texas.

Bro. George Wetzel, 2519 Market, Fort Worth, Texas.

DIRECTORS

FOREIGN MISSIONS: Rev. A. F. Ferguson, Rt. 1, Box 218-A, Weatherford, Texas.

YOUNG PEOPLE: Mrs. George Bassham, 2937 St. Louis, Fort Worth, Texas.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY: Mrs. Della Parham, 3110 Seevers, Dallas, Texas.

CHILDREN'S HOME: Mrs. R. E. Conner, Rt. 2, Bellevue, Texas.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Mrs. M. L. Sutton, Rt. 3, Box 75, Arlington, Texas.

COMMITTEES

CREDENTIAL: Rev. C. J. Hearron, 1114 Lewis St., Bellmead, Texas; Rev. H. Z. Cox, 1412 Beaumont, Dallas, Texas; Rev. Herbert Richards, Brownwood, Texas.

TEMPERANCE: Rev. M. L. Sutton, Rt. 3, Box 75, Arlington, Texas; Rev. A. F. Ferguson, Rt. 1, Box 218-A, Weatherford, Texas; Rev. J. A. Brooks, 2003 Prairie, Fort Worth, Texas.

RESOLUTIONS: Rev. C. J. Turrentine, Fort Worth, Texas; Rev. A. E. Marecle, Rt. 1, Lorena, Texas; Bro. A. Sullins, Waco, Texas.

OBITUARY: Mrs. Ola Moore, Bellevue, Texas; Mrs. Carrie Covington, 412 Small St., Bowie, Texas; Mrs. Myrle Jackson, Weatherford, Texas.

PROCEEDINGS

The Sixty First Annual Session of The West Fork Association of Free Will Baptist Churches, convened with the Pleasant Mound Free Will Baptist Church near Buffalo Springs, Texas, August 29-31, 1950.

Tuesday Night

The opening session began with singing led by Rev. C. J. Hearron. A welcome address by Rev. R. E. Conner, pastor of the host church. Prayer by Rev. J. A. Brooks. The moderator, Rev. Tiff Covington, called the meeting to order, after which he read Romans 12:1-5 and offered prayer. The Moderator then introduced Rev. H. Z. Cox, who had been designated to bring the introductory message. The Scripture reading was Matthew 16:13-18. After which, Rev. Cox offered prayer. Subject, "The Mission of the Church". After the message the moderator asked the host pastor to take charge. The delegates and ministers and all visitors were assigned to the homes in which they were to stay. Dismissed by prayer by Rev. H. E. Reid.

Wednesday Morning

The association reassembled at the appointed time. The singing being led by C. J. Hearron. Prayer by Mrs. Della Parham. The moderator read a verse of Scripture from one of the Psalms. The devotional was led by Rev. Herbert Richards. Scripture reading was Romans 1:1-7. Rev. H. E. Reid offered prayer. The moderator then called for the letters from the various churches. The letters were placed in the hands of the credential committee. The credential committee gave a partial report (see reports). The motion was made to receive the report and seat the delegates. Motion that the letters be read. Motion that the letters which came in late be received and the delegates seated.

The moderator appointed a pulpit committee. Those appointed were: Sisters Eva Conner, Belle Easley and Marie Bassham. The letters were read and the delegates seated, by the right hand of fellowship. The moderator announced that Rev. C. J. Hearron would bring the morning message. Dismissed for recess by Rev. Tiff Covington.

Eleven O'clock Service

The morning worship service was engaged in, with singing led by Rev. A. F. Ferguson. There was a special message in song by Sisters Collins, Easley and Rev. Hearron. Rev. Hearron then sung a solo. The moderator then presented Rev. Hearron as the speaker. The Scripture

reading was Numbers 11: 25-29. The message was based on the 29th verse. Dismissed for lunch by prayer by Rev. M. L. Sutton.

Wednesday Afternoon

The afternoon session was opened with singing led by Rev. C. J. Hearron, with prayer by Rev. R. H. Rogers. Rev. C. C. Lamb led the devotional. Scripture reading Ephesians 4:1-6. There was a request that we have a quartett of ministers sing. Those singing were Reverends Hearron, Sutton, Covington and Ferguson. The moderator then read the rules of order.

Motion that the association determine the site of the next association. Waco was chosen for the meeting place in 1951. Rev. M. L. Sutton was chosen to bring the introductory message. Rev. J. L. Foreman as alternate. The officers were elected as follows.

Moderator: Rev. Tiff Covington. Assistant moderator: Rev. C. J. Hearron. Clerk: Mrs. A. F. Ferguson,

Motion that we retain Rev. A. J. Fjelding as treasurer.

Motion to receive the report of the director of home missions. Motion that an ammendment be made. Ammendment: That a committee be appointed with Rev. C. J. Hearron as chairman. This committee to work out a plan for home missions, and this plan be presented to the association for consideration. The ammendment was accepted and Rev. R. E. Conner, Rev. M. L. Sutton were appointed to serve with Brother Hearron. Because it was necessary for Brother Conner to be absent, Rev. A. F. Ferguson was appointed to serve in his place. The report and recommendation of the director of Home Missions was accepted. (See Reports.)

Motion that a letter of recommendation be granted to the Midland Free Will Baptist Church in order that they may unite with another association or group of churches in organizing another association.

Rev. A. Hudson and Rev. H. Z. Cox were appointed to serve with Brother Wesley Broom on the Temperance Committee.

Motion that the chair appoint a Program Committee for our next session. Those appointed were Rev. R. E. Conner, Sister Dorothy Wolf and A. G. McLain.

Motion that the chair appoint a Revision Committee to revise the constitution. This to be presented to the association while in its next session. Those appointed were Rev. M. L. Sutton, W. D. Phillips, and Wesley

Broom.

Motion that the chair appoint delegates to the state association. Those appointed were Brothers Dick Avery, Burt Byrd, W. D. Phillips, A. J. Laird, C. M. Maxwell, Franklin Parham, A. B. Jenkins, Charlie May, Jeff Easley, Arnold Reeder and Sisters Walter Rancher, Sylvia Burks and Julia Jackson. Each delegate was given the right to appoint an alternate.

Report of director of Children's Home read and accepted. (See Reports.)

Motion that the quarterly meeting be moved one week early, which will be Friday night before the fourth Sunday in October. This was done because the regular time was too close to the time of the State Association.

Motion to receive the report of director of Foreign Missions.

Motion that we adjourn our afternoon session. Dismissed by prayer by Rev. Tiff Covington.

Wednesday Evening

The congregation was led in a song service by Rev. C. J. Hearron. Brother Ballard led in prayer. The ministers were called to the altar by the moderator and a prayer of thanksgiving was offered by Rev. R. E. Conner, for the manifestation of God's great love, grace and answer to prayer in the recent past. Rev. A. F. Ferguson brought the devotional. Scripture reading 2 Thess. 3:1-7. Special messages were given in songs by the men's and the ladies' quartett of the host church. Rev. C. J. Hearron sang a solo.

Rev. M. L. Sutton brought the message of the hour. His Scripture reading was 1 Samuel 7:1-12. Rev. A. Hudson dismissed in prayer.

Thursday Morning

Song service was led by C. J. Hearron. Scripture reading and prayer by moderator. The Scripture reading was Heb. 12:1-3. The devotional was led by Rev. J. L. Foreman. Scripture reading was Luke 18:10.

The treasurer's report was read and received.

Motion to receive the report of the director of Women's Auxiliary.

The moderator appointed the directors. They are: Foreign Missions, Rev. A. F. Ferguson; Women's Work, Mrs. Della Parham; Children's Home, Mrs. R. E. Conner; Young People, Mrs. Marie Bassham; Sunday School, Mrs. M. L. Sutton.

Report of the committee on Home Missions was

read. Motion that the report be discussed.

Motion that we adopt the report of the Home Mission Committee, and that a collection be received immediately. The offering received amounted to \$50.00. Pledges were made which amounted to \$110.00. This to be paid before January 1, 1951.

Those elected to serve on the Home Mission Board were: Rev. M. L. Sutton, Rev. C. J. Hearron, Rev. H. Z. Cox, Bro. Franklin Parham, Bro. Wesley Broom, Bro. W. D. Phillips and Bro. George Wetzel. Motion that the moderator appoint proxies to serve in the absence of those on the Home Mission Board, so that it would be possible for them to meet and organize and present their report to the association before adjournment. Rev. Tiff Covington dismissed by prayer.

After a brief recess the assembly engaged in the morning worship service. Rev. A. F. Ferguson led the song service. Prayer by Rev. C. J. Turrentine. The message was delivered by Rev. J. A. Brooks. Scripture reading Eph. 3:8-20. At the close of the message the assembly was dismissed by prayer by Rev. A. J. Fielding.

Thursday Afternoon

Singing was led by Rev. C. J. Hearron. Prayer by Mrs. A. Hudson. Rev. J. E. Marecle led the devotional. His Scripture reading was 1 Peter 1:3-8.

Motion to receive the report of the Temperance Committee. (See Reports.)

Motion to receive the recommendations which were submitted by the Home Mission Board. (See Reports.)

Motion to receive the oral report of the director of Sunday School, with the promise of a written report. (See reports.)

Motion to receive the report of the Resolution Committee. (See Reports.)

Motion that a letter form, such as would be suitable for the churches to use to report to the association, be made. Motion that the clerk draw up this form.

Motion that this association meet one hour early on Tuesday night in order that the organization may be perfected on Tuesday night.

Motion that this association grant Wednesday afternoon to the Women's Auxiliary.

The chairman of the Obituary Committee read the report and requested that the pastor of each of the churches of the deceased offer prayer. The report was accepted. (See Reports.)

Motion that the chair appoint two members to work with the director of young people in regard to a youth camp. Rev. Herbert Richards and Norman Ferguson were appointed.

There was a request for a volunteer worker from each church to work for and boost the Sunday School work and to promote a District Sunday School Convention. Several responded.

The committees were appointed. Those appointed were: Credential; Rev. C. J. Hearron, Rev. H. Z. Cox and Rev. Herbert Richards. Temperance; Rev. M. L. Sutton, Rev. A. F. Ferguson and Rev. J. A. Brooks. Resolutions; Rev. C. J. Turrentine, Rev. J. E. Marecle and Bro. A. Sullins. Obituary; Sisters Ola Moore, Carrie Covington and Myrle Jackson.

Motion that this association make a request to our president asking that he call this nation to prayer for peace.

The minutes were read and approved and the clerk was authorized to have the minutes printed.

Motion to adjourn. The moderator, Rev. Tiff Covington dismissed in prayer.

REV. TIFF COVINGTON, Moderator.

MRS. A. F. FERGUSON, Clerk.

CHURCH LETTERS

NEW SALEM FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH of Decatur, Texas to the West Fork Association when convened with the Pleasant Mound Free Will Baptist Church of Buffalo Springs, Texas.

Greetings: We send as delegates to represent us, Sisters A. L. Hudson, Anderson and Bro. Lloyd Lamar. Whom we pray you to seat to aid you in your godly deliberations. We are in perfect harmony. We now have church and Sunday School every Sunday. We have paid our pastor \$600.00, bought a church bus; we have paid foreign missions \$17.00, orphanage \$25.00. We have raised \$1161.22 this year. We have had 5 additions to the church, dismissed three by letter, baptized three. We have a good Sunday School with five teachers. Rev. A. L. Hudson is our only ordained minister we ask that he be granted a card. We have three deacons; W. D. Phillips, J. W. Taylor and Fred Anderson all of Decatur. We value our church property at \$5,000.00 all paid for. We have 45 resident members and 20 non resident members. For

deaths, sick rooms and poor of our church and community we have spent \$42.50. Our pastor for the year is Rev. A. L. Hudson, Bowie, Texas. We send \$5.00 to the association. We ask the association to meet with us in 1951.

Done by order of the New Salem Church when in conference August 27, 1950.

REV. A. L. HUDSON, Pastor.

W. D. PHILLIPS, Clerk

FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH of Weatherford, Texas to the West Fork Association when convened with the Pleasant Mound Church of Buffalo Springs, Texas.

Greetings: We send as delegates our beloved Sisters Myrle Jackson, Wanda Howell and Louise Jackson, whom we pray you will receive to aid you in your godly deliberations. State religion fair. Members received this year were 13. By baptism 8. By statement 5. Total membership 90. Regular residential members 40. Dismissed 5.

Sunday School: Condition of Sunday School is fair. Enrollment 60. Officers 2. Classes 8. Number of cards and letters 1728. Average grade 58. Total offering \$484.99. Transferred to general church treasury \$484.99.

Financial Report: Received from Sunday School \$484.99. Received from church offerings \$1,224.47. Received from building rental \$455.00. Received refund from State Sunday School Convention \$4.80. Received from special offerings \$576.44. Paid pastor \$1405.00. Paid janitor \$52.00. Paid foreign missions \$7.50. Paid unified program \$7.00. Paid Children's Home \$18.00. Radio time \$260.00. Visiting minister \$59.94. Evangelists \$224.00. Miscellaneous expenses \$587.27. Amount brought forward last year \$110.50. Total offerings of year \$2,745.70. Total expenses of year \$2,620.71. Net gain \$124.99. Balance on hand \$235.49. Done by the order of the church when in regular conference August 23, 1950. Enclosed \$5.00 for association.

Ministers of our church are: Rev. A. F. Ferguson, Rev. Jesssie Ferguson, Rt. 1, Box 218-A, Rev. Verda Walker, 316 Eureka, Rev. Jewel Brandon, 705 Bois d'Arc Weatherford, Texas, Deacon Leslie Harley.

A. F. FERGUSON, Moderator.

MATTIE JACKSON, Clerk.

FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH of Bowie, Texas to West Fork Association when convened with the

Pleasant Mound Church of Buffalo Springs.

Greetings: We send as delegates our beloved Sisters Virgie Harris, Nellie Covington and Bonnie Godfry, whom we pray you will receive to sit with you to aid you in your godly deliberations. State of religion good. Sunday School fair. Prayer meeting fair. Members received this year 20. By baptism 9. Number dismissed 4. Total membership 50. Paid visiting ministers \$145.00. Paid pastor \$720.00. Paid on church building and improvements \$850.00. Publications and miscellaneous expenses \$10.00. We send \$5.00 for minutes. Done by order of the church when assembled in conference August 23, 1950.

REV. TIFF COVINGTON, Moderator.

MRS. L. R. AVERY, Clerk.

FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH of Waco, Texas to the West Fork Association when convened with the Pleasant Mound Church of Buffalo Springs, Texas.

Greetings: We send as delegates our beloved Sisters Mrs. Rancher, Mrs. A. Sullins, and Bro. White, whom we pray you to receive to aid you in your godly deliberations. State of religion good. Members received this year 3. Number dismissed 1. Total membership 53. Sunday School fair. Enrollment 30. Average attendance 20. Number of officers 2. Number of classes 3. Paid pastor \$737.00. Paid foreign missions \$9.00. Total offerings this year \$1446.13. Balance on hand \$342.12. Amount enclosed for minutes \$5.00. Pastor's name and address Rev. J. E. Marecle, Rt. 2, Lorena, Texas. We recommend the following ministers from our church Rev. J. E. Marecle and C. J. Hearron. We invite the association to meet with us in 1951. Our church is located at 1901 S. 12th St. Done by order of the church when in conference.

REV. J. E. MARECLE, Moderator.

MRS. J. E. MARECLE, Clerk.

The Church of God, known as the Trinity Free Will Baptist Church, worshipping at 2320 Azle Avenue, Fort Worth, Texas to the West Fork Association of Free Will Baptist Churches when convened with the Pleasant Mound Free Will Baptist Church of Buffalo Springs, Texas August 29-31, 1950.

Greetings: Beloved, we send to you as messengers from our church, our beloved Sisters M. L. Sutton, Marie Bassham and H. R. Bates, whom we pray you to receive to sit with you and to aid you in your godly deliberations.

The following is a report of our work for the associational year.

The Church

Total membership 152. Members received 22; by letters 13, by statement 1, by baptism 7. Dismissed 3. No deaths. Number of services held 64. Number of revivals sponsored 1. Number of prayer meetings 52. Total collections \$6,048.48. Paid pastor \$2,685.00, building and repairs \$3,206.45. Incidentals \$207.23, foreign missions \$12.28, Children's Home \$56.79, stationery and supplies \$321.39, miscellaneous expense \$1,178.09. Total expenditure \$7,667.23. Balance \$220.21. Value of church property \$40,000.00.

The Sunday School

Total enrollment 154. New members 77. Number added to the church from the Sunday School 20; by baptism 7, by letter 13. Number of departments 7. Number of classes 12. Number of officers 2. Number of teachers 13. Average attendance 96. Amount of offering \$5,681.00. Average grade 56%. Number of visits made 2,912. Number of phone calls 1,144. Number of cards and letters 936.

The League

Total enrollment 19. Number of leagues 2. Number of officers 4. Average attendance 12. Amount of offering \$1.60. Average grade 60%.

Remarks: Our league has been organized less than six months. We hope to have a far better report next year.

The Women's Auxiliary

Total enrollment 12. Number of active members 12. Number of circles 1. Number of meetings held 37. Amount of dues collected \$18.00. Collected from various other enterprises \$739.47. Paid out \$729.00. Balance \$28.47. Number of visits made 261. Number of phone calls 59. Number of cards and letters 25.

Name and address of Sunday School Superintendent.

George A. Wetzel, 2519 Market, Fort Worth, Texas.

Name and address of League Director.

Mrs. Elsie Mae Wetzel, 2519 Market, Fort Worth, Texas.

Name and address of Women's Auxiliary President.

Mrs. M. L. Sutton, Rt. 3, Box 75, Arlington, Texas.

Name and addresses of church officers.

Pastor; Rev. M. L. Sutton, Rt. 3, Box 75, Arlington, Texas.

Clerk: Mrs. Marcia Allen, 4844 Ohio Garden Rd., Fort Worth, Texas.

Treasurer; Mr. C. B. Wier, Sr., 2701 N. W., 24th St., Fort Worth, Texas.

The church most cordially invites the Association to meet with us in 1951.

Done by order of the church when in called conference August 27, 1950.

M. L. SUTTON, Pastor.

MARCIA ALLEN, Clerk.

BONNIE VIEW FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH of Dallas, Texas to the West Fork Association when convened with the Pleasant Mound Free Will Baptist Church of Buffalo Springs, Texas.

We send as delegates our beloved Brothers A. J. Fielding, Billie Fielding and Sister Fannie Howard, whom we pray you will receive to sit with you to aid you in your godly deliberations. State of religion good. Sunday School good. Ladies' Auxiliary good.

Sunday School enrollment 21. Officers 2. Teachers 3. Offering \$1563.55. Expenses for the year \$1,300.55. Total collection for the year \$1,563.55. Church membership 28. Number joining this year 8. Value of church property \$6,000.00. Ministers belonging to our church, Rev. A. J. Fielding, 2206 Vilbig Rd., Dallas, Texas; T. W. Nelson, 1409 Penn St., Dallas, Texas; Rev. W. V. Kennedy, 4932 Columbia Ave., Dallas, Texas. We recommend Rev. A. J. Fielding and Rev. W. V. Kennedy for minister's cards. Deacons of the church are Brothers Howell, Stephens, Dale Smith and C. W. Maxwell. We enclose \$5.00 for minutes.

REV. A. J. FIELDING, Moderator.

MRS. OLLIE DAVIS, Clerk.

SOUTH SIDE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH of Comanche, Texas to the West Fork Association when convened with the Pleasant Mound Free Will Baptist Church of Buffalo Springs, Texas.

We send as delegates Sister Byrd, June Bachman and Brother Byrd, whom we pray you will receive to sit with you to aid you in your godly deliberations. State of religion fair. Sunday School good. Number of officers 3. Teachers 3. Number of pupils 34. Average attendance 25. Church membership 36. Received by statement 1. Total offerings received this year \$373.45. Paid out \$172.50. Paid evangelist \$30.00. Orphans home \$24.00. Foreign missions \$18.38. Bible College \$36.00. Value of church property \$2,000.00. We send \$5.00 for fees. Names of ministers belonging to our church Rev. W. H. Richards,

Brownwood, Texas, pastor; Rev. R. H. Rogers, Mrs. Mae Rogers, both of Comanche, Texas, Box 740. We recommend that our ministers receive cards. Deacons belonging to our church Brothers A. E. Benson and Bert Byrd. Done by order of the church August 15, 1950.

W. H. RICHARDS, Moderator.

R. H. ROGERS, Clerk.

FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH of Fort Worth, Texas to the West Fork Association when convened with the Pleasant Mound Free Will Baptist Church.

Greetings: We send as delegates our beloved Sister Bill Reeder, and Sister Edith Brooks to represent the church, whom we pray you to receive to sit with you to aid you in your godly deliberations.

Condition of the church, good; prayer meeting, fair; Sunday School, good; League, good; Women's Auxiliary, good.

Members received this year, 20; by baptism, 7; by letter, 2; by statement, 11. Number of members dismissed, 3. Number of members deceased, 2—Mrs. Belle Hodges and Mrs. A. L. Gardner. Number of resident members, 153. Number of non-resident members, 77. Total membership, 225. Number of services held, 104. Number of prayer meetings, 58; revivals, 1; amount of offerings, \$90.00.

Sunday School: Number enrolled, 124; number of officers, 2; number of teachers, 7; number of departments, 7; average attendance, 85; average class grade, 78. Amount of offerings, \$3,436.86.

League: Number enrolled, 40; number of officers, 3; average grade, 82; amount of offerings, \$60.25.

Women's Auxiliary: Number of active members, 27; inactive, 8; total membership, 35. Number of circles, 1; number of meetings held, 50; dues collected, \$58.50; amount of special offering, \$140.00; number of special meetings, 3.

Financial Report: Total amount collected, \$5,410.86; amount paid to pastor, \$2,155.00; evangelistic work, \$90.00; building and repairs, \$2,040.00; foreign missions, \$52.00 Children's Home, \$78.00; other expenses, \$995.86; total expenditures, \$5,410.86; balance in treasury, none.

Value of church building and equipment, \$17,000. Value of parsonage, \$9,000.

Pastor's name and address: Rev. J. A. Brooks, 2003 Prairie Ave., Fort Worth, Texas. Name and address of church clerk: Mrs. Emma Eagleton, 2114 Columbus Ave.,

Fort Worth, Texas.

Ordained ministers belonging to our church: Rev. J. A. Brooks, H. C. St. John, Jack Turrentine, Joe Haney and C. C. Parris. Inactive, Mr. Frank Bennett.

Deacons belonging to our church: Brothers J. W. Kirk, Jim Eudy, E. E. Eagleton, Sr., Gee Moore, George Dearing, Bill Reeder, H. H. Killough, Jack Lucas, W. W. Killough, Doc. Baber, June Holding, Cliff Nicholes, Floyd Eudy.

Enclosed is \$6.00. Done by order of the church in called conference August 16, 1950. We recommend that our active ministers receive minister's cards.

REV. J. A. BROOKS, Moderator.

MRS. EMMA, EAGLETON, Clerk.

DOTT FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH to the West Fork Association when convened with the Pleasant Mound Free Will Baptist Church of Buffalo Springs, Texas. Condition of Sunday School, good; number enrolled, 63; officers, 2; classes, 4; teachers, 4; total membership of church, 75. Resident members, 30; non-resident members, 45; received by baptism, 6; by letter, 4; dismissed, 1. Number of services a month, 4; sponsored, 1. Received from Sunday School \$160.00; paid pastor, \$240.00; paid evangelist, \$106.00; home missions \$9.50; foreign missions, \$9.00; building and repairs, \$30.00; Sunday School supplies, \$30.00; benevolence, \$10.00; value of church property, \$800.00. We send \$5.00 for the association. Deacons: Brothers O. M. Martin, Jim Marecle and Leroy Conaway. Pastor, Rev. Joe Haney; church clerk, Mrs. Bernard Phelps. Done by order of the church assembled in conference August 27, 1950.

BROTHER O. M. MARTIN, Moderator.

MRS. BERNARD PHELPS, Clerk.

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH of Denison, Texas to the West Fork Association when convened with the Pleasant Mound Church of Buffalo Springs, Texas.

Greetings: We send as delegates from our church Sisters Faye Fulce and Sheila Sampson, whom we pray you to receive to sit with you and aid you in your godly deliberations. The following is a report of our church for the fiscal year of August 1949 to 1950. State of religion, good; average number in Sunday School, 38; officers, 5; teachers, 4; members received this year, 10; non-resident members, 8; residential members, 38; total membership, 46.

Financial Report: Paid pastor, \$902.41; paid foreign

missions, \$8.31; paid Children's Home, \$44.07; paid for literature, \$26.89; building and repair, \$22.24; incidentals, \$114.37; other expenses \$298.15; value of church and equipment, \$5,000.00; value of parsonage, \$3,000.00. Enclosed is \$5.00 for fees.

We recommend for minister's cards; Rev. W. H. Coonrod and Rev. J. W. Fulce.

Deacons of our church are: W. L. Fulce, L.L. Brouer, J. D. Higgins and L. D. Andrews.

Ministers names and addresses, Rev. Bob Sampson, 208 W. Acheson St., Denison, Texas; Rev. W. H. Coonrod, 617 Acheson, Denison, Texas. Pastor's name and address, Rev. J. W. Fulce, 409 W. Washington, Denison, Texas; clerk, Mrs. Cora Norie, 607 W. Munson, Denison, Texas. Done by the order of the church when in regular conference this 26th day of August 1950.

REV. J. W. FULCE, Moderator.

MRS. CORA NORIE, Clerk.

FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH of Comanche, Texas to the West Fork Association of Free Will Baptist Churches when convened with the Pleasant Mound Free Will Baptist Church of Buffalo Springs, Texas.

State of religion, good; members received, 2; by letter, 1; baptized, 1; dismissed, 2; total membership, 53. Condition of prayer meeting, good; condition of Sunday School, good; number enrolled, 24; number of officers, 3; number of teachers, 4; paid pastor, \$248.59; evangelist, \$40.00; building and repairs, \$34.00; foreign missions, \$10.00; Children's Home, \$15.00; miscellaneous expenditures, \$67.00; total income \$429.04; total expenses, \$424.59.

We recommend that Rev. M. R. Gaines be given a minister's card. Names of deacons, Jess Williams, S. H. Hughes and Raymond Lane. We send \$5.00 for minutes. Done by order of church when in conference August 27, 1950.

M. R. GAINES, Moderator.

WYONA GAINES, Clerk.

FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH of Dallas, Texas to the West Fork Association when convened with the Pleasant Mound Free Will Baptist Church of Buffalo Springs, Texas.

We send greetings. We send as delegates our beloved Sisters Della Parham, Artell Cox and Catherine Simons, whom we pray you to receive to sit with you to aid you in your godly deliberations. State of religion, good; members received this year, 28; by statement, 14;

by letter, 3; by baptism, 11; dismissed, 4; total membership, 105. Condition of prayer meeting, good; Sunday School, good; number enrolled, 75; average attendance, 68; officers, 2; teachers, 6. Paid pastor, \$2,180.00; paid evangelist, \$100.00; home missions, \$26.00; building and repairs, \$1,381.00; literature, \$25.00; unified program, \$25.00; received this year, \$4,177.87; paid out, \$4,346.08.

Ladies' Auxiliary: Number of members, 23; held 35 meetings; took in \$173.10; spent \$154.65; balance on hand, \$18.45. We have Sunday School every Sunday, church services every Sunday morning and night; prayer meeting each Wednesday night. We have had two revivals this year. We pledge our support to whoever the association calls for home mission work. We wish to invite the next association to meet with us in '51. We wish to recommend the following ministers for cards: Rev. H. Z. Cox, 1412 Beaumont St., Dallas, Texas; Rev. L. J. Foreman, 2109 Gould, Dallas, Texas; Rev. J. W. Guthrie, 405 Duncanville, Dallas, Texas; Rev. Allen Gibson, Rt. 6, Box 400, Farmers Branch.

Deacons belonging to our church: Brothers F. E. Walling, D. F. Parham, Ed Atwood and Erman Clontz. We enclose \$5.00 done by order of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Dallas when in conference August 2, 1950.

REV. H. Z. COX, Moderator.

MRS. ODIS SIMONS, Clerk.

GARTMANS VIEW FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH to the West Fork Association when convened with the Pleasant Mound Free Will Baptist Church of Buffalo Springs, Texas.

Greetings: We send as delegates our beloved Sisters Belle Easley, Grace Collins and Owassa Taylor. State of religion, good. Members received this year, 8; by letter, two; by baptism, 6; number died, 2—Brother Bowers and Dick Brooks. Dismissed, 3; total membership of church, 182. We have good interest in Sunday School with 85 on roll and an average of 40 in attendance. Number of teachers, 5; officers, 3; classes, 5.

Total offering \$967.25; paid pastor, \$470.50; paid evangelist, \$126.00; paid visiting ministers, \$44.00; paid foreign missions, \$21.56; home missions, \$12.56; orphanage, \$7.31; paid for flowers \$12.00; repairs and improvements on building, \$18.00; total expenses, \$789.00; balance on hand \$113.92; number of services held, 65; number of revivals, one. We have Wednesday night prayer meeting

with good interest. Value of church property, \$6000.00; amount enclosed, \$5.00. Name of pastor, Rev. C. J. Hearron, 1114 Lewis, Bellmead, Texas. Liscensed minister, Rev. Ted Patton, Comanche, Texas. Names of deacons, Brothers W. A. Irby, P. J. Easley, Ted Patton, W. B. McGuire and C. B. McGuire. Done by order of the church when in conference August 26, 1950.

REV. C. J. HEARRON, Moderator.

SISTER MONTIE BRINSON, Church Clerk.

Comanche, Texas, Rt. 1.

FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH of Midland, Texas to the West Fork Association when convened with the Pleasant Mound Free Will Baptist Church of Buffalo Springs, Texas.

Greetings in Jesus name: We send as delegates our beloved Brethren Bert S. Only and Joe Denton whom we pray you will receive to aid you in your godly deliberations. State of religion, good. Numbers received this year, by baptism, 12; by statement, 13; by letter, 6; dismissed, 3; dropped from roll, 4; total membership, 40. Prayer meeting, good; number enrolled in Sunday School, 55. Average attendance, 47; classes, 5; teachers, 5; officers, 2. Total offerings transferred to general fund; \$200.00; received from Sunday School, \$288.54; received from church offerings, \$1440.00; miscellaneous offerings, \$75.00; total in church treasury, \$185.00; value of church property, \$5000.00; paid pastor, \$840.00. Our church is young but we have a great work, we have recently added 12 feet to our auditorium; also have added a baptistry and three class rooms at a total cost of \$1400.00, which we are indeed thankful for. We are thankful also that God called one of our young men into the ministry. Deacons in our church are Brother Burt S. Only, 1001 S. Terrell, Midland, Texas; W. F. Medart, 701 West Penn St. Midland, Texas; Dalton Brown, 1409 S. Weatherford St. Midland, Texas; Earnest C. Brookshire, 910 N. Whittaker St. Midland, Texas; Pastor, Rev. J. A. C. Hughes, Rt: 1 Midland, Texas; Treasurer, Brother Dalton Brown, 1409 South Weatherford Street, Midland, Texas; Clerk, Mrs. Giola M. Onley, 1001 South Terrel, Midland, Texas.

We the First Free Will Baptist Church of Midland wish to withdraw from the West Fork Association to organize another Association.

We recommend that Rev. J. A. C. Hughes be granted a minister's card. Enclosed is \$5.00.

REV. J. A. C. HUGHES, Moderator

MRS. GIOLA M. ONLEY, Clerk.

PLEASANT MOUND FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
to the West Fork Association when convened with the Pleasant Mound Church: Greetings: We send as delegates our beloved, Claude H. Ford, Beverly Nan Treadwell and Jess Lamb; whom we pray you will receive to sit with you in your Godly deliberations. Condition of the church good, Services every Saturday night. Attendance at prayer meeting fair. Sunday School fair. Enrollment 70.. Average attendance 50. Officers 4. Teachers 5. Classes 5.

We have a splendid Ladies Auxiliary, 35 enrolled, 446 sick calls made and 132 social calls. Sent flowers 93 times, sent 197 cards, also 195 covered dishes. Group reports 1363 chapters read. Amount of dues and offerings collected, \$127.48. Disbursements, Children's Home \$10.00 Work on church, \$86.98. Song books, \$10.00. Balance on hand, \$9.84.

Total membership, 185; resident members, 65; non-resident members 120; received this year, 4; by statement 2; by baptism, 2; number dismissed 9; number deceased, 1, Brother H. F. Lovern. Financial report: Paid pastor \$1,175.00; paid to evangelist \$100.02; paid for building and repair, \$114.66; paid for supplies, \$220.41; paid to Children's Home, \$16.09; paid to foreign missions, \$25.00; paid to home missions, \$3.66; paid to Association, \$15.00; miscellaneous expenses, \$185.24; total income \$1,923.72; total expense \$1,855.28; balance in treasury, \$68.44; value of church property, \$5,000.00.

Deacons belonging to our church, J. W. Broom, J. M. Inman, Ben White, L. J. White, Johnnie Treadwell and Jesse Jones.

Pastor's name and address; Rev. R. E. Conner, Rt. 2, Bellevue, Texas, whom we recommend for a minister's card. Church clerk, Mrs. Ola Moore, Rt. 1, Bellevue, Texas.

REV. R. E. CONNER, Moderator,
MRS. OLA MOORE, Clerk.

FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH of Denton, Texas, to the West Fork Association when convened with the Pleasant Mound Free Will Baptist Church.

We send as delegates our beloved Brother and Sister A. G. McLain and Sister Margret Reid, whom we pray you to receive to sit with you and to aid you in your Godly deliberations.

State of religion good. Members received this year

50; by letter 43; by baptism 7; one member deceased, Sister John Bennett; total church membership 50. All are residents in our church location. We have held 32 services. Two revivals and are in our third one. Thursday night prayer meeting, good; Sunday School, good; enrolled 72; classes 5; teachers 5; officers 3; total amount collected by the Sunday School \$376.50; church treasury \$242.25; paid out for pastor \$40.00 a month from offerings on Sunday nights. Paid for piano \$135.00; rent \$240.00; payments on lot \$240.00; paid for lights \$25.00; paid evangelist \$150.96; for church seats \$39.00; Foreign Missions \$5.00; other expenses \$40.00. Total expenses \$922.21. Balance in treasury \$7.05. Value of church equipment, \$750.00. We inclose, \$5.00 for the Association.

We have just organized our women's auxiliary, August 24, 1950; number enrolled 18; Sister Reid is our president; deacons names, Brothers John Bennett, R. L. Laird and E. O. Teague; Pastor's name and address; Rev. H. E. Reid, 1013 Johnson St., Denton, Texas; other ministers Rev. A. D. McKay, 2527 Louise St., Denton, Texas and Rev. C. B. Kirby, Denton, Texas, these we recommend for minister's cards.

REV. H. E. REID, Moderator,

MRS. J. A. LAIRD, Clerk.

1115 McCormick, Denton, Tex.

REPORTS

OBITUARY: We, your committee, wish to submit the following report: Gartmans View, 2; First Church of Fort Worth, 2; Denton, 1; Pleasant Mound, 1; and Denison, 1. We wish to extend our sympathy to the bereaved and ask God's blessing on the friends and loved ones.

Respectfully Submitted

Brother A. Sullins,

Belle Easley,

Ethel Brady.

TEMPERANCE: We the Temperance Committee of the West Fork Association of Free Will Baptists recommend the following:

1. That we, as Free Will Baptists use our influence against all intemperance. Especially intoxicating beverages and all worldly amusements which hinder spiritual growth.

2. We also recommend that the ministry and the laity of the Free Will Baptist Church avoid, when possible, all business relations with firms or business which use, handle or endorse intoxicating beverages.

J. W. Broom,
A. L. Hudson,
H. Z. Cox.

RESOLUTION: Be it resolved that each family in the bounds of this association be urged to subscribe to the Free Will Baptist Gem and that each church have a reporter to report to our paper each month, also order one of our new treaties.

A. F. Ferguson,
Julia Brouer,
Effie Brock.

FOREIGN MISSIONS: Report of the Director of Foreign Missions. This is only a partial report of the work in this Association. According to given reports there has been \$203.23 contributed to Foreign Missions. May we strive to carry the Gospel to other lands. May we support our missionaries by our money and prayers.

Yours for lost souls,
Rev. A. F. Ferguson.

HOME MISSIONS: Report of Director of Home Missions. Six churches have reported giving \$139.52 to the cause of home missions. This is undoubtedly an incomplete report, but it is the best that could be obtained. Your Director of Home Missions recommends that the Association put some plan in motion to further the effort of Home Missions.

Your humble servant,
Clarence J. Hearron.

Your Committee on Home Missions recommends the following:

1. That this Association appoint a Mission Board composed of three ministers and four layman with authority to raise funds for the purpose of starting Free Will Baptist Churches in new territories and with authority to supervise such work.

2. That this board be granted authority to appoint a missionary to work under their supervision, when sufficient funds have been raised.

3. That this board be granted authority to use the media of the press, radio, or any other media to inform the people of the Free Will Baptist doctrine, faith and practice.

Committee,
C. J. Hearron,
A. F. Ferguson,
M. L. Sutton.

Report of Director of Women's Work: We are happy to report that the Women's Auxiliary Work is moving along. God has richly blessed every effort that has been put forth in this work. Our membership has more than doubled. In 1949 we had 60 members, this year we have 144 members. Last year \$212.80 was put into the Lord's work by the women of this Association. This year our records show \$1217.67, with a balance of \$79.22 in the treasury. Sick calls 446, visits 528, phone calls 232, cards 404, letters 15. Chapters read 1360, Covered dishes and cakes 262. The women helped with vacation Bible school; gifts, fruits and showers were given to shut-ins. One Auxiliary bought a rug for their local church; another one helped to buy song books and paid for repairs on their church; another bought clothing for each child in the home at Christmas and Easter. They also visited the veterans' hospital. Another Auxiliary fixed up a nursery and bought ferns and pot plants for their church; also books for the church library. We praise the Lord for the progress that is being made in the auxiliary work, but we cannot say it is enough yet. Seven churches out of sixteen is still a small ratio. Let us pray and work more for the glory of God and may our report in 1951 even greater than in 1950.

Prayerfully Submitted,

Mrs. Della Parham.

CHILDREN'S HOME: Report of director of the children's home. The home is growing. We have twenty-seven children. The Lord is blessing the work there. May we all support it in every way possible. Visit the home, you will receive a blessing. Here are some of the things that are generally needed; corn, cotton seed meal, canned food, fence posts, lumber for the tables, folding chairs, geese and turkeys, linens and clothing. Boys' sizes are from four to fifteen. Girls' sizes are six to fifteen.

We had such short time to plan Brother Weatherman's itinerary, we couldn't contact all the churches, but you who saw the pictures enjoyed it very much and received a blessing.

This is what the churches have given. Gartmans View, \$40.00; first church Comanche, \$15.00; South Side church Comanche, \$17.00; 10 gallons honey, 2 gallons of syrup, 3 dozen cans food, 1 box clothing. Trinity church Fort Worth, \$28.00. Pleasant Mound church, \$16.00. Ladies' Auxiliary, \$10.00. Bowie church, \$26.00. Weath-

erford church, \$18.00. Rev. A. F. Ferguson \$10.00.
 Bonnie View church, Dallas, \$1.00. Two boxes clothing.
 First church, Dallas, \$30.00 and some clothes and quilts.
 Denison church, \$44.07. One box clothing and toys.
 New Salem church, \$25.00. First church, Fort Worth,
 \$28.00. Ladies' auxiliary, \$10.00. Christmas box, set of
 socks and under wear for each child. Easter box, trousers
 and sports shirts for each boy and a Sunday dress for
 each girl. Waco church, \$26.00 and one box of clothing.
 Total in cash \$353.07.

Respectfully submitted,
 Mrs. R. E. Conner.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Cash received at Association, 1949, Sept. 2,	\$65.00	
Cash received from Brother Inman	\$110.58	
	\$175.58	\$175.58
Cash received from First Church of Dallas	10.00	
" " " Weatherford Church ..	10.00	
" " " Waco Church	10.00	
" " " First Church Comanche	5.00	
" " " Bowie Church	5.00	
" " " First Church Ft. Worth	10.00	
" " " Bonnie View Church	5.00	
" " " Gartmans View Church	10.00	
" " " S. Side Ch. Comanche	5.00	
" " " New Salem Ch. Decatur	10.00	
	\$80.00	\$80.00
		\$255.58
Paid to Trinity Church, Fort Worth, to help bear the expense of the State Association	80.00	
Minutes, Feb. 20th, 1950	60.00	
Associational dues	20.00	
	\$160.00	\$160.00
		\$ 95.90

Report of Director of Sunday School: Since records
 prove that the Sunday School is the longest arm of the
 church we have with which to reach the unsaved, also
 to build our churches. BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That each church delegate take a renewed zeal
 to promote their Sunday School, taking every opportunity.
 With a zeal also to get a West Fork Sunday School Con-
 vention organized.

2. That each pastor of our sixteen churches appoint
 or call for volunteers from his Sunday School to work
 our Sunday School Director, Mrs. M. L. Sutton, to carry

out any suggestions thereby given to build Sunday Schools.
Prayerfully and respectfully submitted,
Mrs. M. L. Sutton.

CONSTITUTION

From long experience, we, the members of the Church of God (denominated, Free Will Baptist), being regularly baptized upon a profession of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, and being convinced of the necessity of a combination of churches to perpetrate a union among us, and to preserve and maintain correspondence with each other, do therefore, ordain this constitution for our better government.

Art. 1. MEMBERSHIP: This association shall be composed of members chosen by different churches of our union, not exceeding three messengers from each church, and upon producing letters shall be entitled to seats. All ordained ministers of said union shall be regular members, when present, by virtue of their office.

Art. 2. NAME: The members thus chosen and convened in the West Fork Association of the Church of God (denominated Free Will Baptist), being composed of sundry churches located in northern Texas. This association having no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor have an ecclesiastical power over the churches, reserving the right to withdraw from any church becoming disorderly.

Art. 3. LETTERS: Letters from the different churches represented are to express their number in fellowship, including the names and addresses of ordained and licensed ministers, the number received by experience, by letter of recommendation, or restored; the number dismissed or excluded, and those who have died since the last Association. The churches in sending in their letters may send obituaries of any who have died during the year, that we may keep a memorial of our dead.

Art. 4. OFFICERS: The Association shall have a Moderator, a Clerk and a Treasurer, who shall be elected at each annual session by the suffrage of the members present.

Art. 5. NEW CHURCHES: Newly constituted churches may be admitted to the Association, which are to petition by letter and delegates, and if upon examination they are found to be orthodox and orderly, they may be received into the Association, the Moderator giving the right hand of fellowship.

Art. 6. **QUESTIONS:** No question from any church shall come under the consideration of the Association unless it has been first discussed in its own church.

Art. 7. **MOTION:** Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the members who made it.

Art. 8. **MINUTES:** The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with minutes of the Association in proportion to the number of members in each church, the distribution to be at the discretion of the Association.

Art. 9. **CLERK:** It shall be the duty of the clerk to keep a regular file of the minutes of the Association in a book to be kept by the Association for the purpose.

Art. 10. **SIGNATURES:** The minutes of the Association shall be read, and corrected if needed, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the close of the Association.

Art. 11. **AMMENDMENTS:** Ammendments to this constitution may be made, when necessary, by a majority vote of the members present, notice having been given in writing, and recorded at the last previous session.

FREE WILL BAPTIST ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. **THE BIBLE:** The Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by inspiration of God, and are our infallible rule of faith and practice.

2. **GOD:** There is one living and true God, revealed in nature as Creator, Preserver and Righteous Governor of the universe; and in the Scriptures as Father, Son and Holy Ghost, yet one God, infinite, wise and good, whom all intelligent creatures are supremely to love, adore and obey.

3. **CHRIST:** Christ is God manifest in the flesh; in His divine nature truly man. The mediator between God and man, once crucified, He is now risen and glorified and is our ever-present Saviour and Lord.

4. **THE HOLY SPIRIT:** The Scriptures assign to the Holy Spirit all the attributes of God. He is the Reprover, Comforter, Guide and Sanctifier of men.

5. **THE GOVERNMENT OF GOD:** God exercises a wise and benevolent providence over all beings and all things by maintaining the constitution and laws of nature. He also performs special acts of grace, not otherwise provided for, as the highest welfare of man requires.

6. **THE SINFULNESS OF MAN:** Man was created innocent, but by disobedience fell into a state of sin and condemnation. His posterity, therefore, inherited a fallen

nature of such tendencies that all who come to the years of accountability sin, and become guilty before God.

7. THE WORK OF CHRIST: The Son of God, by His incarnation life and sufferings, death and resurrection effected for all a redemption from sin that is full and free and is the ground of salvation by faith.

8. THE TERMS OF SALVATION: The conditions of salvation are: 1. Repentance or sincere sorrow for sin and the hearty renunciation of it. 2. Faith, or unreserved committal of one's self to Christ as Saviour and Lord, with purpose to love and obey Him in all things. In the exercise of saving faith the soul is renewed by the Holy Spirit, freed from the dominion of sin and becomes a child of God. 3. Continuance in faith and obedience until death.

9. ELECTION: God determined from the beginning to save all who should comply with the conditions of salvation. Hence, by faith in Christ men become His elect.

10. FREEDOM OF WILL: The human will is free and self controlled, having power to yield to the influence of the truth and the Spirit and live, or to resist them and perish.

11. SALVATION FREE: God desires the salvation of all, the Gospel invites all, the Holy Spirit strives with all and whosoever will may come and take of the water of life freely.

12. PERSEVERANCE: All believers in Christ, who through grace, persevere in holiness to the end of life, have the promise of eternal salvation.

13. GOSPEL ORDINANCES: BAPTISM, or the immersion of believers in water, and the LORD'S SUPPER are ordinances to be perpetuated under the Gospel; FEET WASHING, an ordinance teaching humility, of universal obligation, and to be administered to all true believers.

14. THE CHRISTIAN SABBATH: The divine law requires that one day in seven be set apart from secular employments, for rest, worship holy works and activities and for personal communion with God.

15. WAR: War destroys the lives of the innocent, and is contrary to the New Testament, therefore, we are opposed to war.

16. RESURRECTION, JUDGMENT AND FINAL RETRIBUTION: The Scriptures teach the resurrection of all men at the last day. They that have done good will

come forth to the resurrection of life, and they that have done evil unto the resurrection of damnation; then the wicked will "go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

17. TITHING: God commanded tithes and offerings in the Old Testament; Jesus Christ indorsed it in the Gospel (Matt.23:23), and the Apostle Paul said, "Upon the first day of the week, let every one of you lay by him in store as God hath prospered him." (1 Cor. 16:2.)

RULES OF ORDER

1. At every sitting of this Association, business shall be opened and concluded by prayer by the Moderator.

2. Ministers present are invited to seats, allowed to take part in debates on all subjects, and to vote.

3. Those who speak shall arise and address the Moderator. Personal reflections shall be avoided in all debates.

4. No motion shall be discussed without a second.

5. When a motion has been made and seconded, and a member opposes its discussion, the Moderator shall put the question, "Shall it be discussed?" If negative, the question shall be dismissed.

6. If any proposition or motion under debate contains two or more points, it shall be divided at the request of any member, and the vote taken separately.

7. Motions made and lost shall not be recorded.

8. No one shall speak more than twice on the same subject without special leave of the Moderator.

9. All questions shall be decided by a majority vote of all members present.

10. No member shall absent himself without special leave of the Moderator.

11. The minutes shall be leisurely read and corrected, if necessary, before the close of the Association.

12. At all future sessions of the Association, arrangements shall be made to insure two sermons, or other devotional exercises equivalent thereto, during each day of the session, and the chair shall announce just before adjournment who shall fill the stand at the next meeting.

13. These Rules of Order shall be distinctly read from the chair immediately after the organization of the Association.

14. Alterations may be made in these rules at any regular session of the Association.

