

Minutes - -

SIXTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

of the

WEST FORK ASSOCIATION

of

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCHES

Convening with the

EASLEY'S CHAPEL F. W. B. CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 1 - 3, 1953

The Association will meet with the First Free Will
Baptist Church, 3615 Arthur, Wichita Falls, Texas,
August 31 - September 2, 1954.

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION — 1953-54

Moderator	C. B. Thompson 2003 Prairie, Fort Worth
Assistant	M. L. Sutton 2605 Skyline Dr., Fort Worth
Clerk	Ken Eagleton 3423 N. Hampton, Fort Worth
Treasurer	W. D. Phillips Decatur

BOARDS

Home Missions:

A. L. Hudson	Decatur
J. A. C. Hughes	R 1, Midland
H. Z. Cox	3312 Michigan, Dallas
J. A. Brooks	Box 236B, Wichita Falls
Wesley Broom	Buffalo Springs

Foreign Missions:

Tiff Covington	412 Small, Bowie
C. J. Hearron	2326 N. Riverside Dr., Ft. Worth
Carlos McGuire	R 1, Comanche

Sunday School:

M. L. Sutton	2605 Skyline Dr., Ft. Worth
J. E. Mareele	Waco
G. W. McLain	Denton

League:

R. E. Conner	R 2, Bellvue
Miss Jane Reeder	Dallas
Raymond Guthrie	Ft. Worth

Woman's Auxiliary:

Mrs. C. B. Thompson	2003 Prairie, Ft. Worth
Mrs. H. Z. Cox	3312 Michigan, Dallas
Mrs. C. J. Turrentine	4300 Ave. A, Ft. Worth

Encampment:

M. L. Sutton	2605 Skyline Dr., Ft. Worth
C. J. Hearron	2326 N. Riverside Dr., Ft. Worth
C. J. Turrentine	4300 Ave. A, Ft. Worth

COMMITTEES

Executive:

W. D. Phillips Decatur
Wesley Broom Buffalo Springs
Troy Wolf Bowie

Children's Home:

Mrs. R. E. Conner R 2, Bellvue
Mrs. C. R. Toombs
Mrs. A. F. Ferguson Denison

Credentials:

R. E. Conner R 2, Bellvue
J. E. Marecle Waco
R. H. Rodgers Midland

Program:

Wesley Broom Buffalo Springs
C. R. Toombs
Mrs. R. E. Conner R 2, Bellvue

PROCEEDINGS

Proceedings of the 64th Annual Session of the West Fork Association of Free Will Baptist Churches when convened with the Easley's Chapel Church near Comanche, Texas, September 1 - 3, 1953.

Tuesday Evening

Services opened with song led by Ted Patton. The moderator, R. E. Conner, called the association to order with the reading of Heb. 11:1-7, followed with prayer.

Devotion by Troy McDonald. The moderator appointed Jeff Easley, Ray Adams, and Leroy Dixon for the Committee for Divine Service. C. B. Thompson was introduced as the introductory speaker. His message, "The Lack of Spiritual Power in the Church." Text: Luke 19:42.

Song led by Mrs. J. A. Brinson.

Assignment of homes by Mr. Alton Kirkland.

Dismissed with prayer by Ken Eagleton.

Wednesday Morning

Song service led by A. F. Ferguson. Prayer by J. A. C.

Hughes. Devotion by J. E. Marecle using James 1:1-7.

Ray Norie, Jr. made a request for a minister to fulfill a vacancy at Denison.

Partial report of the Credential Committee was heard and accepted. Moderator gave the delegates the right hand of fellowship and the delegates were seated.

Moderator read the names of the various boards and committees and when each was to report.

The nominations for moderator were opened. It was voted that the second highest number of votes would be assistant moderator. C. B. Thompson was elected moderator with M. L. Sutton as assistant moderator.

Ken Eagleton was elected Clerk.

W. D. Phillips was elected Treasurer.

J. A. Brooks was elected Parliamentarian.

Committee for Divine Service was asked to select a minister for the 11:00 a.m. message. J. A. Brooks was selected.

Motion carried to accept the invitation of the Wichita Falls Church to entertain the next yearly meeting. A. L. Hudson was selected to bring the opening message.

Recessed with prayer.

The congregation was called to order with singing led by Bro. Alderson. Prayer by A. F. Ferguson.

J. A. Brooks was introduced as the morning speaker. He read Heb. 1:1-11, using as his text Heb. 13:8. Dismissed with prayer by W. A. Hearron.

Wednesday Afternoon

Called together with song. Prayer by Bro. Gains. Quartet of Mrs. Dixon, M. L. Sutton, A. F. Ferguson, and Ken Eagleton rendered a special number in music.

Report by the Encampment Board was read and accepted.

Special song by Waco quartet of Bro. Abe Lucky, Bro. A. Alderson, Sis. Jack Herring, and I. W. Kirkland.

Report by the Sunday School Board was read and accepted.

Report was given on the work of the Bible College by Ken Eagleton.

Report of the progress from the Wichita Falls church was heard.

Committee for Divine Service selected A. F. Ferguson to bring the evening message. Moderator appointed J. C. Stevens to bring the devotion before the evening message.

Dismissed with prayer by R. H. Rodgers.

Wednesday Evening

Re-convened with song led by Ted Patton. Prayer by R. E. Conner. Devotion by J. C. Stevens. Waco quartet sang a special song dedicated to the host church. Bro. O'Donald, visiting minister from Oklahoma, sang "When I Make My Last Move." Prayer by Sis. C. B. Thompson.

Moderator introduced A. F. Ferguson as the evening speaker. His text: John 11:32-44.

Assignment of homes. Moderator called for special prayer for Sis. Belle Easley. W. A. Hearron led in prayer. Congregation dismissed.

Thursday Morning

Singing led by Bro. O'Donald. Prayer by Ted Patton.

Resolution Committee consisting of J. E. Marecle, J. C. Stevens, and Sis. Mae Rogers was appointed by the moderator.

Committee on Committees consisting of J. A. Brooks, R. H. Rodgers, and Ted Patton was appointed by the moderator.

Devotion by Bro. O'Donald of Oklahoma.

Treasurer's report was read and adopted.

Children's Home Committee's report was read and adopted.

Obituary Committee's report was read and adopted. The congregation stood for a moment of silent prayer closed by the moderator.

Assistant moderator made the appointments to the various boards.

Delegates to the State Association were appointed. They were: Ray Adams, Milburn Covington. Sis. Monta Brinson, Sis. R. E. Conner, Sis. Fritzpatrick, Junior Walling, Sis. J. A. Brooks, Sis. Rancher, Sis. Merele Jackson, and Bro. Stevens.

Committee on Committees' report was read and adopted.

Resolutions Committee's report was read and accepted. Individual resolutions were acted upon and adopted.

Motion made and adopted that the publication of the "Recorder" be turned over to the Sunday School Board.

Committee for Divine Service selected Ken Eagleton to bring the morning devotion and R. E. Conner the morning message.

An oral report of the League work was heard and Troy McDonald, as a member of the State League Board,

asked the association to cooperate with the State League Board in its effort to advance the League work.

An oral report was heard from the Temperance Committee.

Special song by Sis. L. R. Dixon, Sis. Grace Jackson, and Bobby Bates.

Credentials Committee's complete report was read and adopted.

The minutes were read and approved.

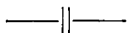
Recessed with prayer by J. A. Brooks.

Singing led by Bro. Alderson. Devotion by Ken Eagleton. Special song was rendered by Sis. L. R. Dixon, Sis. R. E. Conner, Sis. Grace Jackson, and Sis. J. A. Brinson.

R. E. Conner brought the morning message using Ezekiel 22:30 as his text.

Motion made and adopted to adjourn the Association with an old-fashioned handshake. Dismissed with prayer by Carlos McGuire.

R. E. Conner, Moderator
Ken Eagleton, Clerk



CHURCH LETTERS

First Church, Weatherford—Delegates: Myrle Jackson, Julia Jackson, and J. B. Estes. Total membership 78; members received 2; statement 1, baptism 1; dismissed 8; services held 132; revivals 2; prayer meetings 52; collections \$3,227.55; paid pastor \$2040.00; evangelist \$193.00; children's home \$15.00; literature \$72.50; total \$3,435.07; balance on hand \$6.45; value of property \$10,000.00. Sunday School—enrollment 55; departments 9; number of classes 9; officers 2; teachers 9; average attendance 52; offering \$1,582.67; grade 56; visits 426; calls 148; cards and letters 60.

League—enrollment 14; number leagues 1; officers 9; average attendance 10; offering \$22.17.

Woman's Auxiliary—enrollment 9; active 6; meetings 36; dues \$19.75; other enterprises \$46.20; paid out \$54.95; balance \$11.00.

Sunday School Supt., J. E. Francis, 706 Water St.
League Director, Mrs. A. F. Ferguson, R 1, Bx 218A
Pastor, A. F. Ferguson, R 1, Box 218A
Clerk, Mattie Jackson, Route 1, Box 245A

Ministers: A. F. Ferguson, Mrs. A. F. Ferguson,
Norman Ferguson, and Verda Walker, 316 Eureka.
Deacons: H. L. Harley, J. B. Estes, and Claude
Jackson.

First Church, Dallas, 1803 Browder—Delegates: Mrs. H. Z. Cox, Mrs. Jack Fielding, Mrs. Annie Mitchell, Jack Fielding, and L. J. Forman. Total membership 138; received 39; letter 13; statement 7; baptism 19; dismissed 10; deaths 1, Mrs. C. B. Davis. Services held 104; revivals 1; prayer meetings 52; total collections \$9,106.51; paid pastor \$3,600.00; paid evangelist \$75.00; building and repairs \$935.79; supplies \$25.00; foreign missions \$21.55; miscellaneous expenses \$984.69; literature \$83.31; total \$6,491.58; balance \$3,782.96; value of property \$18,000.00. Sunday School—enrollment 140; classes 12, teachers 12; attendance 90.

Woman's Auxiliary—enrollment 14; active 11; meetings 12; dues collected \$158.84; paid out \$128.81; balance \$86.19.

Sunday School Supt., Bob Morrison, 2327 Stovall Dr
Woman's Auxiliary Pres., Mrs. Brown, Alaska St.

Pastor, H. Z. Cox, 3312 Michigan Ave.

Clerk, Mrs. Bob Morrison, 2327 Stovall Dr.

Ministers: L. J. Forman, 2109 Gould, ordained, and
Jack Fielding, 2205 Vilbig, ordained.

Deacons: F. E. Walling, Sr., 4049 Bunea Vista, and
O. H. Simons, 1602 Maywood St.

Trinity Church, 2320 Azle Ave., Ft. Worth—Delegates: Sis. Winnie Dysart, Sis. M. L. Sutton, Sis. Elsie Mae Wetzel, Sis. Ray Sartnacy, Sis. Verner Chaffin, and Bro. Frank Smith. Total membership 174; dismissed 16; deaths 1, Mrs. Fannie McRimmon. Services 162; revivals 1; prayer meetings 52; collections \$5,878.40; paid pastor \$3,500.25; paid evangelist \$48.47; building and repairs \$183.60; incidentals \$1,421.17; supplies \$865.99; children's home \$160.86; miscellaneous expenses \$510.73; total \$5,227.53; balance \$512.55; value of property \$50,000.00.

Sunday School—enrollment 139; new members 74; departments 6; classes 15; officers 4; teachers 15; attendance 78; offering \$5,081.87; grade 46; visits 2,635; calls 1,315; cards and letters 1,330.

League—enrollment 26; leagues 2; officers 3; attendance 11; offering \$12.73; grade 42.

Sunday School Supt., W. B. Chaffin, Winifield St.
League Director, C. S. May, 2804 Rosen Ave.
Pastor, M. L. Sutton, 2605 Skyline Dr.
Clerk, Leata Barger, 7432 Mohawk Ave.
Treasurer, George R. Bassham, 2937 St. Louis
Ministers: W. B. Chaffin, licensed, and H. E. Reid,
ordained
Deacons: George Bassham, J. T. Reeder, Frank
Smith, and Williford Harrison.

First Church, Fort Worth, 2001 Prairie Ave.—Delegates, Bro. Ray Adams, Sis. Ray Adams, Sis. C. B. Thompson, Sis. E. E. Eagleton, Sr., and Ken Eagleton. Total membership 144; received 26; letter 2, statement 11, baptism 13; dismissed 12; services 166; revivals 1; prayer meetings 52; collections \$6,462.15; paid pastor \$2,770.00, evangelist \$100.00; building and repairs \$514.42; incidentals \$289.25; supplies \$69.26; foreign missions \$308.00; home missions \$70.00; children's home \$60.00; miscellaneous expenses \$1,314.98; superannuation \$60.00; literature \$150.00; Bible College \$160.00; total \$6,046.01; balance \$416.14; value of property \$30,000.00.

Sunday School—enrollment 130; departments 10; classes 8; officers 3; teachers 7; offering \$3491.17; grade 57; visits 825; calls 725; cards and letters 1,022.

League—enrollment 30; leagues 4; officers 5; attendance 25; offering \$151.40; grade 60.

Woman's Auxiliary—enrollment 15; active 10; circles 1; meetings 18; dues \$18.00.

Sunday School Supt., Jack Lucas, 2919 Azle Ave.
League Dir., Raymond Guthrie, 2621 NW Lorraine
Pastor, C. B. Thompson, 2003 Prairie Ave.
Clerk, Emma Eagleton (Mrs.), 2114 Columbus
Treasurer, J. H. Cosby, 617 Frontier
Ministers: C. B. Thompson, ordained, Frank Ben-
net, Louis Bernecker, and Ken Eagleton, licensed.
Deacons: Jim Eudy, Floyd Eudy, G. Moore, Doc
Baber, Bill Killough, Jack Lucas, E. E. Eagleton,
Sr., E. E. Eagleton, Jr., E. A. Morris, J. H. Cosby,
O. A. Collins, Clifton Nichols, George Dearing,
Frank Holding, and W. C. King.

First Church, Midland—Delegates: Bro. and Sis. Loyd Taylor, and Betty Jean Hughes. Membership 90; received 33; services 156; revivals 2; prayer meetings 52; collec-
tions \$3,088.16; paid pastor \$1,808.56; evangelist \$149.00;

building and repairs \$695.71; literature \$39.07; total \$3,037.12; balance \$50.34; value of property \$5,000.00.
Sunday School—enrollment 71.

Woman's Auxiliary—enrollment 13; active 11; circles 1; meetings 8; total collections \$41.35; paid out \$29.80; balance \$11.55; visits 7.

Sunday School Supt., W. F. Medart, 401 E. Louisiana
Woman's Auxiliary Pres., Frances Lesley, 1204 S.
Big Spring St.

Pastor, J. A. C. Hughes, R 1, Midland
Clerk, Mrs. Giola M. Onley, 1001 S. Terrell St.
Treasurer, Roy M. Cox, 2001 S. Ft. Worth St.
Ministers: Alfred Savage, Seminole, Texas; Jim
Stevens, and J. A. C. Hughes, ordained.
Deacons: Bert S. Onley, W. F. Medart, Jack Harton,
J. C. Skelton, and Roy M. Cox.

First Church, Denton—Delegates: Bro. and Sis. Clayton McLain and Sis. J. A. Laird. Membership 115; received 46; dismissed 6; services 156; revivals 1; prayer meetings 52; collections \$3,269.41; building and repairs \$1,700.00; children's home \$11.00; miscellaneous expenses \$1,569.41; literature \$15.00; balance \$23.00; value of property \$10,000.00.

Sunday School—enrollment 88; new members 46; departments 6; classes 6; officers 4; teachers 6; attendance 80; grade 85; visits 400, calls 300, and cards 3.

Sunday School Supt., A. T. Meadows, R 1, Denton
Pastor, A. G. McLain, 1021 Cleveland St.
Clerk, Sis. J. A. Laird, 2620 Ft. Worth Dr.
Treasurer, Ben Thurman, 1911 Bernard St.
Deacons: R. L. Laird, 1014 Norman St., A. T. Meadows, Ben Thurman, 1911 Bernard St., and J. L. Barber, 1025 Cleveland St.

First Church, Wichita Falls—Delegates: Sis. Grace Jackson, Jack Brand, and Bob Bates. Membership 61; received 20; dismissed 2; services 115; revivals 1; prayer meetings 52; collections \$3,539.10; paid pastor \$1,445.00; building and repairs \$2,241.37; home missions \$30.00; miscellaneous expenses \$337.46; literature \$55.26; total \$109.50 in separate building fund.

Sunday School—enrollment 45; departments 4; classes 4; officers 2; teachers 4; attendance 38; offering \$1,175.74;

visits 206; calls 234.

League—enrollment 35; leagues 1; officers 4; attendance 16.

Woman's Auxiliary—enrollment 16; active 9; circles 1; meetings 24; dues \$56.75; other \$229.36; paid out \$280.61; balance \$5.47.

Sunday School Supt., Mr. Cleo Jackson, Rt 1

League Director, Bob Bates, Rt 1

Woman's Auxiliary Pres., Vivian Washburn, 1324
33rd St.

Pastor, J. A. Brooks, Rt 1, Box 236A

Clerk, Mrs. G. W. Covington, 3203 Grant

Treasurer, Mrs. C. R. Toombs, 2305 Grant

Ministers: O. H. Washburn, 1324 33rd St., licensed

Deacons: Bob Hutson, 2000 Grant; C. R. Toombs,
2305 Grant

First Church, Denison—Delegates: Sis. Lois Slawson, Sis. Juanita Norie, and Sis. Juanita Fulce. Membership 49; received 19; dismissed 4; services 186; revivals 3; prayer meetings 73; collections \$2,587.94; paid pastor \$1,567.66; evangelist \$247.17; building and repairs \$292.74; incidentals \$62.98; children's home \$27.54; miscellaneous expenses \$262.24; literature \$51.15; total \$2,510.48; balance \$76.46; value of property \$8,000.00.

Sunday School—enrollment 52; new members 21; departments 6; classes 6; officers 2; teachers 6; attendance 45; offering \$311.70; visits 542; and calls 235.

Woman's Auxiliary—enrollment 12; active 8; circles 1; meetings 24; dues \$48.00; other \$85.00; paid out \$113.00; balance \$10.00; visits 70; calls 45.

Sunday School Supt., Roy Norie, Jr., 630 W. Day St.

Woman's Auxiliary Pres., Mrs. Hazel Daughton, 612
E. Murray St.

Pastor, None

Clerk, Miss Gladys Fulce, 605 E. Acheson St.

Treasurer, Mrs. W. L. Fulce, 605 E. Acheson St.

Ministers: J. W. Fulce, 409 W. Washington, St.,
ordained

Deacons: W. L. Fulce, J. O. Higgins, O. R. Norie,
Jr., and W. H. Sampson

First Church, Waco—Delegates: Sis. Homer Galson, Sis. G. G. Herring, Sis. Alton Kieth, Sis. J. E. Marecle, and Sis. I. W. Kirkland. Membership 110; received 20; dismissed 1; deaths 2, Mrs. Lula Jasper and Mr. Claude

Phillips; services 112, revivals 1; prayer meetings 46; collections \$3,275.51; paid pastor \$2,065.00; evangelist \$195.00; building and repairs \$571.15; incidentals \$72.41; supplies \$34.46; foreign missions \$53.25; home missions \$17.42; miscellaneous expenses \$176.84; literature \$22.20; total \$3,201.73; balance \$478.82; value of property \$5,050.00.

Sunday School—enrollment 82; new members 49; classes 5; officers 2; teachers 5; attendance 45; offering \$710.25; grade 60; visits 234; calls 490, and cards 482.

Sunday School Supt., E. T. Marecle, 4335 Memorial Drive

Pastor, J. E. Marecle, Rt 9, Box 2179

Clerk, Mrs. J. E. Marecle, Rt 9, Box 2179

Treasurer, E. T. Marecle, 4335 Memorial Dr.

Ministers: J. E. Marecle, ordained

Deacons: Lee Roy Conaway, O. M. Martin, Milton Leham, I. M. Maride, F. F. Phillips, Ellis Calvary, and A. Sullins.

Bowie Church, 501 Strong Street—Delegates: Bill Welch, Helen Welch, and Arlene Dodson. Membership 98; received 28; dismissed 2; services 790; revivals 1; prayer meetings 50; collections \$1,850.78; paid pastor \$925.65; evangelist \$102.00; building and repairs \$499.36; supplies \$2.00; foreign missions \$35.00; home missions \$75.00; miscellaneous expenses \$10.00, literature 19.21; Bible College \$24.00; total \$2,172.65; value property \$6,000.00. Sunday School—enrollment 98; new members 28; departments 3; classes 5; officers 3; teachers 5; attendance 65; offering \$925.37; cards and letters 50.

Woman's Auxiliary—enrollment 14; active 8; meetings 8; dues \$24.60; other \$20.00; paid out \$80.67; balance \$30.00.

Sunday School Supt., L. R. Avery, Bellvue

Woman's Auxiliary Pres., Mrs. Bud Parr, Bowie

Pastor, Tiff Covington, Bowie

Clerk, Mrs. L. R. Avery, Bellvue

Treasurer, Mrs. Troy Woolf, Bowie

Ministers: Tiff Covington and Bill Brown, Bowie, ordained

Deacons: Floyd Hendrix, Troy Woolf, Dick Avery and Walter Woods.

Buffalo Springs Church—Delegates: Bro. and Sis. Leroy Dixon and Sis. R. E. Conner. Membership 88; received

14; dismissed 3; deaths 2, Mrs. Josie Foreman and Mrs. Katie Reeder; services 118; revivals 1; prayer meetings 40; collections \$4,418.90; paid pastor \$1,525.00; evangelist \$239.18; building and repairs \$1,374.45; incidentals \$24.50; supplies \$15.87; foreign missions \$88.36; home missions \$10.00; children's home \$35.00; miscellaneous expenses \$415.57; literature \$38.92; Bible College \$35.00; total \$3,801.85; balance \$617.05; value property \$6,000.00.

Sunday School—enrollment 106; new members 10; classes 6; officers 4; teachers 12; attendance 85.

League—enrollment 40; leagues 1; officers 3; attendance 30.

Woman's Auxiliary—enrollment 36; active 19; circles 1; meetings 12; dues \$46.85; other \$180.43; paid out \$208.43; balance \$48.67; visits 360; calls 61; cards and letters 150.

Sunday School Supt., C. B. Coleman, Henrietta, Tex.

League Director, Jim Stell, Buffalo Springs

Woman's Auxiliary Pres., Mrs. R. E. Conner

Pastor, R. E. Conner, Rt 2, Bellvue

Clerk, Mrs. L. E. Cozart, Post Oak

Treasurer, J. W. Brown, New Port

Ministers: R. E. Conner, Rt 2, Bellvue, ordained.

Deacons: J. W. Broom, J. M. Inman, J. O. Jones,

L. J. White, Ben White, and Johnie Treadwell

First Church, Comanche—Delegates: Tom Steel, Sis. Irene Lane, and Sis. Mary Hughes. Membership 26; received 9; revivals 2; collections \$615.70; paid pastor \$326.59; evangelist \$116.57; incidentals \$190.10; supplies \$5.40; superannuation \$14.00; total \$642.68; balance \$69.94; value of property \$2,500.00.

Sunday School—enrollment 40; new members 6; classes 3; officers 3; teachers 3; attendance 30; offering \$130.00; grade 90; visits 62; calls 203; cards 35.

Clerk, Mary Hughes

Treasurer, Raymond Lane

Deacons: Jess Williams, Hilery Hughes, and Raymond Lane

Dott Church—Delegates: Sis. L. M. Parton and Sis. B. B. Phelps. Membership 68; received 2; dismissed 8; services 95; revivals 1; collections \$505.76; paid pastor \$450.00; evangelist \$90.60; building and repairs \$54.75; supplies \$6.35; literature \$10.30; total \$612.00; balance \$64.67; value of property \$2,500.00.

Sunday School—enrollment 26; new members 7; classes 3; officers 2; teachers 3; attendance 23; offering \$135.19; visits 10; calls 6; cards 12.

Sunday School Supt., James H. Marecle, R 1, Eddy
Pastor, L. M. Parton, Rosebud

Ministers: L. M. Parton, Rosebud

Deacons: James H. Marecle, and B. B. Phelps

Bonnie View Church, 3351 Springview, Dallas—Delegates: Sis. Dorie Nevels, Sue Turrentine, Annie Jane King, Essie Maxwell, Lottie Stephens. Membership 33; received 9; dismissed 2; services 45; prayer meetings 50; collections \$1,886.37; paid pastor \$660.00; building and repairs \$427.63; children's home \$48.00; total \$1,135.93; balance \$184.78; value of property \$8,000.00.

Sunday School—enrollment 35; new members 7; departments 3; classes 3; officers 2; teachers 3; attendance 18; offering \$1,285.39.

Woman's Auxiliary—enrollment 12; active 7; circles 1; meetings 12; collected from enterprises \$40.00; paid out \$39.40; balance \$0.40; visits 15.

Sunday School Supt., Howell Stephens, 1818 Garza
Woman's Aux. Pres., Lottie Stephens, 1818 Garza
Pastor, Jack Turrentine, 4300 Ave. H, Ft. Worth
Clerk, Lottie Stephens, 1818 Garza

Treasurer, Dale Smith, 3906 Denley Dr.

Ministers: W. V. Kennedy, 817 Gray Rd., J. S. Fuller, 356 Seagoville Rd., ordained, and Fred King, 2004 Browder, licensed.

Deacons: Dale Smith and Howell F. Stephens

Easley's Chapel, Comanche—Delegates: E. D. McMillian, Ellis Morpew, Fred Nehms, Will Bradshaw, and Garland Collins. Membership 159; received 6; dismissed 10; deaths 2, Miss Joan McGuire and Sis. Clora Morpew; services 48; revivals 1; prayer meetings 50; collections \$813.24; paid pastor \$467.22; evangelist \$100.00; building and repairs \$250.00; incidentals \$33.88; supplies \$17.75; miscellaneous expenses \$35.94; literature \$76.73; total \$643.62; balance \$382.68; value of property \$7,000.00.

Sunday School—enrollment 93; new members 16; departments 5; classes 5; officers 4; teachers 5; attendance 42; offering \$813.24; visits 119; calls 11; cards 24.

Sunday School Supt., James Plumlee

Pastor, W. A. Hearron, Sulphur, Oklahoma

Clerk, Montie Brinson
Treasurer, Ted Patton
Ministers: Ted Patton, licensed, and R. H. Rogers,
licensed
Deacons: W. B. McGuire, G. B. McGuire, P. J.
Easley, W. A. Irby, and Homer Williams

New Salem Church, Decatur—Delegates: Sis. Fritspatrik, Sis. Princee, and Sis. Hudson. Membership 50, revivals 1; prayer meetings 52; collections \$1,957.02; paid pastor \$149.47; evangelist \$60.00; building and repairs \$856.80; incidentals \$121.00; children's home \$20.00; literature \$0.65; total \$1,725.20; balance \$231.81; value of property \$5,000.00.

Sunday School—enrollment 51; new members 6; departments 4; classes 4; officers 6; teachers 4; attendance 45.

Sunday School Supt., Ronny Fritzpatrick, Decatur
Pastor, A. L. Hudson

Deacons: W. D. Phillips, J. W. Taylor, and Mr.
Anderson

Liberty Church, Comanche—Delegates: Miss Wynona Gains, Miss Doris Nell Kerlef, and Mrs. Gean Jones. Membership 22; received 22; dismissed 2; deaths 1, Frank Harrison; services 116; revivals 2; prayer meetings 47; collections \$648.18; paid pastor \$228.14; evangelist \$58.85; building and repairs \$148.50; incidentals \$16.25; home missions \$28.00; miscellaneous expenses \$168.44.

Sunday School—enrollment 32; classes 3; officers 2; teachers 3; attendance 25.

Sunday School Supt., Edward Isham, Box 239

Pastor, M. R. Gains, Box 132

Deacons: George Kerlef and Robert Harbour

REPORTS

Credentials Committee:

We find the following churches in order: First Church, Weatherford, \$5.00, three delegates; First Church, Dallas, five delegates; Trinity Church, Fort Worth, five delegates; First Church, Fort Worth, \$10.00, five delegates; First Church, Midland, three delegates; First Church, Denton, three delegates; First Church, Wichita Falls, \$5.00, three delegates; First Church, Denison, \$5.00, three

delegates; First Church, Waco, \$5.00, five delegates; First Church, Bowie, three delegates; Pleasant Mound, Buffalo Springs, three delegates; First Church, Comanche, three delegates; Dott Church, \$5.00, two delegates; Bonnie View, Dallas, \$5.00, five delegates; Easley's Chapel, \$10.00, five delegates; New Salem, Decatur, three delegates; Liberty, Comanche, three delegates.

Children's Home Committee:

We wish to submit the following report: Several Woman's Auxiliary groups have sent food and clothing. The following churches have contributed money:

First Church, Weatherford	\$15.00
First Church, Denton	11.00
Bonnie View, Dallas	48.00
Pleasant Mound	35.00
Denison	27.00
New Salem	20.00
Trinity	160.00
First, Fort Worth	60.00

Mrs. R. E. Conner, Chairman

Treasurer's Report:

Cash on hand, \$78.21; received from churches, \$95.00; paid out \$83.64 for printing of minutes, and \$15.00 to Texas State Association; total paid out \$98.64; balance in treasury, \$74.57.

G. R. Bassham, Treasurer

Resolutions Committee:

1. Resolved that all ministers and delegates remain throughout the entire session of the association if possible.

2. Resolved that we give a rising vote of appreciation to the visiting ministers and friends.

3. Resolved that we give a rising vote of thanks to the host church and the other churches of Comanche for the royal way they have entertained this association.

J. E. Mareele, Chairman

Home Missions Board:

We wish to submit the following report:

The board received \$114.11 and voted to buy a tent to be used by the West Fork F.W.B. in revival work. The board will be the final voice on who shall use the tent and where it shall be used.

H. Z. Cox, Chairman

Camp:

Number enrolled	28
Number of re-dedications	20
Received for camp fees	\$205.00
Cost of camp	10.00
Food	180.39
Miscellaneous expenses	14.61
Total expenses	\$205.00

A. F. Ferguson

Obituary Committee:

We submit the following report of deaths: Gartman View, Sis. Joann McGuire and Sis. Clora Morphew; Trinity, Sis. Fannie McRimmon; First, Dallas, Sis.; C. B. Davis; First, Comanche, Bro. Walter Carlton; Pleasant Mound, Sis. Josie Foreman and Sis. Katy Reeder; Liberty, Comanche, Bro. Frank Harrison; First, Waco, Sis. Lula Jasper and Bro. Claude Phillips; First, Comanche, Sis. Maybelle Gaines.

We wish to express our love and sympathy to the loved ones of these our brothers and sisters who have gone, and we ask that as a body we stand for a moment in silent prayer.

Sis. Montie Brinson

CONSTITUTION OF THE WEST FORK ASSOCIATION
of
FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCHES

Revised by order of the Association, August 29, 1951

Preamble

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

Article 1. Name

The name of this organization shall be, The West Fork Association of Free Will Baptist Churches.

Article 2. Membership

This association shall be composed of delegates duly elected, or appointed by, and from the membership of the various churches in Texas which have entered into, and which shall hereafter enter into, the agreements set forth in this constitution.

1. Each church shall have equal representation, the number of delegates not exceeding five.

2. Each church shall have the right to refrain from participating in any part of the associational program which it deems detrimental to its work and welfare.

3. Each church shall have the right to withdraw its membership from the association, but shall not have the right to re-enter the association without examination.

4. The association shall have the right to discipline any church holding membership in it for unsound doctrine or disorderly conduct; and may, when reasoning and persuasion fails, withdraw the hand of fellowship, but in no case shall it have the right to reverse the decisions of any church.

5. No question of dispute from any church shall be considered in this association except to council and then only when the church extends an invitation in writing signed by the moderator and church clerk.

6. All regularly ordained ministers who are members in good standing of the churches of this association are by virtue of their office members of this association. Visiting ministers may be made honorary members and accorded every privilege of the association except making motions and voting.

7. Each delegation shall be qualified upon presenting to the association, through the credentials committee, an authorized statistical letter signed by the pastor (or moderator) and church clerk, together with the stipulated associational dues. Failure to present the proper credentials shall disqualify the delegation.

8. New churches wishing to become members of this association shall present such petitionary letters as shall be authorized by this body.

9. Upon the adoption of the report of the credentials committee the moderator shall extend the right hand of fellowship in the name of the association to the delegates, and new and honorary members, and invite them to sit with us.

Article 3. Officers

The officers of this association shall be: Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and Parliamentarian.

1. It shall be the duty of the moderator to call the association to order and to preside over all sessions thereof. In the absence of the moderator the assistant moderator shall preside, or in his absence the clerk or the senior minister shall preside until the election of a moderator pro tempore. Between sessions the moderator is chairman of the executive committee.

2. It shall be the duty of the assistant moderator to assist the moderator in maintaining order and preside over the association in his absence, or at his request. Between sessions he is a member of the executive committee.

3. It shall be the duty of the clerk to make and keep accurate records of all sessions of the association, to have copies of the minutes printed and distributed to the churches comprising this association, to make and keep good and accurate records of all meetings of the executive committee, and to enter the same in the minutes of the next session of this association. Between sessions the clerk is secretary of the executive committee.

4. It shall be the duty of the treasurer to receive all funds paid or donated to the association and to make duly authorized disbursements; to make and keep a good and accurate record of all funds received and disbursed, and to report the same to the association at the annual session. Between sessions he is a member of the executive committee.

5. It shall be the duty of the parliamentarian to familiarize himself with the parliamentary law recognized by the association, and be ready to dispose of any point of order that may be referred to him. Between sessions he is a member of the executive committee.

6. The officers of the association shall be elected by ballot at the beginning of each annual session and shall assume office at the close of the session at which they were elected. No person may be elected to succeed himself more than once.

Article 4. Meetings

This association shall meet in regular session on Tuesday night before the first Sunday in September each year. The place of meeting shall be selected by majority vote of all members present: however, no invitation will be accepted by the association unless it is written into the church letter by authority of the church. The delegation from three member churches shall constitute a quorum. All meetings of the boards and committees must be called by their respective chairmen.

Article 5. Finance

Each church shall send with its letter \$5.00 for each hundred members or fractional part thereof. In cases of emergency the association may assess each church proportionately to meet the emergency. The association may also, when it is deemed expedient, ask the churches for a special free will offering.

Article 6. Committees and Boards

1. The session committees of the association are Committee on Committees, Temperance, Obituary, and Resolution. There also may be need for special session committees.

2. The standing committees are Executive, Credential, Program, and Children's Home. Other standing committees may be added as necessity arises.

3. The boards of the association are Home Mission, Foreign Mission, Sunday School, Free Will Baptist League, and Woman's Auxiliary, or any other that may become needful.

4. All committees shall be composed of three members each except the executive committee which shall be composed of the general officers of the association and three additional members elected by the body. The moderator shall appoint the committee on committees.

5. All boards shall consist of three members each except the Home Mission Board which shall consist of five members, two of whom shall be laymen. The moderator shall appoint all board members and present his appointments to the body before end of the session for conformation.

6. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to act for and in behalf of the association between sessions in matters of business that cannot be held over till the next regular session. It shall be the duty of the standing committees to make a thorough study of the department of work assigned to them and make such recommendations to the association as they deem expedient. It shall be the duty of the session committees to perform the work assigned to them and make such recommendations to the association as they deem expedient. It shall be the duty of the session committee to perform the work assigned to them before session adjourns.

7. The Boards of the association shall be charged with the promotion and oversight of the work of their departments. If, and when, the work of two or more boards overlap they shall work together in this particular.

Article 7. Parliamentary Authority

Roberts Rules of Order shall serve as parliamentary authority for this association unless otherwise ordered by a two-thirds majority vote of all members present. The parliamentarian shall be furnished with a copy of this work which he shall hold as property of the association.

Article 8. Amendments and Revisions

This constitution may be amended or revised at any regular session of the association provided, however, that notice has been put in writing, along with the proposed amendment or revision, and placed on the table at the last previous session. The rules of order may be amended or revised at any regular session of the association by a two-thirds majority vote of all the members present.

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