

Minutes of the Quarterly Meeting of West Fork District Association of Free Will Baptist Churches of Texas

Saturday, February 3, 2024

The Westfork District Association convened in regular session at the Pleasant Mound FWB Church in Bellevue, Texas on Saturday, February 3, 2024. The executive committee met at 9:00 AM.

The 10:00 Business session was called to order by the moderator with the singing of "I've Got a Mansion." The host pastor, Bro. Billy Waller, welcomed the association and opened the session in prayer. The moderator provided a devotion from Genesis 1.1.

The Moderator recognized and seated the standing delegates. The Clerk provided the Credentials report. Letters and dues were received from 6 of the 7 member churches. The following delegates were appointed by letter. Matt Gillentine, Dawn Gillentine, Bobbie Foster, Kathy McCaig, Louise Maxwell and Billy Waller. The moderator recognized and seated the elected delegates.

The clerk read the minutes of the previous meeting. A motion was made, seconded, and carried to accept the minutes.

The clerk gave the financial report. A motion was made, seconded, and carried to accept the financial report.

The clerk shared the report from the executive board. There were four recommendations from the executive board:

- 1) That the credentials of Bro. Matt Gillentine be accepted from the First Oklahoma district;
- 2) That the annual meeting in May be held at the Collin Creek church rather than the camp ground, and that all future meeting be held in host churches;
- 3) That the terms of the camp board members be settled as Judy Richards (2024), Louise Maxwell (2025), Bennie Anderson (2026);
- 4) That the morning speaker be paid an honorarium of \$250.00.

A motion was made, seconded, and carried to accept the report.

Bro. Bennie Anderson gave the Christian Education Board report and provided an update on the sale of the camp property. A motion was made seconded and carried to accept the CE Board report.

There was no old business, so the body considered the recommendations from the executive committee.

A motion was made to approve the executive board's recommendation that the ordination

credentials of Bro. Matt Gillentine be accepted and transferred from the First Oklahoma District Association. The motion was seconded and carried.

A motion was made to approve the executive board's recommendation that the Annual meeting be held at the Collin Creek Church, and that all future meetings be hosted by local churches. The motion was seconded and carried.

A motion was made seconded and carried to approve the executive board's recommended rotating terms for the members of the Christian Education Board.

A motion was made to approve the executive board's recommendation that we pay our speaker an honorarium of \$250. The motion was seconded and carried.

The moderator announced that the next meeting would be held at the Collin Creek church. The moderator also announced the dates of the Texas state association meeting in Henderson, TX on June 5-6, and that the TXFWB Men's Retreat would be in Sept 5-7 at the Messiah's Ranch in Bryan. Bro. Willard thanked the district for the contributions that were made that he was able to take to the children's home in Mexico.

A motion was made, seconded and carried to adjourn. The business session was closed in prayer by Bro. Matt Gillentine.

The 11:00 worship was called to order with the singing of #446 Leaning on the Ever Lasting Arms. Bro. Tom Quinones opened the meeting with prayer. Sis. Doris McGuffey sang "Shut In With God" for special music.

The Moderator introduced the morning speakers, Leah and Anthony Edgmon, IM Inc missionaries serving in Spain.

After briefly sharing about their work in Spain, Brother Anthony preached on the topic of faithfulness from 2 Tim. 2.1-13. The main points of the message were as follows:

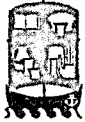
- 1) The Multiplication principle (v.2) – Teach faithful men who will teach others. These men need to be faithful to the Word, and faithful in their character/conduct.
- 2) The Obedience principle (v.3-4) – Faithfulness requires a life of obedience as a soldier. Entanglements of the world are a hindrance to faithful obedience.
- 3) The Honor principle (v.5) – Faithfulness requires that we act with honor (i.e., honesty and integrity). Honor demands that we faithfully follow the rules.
- 4) The Diligence principle (v.6) – Faithfulness demands that we work hard like a diligent farmer. Faithful Diligence leaves no room for laziness or passivity.
- 5) The Consequence principle (vv.8-13) – There are consequences for faithful service to the Lord.
- 6) The Focus Principle (vv.14-26) – Faithfulness demands that we maintain our focus. The focus of our mission is to seek god's approval rather than the approval of men or society (v.15). That requires that be genuine and that we be studious so that we can use the Word of God well.

There are four things to avoid that would destroy our focus: 1) useless controversies that

destroy (vv.16,23); 2) vain babblings that distance us from the Lord (vv.16-19); youthful passions that distract (v.22), rather pursue righteousness, faith, love, and peace; and 4) antagonistic attitudes that divide (vv.24-26)

Bro. Anthony closed in prayer and turned the service back over to the moderator. The moderator thanked him for faithful and timely message. Sis. Kathy McCaig was asked to dismiss the worship service with prayer.

Minutes taken and submitted by, Kevin D. Williford, Clerk.



West Fork District Association of Free Will Baptists

1st Quarter Financial Report (Jan 2024 – Mar 2024)

Beginning Balance (1-1-2024)	\$ 21,037.33
Ending Balance (3-31-2024)	\$ 18,841.39
Current Checkbook Balance (as of 5-1-2024)	\$ 18,762.82†

This amount includes \$1,500 which has been paid for our annual dues making our actual available balance \$17,262.82.

NOTE: The annual dues to the State and Nat'l Associations totaling \$2,450.00 were paid in January as was the annual contribution to the Camp of \$1000 for insurance.

Beginning Balance (1-1-2024)					\$ 21,037.33
Deposits (CR):					
1-18-2024	Jan Coop & Desig	\$ 3,727.42			
2-15-2024	Feb Coop & Desig	\$ 2,241.50			
3-19-2024	Mar Coop & Desig	\$ 3,134.56	T \$9,103.48	+\$ 9,103.48	
					\$ 30,140.81
Payments (DR):					
1-4-2024	Check 1105: Clerk's Hon.	\$ 100.00			
1-18-2024	Check 1106: Camp (Jan)	\$ 350.05			
1-18-2024	Check 1007: Camp (Insur.)	\$ 1,000.00			
1-23-2024	EFT: TXFWB (Jan)	\$ 5,477.99			
2-2-2024	Debit: Walmart	\$ 16.85			
2-3-2024	Check 1108: Edgmon (Hon)	\$ 250.00			
2-22-2024	EFT: TXFWB (Feb)	\$ 996.50			
3-25-2024	EFT: TXFWB (Mar)	\$ 2,570.75			
3-28-2024	Check 1109: Camp (Mar)	\$ 502.28			
5-1-2024	Check 1112: Camp (Feb)	\$ 35.00	T \$11,299.42	-\$ 11,299.42	
Closing Balance (3-31-2024).					\$ 18,841.39

Total Cooperative and Designated Giving for the Quarter

Cooperative Giving Received: **\$ 1,818.32**

Cooperative Disbursements:

40%	Texas Free Will Baptists	\$ 727.33		
10%	Home Missions	\$ 181.83		
5%	Randall University	<u>\$ 90.92</u>	T \$ 1,000.08	\$ 1,000.08
40%	West Fork CE Board (Camp)	\$ 727.33		
5%	West Fork District Office	<u>\$ 90.91</u>	<u>T \$ 818.24</u>	
			<u>T \$ 1,818.32</u>	

Designated Giving:

Texas Free Will Baptists State Office	\$ 60.00	
T.E.A.M.	\$ 1,270.00	
Jim Kilgore (Waco, TX)	\$ 100.00	
Randall University	<u>\$ 644.03</u>	T \$ 2,074.03

FWB International Missions (IM):

IM	\$ 20.00	
IM – WMO	\$ 810.00	
IM – Cuba	\$ 40.00	
IM – Edgmon (SPA)	\$ 544.03	
IM – Provow (BUL)	\$ 352.02	
IM – Speer (JAP)	\$ 367.02	
IM – Teague (FRA)	<u>\$ 40.00</u>	T \$ 2,173.07

FWB North American Ministries (NAM)

NAM	\$ 100.00	
NAM – Schmidt (NM)	<u>\$ 40.00</u>	T \$ 140.00

Bud Bivens (MEX)	\$ 504.03	
Gethsemani Children's Home (MEX)	\$ 564.03	
Alabama Children's Home	<u>\$ 140.00</u>	T \$ 1,208.06
		<u>Total (Desig) \$ 5,595.16</u>
		<u>Total (TXFWB) \$ 6,595.24</u>

West Fork District Office	\$ 30.00	
Quarterly Dues Received	\$ 1,500.00	
West Fork CE Board (Camp)	<u>\$ 160.00</u>	T \$1,690.00 Designated
Total Coop Giving to District (from above)		<u>\$ 818.24 Coop</u>
		<u>Total (District) \$ 2,508.24</u>

Total Cooperative and Designated Giving for the 4th Quarter 2023: **\$ 9,103.48**

Total Deposits for Quarter (from page 1): **\$ 9,103.48**

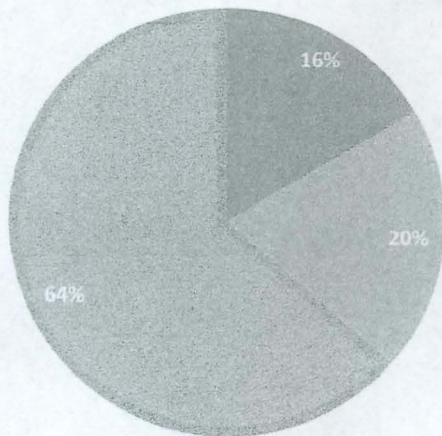
Disbursements for the Quarter by Percentages

Colleges (Randall & Welch) – 7%
 West Fork District – 1%
 NAM (Home Missions) – 3%
 West Fork Camp – 9%
 Annual Dues (Paid) – 24%

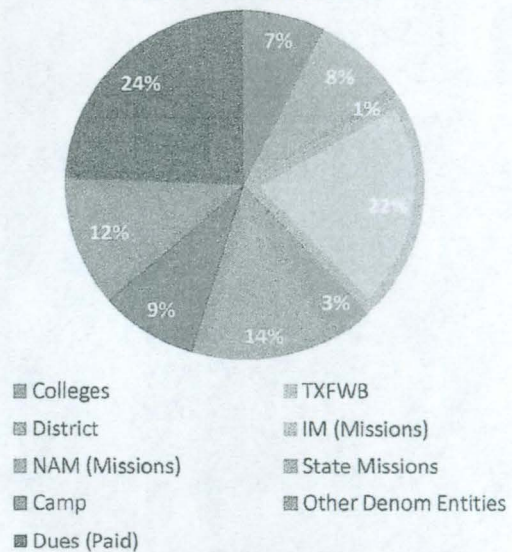
Texas FWB Office – 8%
 IM (International Missions) – 22%
 State Missions (TEAM) – 14%
 Other Denominational Entities – 12%

INCOME SOURCES

■ Dues (Received) ■ Coop ■ Designated



DISBURSEMENTS



Quarterly Giving by Church

Church	Dues	Coop	Designated	Total
Bowie	\$600.00*			\$600.00
Collin Creek				
Duncanville	\$150.00	\$1,818.32	\$765.00	\$2,733.32
Easley Chapel	\$150.00			\$150.00
Faith	\$300.00**		\$2,190.00	\$2,490.00
New Salem	\$150.00		100.00	\$250.00
Pleasant Mound	\$150.00		\$2,730.16	\$2,880.16
TOTALS	\$1,500.00	\$1,818.32	\$5,785.16	\$9,103.48

* Dues paid for the full year

**Includes 4th Quarter 2023 dues

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