

Quarterly Meeting of West Tennessee Association of Free Will Baptists
convening at North Memphis Church, March 17, 1978.

7:30...Singing; Standing on the Promises, and Showers of Blessings,
followed by Prayer by Bro. Clyde Myracle.

7:35...Welcome ...Bro John Shores

7:40...Response...Kathy Dye, Scripture ICor. 1: 9&10.

7:45...Devotion by Bro Burl Lasiter. Scripture St. Luke 17: 20-29.

7:55...Congregation song, How Great Thou Art, led by Bro Presley,
followed by prayer by Bro. Presley.

8:00...Message...Bro. Larry Carr, Scripture from Hebrews 3:1-14.

8:45...Business:

Church Letters read and Delegates seated. Motion to accept
church letter as read, seconded and carried.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved as read.

Visitors recognized, we had one visitor, a Brother Cole who
gave a brief testimony.

Roll call for Ministers.....all ministers present except Bro.
Hallbrook, who was unable to attend.

Treasurers report given.....bal. \$99.21.....approved as read.

Old Business:

Moderator recognized report of work the Executive committee is
doing in revising the constitution and by-laws....

These reports were entered as record the Executive committee has
completed their work.

Articles with changes were read by Bro. Presley and Bro. Carr ,
from both the old and revised form, changes being pointed out as read
in both the constitution and by-laws.

Articles 18--19--20 were omitted from by-laws since they are
covered in the Ministers Manuel.....Article 21 completely deleted,
and Article 22 becomes Article 18 in the Revised By-Laws.

Bro. Patrick made motion, the Amendments to Constitution and
By-Laws be presented to body for approval. Motion seconded by Bro. Presley &
carried, voting on said amendments tabled until next meeting.

A Ministers Manuel, also a part of this revision, was also presented
and included in the previous motion.

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New Business:

Place of next meeting was set.....Motion by Bro. Dye, seconded by Bro. ^{Patrick} and carriedthe next meeting will be at First F. W. B. Church in Jackson.....This meeting was postponed one week because of the scheduled C. T. S. Rally, and will be June 16, 1978. *Rescheduled June 2.*

Bro. Patrick explained Bro. Carr, Moderator, had traveled to Memphis different times, as well as done a lot of work on the revising of the constitution and by-laws.....and made a motion that he (Bro. Carr) be reimbursed for travel expenses in the amount of twenty (20) dollars,

Motion seconded by Bro. Hopkins and carried.

Announcements.....Meeting of camp board after meeting and the copies of both the National and State Association meetings are available for pastors.....

Since no Chairman was elected for the camp board, Bro. Patrick was appointed acting chairman.

Offering received.....\$31.08.

No further business meeting was adjourned after proper motion, followed by fellowship and refreshments. Dismissal prayer by Bro Bruce Bass

Treasurer Report 12-1-77 to 3-1-78

<i>Balance Brought forward</i>	<i>12-1-77</i>	<i>93.12</i>
<i>Deposit</i>		<i>91.09</i>
<i>Total</i>		<i>184.21</i>

Disbursements

Western youth Camp on debt 30.00

" " " 1/2 dues 30.00

Bd. of Foreign Missions
(Cascia Acct)

25.00

Total

85.00

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Bal. on Hand 3-1-78 99.21

Submitted by
Flr. Edson, Jr.

Quarterly meeting of West Tennessee Association of Free Will Baptists convening at First Free Will Baptist, Jackson, Tenn. June 2, 1978.

7:30...Congregational Singing, led by David Thomas followed by prayer by Bro. Glenn Wright

7:35...Welcome...Bro Laron Dye, Scripture reading--Matt. 25:21..Rev. 22:14

7:40...Response...Timmy Pressley, Scripture, Heb. 10:23-25.

7:45...Devotion...Bobby Moore, Scripture Matt. 27:22-26. Comments on subject "What Would You Do With Jesus".

7:55...Congregation song...Prepare To Meet Thy God.

8:00...Message...Bro. Glen Poston, Home Missionary to Millington, Tenn. Scripture reading Rev. 3:1-6....Subject, "Why Churches Die". followed by prayer by Bro. Larry Carr.

8:45...Church Letters read, Motion to accept letters as read, seconded, carried and Delegates seated.

9:00...Business:

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved as read.

Visitors recognized.....we had one visitor; Bro. Weaver

Pastor's roll-call; all ministers present except one, Bro Patrick

Treasurers report read by clerk in absence of treasurer.... report approved as read after proper motion, second.

Old Business:

- 1) Voting on the revised Constitution and By-laws.....tabled at previous meeting.
Bro Pressley made motion this item be removed from table, motion seconded and carried.
Bro. Carr, Moderator, commented on the Minister's Manual, giving a brief explanation for the benefit of those delegates who had not read same.....No further discussion or questions the revised Constitution and By-Laws as well as Minister's Manual were approved by unanimous vote.

New Business:

- 1) Letter from Louis and Florrinne Coscia, Missionaries to Brazil was read and recognized. Moderator commented on his appreciation of those of our Missionaries who are willing to take time out from their busy schedule to share their work with us...
- 2)-Bro. Laron Dye commented on work of Secretary.....reading etc..... Made suggestion each church read their own letter....open for discussion.....after brief discussion, tabled until next meeting.
- 3)-Announcements:

- 1- Youth Camp; Beginning June 12,.....Junior Camp beginning July 3,
Fee has been raised to \$25.00
- 2- Bro. Presley announced C. T. S. Rally in Cookville, June 9 and
encouraged the churches to try to have a good delegation attending....
- 3- Next Meeting of West Tenn. Association will be at Randall Memorial
Free Will Baptist, Memphis, Tenn. Sept. 8 & 9. (yearly meeting)

Bro. Hopkins made motion to give Jackson church rising vote of thanks,
Bro. Pressley seconded motion along with ammendment that this motion
also include voted of thanks to Bro. Carr for extra work and job well
done on Constitution & By-Laws. Motion carried.

Motion made to give Bro. Poston an offering of fifty (\$50) dollars from
treasure since he is now in his itenirate work, motion seconded and carried

Offering received.....

Meeting adjourned.....dismissal prayer and blessing on food by
Bro. Weaver.....followed by time of fellowship.....

Beginning Bal. 3-1-78	Floraine Edgards
	99.21
Dep. 3-21-78	<u>91.08</u>
	190.29

Disbursements	20.00	to Larry Carr
		expense
	<u>30.00</u>	West Tenn. youth
	50.00	camp

	190.29
	<u>50.00</u>
June 1, 1978	\$ 140.29 bal.

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Annual Meeting of West Tennessee Association Of Free Will Baptist
convening at Randall Memorial Church Sept. 22 & 23. (posponed from
Sept 8 & 9 because of Women's Auxiliary retreat)

Friday Evening

7:30 Congregational singing; "Grace Greater Than Our Sin", "The Way
Of The Cross Leads Home" and "Burdens Are Lifted At Calvary".
Prayer, Brother Laron Dye.

Welcome comments by Brother Carr, Moderator.

7:40 Devotion, Bro. Jerry Troope, Scripture-St. John 15:9-17,
His comments challenged each one to take inventory to see what
love we really have for Him, He gave His life for us.....

7:50 Special Music, Girls duet; Randall Church.

8:00 Message, Rev. Trymon Messer, Associate Director National Home
Missions Department.....Scripture, St. John 10:39-42,
Subject; John Did No Miracles.....John fulfilled the pur-
pose God called him to do.....Exalted Jesus Christ; He warned
people to prepare to meet God; and preached redemption through
Jesus Christ.....Closed with prayer.

Announcements were made by Bro. Carr.....

Dismissal Prayer by Jerry Presley.

Saturday, Sept. 23

10:00 A.M. Congregational Singing, "Love Lifted Me".
Prayer, Bro. Larry Carr.

10:05 Welcome, Bro. Glen Wright. Scripture-Proverbs 3:5&6.

10:10 Response, Bro. Clyde Myracle. Scripture-St. John 13:33-35;
St. John 7:37&38.

10:15 Devotion, Bro. Laron Dye. Scripture-Deut. 31:12-13; Commented
on love, obedience and fear of the Lord and love for fellowmen.

10:25 Prayer,
Minutes of previous meeting read and accepted.
Reading of church letters---Quarterly reports read, approved
as read---Delegates seated.
Yearly reports read and approved as read.
Moderator appointed the following committees after proper motion
and second.(assisted by Assistant Moderator)
Those appointed were.....Obituary Committee
Dennis Edgar (Chairman)
Clyde Myracle
Jean Allen

Nominating Committee
Laron Dye, (Chairman)
Charles Mc Neese
Burl Lasiter

11:00 Special Music, Trio from Jackson Church, "It Was His Love".

Visitors recognized; one visitor, Gordon Cole.

11:05 Message, Bro Trymon Messer-----began by commending Bro. Patrick for his article concerning the PTL Club.....
Scripture from Joshua 1:1-8;.....Subject, "The Church Must Succeed",Gave five reasons why they succeeded though they were untrained, untried and unequipped to do what God commanded.....

- 1- They had a commission from God.
- 2- They succeeded because they cooperated.
- 3- They succeeded because they had courage.
- 4- They succeeded because they were clean.
- 5- They succeeded because they had Christ.

followed by prayer and invitation for anyone who may have a need.

11:50 Offering received.....\$54.75.

11:55 Dismissed for lunch.....

P.M.

1:00 Singing, "I Know Whom I Have Believed".
Prayer, Brother, Kenneth Booker.
Song, "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart".

Devotion,....Personal Testimonies; Bro Poston commented on the work in Millington; Bro. Messer shared with us the work of Missionaries and the pressing need of Missions in different areas, and requested prayer for these needs.....Also commented on CELF Program to be initiated, Nandmann announced November 19 is Home Missions day and encouraged each church to do as much as they can for Home Missions on this day.

Business:

Ministers Roll-Call; all Ministers present.

Treasurers report given, approved as read.....(bal.\$163.29)

Constitution and By-Laws were read.

One item of business concerning work of secretary, --reading etc-- as was discussed at June 2nd meeting, remains on table.....

New Business:

1- Ordination Council recommended Murray Raney and Dayton Pratt to be ordained as Deacons; motion made to accept this recommendation, seconded and carried. These men will be ordained at Randall Memorial Free Will Baptist Church on Sept. 24, 1978. Bro. Carr offered prayer on their behalf.

2-Moderator made mention of request from Bro Roy Thomas for more money for particular Missionaries named to the field and asked Bro. Messer for comments.....Bro Messer explained these requests were sent to individuals but any help from the body would be appreciated, also explained this money is needed to help these appointed missionaries get to the field.

3-Brother Patrick made motion to send twenty-five dollarst(\$25.00) totPoston general fund.....twenty-five (\$25.00) to Presley sinking fund....twenty-five dollars(\$25.00) to Lebanon

land fund account. There was no discussion so this motion was seconded and carried.

4-Nominating Committee made the following recommendations:

Program Committee

Charles Oliver.....First Church, Jackson
Bobby Johnson.....First Church, Memphis
Glynn Wright.....Randall Memorial
Clyde Myracle.....North Memphis

Camp Board

Pastors,	Laymen,
Bro. Presley	John Shores
Bro Carr	Laron Dye
Bro. Patrick	Vance Robinson
Bro. Hopkins	Kenneth Booker

Moderator.....Bro. Dann Patrick
Assistant Moderator.....Bro. Eddie Hopkins
Clerk.....Lola Hopkins
Treasurer.....Flo Edgar

Bro. Patrick declined nomination as Moderator since he is State Moderator.

Bro. Presley Moved the Camp Board and Program Committee recommendations be accepted by acclamation...motion seconded and carried....

Moderator called the body into committee.....

Bro. Patrick commented on possibility of using Laymen as Moderator. There was no further discussion.....

Bro. Carr announced we are out of committee and asked for nominations for Moderator. Bro. Eddie Hopkins was nominated, seconded and carried.....Bro Patrick suggested Laymen to do at least one meeting, or co-moderate one meeting each..... Motion was made to name Co-Assistant Moderators , Laron Dye, C Charles Mc Neese and Bobby Johnson.....each doing one meeting and Moderator doing yearly meeting.....Motion seconded and carried.

Lola Hopkins was nominated as Clerk seconded and carried.

Flo Edgar was nominated as Treasurer seconded and carried.

Ordaining Council Recommendations were, Eddie Hopkins, Dann Patrick and Larry Carr.....

This recommendation was ammended to designate term to specific number of years.....it was agreed. Eddie Hopkins two years.... Dann Patrick three years.....Larry Carr one year terms..... Motion to this effect made, seconded and carried.

Moderator announced we need five Lay Delegates to be elected to serve at State Association at Cookeville, Nov. 13, 14 & 15. Beatrice Presley, Linda Wright, Brenda Patrick and Lola Hopkins were named.....Bro Patrick made motion to elect these four and impower Moderator to appoint fifth Delegate at the meeting, motion seconded and carried..

Moderator suggested we consider Feet-Washing and Communion as part of our yearly meeting.

Bro. Carr thanked those who have worked with him as Moderator and expressed appreciation for opportunity of working in this capacity..

Bro. Poston requested ratification of his credentials be considered for next meeting.

Bro Patrick moved to give rising vote of thanks for retiring officers and also those being retained

Bro. Carr moved to give Randall Memorial Church a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality.

Bro. Laron Dye requested next ~~quarterly~~ meeting to be at Jackson Church, explaining since he will be Moderating he will be more comfortable.....Next meeting December 8.

Moderator asked for and obtained motion to adjourne.....
Dismissed with prayer by Bro. Dennis Edgar.

NOTE:

The regular scheduled meeting for Dec. 8, 1978 at Jackson Free Will Baptist Church, was canceled because of bad weather.

Next meeting will be March 9, 1979 at Randall Memorial Free Will Baptist Church.