

March 11, 1983

Quarterly Meeting of West Tennessee Assoc. of Free Will Baptist
convening with North Memphis Free Will Baptist Church

Congregation led in singing by Dallas Henderson, "Faith is
The Victory"

Prayer led by Dayton Pratt

Welcome given by Danny Spencer

Response given by Glenn Poston

Congregation Sang "He Keeps Me Singing"

Offering taken with Prayer by Glen Wright

Scripture Reading & Prayer by James Lavery - Philippians

Meeting brought to order by Moderator, Guy Owens

Recognition of Standing Delegates

Roll call of ministers - 6 present

Clerk read letters from 2 absent ministers, Charles
McNeese + Randy Wright.

Recognition of Deacons

Names of Elected Delegates read by clerk from Church ^{letters}

Bro. Eddie Hopkins made a motion to Seat Standing
and Elected Delegates, motion seconded + carried.

Minutes read by Clerk, approved as read.

Old Business

The \$10.00 per Church for the entertainment of 1983 National
Assoc. has been Received and mailed by the Treasurer

No other old business.

No request from Church letters.

New Business -

- A letter from Truman Messer was read, Bro. Messer asked for support of the Hughes Ellis account.
- Bro. Poston reported that Bro. Ellis has raised his money for starting The Church in Paris, In.
- Bro. Owens reports from the Ministers Board that Dallas Henderson has been approved for licensing.

Treasurers Report given by Lola Hopkins, accepted as read
Keith Walkley made a motion to give 10% of undesignated income, to be paid quarterly, to the Hughes Ellis account until he goes self-supporting, seconded by Bro. Hopkins.
Another motion made by Bro. Glenn Wright to table this motion until next meeting, ^{and receive a special offering for Bro. Ellis account} seconded by Glenn Poston.
^{motion carried}
Motion made by Bro. Glenn Poston to adjourn Business Session, seconded & carried.

Special Music by Bro. David Burgess

Message was given by Bro. Dallas Henderson, Hebrew 11

Bro. Henderson announced The family retreat to be held April 8-9 at Camp Clark Williamson.

Benediction

Dismissed in Prayer by Bro. Eddie Hopkins

Special offering taken for Bro. Hughes Ellis account.

June 10, 1983

West Tenn. Assoc. of Free Will Baptists Convening
with First Free Will Baptist Church.

Congregational singing led by Randy Wright "At the Cross"

Prayer by Charles Berry

Welcome given by Bob Johnson

Response given by Rev. Vernon Long.

Congregation sang "Deeper, Deeper" page 230

Offering lifted with prayer by Burl Lasiter

Scripture Reading taken from Psalm 1 by Rev. Gary Owens.

Roll call of ministers - 4 present (3 absent)

Letter read from Rev. Eddie Hopkins for his absence.

Recognition of Deacons.

Seating of Elected Delegates, names read from Church letters, motion made & second to seat delegates.

Minutes of previous meeting read by Mary Walkley, asst. clerk, accepted as read.

Treasurer's Report given by Lola Hopkins, accepted as read.

Letter from Dallas Henderson was read. He has moved to Missouri.

Requests from Church letters - none
Old Business:

Motion was made to bring tabled motion "To Giving

10% of undesignated income, to be paid quarterly, to Hughes Ellis account"

-- From Treasurers report it would be approximately \$60 yearly (\$15.00 quarterly)

-- Discussion was done.

-- Motion Voted on and carried

-- Bro. Owens instructed Treasurer to begin sending 10% to Ellis Acct. from this session

New Business:

Presbytery Board Report - none

- Bro. Vernon Long reported that Foreign Missions Walk-a-thon is to be Sept. 10 - date of next quarterly meeting. State goal of \$50,000 for missions.

A committee is needed to be in charge of West Tennessee's participation.

- Motion was made ^{by Rev. David Burgess} to participate in Foreign Missions Walk-a-thon, seconded + carried

- Motion was made by Rev. Vernon Long that Moderators appoint a Committee.

- Walk-a-thon Committee (a representative from each Church.)

Bro. Burgess - Coordinator

Bro. Johnson

Bro. Wright

Bro. Spencer

Bro. Halbrook

- July 11th set aside for National Association, prayer + fasting.

Next quarterly meeting at Liberty Sept. 9th + 10th.

Motion made by Keith Walkley to adjourn business session, seconded & carried.

Congregation led in singing by Randy Wright "Jesus Is
Message brought by Rev. David Burgess. Acts 2:38-47
"Compare the Church of Today to the New Testament Churches."

Announcements -

Masters Men Picnic - June 24 & 25 - at Liberty
Cookout on Fri night, picnic on Saturday.

Bro. Long announced special meetings for youth
meeting - Revival.

North Memphis has Homecoming June 26.

September 9, 1983

Quarterly/Annual Meeting of the West Tennessee
Association of Free Will Baptists at Liberty F.W.B. Church

1. Congregation led in song by Brother Darryl Bass
(The opening hymn was #76 - Faith is the Victory)
2. Scripture reading and prayer by Brother Glen Wright
3. Welcome given by Brother Keith Walkley
4. Response given by Brother Jim Laversty
5. Brother Guy Owens recognized visiting preachers
(Bro. Al Davis and Bro. E. C. Jones)
6. Meeting for Quarterly Business session called
to order by Moderator, Brother Guy Owens
7. Roll call of ministers - 5 present 2 absent
(~~Rev. Vernon Long~~ absence excused by his letter to the Association)
8. Recognition given to all standing delegates
9. Elected delegates names were read from quarterly
reports by Keith Walkley. Motion made by
Rev. Glenn Poston and a second by Rev. Eddie Hopkin
to seat the Elected delegates.
10. Minutes of the June 1983 Quarterly meeting read by
Keith Walkley - accepted as read.
11. Old Business - Rev. David Burgess gave a report on
the walk-a-thon for missions to be held on Sept. 10.
He reported that due to the absence of so many
people, that this Association would not have the
walk-a-thon.
12. Bro. Guy Owens brought up a reminder to the

churches that \$50.00 was needed from ~~each~~ ^{each} churches by 1985 when the National Assoc. is in Tennessee

13. New Business - none

14. Treasurers Report given by Mrs. Lola Hopkins - motion by Rev. Eddie Hopkins and second by Keith Walkley to accept treasurers report as read

15. Bro. Guy Owens appointed the following committees

a. Credentials Committee

1) Rev. David Burgess, Rayford Stone, Darryl Bass

b. Nominating Committee

1) Rev. Eddie Hopkins, Glen Wright, Keith Walkley

c. Obituary Committee

1) Rev. Glen Foster, John Mauldin, Dayton Paul

d. Registration Committee

1) Rev. Jim Lavery, Burl Lassiter, Willie Lyles

16. Discussion from the floor about the \$10.00 yearly dues for National Association

17. Motion made by Keith Walkley and second by John Mauldin to adjourn from the business session. Annual business session to resume at 9:00 AM Sept 10,

18. Congregation Hymn #43 Marching to Zion

19. Message brought by Rev. Eugene Hales of First F.W.B. Church of Jasper, Alabama. Text was Jeremiah 19:14, 15 and 20:1-9 "I Could Not Stay"

20. Benediction by Bro. David Burgess

Saturday, Sept 10, 1983

Annual Session of the West Tennessee Quarterly Meeting

1. Congregational Hymn (#265 - Victory in Jesus) led by Drury Bro
2. Scripture reading (Psalm 73) and prayer by Guy Owens
3. Annual Business session called to order by Moderator Bro. Guy Owens
4. Bro. Guy Owens read Constitution and By-laws
- 5. Minutes of the 1982 Annual session read
- 5. Randy Wright seated as an elected delegate - Motion made by Ruth Walkley, second by Glenn Pooton, and carried to seat Bro. Wright.
7. Minutes approved as read
8. Annual Treasurer's Report by Sister Lola Hopkins
9. Motion by Bro. Eddie Hopkins, second by Randy Wright to accept Treasurer's report as read
10. Bro. Guy Owens gave a report on Southeastern LWB College
11. Report of Committees
 - a. Obituary Committee reported no deaths
 - b. Registration Committee reported Friday - 9 Sept. session had 12 Elected Delegates, 12 Standing Delegates + 7 Visitors
Saturday 10 September session had 8 Standing and 10 Elected delegates with 6 visitors
 - c. Credentials committee gave no report due to the lack of ministers cards. Discussion followed and Bro. Glenn Pooton made a motion ^{that} the Moderator head up a committee consisting of the other Pastors

to review policies regarding the credentials of ministers and deacons and give a report at the next quarterly meeting. Second by Bro. Eddie Hopkins and carried.

Moderator directed clerk to grant cards of good standing. Motion made + carried to accept the reports of the Obituary, Registration, and Credentials Committee. Nominating Committee report given recommending for Moderator - Guy Owens

Asst. Moderator - Eddie Hopkins

Clerk - Ronnie Rickett

Asst. Clerk - Keith Walkley

Treasurer - Lola Hopkins

Nominations from the floor - Keith Walkley for Clerk ^{Ronnie Rickett}

It was reported by Moderator Guy Owens that Asst. Clerk position was unconstitutional.

Motion made by Keith Walkley that the Pastors, headed by Moderator ~~review~~ review the Constitution and By-laws and make recommendations as to changes needed. Of the changes to be made, one change would be to include an Asst. Treasurer and Asst. Clerk.

Second by John Moulden. Voted on and carried.

12. Election of Officers for 1983-1984

Keith Walkley voted on to be Clerk

Ronnie Rickett voted on to be Assistant Clerk

Motion by Randy Wright and second to elect Lola Hopkins as Treasurer and Rev. Eddie Hopkins as Asst. Moderator Voted on and carried
Asst. Moderator Eddie Hopkins took charge for the election of Moderators

Motion by Glenn Poston, second by Randy Wright to elect Guy Owens as Moderator Voted on and carried

Moderator Guy Owens resumed his position in charge of business meeting

13. Late report was given that First F.W. Church had participated in the Foreign Missions Walk-a-thon and had raised \$60.00.
14. Unfinished business - none
15. Motion made by Keith Walkley to adjourn from business session, second by Randy Wright, carried.
16. Recess
17. Congregational Hymn # 96 Joy Unspeakable
18. Prayer by Randy Wright
19. Offering
20. Special Music - Danny & Sue Bass, Keith Walkley
21. Message - Eugene Hales - John 8: 28-31 "What will a Holy Man do?"
22. Invitation
23. Benediction - Rev. Glenn Poston
24. Lunch Served.

December 9, 1983

Quarterly Meeting of the West Tennessee Association
of Free Will Baptists at Randall Memorial F.W.B. Church

1. Congregational Hymn - #448 To the Regions Beyond of Mustard Seed
2. Scripture reading and prayer by Brother Randy Wright from Psalm 121
3. Welcome given by Brother Dayton Pratt
4. Business session called to order by Moderator Brother Jany Owens
5. Recognition of Standing Delegates - Rev. Eddie Hopkins excused by letter
6. Recognition of Elected Delegates from church reports
7. Minutes of September 1983 Quarterly meeting read by Keith Walkley - accepted as read
8. Old Business - Brother Jany Owens gave a report on ministers meeting for review of minister/deacon credentials
9. Brother Bob Johnson requested a rescheduling of the ministers meeting so that Brother Al Davis would be able to attend
10. Treasurer's report given by Sister Willie Lillard
11. Adjourned the business session of the West Tennessee Quarterly meeting
12. Congregational Hymn - #445 Jesus Saves
13. Offering received for Brother Ronnie Sparks in the amount of \$80.55 to be combined with offerings to be taken in subsequent meetings at Randall Memorial F.W.B. Church during its missions conference
14. Special Music sung by the host church
15. Message by Brother Hughes Ellis from 1st Corinthians 4:7-11 and II Peter 1:16-21

Letters read from churches requesting examination of Brother Al Davis, Brother Kent Tallent. Randall Owens to be examined for licensing.

16. Benediction by Brother David Burgess