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**MINUTES OF THE QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE
WEST TENNESSEE ASSOCIATION
OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS
AT NORTH MEMPHIS FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH**

Friday 12 March 1993

1. Registration was held from 6:30 - 7:00 p.m.
2. Call to worship and congregational singing of Where He Leads I'll Follow.
3. Scripture reading and prayer by Rev. Eddie Hopkins from Isaiah 12:1-6.
4. Blessing on the fellowship banquet by Rev. David Spears.
5. Congregational singing of Make Me a Channel of Blessing and Amazing Grace.
6. Offering was received.
7. Message from John 3:36 by Rev. Glen Poston on Free Will Baptist Distinctives.
8. Invitation given including hymn Have Thine Own Way.
9. Business Session called to order.
10. Recognition of Standing Delegates, Elected Delegates and visitors.
 - a. Roll Call of Ministers by the Clerk - 7 present
 - b. Recognition of Deacons by the Moderator - 5 present
 - c. Recognition of Elected Delegates from Church Letters by the Clerk
11. Reading of Minutes of Last Quarterly Meeting by the Clerk. Approved as read.
12. Treasurer's Report given with a balance on hand of \$204.23. Accepted as read.
13. Old business - None
14. New Business - None
15. Presbytery reported that Tim Sizemore had been examined and had assumed the pastorate in Detroit, Alabama.
16. A motion was made by Rev. Poston and seconded to give \$200 to the Liberty FWB Church building fund. The motion was carried.
17. Brother Booker shared a testimony of God's special blessings in Jackson. Grace FWB church has had one young man and three couples saved already this year. David Outlaw will be temporarily assuming the pastorate on an interim basis at First FWB church.
18. Session was closed and dismissed in prayer by Brother Eddie Hopkins.

**MINUTES OF THE QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE
WEST TENNESSEE ASSOCIATION
OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS
AT RANDALL MEMORIAL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH**

Friday 11 June 1993

1. Registration was held from 6:30 - 7:00 p.m.
2. Call to worship by Assistant Moderator Terry Booker.
3. Congregational singing of Nothing But the Blood.
4. Rev. Jeff Gaskins read Psalm 146:1-5 and led the congregation in prayer.
5. Blessing on the fellowship banquet by Rev. Gwyn Pugh.
6. Congregational singing of He Keeps Me Singing.
7. Offering was received.
8. Drama program was presented by the National Youth Evangelistic Team.
9. Business Session called to order by Assistant Moderator Terry Booker.
10. Recognition of Standing Delegates, Elected Delegates and visitors.
 - a. Roll Call of Ministers by the Clerk - 4 present
 - b. Recognition of Deacons by the Moderator - 8 present
 - c. Recognition of Elected Delegates from Church Letters - 14 present
 - d. Recognized the Youth Evangelistic Team and the Gores - home missionaries to Southaven, MS.
11. Reading of Minutes of Last Quarterly Meeting by the Clerk. Approved as read.
12. Treasurer's report given with a balance on hand of \$164.23. Accepted as read.
13. Old business - None
14. New Business - Request from Randall Church for the examination of Brother Jeff Gaskins for acceptance into the West Tennessee Association.
15. Presbytery had nothing to report.
16. A motion was made by Rev. Poston and seconded to give \$150 to the Youth Evangelistic Team. The motion was carried.
17. Business session was closed.
18. The following announcements were made:
 - Evangel Drama Group at the Victory Church June 19.
 - Brother Gore announced a Children's Crusade at Cross Creek Church June 25-26
 - North Memphis Homecoming June 27
 - Breakfast with Charles Thigpen June 28 (Shoneys on Perkins)
 - Youth Camp coming up in July
 - Walk-a-thon for Foreign Missions coming up in September
19. Response given and meeting was closed in prayer by Brother Jim Lavery.

**MINUTES OF THE YEARLY MEETING OF THE
WEST TENNESSEE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS
AT VICTORY FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH**

Saturday 11 September 1993

1. Registration was held from 9:30 a.m.
2. Assistant Moderator Terry Booker called the body to order for worship.
3. The congregation was led in the singing of When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder..
4. Rev. Jim Laverty read scripture from Psalm 63 and led the congregation in prayer.
5. The congregation sang 'My Savior's Love' and 'The Banner of the Cross.'
6. Offering was received.
7. Special music was provided by the youth choir of the Victory Church.
8. The message was brought from Nehemiah 2:11-20 and other verses from chapters 4 and 6 by Rev. Vernon Long.
9. Committee appointments were made as follows:

Nominating Committee	-	Eddie Hopkins, Betty Mutchler, Jim Laverty, Jerry Stollings
Obituary Committee	-	Jerry Presley, Mary Walkley, Janie Stollings, Joyce Booker
Resolutions Committee	-	Eddie Vincent, Burl Lasiter, Roy Collins
10. Business session called to order by Moderator David Spears.
11. Recognition of Standing Delegates, Elected Delegates and visitors.
 - a. Roll call of ministers - 9 present
 - b. Recognition of deacons by the Moderator - 5 present
 - c. Recognition of elected delegates from church letters - 8 present
 - d. Recognized David and Susan Burgess, the new pastor of North Memphis Free Will Baptist Church.
12. Reading of minutes of the June Quarterly Meeting and the 1992 Yearly Meeting of the West Tennessee Association by the clerk. Approved as read.
13. The Treasurer's Report was given with a balance on hand of \$216.23. Accepted as read.
14. Old Business - none.
15. New Business - Request from North Memphis church for the examination of Brother David Burgess to ratify his credentials for acceptance into the West Tennessee Association. The clerk is to request a letter of good standing from Brother Burgess's former association.
16. Presbytery had nothing to report.
17. A motion was made by Rev. Poston and seconded to commend the laity for their planning committee activities and to put the quarterly meeting planning activities back in the hands of the presbytery for the coming year. The motion was carried.
18. Rev. Poston made a motion that the host church be responsible for providing the snack/meal at upcoming meetings. The motion carried.
19. Rev. David Spears asked the body what we as an association could do collectively and proposed an outreach ministry for visitation that might include collectively visiting for each of the churches under the guidance of the local pastor. Discussion followed including information from Brother Vernon Long regarding the "Every Church for Christ" crusade back in Missouri. A motion was made by Brother Walkley to have the presbytery report back at the December meeting on what might be possible regarding an associational outreach ministry.
20. An information report was given regarding the disposition of the First Free Will Baptist Church. The building was turned over to the Tennessee State Home Missions Board for sale of the property. Proceeds from the sale of the church are to be used toward starting a new work in ~~the Raleigh/Bartlett area~~ Shelby County, Tennessee. (Amended at the 1994 Yearly Meeting of the West Tennessee Association for clarification of agreement with the former members of First Free Will Baptist Church.)
21. Committee reports were given as follows:

Obituary Committee reported no deaths.	
Resolutions Committee - "Be it resolved that we of the West Tennessee Association give Victory Free Will Baptist Church a hearty thank you for hosting the Annual Meeting of the West Tennessee Association of Free Will Baptists and that we give a rising vote of thanks as a token of appreciation to the church."	
Nominating Committee:	Moderator Terry Booker
	Asst. Mod. Jim Laverty
	Clerk Keith Walkley
	Asst. Clerk Jerry Stollings
	Treasurer Jerry Presley
	Asst. Treas. Bob Johnson
22. A motion was made and seconded to accept the nominating committee's recommendation and elect by acclamation. The motion was carried with a unanimous vote.
23. Business session closed.
24. Response was given by Brother Walkley and meeting was closed in prayer by Brother Terry Booker.
25. A time of food and fellowship followed the business session.

MINUTES OF THE QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE WEST TENNESSEE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS AT LIBERTY FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Friday 10 December 1993

1. The assembly was begun with congregational singing of hymn #139 (The First Noel).
2. Pastor Gwyn Pugh welcomed the West Tennessee Association to the Liberty Church.
3. An altar of prayer was conducted.
4. Business Session called to order by Moderator Terry Booker.
5. Standing Delegates, Elected Delegates and visitors were recognized by a:
 - a. Roll Call of Ministers by the Assistant Clerk - 6 present
 - b. Recognition of Deacons by the Moderator
 - c. Recognition of Elected Delegates from Church Letters
 - d. Recognition of visitors by the Moderator.
6. Treasurer's report given with a balance on hand of \$92.23. Accepted as read.
7. Old business - None
8. New Business - None
9. Presbytery reported that Brother Burgess was examined and a letter of good standing had been received. A motion was made and carried to accept Brother Burgess into the association. Business session was closed.
10. The congregation was led in hymn # 133, O Come, All Ye Faithful.
11. The offering was received.
12. Special singing was performed by the Liberty Church.
13. The message was brought by Pastor David Burgess from Philippians 2:5-11 "Christ Beyond Compare".
14. An invitation was given with singing of hymn # 275 (Just As I Am).
15. A Communion and Feet Washing service was conducted by Brother Burgess.
16. The congregation reassembled from the feet washing service and sang hymn # 123 (Silent Night, Holy Night).
17. The closing response was given by the Moderator, Pastor Terry Booker.
18. The session was closed in prayer by Brother David Spears.

Treasurer's Report for 12/1/93 - 2/28/94

Beginning Balance	\$92.23	
Dues received 12/10	75.00	Grace, Liberty, North churches
Offering 12/10/93	<u>\$60.00</u>	
Balance on Hand 3/1/94	\$227.23	

Have a Joyful Easter

in Celebration of

the Resurrection of

JESUS!

Blessed Be

His Name

Forever!