# MINUTES of the 65th Annual Session of the

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Rev. Jim and Sister Vicki Sturgill are retiring from International Missions after 40 years on the Mission field.

They have faithfully served God, their foreign families, and West Virginia over these 40 years. We extend our love and gratitude to Jim and Vicki for their kind and loving service.

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#### "HARDER TO LEAVE THAN IT WAS TO COME..."

In 1960 I was called to preach, and in 1962 I went to Free Will Baptist Bible College. While there, in the year of 1963, God called me to missionary work outside the USA. At first, Vicki and I thought God wanted us in Europe. Later it became clear that it was to be Brazil.

In December of 1972, we boarded a Pan American flight with our oldest daughter, three years old at the time, bound for the city of Campinas to begin language training. During this phase, we began to love Brazil, its food, and especially its people. Our roots began to deepen as we ministered to them in a really comical mixture of English with the Portuguese vocabulary that we were beginning to acquire. With language school behind us, we began to look for the place where God would have us work. We looked north and south. We almost settled on a coastal town in the State of Santa Catarina, but God pointed toward Barbacena, where in early 1972 Bobby Aycock had opened the very first church in the State of Minas Gerais.

At the end of our first four year term, and our first "Stateside Assignment" (furlough) behind us, God pointed again – back to Campinas. Deep roots had formed in Barbacena, and rather than pull them out, we left them there to grow.

In Campinas, we nurtured in a 14 year ministry, in which we were able to see a church building raised up, the congregation becoming stronger, three other congregations started, which others coming behind us saw fit to close down, but the network of roots deepened and widened.

In 1990 God made us to know that it was time to move on again. Once again, we had our ideas, but God had HIS plan, so we wound up in Jaboticabal administering the camp property. Even though that was not a ministry that thrilled me, we came to love PEOPLE there, and once again, roots deepened.

Again, God pointed and said go. This time it was to a place where we had dreamed of for twenty long years – Belo Horizonte, the Capital of the State of Minas Gerais. Once we were able to take up residence there, working with Dave and Pat Franks, we began to get acquainted with those attending the services, with neighbors and the business community. Once again, roots began to form. As congregations formed and grew, and Brazilian pastors became available, the dream of the missionary became reality – we became unnecessary to the continuation of the churches.

Now, at the end of forty years with Free Will Baptist International Missions, thirty eight of which have been in Brazil, God has pointed again. This time, it is back to where we started from, our home country. With the network of roots that we have allowed to form in Brazil – Campinas, Barbacena, Jaboticabal, and Belo Horizonte, our hearts want to break as we visit with people that we have learned to love, many who are elderly and probably will be in Heaven before an opportunity will present itself to come back for a visit.

This very day, I was in a local business looking for an item, and mentioned to the manager, a friend of about 15 years, that we would soon be returning to the USA. I didn't imagine that she had formed such a bond, BUT SHE BEGAN TO CRY! There is an expression that Brazilians like to use when they leave, "Até mais ver...", which translates to, "Until we see each other again...". The roots that have formed pull at our heart strings so strongly that IT REALLY IS HARDER TO LEAVE THAN IT WAS TO COME!

Thank you, and God bless you. Jim & Vicki Sturgill

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# CONSTITUTION OF THE WEST VIRGINIA STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS PREAMBLE

Having received salvation through faith in Christ Jesus, and having been baptized as an outward sign of our separation from the world, and realizing the necessity of being identified with and sharing the fellowship of other believers, have joined ourselves to a local visible church, we do ordain this Constitution to unify the work of Free Will Baptist in the State of West Virginia, and to devise and execute measures for the extension of the Kingdom of Christ and for the salvation of souls in cooperation with various quarterly or yearly meetings comprising this State Association.

May God Bless our labor.

#### Article No. 1

- **Section 1**. All ordained Ministers and Deacons belonging to member Quarterly Meetings and District Associations shall make up the standing delegates to this State Association. Each quarterly meeting shall be permitted to send three lay delegates to the State Association plus one delegate from each Church composing that Quarterly Meeting.
- **Section 2**. The membership of the State Association shall consist of the Quarterly Meetings and District Association of Yearly Meetings from time to time upon approval shall become members of this body.
- **Section 3**. Any Minister, Deacon or Delegate voting in State Association must be a member of a Church in good standing with the Quarterly Meeting recommending them to the State Association.
- **Section 4**. This State Association shall be affiliated with the National Association of Free Will Baptists of the United States of America, and recognize the Treatise of Faith and Practice as our guidelines for denominal fellowship, as long as they remain an independent denomination.

## Article No. 2 – Discipline

**Section 1**. The State Association shall have the right to settle questions of discipline, doctrine or usage that may properly come before it from time to time from any Quarterly Meetings or Yearly Meetings composing the said State Association or act upon any appeal that may be made by any of the bodies that belong to the State Association. The said appeal shall have been written and signed by the Association making the appeal then forwarded by mail or in person to State Association and Quarterly Meeting.

- **Section 2**. No Quarterly Meeting shall license or ordain to preach or serve as a Deacon any Man having two living wives. No Man having married a divorced Woman shall be licensed or ordained to preach or ordained as a Deacon in this State Association.
  - **Section 3**. No Quarterly Meeting shall license or ordain a Woman to preach.
- **Section 4**. No Quarterly Meeting shall be accepted or retained as a member that license or ordain Women to preach.
- **Section 5**. The Executive Board shall investigate any charges, after they have been properly presented to the Quarterly Meeting of which the grieved party or parties are a member. Any charges presented to this State Association Executive Board for consideration must be presented in writing and signed by the person or persons making the charges.
- **Section 6**. The Executive Board shall be paid for travel expenses, at the United States Government rate when traveling to meetings for business of the State Association. The party or parties requesting the Executive Board to meet with them, shall be responsible to pay their expenses.

#### Article No. 3

**Section 1**. The Officers of the State Association shall be a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer and Parliamentarian. Each of whom shall be nominated from the floor. The Moderator and Assistant Moderator for two year term and able to succeed themselves for an indefinite period of time; the Clerk and Assistant, the Treasurer and Assistant for three year term: the Parliamentarian for a two year term beginning at the 54<sup>th</sup> session.

Election shall be determined by a majority vote. Those persons and Officers thus elected shall hold their office until their successors are elected and installed.

**Section 2**. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside at all meetings to see that all the Constitution and By-Laws are obeyed and respected, and to exercise all the right to vote.

The right to vote shall be given the Moderator only in case of a tie. He shall be allowed to speak on any subject provided the Assistant is in the chair. It shall be the duty of the Assistant Moderator to assist the Moderator in any way he can in the discharge of his duty. This duty shall not be construed to abridge his right to vote when in the chair, in which he shall be governed to the same rule as that affecting the Moderator.

It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a complete record of all meetings to publish in book form, minutes and distributed to various quarterly meetings composing this State Association. All expenses of such records and printing are to be defrayed by the treasury.

It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to hold and keep all such money as may come into the State Association and disburse it only at the direction of proper authorities. He shall make a bond of not less than all funds coming into his possession. An Assistant Treasurer will be elected to act in any absence of the Treasurer, or act of emergency.

**I. Promotional Director** – It shall be the duty of the Promotional Director to strive for the enlistment of new Conferences and Associations into membership of the West Virginia State Association. To promote the works of this State Association first and the work of Free Will Baptists in new fields. The office of Promotional Director shall not be used to settle disputes between brethren and Conferences.

#### **POSITION DESCRIPTION**

**POSITION:** Promotional Director.

**FUNCTION:** To promote all works sanctioned by the WV State Associa-

tion of Free Will Baptist. To actively interface with WV FWB Conferences and Churches. To promote the WV State Association and its works to other FWB State Associations, Colleges, and National Organizations. To maintain an office

for the WV State Association.

ORGANIZATION RELATIONSHIPS:

The office of the Promotional Director shall be filled, supported and supervised by the Executive Committee of the West Virginia State Association. The Executive Committee may by two-thirds vote modify the duties of the Promotional Director to the State Association

<u>DUTIES AND</u> RESPNSIBILITIES:

#### Accountability:

The Promotional Director shall provide a written report monthly to the Executive Committee and an annual written report to the State Association.

The Promotional Director shall meet bimonthly with the Executive Committee.

The Promotional Director shall present an operating budget for approval of the Executive Committee. Once approved, the Promotional Director shall be responsible to operate the State Office within the budget.

#### National Meetings:

The Promotional Director, along with the State Moderator and General Board Member, will attend and represent the WV State Association annually at the National Convention and the National Leadership Conference.

#### Conference and Church Meetings:

The Promotional Director shall attend and represent the WV State Association at as many local Conference/Quarterly Meetings as possible.

He shall attend every Conference at least once every two years.

The Promotional Director will make himself available to as many Church visits throughout West Virginia as his schedule allows. To promote the works of the WV State Association; to minister to the Pastors; and to keep people informed about the issues affecting Free Will Baptists.

#### **Coordination:**

The Promotional Director will participate in all WV State Association Board Meetings. To provide general oversight to the Free Will Baptist work in West Virginia and provide insight in regards to National Free Will Baptist issues.

The Promotional Director will work closely with the Publication Board in the publication of the State Paper *(The Messenger)*; and have direct impact as to its contents and format. This is to provide consistency in the promotion of West Virginia's Free Will Baptist.

#### Strategic Goals:

The Promotional Director shall proactively work towards the Strategic Goals defined by the Executive Committee and as listed in the Addendum.

#### Other Duties:

The Promotional Director will serve as a Pastor's role to our WV Pastors by counseling and encouraging them. He will also provide resources for them and their flock for their spiritual growth.

The Promotional Director will promote Women and Youth activities.

The Promotional Director will have a strong emphasis on Missions, and promote our WV Missionaries.

The Promotional Director will make himself available to the WV State Boards for special projects and to promote all works sanctioned by the WV State Association.

The Promotional Director will manage the Book Store.

The Promotional Director will be the states representative to Randall House Publications.

#### **QUALIFICATIONS:** The qualifications of the Promotional Director are as follows:

Must be saved.

Must be an active member of a Free Will Baptist Church associated with the National Association of Free Will Baptist.

Must currently be an ordained Minister from a Conference or state associated with the National Association of Free Will Baptist.

Must have been ordained for at least five years and have been in good standing with his Church, Conference, and State Association

Must be willing to transfer by letter his membership and ordination papers to a Church and Conference associated with the WV State Association of Free Will Baptist, if not currently associated with West Virginia.

Must have prior experience in dealing effectively with various denominational groups (such as: Churches, Conferences, State Associations, FWB Colleges, National Organizations, etc.) and the public.

Must have adequate training and experience in business and computers.

# **CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENTS:**

The Promotional Director shall have an annual contract Effective from July 1 until June 30 of the following year. The contract shall be reviewed and renewed or cancelled in January for the following year. This will give a minimum of six months notice in case of non-renewal, however, in case the Conference calls for the ordination papers, the Promotional Director will be relieved of duties while investigation and hearing is taking place, and given two months salary.

Remuneration will consist of: (1) Salary and benefits set annually by mutual agreement of the Executive Committee and the Promotional Director. (2) Expense reimbursement for attending the National Association (\$400), and the National Leadership Conference (\$300). (3) Shall have two weeks vacation after one year of employment, and have three weeks vacation after five years of employment.

#### ADDENDUM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE'S STRATEGIC GOALS FOR THE PROMOTIONAL DIRECTOR

Work closely with the Publication Board and help bring a vision and purpose to the State Paper.

Promote our Ministers and provide resources for them such as; training, retirement fund, insurance, church resources, etc.

Provide connections with all FWB Colleges and provide resources for our young people to attend College.

Work toward establishing a permanent State Office in the location approved by the WV State Association (by May 2004). It will be used for meetings and a repository for minutes, financial reports, historical records, and other documents of the WV State Association.

Work toward establishing the support for a full-time Promotional Director (by May 2006).

Actively coordinate, support, and promote WV State Association in preparation for the National Convention in Charleston, WV (continuously until July 2008).

- II. The Executive Board The Executive Board shall act as the State Association when State Association is not in session, action subject to approval by State Association
- III. Program Committee That a Program Committee be elected on Friday morning to prepare the program for the coming year. This Committee shall act as a Placement Committee and shall comply with the Constitution in making their choice for the Church, where the State Association is to be held. This Committee shall consist of two ordained Ministers, one Deacon, and four members of duly seated Delegates. This Committee shall prepare to report to the State Association by 1:45 p.m. Saturday afternoon.
- IV. The Mission Board This Board is to be an eight member Board, with expiration to be two at four years, two at three years, two at two years, and two at one year terms. It shall be the duty of this Board to work to promote International and Home Missions work throughout the State of West Virginia. This Missions Board shall cooperate with the National Association, and endeavor to raise funds for the Missions Board and our denomination. This Board shall arrange Missionary Conferences throughout the state work as it feels necessary. Also to promote new Churches and Conferences through the State of West Virginia where we do not have established Free Will Baptist Work. The Mission Board has the authority to organize within themselves, as to Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer.
- **V. Publication Board** The Publication Board shall consist of five (5) members elected for a term of five (5) years and elected so that one member is elected annually. It shall organize with an Editor, Associate Editor, Treasurer and three Associate Editors. It shall be the duty of this Board to publish a regular news publication concerning the various ministries of Free Will Baptist in West Virginia and in the world. Also, that the news publication include a news letter format. This Board shall be limited to new purchases of \$300.00 per year without approval of the Association or the Executive Board.
- VI. Christian Education Board This Board shall consist of five (5) members elected for a term of five (5) years and elected as so that one member be elected annually. It shall organize within itself a Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer. It shall be the duty of this Board to generally oversee the educational efforts of this Association.

This would include but not be limited to (A) organize and conduct a State Bible Institute; (B) Establish Sunday Schools; (C) Promote Church Training Services (CTS) and generally oversee competitive events on the state and district levels.

**VII. Trustee Board** – The duties of this Board shall be to hold titles to all real property belonging to this body; the maintenance and upkeep of all such properties; the planning and supervision all developments; and the expansion of these properties as

It is agreed, in this connection, that the Board of Trustees shall at no time sell or encumber these properties by mortgage, lien, or otherwise without the express consent of this body given in regular session of this Association.

The Board of Trustees is hereby authorized to receive, in behalf of and for the West Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists, gifts, grants, monies, real estate, or other valuable assets.

The Board of Trustees shall act for and in behalf of the West Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists in any and all transactions involving any of it's properties, but shall do so strictly in accordance with instructions given by said State Association in regular or called session.

- VIII. Nominating Committee The Nominating Committee shall consist of five (5) ordained Ministers elected for a term of one (1) year. It shall be the duty of the Nominating Committee to select candidates, who are qualified and available to fill Boards and or Committees. They will begin their search for candidates from time they are elected until they make their report at next scheduled State Meeting. They shall meet with the Executive Board semiannually and yearly Pre-State Meeting.
- IX. Executive Committee This Committee would be made up of the Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Treasurer, Chairman of Missions and Christian Education Board, Editor of State Paper, Ex officio member, President of the Women's State Auxiliary, and two Members at Large from the Executive Board to be chosen by this body to supervise and oversee the Promotional Director, Bible Book Store, State Office, and Newspaper. The duties of this Board would be Executive and Promotional.

The Executive Committee will set an annual budget for the four Ministries under their supervision.

The Executive Committee will submit this budget to the Executive Board for approval.

The Executive Committee will provide an annual report to the Executive Board to include goals, milestones, financial status, and any important concerns.

The Executive Committee will report the number of meetings conducted the past year.

The Executive Committee will report to the West Virginia State Association during the annual session.

X. Master's Men Board – The purpose of the Master's Men Board shall be to promote and encourage the Men of Free Will Baptist Churches in West Virginia to become active in the Master's Men program and to assist in starting Chapters in the local Churches or Conferences, and will be responsible for maintaining and dispersing the West Virginia Master's Men fund.

This Board shall coordinate work projects to assist the Churches of West Virginia to build and remodel as needed on a volunteer basis. This Board shall also

coordinate programs for fellowship and spiritual growth for the Men in the Churches throughout the state. These programs may be in the form of retreats, workshops and seminars, etc.

All members of this Board shall serve as corresponding messengers to the Conference and Churches of West Virginia and give report to Chairmen who will then give report to the West Virginia State Association.

The Master's Men Board shall consist of seven (7) members serving from one seven member to a one year member, with one new member elected annually. The Board will have the right to replace any member that resigns with another man to serve pro-tem until the next State Meeting.

XI. Women's Auxiliary – The West Virginia State Women's Auxiliary Convention will be recognized as subordinate to the West Virginia State Association; but it shall organize as its own discretion and have power to create and adopt a Constitution and By-Laws and maintain management of the work for which it is constituted. The State Auxiliary shall report its accomplishments and financial operations annually to the West Virginia State Association.

The purpose of the WV State Women's Auxiliary is to promote and encourage the Women of Free will Baptist Churches in West Virginia to become active in the program of WNAC and to assist in starting Auxiliaries in local Churches and will be responsible for maintaining and dispersing all funds received by the State Auxiliary.

The Officers of this Convention shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, Historian, Treasurer, Mission Chairman, three (3) Field Workers and three (3) Members at Large. Six of these shall compose a quorum. These will be elected every two years. All Officers are to be a member of a Free Will Baptist Church and an Auxiliary which reports to the State Convention.

#### Article No. 4 – Executive Board

- **Section 1**. The Executive Board shall be composed of one ordained Minister from each Quarterly Conference that is in good standing with the State Association.
- **Section 2**. If any member of the Executive Board is unable to attend, he must send a proxy in his place.
- **Section 3**. At a regular scheduled session, 10:00 a.m. the Saturday before the State Meeting, this Board shall hear the reports of all Standing Boards and Officers. It shall serve as a Budget Committee and make recommendations as deemed pertinent to State Association. This Board will also examine the Conference letters and report findings at State Meeting.

#### Article No. 5 – Boards

The standing Boards shall be the following: Mission Board, Christian Education Board, Publication Board, Master's Men Board, and the Board of Trustees.

#### Article No. 6

- **Section 1**. Annual Dues from conference to State Association shall be as follows: Churches with 0 to 25 membership will pay \$25.00, Churches with 26 to 50 membership will pay \$50.00, Churches with 51 to 75 membership will pay \$75.00, Churches with any additional membership above 75 members will pay an additional \$25.00 per each additional twenty-five membership, plus National Dues.
- **Section 2.** All Ministers, Deacons, and Delegates shall pay Five Dollars (\$5.00) registration fee (dues), with the exception of those Ministers who are Sixty-five years of age or disabled. Two dollars (\$2.00) to go to the host church, Three Dollars (\$3.00) to go to the State Association.
- **Section 3**. Any Minister receiving a good standing card must pay his Five Dollar (\$5.00) registration fee. Each Quarterly Meeting is requested to collect this fee and send to the State Association with their letter.
- Section 4. The State Association pay all Boards and Committees mileage at the United States Government rate, when traveling to meetings for business of the State Association. If any Conference does not pay the mileage expense for their Executive Board member, the State Association will pay that expense. Any other parties requesting a Board or Committee of the State Association to meet with them, shall be responsible to pay their mileage. This excludes mileage to the National Association or National Leadership Conference.

#### Article No. 7

**Section 1**. The State Association shall hold its regular meeting annually on Friday and Saturday before the second Sunday in June at a place and date fixed by the regular session and made known before adjournment.

Special meetings may be called by the Executive Board when extreme necessity demands provided that the Clerk of each Quarterly Meeting or Yearly Meeting has been properly notified fifteen days before the date of the meeting of this organization.

**Section 2**. Any Quarterly Meeting or Church desiring the State Association to meet with the body shall present in writing the seating capacity, the facilities for feeding, sleeping and parking.

#### Article No. 8

#### West Virginia Disaster Response Plan

#### Goal:

To provide a plan for reacting to disasters in our state and possibly in other states east of the Mississippi when emergency situations strike and Free Will Baptist people and property are affected. Although efforts to help others may be part of this effort, we are especially concerned with helping people of our denomination. The response must involve spiritual help as well as material and physical aid.

#### Purpose:

To glorify God by serving our fellow men in times of widespread need occasioned by a natural or man-made disaster affecting large numbers of people. Natural or man-made disasters include hurricane, earthquakes, tornado, flood, acts of terrorism, etc.

#### Strategy:

- **#1** To have a committee (<u>Disaster Response Committee</u>) that shall coordinate the preparation for responding to a disaster.
- **#2** Enlist and train a group of first responders. Encourage several workers to enlist in a Red Cross first aid course, a food handler's course, and other such training.
- **#3** Raise money to purchase and equip a trailer for immediate use when a disaster strikes. The trailer will be equipped with first aid equipment, generators, lights, saws, tolls, etc. needed in emergency situations.
- #4 Establish a fund to cover expenses associated with getting a team to a disaster and maintaining them on site for a period of time.
- **#5** Have a contact person who will act as liaison between the State Association and National Association in times of crisis. This person should be familiar with National personnel and available to inform and disperse information.
- **#6** Purchase and provide decals and ID cards that will help our responders gain access to disaster sites.

#### Criteria for Mobilization:

Help must be requested by a responsible party, i.e. local pastor or state officer.

- 1. The request must be made to the Moderator, Promotional Director, or another State Officer.
- 2. The disaster must primarily affect Free Will Baptist people and/or property. It must be the result of one of the above mentioned disasters (we cannot to every call and every case especially if it is not of the magnitude to warrant such response). The decision to respond will be made by the <u>Disaster Response Committee</u>.

#### Organization:

- 1. A <u>Disaster Response Committee</u> will include the Promotional Director, President of the Master's Men, State Moderator and four members-at-large elected for four year terms on a staggered basis so that one is elected each year.
- 2. The Chairman of the Master's Men will direct the Response Team.

- 3. The State Moderator will contact personnel when a response is needed.
- 4. The Promotional Director will serve as the liaison between the National Association and the State Association.
- 5. Members of the Master's Men will be responsible for the purchase and maintenance of any equipment and/or vehicles dedicated for use during a disaster.
- 6. The <u>Disaster Response Committee</u> will elect their own Chairman and Treasurer.
- 7. The Treasurer will deposit and disperse funds at the direction of the Disaster Response Committee. The Treasurer will make an annual financial report to the State Association and will be audited annually.

#### Article No. 9

This Constitution may be revised or changed at any regular session of the West Virginia State Association provided the change is presented in writing and stated one day before vote is taken.

## **CHURCH COVENANT**

Having given ourselves to God, by faith in Christ, and adopted the Word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this solemn covenant.

We promise, by His grace, to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid all appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world, from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages, and to "provide things honest in the sight of all men."

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of the Scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship; and by self-denial, faith, and good works endeavor to "grow in grace and the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship, and the observance of the ordinances of the Gospel; nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor, and all its benevolent work.

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness, and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to "keep the unity of the Spirit" in the bonds of peace, to be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and as far as we are able, promote the success of the church and of the Gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principle sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme; counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society, constantly praying and toiling that the kingdom of God may come, and His will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprises, the support of missions, the success of Sunday schools, and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of the world. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ

#### BY-LAWS

- A portion of the scripture shall be read and prayer be offered at the beginning of each morning and afternoon session of the State Association and prayer shall be offered at the close of each session.
- The Moderator or Assistant Moderator shall call the meeting to order at the hour designated by the program committee. When Moderator nor Assistant is present, the Clerk shall call the meeting to order and elect a Moderator-protem.
- 3. It shall be the duty of the Quarterly Meeting or Yearly Meeting or Association so composing this organization, to send a letter to it giving accurately as possible the information requested by the National Association.
- 4. Not over one Deacon shall be appointed on any one committee. Except in case of emergency.
- 5. Only ordained Ministers shall be allowed to moderate this meeting.
- 6. All Sunday School Conventions and State Women's Auxiliaries Convention report to the State Association and their report be received as information.
- 7. In case of controversy regarding parliamentary procedures, Robert's Rules of Order shall be considered as final authority.
- 8. All business except routine shall be brought by Committee, but should the Committee refuse or fail to present to this body any business given it by any member of this State Association, then such business cannot be discussed unless by vote of this body.
- 9. No one shall speak for more than five minutes or more than twice on the same subject without the consent of the Moderator.
- 10. Each Conference shall have its letter and finance report sent to the State Association Clerk on or before May 24<sup>th</sup>, that the Executive Board may examine them the week prior to the State Meeting.
- 11. Any member of this body can appeal from the decision of the Moderator to the body and by a two thirds majority of all members present, thereon. This decision shall be sustained or rejected.
- 12. No one shall leave the body without consent of the Moderator. Anyone deciding to speak shall arise and say "Brother Moderator" and shall not speak further until he or she is recognized by the Moderator. The Moderator shall stop all discussion when not carried on in a Christian Spirit, or think it will lead to discord or division

#### BY-LAWS CONTINUED

- This State Association shall correspond by messenger or otherwise with other religious bodies.
- 14. The same person or group of persons shall not serve on more than one standing Board or Committee as long as it can be supplies otherwise.
- 15. Not less than three (3) Gospel Sermons shall be preached at any one session of the West Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists.
- 16. No person shall be elected to any office without being present, except the Executive Board. (The member is recommended by the Quarterly Conference).
- 17. The Moderator shall be elected at the close of each two year session on Saturday, and shall serve until his successor is elected at the same time the following two years.
- 18. No Ministers, Deacons or Delegates shall be permitted to vote that is a known Homosexual, Bi-Sexual or Lesbian in this State Association. The State Association will not retain any persons known to be such.
- 19. The Officers of the State Association shall receive an honorarium as follows: Moderator \$50.00. Assistant Moderator \$25.00. Clerk \$300.00.
- 20. The member of the General Board of the National Association, the Moderator, the Assistant Moderator, the Promotional Director, the Treasurer, the Assistant Treasurer, the Clerk, and the Assistant Clerk shall receive \$400.00 when the National Association convenes East of the Mississippi River, and \$600.00 West of the Mississippi River. \$300.00 annually to National Leadership Conference.
- 21. Any Minister having voting privileges in the State Association must have a good standing card issued by the State Association.
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- 23. These By-Laws may be changed or revised at any regular session of the State Association provided that they be plainly written and stated one day before yote is taken.

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#### MINUTES

Minutes of the 65<sup>th</sup> Annual Session of the West Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptist, held at Heritage Free Will Baptist Church, June 11-12, 2010. Inwood, WV. Eastern Panhandle Conference.

THEME - "Share GOD'S Love & Might with Our Friends"

Welcome, and prayer by host pastor, Rev. Thomas "Huff" Hoffmaster II. Huffy said that all of the Eastern Panhandle Churches have pulled together to help host this State Meeting, and thanked them for their help.

Rev. Ivan Asbury, with the Moderator's Challenge.

Scripture reading from Nehemiah 1: verse 4.

#### **Recognition of Visitors**

Eric Thomsen- One Magazine and Executive Office
Martha Stone- Harvest Child Care Ministries
Mark McPeak- FWB International Missions
Tom Spradlin- FWB Family Ministries, Greenville, TN
Randy Walser- Randall House Publications
Larry Powell- Home Missions
Rick Bowling- Home Missions, Hispanic
Fred Dotson- Berea Ministries
Dana Booth- Home Missions, New York

Moderator, Rev. Ivan Asbury called the 65<sup>th</sup> Session of the West Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptist to order.

The Clerk reported that the Executive Board recommends accepting all 21 Conferences with letters, proper finances, and delegates, and for the Moderator to seat the Ministers, Deacons, and Delegates that are properly registered for voting privileges. M & S to accept. Motion carried

M & S to allow Moderator to make changes as necessary in the program for this session. Motion carried

#### **Election of Committees:**

**Business Committee: 3 Ministers**- Kenneth Cooper, Mike Smith, Allen Young. **2 Deacons**- John Poling, Curtis Hall. M & S to cease and elect. Motion carried.

Program Placement Committee: 2 Ministers- Curtis Monk, John Price, 1 Deacon-, Jim Hutchinson. 4 Delegates- Rose Casto, Debby Hadley, George Shirkey, Betty Cornell. M & S to cease and elect. Motion carried.

The Moderator announced that no Church has requested to host the 2012 State Meeting as of yet.

The Clerk read a list of the Executive Board Members for 2010 – 2011.

Members at Large from Executive Board to serve on Executive Committee: 2 Ministers- Mike Smith, and Allen Young. M & S to cease and elect. Motion carried.

**Audit Committee: 5 members-** Bud Casto, Kenny Samms, Jeff Bennett, Jon McNay and Tim Cooper. M & S to cease and elect. Motion carried.

**Nominating Committee: 5 Ordained Ministers**- Luther Morgan, Ivan Asbury, Bob Cornell, Greg Stover, and Roger Browning. M & S to cease and elect. Motion carried.

Need to elect replacements for this session's Nomination Committee, to replace Steve Williams, and Earl Brewer. Nominated were Ricky Holstein and Earl White.

M & S to cease and elect. Motion carried.

State Treasurer's Report was read by Bro. Curtis Hall. (See digest of reports). Bro. Roger Tolliver continued with the Treasurer's job until February, while Bro. Curtis recovered from a hip replacement. Special thanks was given to Bro. Roger for continuing to handle the Treasurer's job for this period. Treasurer recommends the budget continue unchanged. M & S to accept report. After questions and answers, motion carried.

M & S to accept the budget, motion carried.

General Fund	15%
Christian Education Board	12%
State Paper	19%
Mission Board	18%
Promotional Director	32%
National Co-Op	4%

Missions Board Treasurer's report was given by Rev. Ricky Holstein. (See digest of reports). M & S to receive the report. Motion carried.

Audit Committee report was given by Chairman Rev. Bud Casto. All three accounts (State Association, Missions Board, and the WV WAC) were audited and found to be correct. The Review or Audit by an outside firm was completed. So far audit costs are \$375.00. Overall the accounts were found to be in good shape and a few recommendations were suggested. The Promotional Director's position is considered as an employee, and the State Association is liable for Workers Compensation claims. The determination letters from the National Association stating our status, were handed out to the Treasurers and Clerks. M & S to receive the Audit Committee's report and that each suggestion be handled by the proper committee / board, or Treasurer. Motion carried.

The Clerk asked if the Determination letters should be included in the minutes books. M & S to keep the letters secure, and to not place them in the minute's book. Motion carried.

M & S to go into the Worship Service. Motion carried. The Moderator dismissed session for Morning Worship.

Devotional by Bro. John Poling

Singing by Rev. Allen Young.

Testimonies were given.

Message "UNITY" by Rev. Luther Morgan. Luther mentioned all the previous

Promotional Directors and how all had worked for our cause and strived for unity.

Scripture – 2 Peter 3:1, 1-John 3:1, Ephesians 1: 7-9.

Prayer by Bro. Luther Morgan.

Invitation Hymn: Love Lifted Me.

It was reported that Rev. Roscoe Chaffin had phoned in a request to host the 2012 State Meeting at Victory FWB Church at Peck's Mill, which in near Logan.

The right hand of fellowship was given to Rev. Luther Morgan. Luther has served for 61 years. Prayer by Bro. Jon McNay. Dismissed for lunch in prayer at 11:58am.

#### Friday Afternoon Session

Devotional by Rev. Greg Stover.

Scripture – John 4: 28 – 30, and from Luke 39.

Prayer, Greg Stover

Moderator Rev. Ivan Asbury called the Friday afternoon business session to order.

Obituary report was read by Sister Virginia Shirkey, 125 deaths were reported. M & S to receive the report and to have a moment of silence in honor of those who have passed on. Motion carried. Prayer by Dr. Jim Cox.

Mission Board gave presentation on the March for Missions annual fund raiser. Chairman Rev. Rex Cox thanked the Missions Board for their service. Plaques were handed out by the members of the Mission's Board. Winning Churches were:

#### Division -1 - 0 to 50 members

1 <sup>st</sup> . place- A tie between Dry Branch	and Virginia O'Dell	\$2000.00 each
3 <sup>rd</sup> . place- Maple Lane	\$1800.00	
4 <sup>th</sup> . place- Beech Run	\$1431.71	
5 <sup>th</sup> . place- Bonds Creek	\$1300.00	

#### Division -2 - 50 to 100 members

1 <sup>st</sup> . place- Evergreen Hills	\$5500.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> . place- Mona Hill	\$2616.40
3 <sup>rd</sup> . place- Slaughters Creek	\$1000.00
4 <sup>th</sup> . place- Morning Star	\$ 838.00
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5<sup>th</sup>. place- A tie between Hope and Sophia \$ 500.00 each

1<sup>st</sup>. place- A tie between Parsley Bottom and Victory (Logan Conf) \$1000.00 each There were no other participants!

Total received was \$38,412.08. A total of 47 Churches, 5 Conferences, and 3 individuals gave. The funds were divided 5 ways. International Missions received \$15,264.84 for Alice Smith, and Jim & Vicki Sturgill. Home Missions received \$15514.84 for Josue Rivera, and Kenneth Cooper. Presentations were received by Brothers Mark McPeak and Larry Powell.1/5 will go into the general fund of the Missions Board. This year's golf tournament will again be at the Briar Patch Golf Links golf course in Beckley, WV. \$10,000.00 was given to the International Missions during the plea for support earlier this year. \$6,323.00 in aid was given to Brother Josue. Chairman Rev. Rex Cox invited anyone interested in a Missions work to please contact the Mission Board.

Rev. Allen Whitt was presented a plaque for the Missions work that has taken place at the Faith FWB Church in Danese, WV. They are now self supporting and no longer a Mission Church. Brother Allen thanked God for what has been accomplished. Missionary Bro. Dana Booth thanked us for our support. His goal is to pay off the \$175,000 mortgage buy this time next year. Brother Mark McPeak reported on Sister Alice Smith and Brother Jim Sturgill, and thanked the Mission Board for their generous gift. Brother Larry Powell thanked Allen Whitt and Dana Booth for their work. M & S to accept the reports. Motion carried.

**Partial Business Committee Report:** given By Rev. Mike Smith. They recommend the following items:

- #1 To pursue a Workers Compensation Insurance Policy for our Promotional Directors Position.
- #2 Allow the web-master to post our State Minutes on our State Web site, with each individual Church having their own, user name and password.
- #3 That the State Association Purchase plastic or metal name tags with, name, emblem, WV State Association of FWB, and your name, lifting a love offering to offset the cost.
- M & S to accept the report and to act on item by item. Motion carried.
- #1 To pursue a Workers Compensation Insurance Policy for our Promotional Directors Position. M & S to comply, with Executive Committee to handle. Motion carried.
- #2 Allow the web-master to post our State Minutes on our State Web site, with each individual Church having their own, user name and password. M & S to accept this item of business for consideration. Motion Carried. M & S to allow. After discussion the consensus was it would be too difficult to have a separate password for each church. Motion failed to pass, upon vote.

#3 - That the State Association Purchase plastic or metal name tags with, name, emblem, WV State Association of FWB, and your name, lifting a love offering to offset the cost. They could be worn at the State and Nationals. M & S to receive for discussion. Motion carried. After a general discussion on type of badge and cost, there was a M & S to lay this item of business on the table until an estimated cost per tag could be confirmed. Motion carried.

### **Executive Board Report**

The Assistant Clerk read the minutes of the Executive Board meetings held, March 13, 2010, and June 5, 2010 and are included in the Digest of Reports. M & S to receive the reports, and to act on the business item by item. The Clerk noted a correction on the reporting period on the treasurer's report to be Dec 31, 2009 instead of Dec. 3, 2009.

A question was asked; has the Executive Committee considered the newly acquired position by Dr. Cox as Associate Pastor of the McCorkle Church and it's conflict with the position of Promotional Director, in that he is required, in that position to visit Churches, and if so considered, would they withdraw their recommendation to approve his contract? The Moderator responded by saying that there was a discussion and concern, and the Committee was pretty much all in agreement, that we did not like the added work that may require time away on the weekends. The teaching they thought, since it was through the week would not take time away from his duties. Dr Cox then addressed the body and said that it would not affect his performance, that his only obligation, as the Associate Pastor's position, was that once a month on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday, he would address the Goldeneer's group. As for teaching, he has almost stopped substituting. He has an agreement with his Pastor, Rev. Russell Wright, that his Promotional Director's position was first, and that his Associate Pastor's job was not to interfere with his duties as Promotional Director. Another question discussed was, when did the Executive Committee change the contract that would allow the Promotional Director to hold a Pastor's or Associate Pastor's position, and did they have the authority to make such changes. After several minutes of debate and comments, the vote was taken to accept the report and act on the business item by item. Motion carried.

#### **Executive Board Business Items**

- 1- To rehire Dr. James Cox as our Promotional Director.
- 2- To accept the Promotional Director's proposed budget as revised.

A Motion to adjourn was moved, but died due to the lack of a second.

A motion was moved for the adoption of item #1. **Item #1- To rehire Dr. James Cox as our Promotional Director.** Motion was seconded. M & S was moved to table this item of business until the Saturday session. Motion carried.

M & S to adjourn the Friday afternoon session. Voted on and carried. Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Ivan Asbury at 3:30pm.

#### Friday Night Worship Service

Devotional by Rev. Jon McNay.

Scripture: Acts 8: 26-35 and prayer.

Special singing by the Heritage Praise Choir, Heritage mixed Quartet, Heritage Men's Quartet, and the Hispanic Choir.

Scriptures were read and testimonies were given, with interpretation by Brother Rick Bowling. Brother Josue Rivera read: 1 John 1-5.

Special singing by Rejoice, from the Free Will Baptist Bible College, consisting of Hanna Shaffer (WV), Caleb Jones, Kayla Gaddis, and Phil Tolbert. Sound man was Keegan Murfin, and chaperone, Sabrina Brummitt.

Message by Rev. Dan Kelley Scripture – Acts 1: 6 - 11. Invitation Hymn and alter call.

Moderator Rev. Ivan Asbury recognized Ministers and Deacons present, with thirty or more years of combined service.

#### Ministers:

Luther Morgan	61 yrs
Jim Cox	52 yrs
Daniel Kelley	52 yrs
Edwin Hughes	45 yrs
Dana Booth	39 yrs
Roger Browning, Sr.	37 yrs
Kenneth Cooper	37 yrs
Rex Cox	31 yrs
Kenneth Samms	30 yrs

#### Deacons:

Robert Perry	63 yrs
Larry Evans	42 yrs
John Poling	33 yrs
Curtis Hall	30 vrs

Prayer of thanksgiving on these servants and on the offering for Missions by Rev. Matthew Pinson. Ushers were Brothers Zack Young, and Jacob Cox. The right hand of fellowship was given to the honorees. The Missions offering was \$254.00. Dismissed after fellowship at 9:50pm.

#### **Saturday Morning Breakfast**

The Ministers, Deacons, and Wives Breakfast was held at the Heritage Church at 7:30am, June 12, 2010. Dr. James Cox Jr. our Promotional Director was in charge. He read scripture and spoke to the Pastors. He said they had a high calling, and needed the skills of a CEO, the wisdom of Solomon, and the patience of Job. They need to find someone to be their Pastor, and said he would be glad to serve in that capacity to them. He encouraged them to teach not only by word, but also by the way they live.

Prayer and blessing giving by Rev. Tim Cooper. Breakfast was served by the Heritage Church.

#### Saturday Morning Business Session June 12, 2010

Prayer and Devotional by Bro. George Shirkey

Scripture: John 15: 9 - 13. Prayer by Rev. Matthew Pinson

Moderator Rev. Ivan Asbury called the Saturday morning session to order, and called all of the representatives from the National Association to the front of the Church. They introduced themselves and were given the right hand of fellowship.

#### National Reports were given by:

Randy Walser - Randall House

Tom Spradlin - FWB Family Ministries
Martha Stone - Harvest Care Child Ministries

Matthew Pinson - FWB Bible College
Mark McPeak - International Missions
Rick Bowling - Home Missions

David L. Brown - FWB Foundations and Board of Retirement

Eric Thomsen - Executive Office and One Magazine

Dana Booth - New York Missionary

The State Missions Board presented a \$1000.00 check to Brother Dana Booth to help pay off his mortgage. M & S to accept all reports as information. Motion carried.

A motion was moved to remove Item #1 from the table to the floor. Motion was Seconded and carried.

#### Item #1 - To rehire Dr. James Cox as our Promotional Director.

Moderator opened up the floor for questions. The question asked was, when did the Executive Committee change the contract that would allow the Promotional Director to hold a Pastor's or Associate Pastor's position. After further discussion, Jon McNay explained that major changes took place in 2002. Concern was raised that since so few Churches participate in March for Missions, that the Promotional work has not been accomplished. The Executive Committee was commended for their good work over the years, and that a lot of times there are misunderstandings on their work. M & S was made for a call for question, on item #1. Motion carried. The vote was taken to re-hire Dr. Jim Cox for 1 year July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011. Motion carried.

# Item #2 - To accept the Promotional Director's proposed budget as revised. M & S to accept. Motion carried.

Questions and Answers on Committee Reports in the Digest of Reports: It was noted that the 2011 program should read Reverend Earl Brewer instead of Deacon. With no other questions the Moderator called for worship Service.

M & S to Dismiss for Worship Service at 10:35am. Motion carried.

#### **Saturday Morning Worship Service**

Devotional by Rev. Bud Casto. Hymns by the Congregation. Prayer by Rev. Edwin Hughes Scripture: 2 Peter 1: 1, and 4 - 14. Special singing by Phala Tyler. Special singing by Rejoice.

Message by Rev. Rick Bowling. Brother Rick thanked the Eastern Panhandle for

being so good to the Hispanic Ministry.

Scripture: John 15: 16 "Church of the Living God, is all mixed up" and

Luke 16:19 "The Dysfunctional Church"

Prayer by Rick Bowling, altar call given. Hymn: by congregation.

Blessing on the meal by Rev. Earl White.

Dismissed for lunch at 12:17pm.

### Saturday Afternoon Session

Devotional by Rev. Roger L. Browning, Sr.

Scripture: John 3: 16 - 17. Prayer by Dr. James Cox

Hymn:

Moderator Rev. Ivan Asbury called the Saturday afternoon session to order.

#### **Program Committee Report**

Report given by Bro. Jim Hutchison. We recommend the Victory FWB Church at Peck's Mill near Logan, host the 2012 meeting June 8 - 9, 2012. The theme "Trust God to Reach Our Goal". M & S to accept program report. Motion carried.

Mission Board Chairman Rev. Rex Cox told of how the Mission work in Glenville, WV got started, and called Rev. Kenneth Cooper to address the Association. Brother Kenneth told us of experiences with people in that area. He told of workers that are scheduled to build on two classrooms, and they are going to supply the needed materials.

# **Nominating Committee Report**

Rev. Luther Morgan reports they recommend the following to serve:

Publication Board 5-year Member: Zack Young, and Larry Cooper to fill the vacant 1-year member. Nominated was Jeff Bennett. M & S to cease and elect in order of number of votes received. Jeff Bennett 19 votes, Zack Young 17 votes, and Larry Cooper 4 votes. Publication Board 5-year Member is Jeff Bennett. 1-year member, Zack Young.

#### **Obituary Committee:**

Angie Smith to fill the 3 year position. M&S to cease and elect. Motion carried.

Mission Board 4-year members: Raybon Cook and Doug Burdette.

M & S to cease and elect. Motion carried.

Masters Men 7-year member: none to recommend.

Disaster Response Committee: none to recommend.

Christian Education Board 5-year Member: Andrew Lowe. M & S to cease and elect. Motion carried.

Parliamentarian: Rex Cox. M & S to cease and elect. Motion carried.

**Moderator: Earl White.** M & S to cease and elect. Motion carried.

A standing vote of thanks was given to Rev. Ivan Asbury for his service as Moderator.

Assistant Moderator: Mike Smith. M & S to cease and elect. Motion carried.

#### **Business Committee Report**

Business Committee has received an estimated cost of \$7.00 each for the name tags. M & S to remove the item from the table to the floor. Motion carried.

Item #3 - That the State Association Purchase plastic or metal name tags. Name tags will have the emblem, WV State Association of FWB, and your name, lifting a love offering to offset the cost. After a brief explanation that the tag will be metal, with a magnetic back, the emblem will be in color but will have no writing. The magnet will not affect pace makers. Names will be permanent. There was a M & S accept this item of business and purchase tags for those who request one. Motion carried.

M & S to give the Heritage Church and the Eastern Panhandle Conference a rising hand of appreciation for hosting the 2010 State Association. Motion carried.

It was stated that yesterday, we had an over whelming vote to not post the meeting minutes on the website. It was called to our attention that the minutes are already on the web, with privileged information posted.

M & S to remove this information from the website. Questions: The Clerk stated that at the 2009 State Meeting, a Motion was passed to post the past minutes books on the web page, and to password protect them. These books do contain the finance reports, addresses, and phone numbers. Yesterday's motion was intended to give permission to post the current minutes after each meeting. Upon further discussion it was mentioned the historic value of these posted minutes books, in that we could look back to the very first book and see our beginning. Other comments were, you can Google anyone's name, and instantly come up with more personal information than what you can find in the posted minutes books. Our secure portion of the web-page could be made more secure by changing the password periodically if we so chose.

M & S to amend the motion to make the website safe. Discussion on how to do that, was held.

It was said that our information concerning addresses, phone numbers, and e-mail addresses can be found on the Nation Association site as well. A demonstration was shown on the overhead screen, how easy it is to gain access on the internet. There are no bank account numbers, credit card information, or Social Security numbers for anyone to hack.

M & S to amend the amendment, for the web-master to come up with a plan, within reason, on how to make the website more secure. Motion carried on the seconded amendment.

Motion carried on the first amendment. The vote was taken on the original motion, which is to remove the minute's books from the web-page. The motion failed to pass, so the minute's books will remain on the web-page. Since the main motion failed, the amendments also fail!

M & S to letter to the National Association, with proper finances and delegates. M & S to amend the motion to pay the Delegates \$25.00 for their registration fee. Motion on amendment carried. Vote on motion to report to the National passed.

Delegates volunteering were: Diane Hall, Angie Smith, Zack Young, and Diana Cox was nominated. If someone else desires to be the 5<sup>th</sup> Delegate, they can let the Clerk know. M & S to accept these delegates. Motion carried.

M & S to give Luther Morgan, Executive Board member to the National Association an additional \$400.00 for expenses to the National Association, since the Promotional Director gets a total of \$1000.00 (West of Mississippi). There was a M & S to amend, to also give the Moderator an additional \$400.00. There was a M & S to amend the amendment that this is to be for this year only. Vote was taken and both amendments passed. Vote was taken on the main motion, and motion carried.

M & S to adjourn the 2010 session of the State Association. Motion carried.

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Irvin Scarberry at 3:15pm.

Statistics		Registered attendance 2010		
21	Conferences			
174	Churches	Friday	90+	
7659	Total Membership	Saturday	50+	
395	Ordained Ministers			
16	Licensed Ministers			
321	Deacons			

#### Ministers on Letters with Thirty or more years.

Caudle Adkins	61
Luther Morgan	61
Fred A. Giles	60
Ray Taylor	59
John T. Vance	56
Dr. Lewis Hall	54
Jim Cox	52

Daniel Kelley	52		Rex Cox	32
Roy Adkins	51		George Leese	32
Frank Copley	51		Leo Ward	32
Charles Curry	50		Michael Abshire	31+
Jim Sturgill	50		Alan Bailey	31+
Carl Crum	48		Clarence Campbell	31+
Alton Lee Hines	48		Elbert Collins Jr.	31+
Doug Young	48		Lacy Cox Jr.	31
Noah P. Adkins	48		Verlin Epling	31+
Woodrow Chambers	47		Earl Ferguson	31+
Floyd Dove	47		Bazzil Goodman	31+
Edwin Hughes	46		H. Bert Hall	31+
Orville Syner	46		Virgil Hamilton	31+
Russell Watts	46		John Hudson	31+
Eugene Davis	44		Daniel Legg	31+
Gilmer Dorsey, Jr.	44		Andy Maynard	31+
Joe Lane	44		David McCloud	31+
George Speck	42		G.W. Mounts	31
Charles Donaldson	41+		James Mounts	31+
Basil Hershberger	41		Treaby Scaggs	31+
Argil Maynard	41		James Harold Shafer	31+
Earl Burgess	40		Roe Smith	31+
Larkin C. Calhoun	40		David Lee Turley	31+
Chester Osborne	40		William Press Vance	31+
Gene Snuffer	40		Clyde Waller	31
William O. Tolliver	40		Norwood Webb	31+
Kit Meade	39		Tommy Wiley	31+
Daniel G. Scott	39		Herman Williams	31+
Linzel Walls	39		Earnest Neace	30+
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David Collins	36		Fred Dempsey	55
Kenneth Cooper	36		Larry Evans	42
Jack Small			Harold Pelfrey	40
Thomas Terry	36		Tom Sammons	37
Bud Corbin	34		John Poling	33
James Dalton, Jr.	34		Rodney Cline	32
Raymond Bumgarner	33		John Henry May	31
Roscoe Chafin	33		Larry Ellison	31+
Vibert Dickens	33		Cary Lilly	30+
Luthur Dingess	33		Charlie Lockard	30
George Hall	33			
Ronald George	33		Missionary	
Roger D. Landy	33			
James Franklin Lyons	33		Alice Smith	35
Jack Small	33			•
Charles R. Tilley	33	44		
Earl David Campbell	32	44		
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# **NOTES**

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# **DIGEST OF REPORTS**

West Virginia
State Association
Of
Free Will Baptist

"Share God's Love and Might with Our Friends"

65th ANNUAL MEETING
Heritage Free Will Baptist Church
Inwood, West Virginia / JUNE 11-12, 2010



June 11, 2010

The Psalmist reminds us in Psalm 121:1-2: "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth." When things seemed out of control, we were reminded that He's in control. How we've had to depend on the Lord for help this year.

We had our Fall Retreat at the Sophia FWB Church in September 2009. The meeting was well attended. Sis. Kyla Rowland developed the topics: What Happens When Women Pray and What Happens When God Answers Prayer. We can all testify of the power of God at that meeting: a lady requested prayer for a friend of hers who was at death's door. We had a special prayer for her on Friday evening. By Saturday morning, she'd recovered so much that she was moved from ICU to a regular room! Praise the Lord! It was a wonderful time of refreshment in the Lord.

Our Spring Luncheon was scheduled to be held at the Kilsyth FWB on April 10<sup>th</sup>. Just a few weeks before our meeting date, the church was flooded. The pastor's wife, Sis. Sandy Burdette, was sadden to make the call that they could not host the meeting. We asked God to help us to know what to do. When I called the president of the Sophia WAC she said, "I don't see any reason why we can't host the luncheon. Just move it here." So we gathered for a wonderful day in the Lord at the Sophia FWB Church. We had approximately 50 women there. Sis. Jeanie Bowman shared with us about focusing our vision on the most important things in life. We collected more than \$500 that day and decided to send it to the Miner's Relief Fund to help with the recent mine tragedy.

We met on May 15<sup>th</sup> at the Bradley FWB Church for our annual WAC Convention. We had a good attendance with approx 50 ladies in attendance. Because of remodeling in the church, we met in the Children's Church Sanctuary and felt like kids for the day. Our theme was "Out of the Darkness." Sisters Sheila Williams, Glenna Murphy and Patty Peters made us think about who is in the darkness, are we getting used to the dark and are we going to light the world with the Light of Christ. The spirit was good and the speakers did an excellent job. We collected approx \$600 for the International Missions Dept. in Nashville. Our afternoon session consisted of a short business session where we combined the secretary and treasurer's jobs together until next year and adopted mission projects for next year.

Here are our plans for the coming year:

Fall Retreat – Sept 10-11, 2010 - Sunshine FWB Church, Huntington, WV.

Theme is "Living By Faith." Our speaker will be Sis. Kyla Rowland.

Mission project – \$100 donation from each WAC group for the Widows Ministry in Kazakhstan

Spring Luncheon – April 9, 2011 - Kilsyth FWB Church in Mount Hope, WV – 10:00 a.m. Mission Project – non-perishable food items for their community food pantry.

**WAC Convention** – May 21, 2011 – Cornerstone FWB Church – Crab Orchard, WV – 10:00 a.m. Mission Project – Bibles and table cloths/seasonal decorations for Home Missionaries Dana and Betty Booth in Rochester, NY

Fall Retreat – Sept 9-10, 2011 – Central FWB Church – Huntington, WV Mission Project - \$100 donation from each WAC group for the Berean Ministries in Mexico.

God has been good to us. Encourage the ladies from your church to join us as we worship and serve the Lord together as Women Active For Christ.

WV WAC President

#### West Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptist Financial Report Janurary 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009

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		Cooperative	G	ifts			
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Paid out						\$	43,725.13
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Christian	Education			5,247.02			
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	Designated Gifts	\$		3,984.09			
Paid Out							
	Expenses	\$		6,814.21			
Closing Ba	alance				\$	;	12,005.76

	State Paper			
Balance Brought Forward	•		\$	3,834.70
Receivsed			\$	10,403.56
Cooperative Gifts	\$	8,307.78		
Designated Gifts	\$	2,095.79	9	
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Messenger	\$	10,235.40		4 000 07
Closing Balance			\$	4,002.87
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Received			\$	5,283.52
Randall House	\$	5,283.52	2	-,
Closing Balance	•	.,	\$	66,789.58
	Contingent Ac	count		
Balance Brought Forward			\$	1,329.85
Received				
Interest on Now-Acco	unt \$	81.16	5	
Closing Balance			\$	1,411.01
	Promotional D	irector		
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Received			\$	17,773.44
Cooperative Gifts	\$	13,992.04	4	
Designated Gifts	\$	3,781.40	)	
Paid Out				
James Cox	\$	11,996.78	3	
Retirement	\$	8,200.00		
US Treasury	\$	2,415.00		7
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Closing Balance			\$	27,697.38
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	WV Ministers	Retirement	Fund	
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Closing Balance (no activity for the	he year)		. \$	1,850.22

The proposed Co-Op budget for the coming year

General Fund 15% Christian Education Board 12% State Paper 19% Mission Board 18% Promotional Director 32% National Co-Op 4%

Total 100%

# **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**

The Executive Committee met one time at the Charleston Civic Center at Charleston, WV, one time at the Loudendale FWB Church, and one time at the Heritage FWB Church. The Executive Committee of the State of WV would have met 5 times this past year but 2 meetings were canceled due to the weather. We received and reviewed the reports of the Promotional Director's.

Each time the committee met, we enjoyed a great devotional and wonderful fellowship among the brethren. We also received and reviewed the reports of the Promotional Director.

#### ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Co-op DVDs made and distributed.

Worked to have a State Revival at Charleston Civic Center. Praying and hoping for Spring 2011

Voted to retain Bro. Jim Cox as the Promotional Director. The committee had an open discussion with Bro. Jim on what can be done to promote unity among the State Association.

#### Budget

Messenger -	\$11,500.00
Office -	\$550.00
Promotional Director -	\$23,350.00
Total -	\$35,400,00

#### Milestones

Hosted Bible Institutes Established a state giving Co-op Month in October. Promotional Director Full time since 2006 Web site expanded

#### Goals

To get the Promotional Director's account stable Compile a book of the History of WV FWB Have a State Revival Publish the Physical & E-mail Addresses

We discussed the recent flood disaster in the state and what we have been doing and can continue to do to help our Sister Churches that were flooded.

In His Service.

Ivan Asbury, Chairman Earl White Curtis Hall Rex Cox Jim Hutchison Al Whitt Hugh Scott Slone Jody Sullivan

# **Audit Committee Report**

to

# The West Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptist

The Audit Committee would like to remind all the people who get reimbursed for association expenses to use the form that is on the West Virginia FWB State web site. We even noticed some of our members did not use the forms. Please attach receipts to the expense form. Also if any one is paid \$600 or more in a year's time a 1099 Form needs to be filled out.

The Audit Committee met on May 22, 2010 at Kilsyth Church because the REVIEW by the certified public accountant was not finished until May 20, 2010. We were directed to have the Mission Board, WNAC, and the State Association's financial records looked over. Four of the five board members were present for the meeting because one of the members had sickness in the family. We as a board to the best of our ability found the three sets of books to be in proper order.

We went over the REVIEW which is included. Jon is checking on the Determination letter in relation to the Form 990. Rickie Holstein has requested the Determination letter required under IRS code section 501 for recognition as a legitimate charity. On June 10, 2010 we will meet to look at the W-2, W-3, 1096, and 1099 Forms.

The information provided to us by the treasures for the fiscal year starting on January 1, 2009 and ending on December 31, 2009 was used to complete our report. We carefully examined the following: computer printouts, invoices, cancelled checks, balance sheets, and receipts. Comparing them to the bank statements we found them to balance.

Brother Roger Tolliver finished the year for Brother Curtis Hall as treasurer. Brother Curtis Hall took over as treasurer of the West Virginia Association of FWB on February 1, 2010. Brother Roger Tolliver did a great service for our State Association as treasurer for many years until he graciously chose to step down from his position. He will be missed. Brother Rickie Holstein does a great service for our State Association as Mission Board treasurer. Sister Betty Wilcox and Sister Diana Cox do a great service for the State Association as they split the year being treasurers for the West Virginia WNAC. They put in many hours keeping such good financial records.

The Kilsyth Church and their Pastor Doug Burdette have our thanks for letting us use the church for the meeting and for the lunch they served us. We would also like to thank each and every one of you for the privilege of serving on the committee.

May God bless our association. Alva "Bud" Casto Curtis Hall Kenneth Samms Jon McNay Jeffery Bennett



May 20, 2010

#### **Audit Committee**

West Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists 131 Norris Avenue Charleston, WV 25827

Audit Committee,

At your request I have reviewed the accounting and supporting documents for the financial activities of the Mission Board Account, Association Account, and Women Active for Christ Account for the year January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009. I provide the following comments for your own review.

Based upon my review and testing, the financial records provided to your respective Audit Committee for the calendar year of 2009 purporting to accurately present the actual recorded receipts and disbursements do accurately portray the recorded transactions of the respective fund.

I would also like to make the following comments and recommendations of items I believe the respective Audit Committee should consider reviewing. I did not review these items since the information was not in the documents presented to me for review.

- 1. It was represented to me that the various church units which send collected contributions to State Association, the Association itself, and the National Association have been determined to be tax exempt by the IRS. The Audit Committee should have a copy of that IRS determination letter on file. If it is the National Association who possesses the IRS determination, they require annual financial information be provided to them in order to include this member unit's financial information in the IRS required filing. Form 990. The Audit Committee should be clear, and make it clear to the WV member units, exactly which entity hold the IRS tax exempt determination.
- 2. There appears to me to be non-employment fees paid to persons providing service to the Association. The IRS requires a Form 1099 be provided to both the person providing the service and a copy to the IRS. I noted individuals; Ricky Holstein, Roger Tolliver, Ivan Asbury, and Keith Hadley all received payments in excess of the IRS minimum filing requirement. The Audit Committee should seek assurance that those filing requirement have been met.

- 3. Jim Cox appeared to me to be an employee. The IRS requires federal income tax, social security tax, and Medicare tax is with held from the employee. Additionally, the employer is required to match the social security tax and Medicare tax. The State of WV has withholding requirements as well. The audit committee should seek assurance that those withholding, and remittance requirement, for both the IRS and the State of WV have been met. Employers are also required to cover employees with Workers Compensation and Unemployment. The Audit committee should seek assurance that those requirements have been met. However, during my review I noted no payments being made for Workers Compensation or Unemployment.
- 4. I noted monthly payments being made to the Board of Retirement. Since Mr-Cox is the only employee I assumed those payments were for his benefit. Retirement plans are typically an employer plan or an elective deferral plan. There are specific requirements for each plan. The Audit Committee should seek assurance that the withholdings and/or Association remittance for this plan are in compliance.
- 5. There were payments made to some individuals under the notation of Gift. These payments would be subject to the IRS Form 1099 filing requirements and those individuals would be required to report the amounts as income. One of those payments was \$1,000 to Jim Cox. Since he is an employee that amount should have been added to his employment income for the required IRS reporting.
- 6. The Missions Board regularly transfers designated collections to various Missionaries. It is custom for the target of those payments, if they are domestic, to be recognized as a legitimate charity by the IRS under Code Section 501. The Audit Committee should seek assurance that the Association has a copy of the Determination letter for each donee on file.

If you have any question about the above comments or about other matters please do not hesitate to contact me at the above address.

Thank you,

Stanley S. Adkins, CPA, Member

Adkins & Young PLLC

# HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

of the West Virginia State Association of Free Will Bapist



June 2, 2010

# HELP!

The Historical Committee of the West Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptist is still seeking information about Free Will Baptist Churches in our State. WE NEED YOU HELP!

Currently we have copies of most issues of the W.V. State Paper, thanks to Jon McNay and the Publication Board. However, at this point in time, only 15 Churches have responded and sent information to us, about their church.

We know there are individuals in each church, and conference, that have historical information; however, we also know that most of them would prefer to keep it for its historical and sentimental value. We fill the same way... Please share it with others across the State. If you are not willing to give it to the Historical Committee, that's fine... just make us copies of what you have, or send it to us.. we will make copies, and send it back to you. That way others may share in the rich history of West Virginia Free Will Baptist in West Virginia.

West Virginia Free Will Baptist history can be traced by to the late 1500s to the early 1600s. It is the intent of this committee to capture both recent and past history on any form of media (letters, books, pictures, cassettes, CDs) in the attempt to preserve our West Virginia Free Will Baptist heritage. The committee is looking for State Conference History (when formed, members, churches, etc.), Church history (when formed, ministers, deacons, members, etc.), History on past and present Ministers (when ordained, where they pastored, etc.), State Missionaries (a history of their call and their service in the field).

If you have any information, and would like to share it contact:

Rickie Holstein P.O. Box 4624 Charleston, W.V. 25364 304-595-4246

Russell Wright 728 Whispering Pines Drive Alum Creek, W.V. 25003 304-756-2708 Kenneth Samms 20 Sawmill Road Scott Depot, W.V. 25560 304-755-5595

Ps 119:111 "Thy testimonies have I taken as an heritage for ever: for they are the rejoicing of my heart."

# West Virginia Free Will Baptist Christian Education Board Annual Report June 11, 2010

Greetings in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ. We would like to thank you for allowing us to serve you this year. What a blessing it is to work in this capacity.

We met as a board three times this year.

The most important thing we do as a board is to host the State Bible, Music and Arts Competition. Fairdale Free Will Baptist Church Hosted this event. We thank them for a job well done. We had two new churches this year and they were truly a blessing. Every year the youth in our state never cease to amaze us. Next year this activity will be held at Parsley Bottom FWB Church. This is always the last Saturday in April.

We also helped sponsor the ETTA Classes along with the State Promotional Director.

Jim Hutchison: Chairman
Warren Preece
Andrew Lowe
Rev. Brian Sowards
Jeff Bennett



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# West Virginia State Association Of Free Will Baptist

Greetings to the WV State Association of FWB

2010 Year Mission Board Report

June 5, 2010

#### Proverbs 29:18 says,

#### Where there is no vision the people will perish.

I want thank the lord for the men and women who have a vision for souls to be saved. A special thanks goes to our International Missionaries, Home Missionaries, and men of the State Mission Board. I also want thank churches and individuals who are faithful in their prayers and for any support that they have given our missionaries too.

The board continues to work and listed below is some of the ways:

- 1. The board members are visiting and reporting to conferences.
- 2. The board met four times this year to carry on business for the missionaries.
- We need to get Josue and Christina Rivera exposure into conferences and churches in the state of West Virginia. If anyone has an opening or
  can use them, please feel free to contact them. They need our prayers and support.
- 4. We have communicated with our Missionaries by email and by phone to check on them for their prayers and needs.
- The March for Mission Revivals was set for March 2010 and all went well. We have had a great year this year. A goal was set for \$50,000 but as to date was not reached. The March for Missions has raised over \$38,000 this year and the monies was divided five ways.
- 6. The 2010 Golf Tournament will be held at the Brier Patch Golf Links Golf Course in Beckley on September 25. The price per player will be \$50.00. If any church wants to sponsor a green contact Brother Rickie Holstein. As special thanks goes to all past supporters.

#### We have four ongoing mission works:

- 1. Alice Smith, Ivory Coast Africa
  - Sister Alice is doing well and is home on vacation to see her mother. Her mother has been quite ill and still needs our prayers. She has announced her retirement for 2012.
- Jim and Vicki Sturgill, Brazil

Brother Jim and Sister Vicki are in the field in Brazil and are doing well but still need our prayers and financial support. Brother Jims mother passed away this year. We gave \$10,000 to the International Missions in February in honor of Alice and Jim.

3. Allen and Nancy Whitt, Danese

Brother Allen and Sister Nancy have done a great work for our lord in Danese. They are experiencing growth in that church and have a great vision of the work of God. Brother Allen's contract with the Mission Board expired in April.

- 4. Josue and Christina Rivera, Eastern Panhandle
  - The Rivera's are working in the Eastern Panhandle and need to travel to churches in the conferences to raise support. Anyone wishing for Josue to come to their church or conference, please contact him. They are in the Ranson area, this is where in the Hispanie people are. They are having bible study on Tuesday and Thursday. Continue to pray that things will continue to pick up in this area. We would like to thank the churches in the Eastern Panhandle for the love and support that they have shown the Rivera family. We have had to supplement his account several times in the last year. We cannot continue to supplement his account.
- Kenneth and Shirley Cooper, Glenville, WVA
   Brother Kenneth Cooper is still in Glenville preaching the word. They have been at the New Life

Brother Kenneth Cooper is still in Glenville preaching the word. They have been at the New Life FWB Church for about three years now, continue to pray for their work. They are still meeting in a remodeled, one room school just outside of Glenville and are planning to build some Sunday school rooms on this summer.

In closing, we thank God, the WV State Association, the conferences and the churches for their trust and confidence that they have placed on this board. I would also like to thank the board members for your vote of confidence as Chairman and for all of your faithfulness in this busy trying time that we live in. If anyone should need our help, please feel free to contact anyone of the Board Members. Pray for this board that the vision never dies,

Rev. Rex Allen Cox, Chairman

Rev. Rickie Holstein (595-4246); Rev. Raybon Cook (682-6168); Rev. Mike Smith (237-5624); Rev. Andy Maynard (473-2323); Rev. H.B. Bert Hall(343-2599); Rev. Rev. Cox (684-9458); John Poling (684-3433); Rev. Ottie Burke, Jr. (855-7999)



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# West Virginia State Association Of Free Will Baptist

#### Financial Report January 1, 2009 - December 31, 2009

BEGINNING BALANCE January 1, 2009			\$62,280.12
INCOME:  Co-Op (W.V. State Association) ————————————————————————————————————		\$3,750.00 \$474.00 \$152.99 \$36.01 \$128,124.53	\$140,295.48
EXPENSES: Free Will Baptist Foreign Missions Alice Smith		\$56,712.04	
Jim Sturgill Nathan Snow	\$20,597.40 \$1,080.00		
Tim Keener	\$1,150.00 \$1,380.56 \$80.00		
Hanna Project (Ivory Coast - Scholl Supplies)—  Brain Williams ————————————————————————————————————	\$250.00 \$300.00		
Free Will Baptist Home Missions		\$61,457.11	
Allen Whitt Josie Rivera	\$13,460.89 \$26,184.77		
Kenneth Cooper	\$16,317.00		
Danna Booth	\$4,751.00		
Jason Weaver Danny Elliott	\$120.00		
Paul Park	\$523.45 \$100.00		
NOTE: Designated Giving \$ 35,855.23 March For Missions \$ 23,274.48 Mission Board Giving \$ 2,327.40	\$100.00		

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Rev. Rickie Holstein (595-4246); Rev. Raybon Cook (682-6168); Rev. H.B. (Bert) Hall (343-2599); Rev. Andy Maynard (475-2323); Rev. Mike Smith (606-237-5624); Rev. Rex Cox (684-9458); Rev. Ottie Burke (855-7999); John Poling (684-3433)

of the West Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptist

# Financial Report January 1, 2009 - December 31, 2009

(Expenses Continued)		
Office Supplies	\$560.16	
Postage	\$571.75	
Miscellaneous	\$3,144.31	
Reimbursed Travel Expenses	\$539.64	
Mission Board Giving	\$7,500.00	
Josue Rivera		
(To get him out of the RED \$5,000.00)		
Brain Williams - Missionary to New York		
(At State Association \$ 1,000.00)		
Jim Cox		
(Mission Trip \$1,000.00)		
Alice Smith		
(Christmas Gift \$100.00)		
Jim Sturgill		
(Christmas Gift \$100.00)		
Allen Whitt		
(Christmas Gift \$100.00)		
Josue Rivera		
(Christmas Gift \$100.00)		
Kenneth Cooper		
(Christmas Gift \$100.00)		
Treasurer's Honorarium	\$3,600.00	
Mis-Directed Funds	\$2,621.88	
(Bible College \$ 474.40)		
(Children's Homes \$ 1,870.48)		
(Co-Op \$ 270.00)		
Josue Rivera Legal Fund	\$1,124.50	
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TOTAL EXPENSES		\$137,831.39
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# West Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptist

FUND BALANCES as of December 31, 2009		\$64,744.21
General Fund	\$45,483.16	
Glenville Mission Fund	\$297.16	
International Missions Fund	\$2,392.88	
Josue Rivera - Legal Fund	\$3,555.50	
March For Missions Fund	\$188.99	
Mission Contingent Fund	\$2,000.00	
Mis-Directed Funds	\$0.00	
State Home Missions Fund	\$10.826.52	

## NOTE:

We Would Like To Thank Every Church And Individual Who Gave To The 2009 March For Missions Drive.

It Was A Great Success Raising \$46,737.95



#### West Virginia Free Will Baptist

# Promotional Director's Annual Board Report June 2010

# Conference/Church Visitation

I enjoy visiting Conferences. I have visited several conferences in January and February. However, snow storms caused the cancellation of several meetings which I had planned to attend. In April and May I visited the Beckley Conference, the Wyoming Conference, and the Kanawha Conference. I had a preaching Seminar at the Slaughter's Creek Church on April 17 and attended a Mortgage burning service at the Grace FWB Church in the Eastern Panhandle April 24, 2010. I conducted a Planning Seminar for the McCorkle FWB Church On April 20th I attended the graduation exercise for the ETS classes at the Laurel Creek FWB Church. Sadly, I visited the funeral for Brother James Erwin at the Rock House FWB Church at Delbarton May 24th.

### Leadership Conference

I attended the National Leadership Conference in Nashville, TN on December 7 and 8, 2009.

### State Office

I still maintain an office my home. All of the work on The Messenger plus various other mailings are done through this office.

# Filling Pulpits

I continue to visit churches and preach very often. I have visited many churches over the past year. I have preached out of state on occasion. I preached at a conference in eastern Tennessee and preached at a church in Johnson City, Tennessee. I also preached a homecoming in West Jefferson, Ohio.

# **Promotional Work**

I make every effort to promote the October State Offering, a major project. This past year I produced and distributed a CD featuring Russell Wright, Brian Sowards, Earl White, and myself. Copies of the CD are still available for anyone who has not seen it or shown it to their church. It speaks of the need for all of us to be involved in the effort to support our state work. The CDs are not dated and can be used for coming years. I use pie chart posters showing the breakdown of the giving percentages to promote the state offering at different conferences. A list of Co-Op supporters is listed in the last two issues of The Messenger.

# National and State Meetings

I attended the National Association in Cincinnati, Ohio and the State association at the Green Branch FWB Church in Man, West Virginia. It is my desire to work with every board and committee that I possibly can. Therefore, when notified of meetings I will make every effort to attend every committee meeting possible.

#### Bible Institute

The Bible Institute has two branches so far, one in Huntington and one in Mingo County. There were eight courses taught in the fall. I taught one of the courses. Four were taught at Central FWB Church in Huntington and four at the Nolan Church in Mingo County. About eighty people enrolled in these classes. Thanks are due to the pastors who taught and to the churches who hosted these classes. Earl White and Steve Williams were very helpful. There was truly a revival spirit among those who participated. Following are the current classes being taught in the spring:

	Laurel Creek FWB Church	
***	Lenore, West Virginia	
	rch 16, 2010 (Tuesday evenings)	
6:30—8:30	Old Testament Survey II	Fred Coleman
6:30-8:30	Sunday School Ministry	James Ed Baisden
6:30-8:30	<b>Growing Toward Spiritual Maturity</b>	John Preece
6:30-8:30	Your Ministry of Evangelism	Earl White
	Sunshine Free Will Baptist Church	
	Huntington, West Virginia	
February 9Ma	rch 16, 2010 (Tuesday evenings)	
7:00-9:00	Teaching Techniques	Jodi Fortner
7:00-9:00	New Testament Survey	Claude Holly
7:00-9:00	Understanding Music and Worship	Ivan Asbury
7:00-9:00	Understanding People	Eddie Hay

In addition to these classes Rev. Carl Cooper taught "Growing to Spiritual Maturity" and Rev. Allen Whitt taught a five day course at the Kopperston FWB Church. I am teaching "Worldviews" at the McCorkle Church.

#### Missions

I continue to emphasize missions. I actively supported the World Missions Project distributing some of the coin banks left over from last year. I, along with my wife, went with a team of others to Guyana for a mission's trip. Jim and Linda Hutchinson were an invaluable part of our group. I taught a group of pastors and conducted two revivals in

the town of Bartica. My wife and three other ladies conducted VBS classes for children in different jungle villages the first week and then taught a group of women the second week. We were gone for seventeen days. We are committed to go again in August along with Rev. Russell Wright and several other West Virginians. I will be in charge of a week-long pastor's seminar at Goshen Bible Camp on the Essequibo River. I will again be preaching in Bartica, conducting a week long pastor's seminar and will travel upriver about 100 miles to preach in several villages.

#### **Youth**

I lead a trip for teenagers to visit Rev. Dana Booth's mission church in Clifton Springs, New York. I chartered a bus and invited teens and sponsors to go on the trip which left on April 8th and returned April 11th, 2010. We had about twenty people to go on visitation while others renovated two Sunday school rooms. We cleaned and organized their storage building and mowed about two acres of grass. We had a song and praise service on Saturday night and a worship service on Sunday. I preached and our teenagers did a great job of singing. It was a wonderful experience. Both the church and our group were greatly blessed. The teens are clamoring to go again next year to visit another mission church.

#### The Messenger

The Messenger has been produced and distributed four times over the past year. With the help of my wife and our web-master, Jeff Bennett we now have The Messenger online at www.wvfwb.org. Diana has been invaluable in her help with the magazine. Several conference clerks and others around the state have provided information and articles for The Messenger. We are indebted to them for their assistance. We still are asking churches to have a church reporter for The Messenger so they can forward local church news and announcements to us. We publish obituaries when we are notified. We do need help in order to keep the address list current. Many times clerks and/or pastors change and we do not know to change the address.

There are 2,750 copies of the paper printed and distributed with each edition.

#### Future Goals

As the Promotional Director, I hope to help establish more branches of the Bible Institute in different areas of the state. The Beckley and Logan areas are two areas most likely to have a future institute. Other institutes will be established when pastors in an area are interested. Also, I hope to make substantial progress on the history project this coming year.

#### Homiletic Seminars

Homiletics Classes have been presented at the Victory Free Will Baptist Church at Pecks Mill in November and another one at the Slaughter's Creek FWB Church on April 17, 2010. Everyone is invited. These seminars are very helpful, especially to young preachers. Zondervan's Pastors Annuals are given to each participant. There is no charge for the seminars. The Conferences usually pay for the Pastor's Annuals.

#### **Budget Addendum**

I need to revise the budget I presented in February. The laptop computer that my wife has been using to produce the Messenger has been having problems. We need a new one for this purpose. I purpose adding \$800.00 to the budget to buy a medium price laptop for the Messenger.

#### **History Project**

A letter and a form has been sent to every church requesting information necessary to write the history of West Virginia Free Will Baptist. As soon as the information is collected the actual work of writing this important document will commence.

Thank you for all the prayerful support that you have given to the Promotional Director's office.

#### Address and Phone Numbers

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Hurricane, WV 25526

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e-mail jimdianac4@suddenlink.net or the.messenger@wvfwb.org

# STATE OFFICE BUDGET 2010 (Revised)

# Messenger

Total	\$11,500.00
Miscellaneous	<u>\$300.00</u>
Supplies	\$400.00
Postage	\$2400.00
Mailing	\$1600.00
Printing	\$6800.00

#### Office

Total	\$1350.00
Laptop Computer	\$800.00
Postage	\$250.00
Miscellaneous	\$300.00

#### **Promotional Director**

\$150.00
\$400.00
\$10400.00
\$8400.00
\$4000.00

Grand Total \$36,200.00

### **Executive Board Meeting**

The Executive Board of the West Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptist met in session March 13, 2010, at the Heritage Free Will Baptist Church, at Inwood, WV at 10:00am, with 18 in attendance. The meeting originally scheduled for February 28<sup>th</sup> was postponed until today, due to bad weather.

Moderator Rev. Ivan Asbury welcomed the assembly and thanked everyone for traveling so far to attend the meeting.

Prayer: Rev. Raybon Cook Scripture: 1 Timothy 1:19 Message by Rev. Ivan Asbury

Meeting called to order by Moderator Rev. Ivan Asbury.

**Roll** Call, 10 of 18 Executive Board Members were present for roll call. A quorum was present.

#### EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS

Beckley - Allen Whitt, present / absent
Brotherhood - Luther Morgan, present / absent
Christian Fellowship - John T. Vance, present / absent
Eastern Panhandle - Richard Nethercutt, present / absent

Elk River - None

Fayette - Douglas Burdette, **present** / absent
Freedom - Mike Brown, present / **absent**Greenbrier CountyGreenbrier Nicholas - Alva "Bud" Casto, **present** / absent

Guyan Valley - None Huff Creek - None

Kanawha - Robert McCallister, **present** / absent

Liberty - Dr. Lewis Hall, present / absent Earl White by proxy

Logan - Kit Meade, present / absent #1 Mingo - Jason May, present / absent

Trinity - Roger L. Browning Sr., present / absent

Tug River - Mike Smith, **present** / absent

Unity - Hugh Scott Slone, present / absent Curtis Hall by proxy

Upper Ohio Valley Wayne Upper Ohio Valley John L. Price, present / absent
Luther Dingess, present / absent
Raybon K. Cook, present / absent

It was reported that Rev. Kit Meade wants to resign as Parliamentarian, and as the Executive Board member of the Logan Conference. Due to his wife's medical problems, they are selling out and moving to Kentucky where his daughter lives.

# Reports:

**State Promotional Director's Report** was given by Dr. James Cox. He reviewed all of his activities and said the budget was the same as last year.

#### 2010 State Office Budget

# Messenger

Printing	\$6800.00
Mailing	\$1600.00
Postage	\$2400.00
Supplies	\$400.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 300.00
Total	\$11,500.00

#### Office

Misc.	\$300.00
Postage	\$250.00
Total	\$550.00

#### **Promotional Director**

Salary	\$4000.00
Retirement	\$8400.00
Housing	\$10400.00
National Association	\$400.00
Leadership Conf.	\$150.00
Total	\$23,350.00

**Grand Total** \$35,400.00

M / S to receive the report. Motion carried.

#### Mission Board Financial Report was given by Rev. Rex Cox.

2009	Beginning Balance	\$ 62,280.12
	Total Income	\$140,295.48
	Total Expenses	\$137,831.39
2009	Ending Balance	\$ 64,744.21

#### Mission Board Report was given by Rev. Rex Cox

All Missionaries are doing well. Still need financial support. Allen Whitt's contract will not be renewed. Allen feels the work at Danese is ready to be self supporting. Josue Rivera needs support. Please call Josue at (843) 610-5117 to schedule him to visit your Church or Conference. The 2010 Golf Tournament will be held September 25<sup>th</sup>.

M / S to accept the reports. Questions- Could Josue hold a tent revival in the Beckley area? There has been a lot of Hispanics move into the area. Bro. Rex said he didn't see any reason he couldn't. The Missions Board will discuss. Dr. Jim Cox mentioned doing something special

to recognize the work at Danese going self supporting. Bro. Rex said the Mission Board was already planning something. Vote taken and motion carried.

#### **Trustee Board** had nothing to report.

M / S for Rev. Rex Cox to fill Rev. Kit Meade's remaining term of Parliamentarian. Motion carried.

#### **Old Business:**

Dr. James Cox to complete a History of the WV Free Will Baptist with \$1000.00 for expenses. A few dollars has been spent for printing of letters that will be mailed out to each church. Some information has been received.

State Bible Institute- This is under way with two branches. Seven courses have been taught and have been well received. More sessions will be scheduled as requested.

State Revival- Revival plans were being finalized for April, with Rev. Roger Duncan as the speaker. However the Huntington Civic Center was not available for the planned dates. Work is still under way to reschedule. Contact with the Charleston Civic Center has been made and a contract for specific dates are pending.

Financial Audit- Need to schedule the review. Looking for a CPA. If anyone knows one who can help, please let Brother Bud Casto know.

Point of Information: The Disaster Committee is to be a 4-year committee. With one new member at large elected each year. We failed to recognize and elect new member at the 2009 State Association meeting. Left the committee same as last year. It was noted that the Disaster Committee had met and chosen a Chairman. No other meetings have been held.

#### **New Business:**

Treasures Report was given by Bro. Curtis Hall

Balance Sheet as of February 8, 2010

Total Other Current Liabilities \$115,661.99 Equity, General Fund \$49,189.39 Total Liabilities and Equity \$164,851.38

M / S to accept the Treasurers Report. Questions- The Sunday School Literature account was to be frozen at \$51,000, as voted on at a past meeting. Any funds coming to that account were to be channeled into the Promotional Director's Salary account. The extra funds will be transferred as intended. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Missionary Report was given by Rev. Josue Rivera. He thanked everyone for their support, and gave an open invitation for anyone to visit their services. He asked for continued support and for the opportunity to come to your Churches and speak.

M / S to adjourn for lunch at 12:10 pm. Motion carried. Prayer and blessing given by Rev. Ivan Asbury.

Business session called back to order at 1:10pm.

Executive Committee Report given by Rev. Earl White. They recommend to extend the contract for Dr. James Cox for one year as Promotional Director.

M / S to accept the Executive Committees recommendation to extend Dr. Coxes contract for 1 year. Motion carried.

Rev. Mike Smith said that the Kilsyth Church at Mt. Hope which was being flooded, now had 4 feet of water in the basement. Pastor Doug Burdette left after lunch to return to the Church. Bro. Smith said Bro. Doug had worked hard to aid the Churches that were flooded last year, and felt we should approve financial aid that could be used if needed to aid this year's victims. A discussion was held concerning the Masters Men which are basically inactive at this time, and the Disaster Relief Committee. A suggestion was made to make the funds in the Masters Men's account, available to the Disaster Relief Committee to be used to aid FWB flood victims if needed. Currently there is \$2,765.49 in the Masters Men account.

M / S to make the Masters Men fund available to be used by the Disaster Relief Committee, to help the flooded Churches. Motion carried.

Information on Churches that were flooded should be posted on the web page, along with any specific needs, so anyone that can help will have contact information.

 $M\,/\,S$  to thank the Heritage Church for the meal and their hospitality today. Motion carried by a standing vote of thanks.

M / S to adjourn. Carried. Dismissed in Prayer by Rev. Bud Casto at 1:28 pm.

Keith Hadley, Clerk

#### **Executive Board Meeting**

The Executive Board of the West Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptist met in session June 5, 2010, at the Heritage Free Will Baptist Church, at Inwood, WV at 10:00am, with 19 in attendance.

Assistant Moderator Rev. Earl White moderated the meeting since Bro. Ivan Asbury was unable to attend. Bro. Earl welcomed the assembly and thanked everyone for traveling so far to attend the meeting.

Prayer: Rev. Raybon Cook Hymn: Higher Ground

Scripture: 1 Thessalonians 1: 1-10 Message by Rev. Earl White

Meeting called to order by Assistant Moderator Rev. Earl White.

M / S to elect Rev. Mike Smith as today's Assistant Moderator. Motion carried.

M / S to elect Rev. Luther Morgan as today's Parliamentarian, since Rev. Rex Cox was unable to attend. Motion carried

**Roll** Call, 10 of 18 Executive Board Members were present for roll call. A quorum was present.

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Elk River - None

Fayette - Douglas Burdette, present / absent
Freedom - Mike Brown, present / absent
Greenbrier County - Roger Tolliver, present / absent
Greenbrier Nicholas - Alva "Bud" Casto, present / absent

Guyan Valley - None Huff Creek - None

Kanawha - Robert McCallister, present / absent Allen Young by proxy

Liberty - Dr. Lewis Hall, present / absent
Logan - Kit Meade, present / absent
#1 Mingo - Jason May, present / absent

Trinity - Roger L. Browning Sr. present / absent

Tug River - Mike Smith, **present** / absent

Unity - Hugh Scott Slone, present / absent Curtis Hall by proxy

Upper Ohio Valley - John L. Price, present / absent
Wayne - Luther Dingess, present / absent
Wyoming - Raybon K. Cook, present / absent

#### Reports:

**Clerk's Report:** Minutes of the last meeting were handed out and reviewed. M / S to accept, motion carried.

**State Promotional Director's Report** was handed out and read by Dr. James Cox. He reviewed all of his activities and said the budget presented in March has been revised. \$800.00 was added to purchase a new laptop computer for the Messenger.

#### 2010 State Office Budget

Messenger	
Printing	\$6800.00
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Laptop Computer	\$800.00
Total	\$1350.00
Promotional Director	
Salary	\$4000.00
Retirement	\$8400.00
Housing	\$10400.00
National Association	\$400.00
Leadership Conf.	\$150.00
Total	\$23,350.00
Grand Total	\$36,200.00

 $M\ /\ S$  to receive the report. A question on the budget revision was raised, and the Executive Committee will meet during lunch to discuss approval of the changes. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report** was handed out and explained by Bro. Curtis Hall which covered Jan. 1, 2009 - Dec. 31, 2009. Balance Sheet as of May 31, 2010 shows \$158,770.11. M / S to accept the annual Treasurers Reports.

**Mission Board Financial Report** was handed out and reviewed by Rev. Ricky Holstein 2009- Ending Balance was \$ 64,744.21. The 2010 March for Missions giving was down, \$38,359.08 was received. M / S to accept, motion carried.

**Mission Board Report** was handed out and summarized by Rev. Ricky Holstein. Still need financial support for Josue. Allen Whitt's contract has ended. The 2010 Golf Tournament will be held September 25<sup>th</sup>. Sister Alice is currently home to visit her Mother who has been very sick. Alice paid her own expenses to travel, and will be going back next week. M / S to accept the report. Motion carried.

Rev. Allen Whitt thanked the Missions Board for their help and support through the years and encouraged everyone to continue to support Missions. The Faith Church is now out from under the Mission Board's control and will be organized shortly. The School just graduated 28 students. What started out at a value of \$32,000 was just appraised at \$1,200,000.00 M / S to receive report, motion carried.

Audit Committee Report was handed out and explained by Chairman Rev. Bud Casto. All three accounts (State Association, Missions Board and the WV WAC) were audited and found to be correct. The Review or Audit by an outside firm was completed as voted on at last year's State Meeting. Overall the accounts were found to be in good shape and a few recommendations were suggested. The Promotional Director's position is considered as an employee, and the State Association is liable for Workers Compensation claims. M / S to receive the Audit Committees report. Discussions were held in great length. Some thought we were already paying into the Workers Comp fund. Brother Jon McNay has been in contact with authorities and explained his findings. We as a Church affiliated organization are not required to pay into Workers Comp, but we are liable. We also are not required to pay into unemployment. After further questions a M / S was moved to table the motion to receive the Audit Committees report until the afternoon session. Motion passed.

M / S to adjourn for lunch, motion carried.

#### **Afternoon Session**

The meeting was called back to order by the Moderator at 1:07pm.

Prayer by Rev. Doug Burdette.

 $M\ /\ S$  to remove the Audit Committees report from the table, motion carried. After further discussion the consensus was that we need to address this at the State Association meeting and this should be handled through the Business Committee. A vote was taken on the original motion to receive the Audit Committees report. The motion passed.

**WAC Report** was distributed. Sister Jody Sullivan had a commitment in Tennessee today and was not able to attend. M / S to receive the report, motion carried.

**Historical Committee Report** was handed out. The report was summarized by Bro. Ricky Holstein into one word HELP! The committee needs information from the Churches and Conferences.

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Moderator Earl White called Assistant Moderator Rev. Mike Smith to take over the meeting, so Brother Earl could give his report

Executive Committee Report was handed out and read by Chairman Rev. Earl White.

They recommend:

To rehire Dr. Jim Cox as Promotional Director. To accept the revised Promotional Directors budget as corrected.

Physical addresses and e-mail addresses are still needed. 911 centers are responsible for some delays in the address changes. The web page has been updated and Brother Jeff Bennett is doing a tremendous job on it. Brother Ivan Asbury has submitted a résumé for the position of Promotional Director. Earl stated Brother Ivan has a burden to become the Promotional Director when that job becomes available. His résumé will be given to the Clerk to hold until such a time it is needed. M/S to accept the report and adopt the revised budget. Motion passed.

Dr. Jim Cox was given the floor to talk about the transition to a new Promotional Director. Brother Cox said he has another two years remaining to complete the History of the WV Free Will Baptists. His vision is to continue as the Promotional Director for two years, if the State Association so chooses, and then retire. His suggestion is to take resume's this year, and next year decide on a replacement. Then he could work one year with his replacement, training him on the aspects of the job, working with him on the computer program for the Messenger, introducing him to the printer, and those who do the automatic mailings, etc. This would ensure us to have a smooth transition.

Old Business: none.

#### **New Business:**

The Moderator opened up the floor for general discussion. Questions were asked concerning Dr. Cox taking an Assistant Pastor's position, his part time substitute teaching and Mission trips taking time away from his duties as Promotional Director. Dr. Cox assured the group that the Promotional Directors job is first and takes priority over all, and said that it has not suffered due to his involvement with other activities. The Mission Trips, he feels is part of his job promoting Missions and working with the Youth of the state.

Brother Doug Burdett, pastor of the Kilsyth Church thanked all of the Churches, Conferences, and individuals who helped in any way with the remodeling of their church after it was flooded. They will be holding a dedication service on the Saturday after the State Association and we are all invited to attend.

The Clerk reported that no letter or dues have been received from Greenbrier County Conference, and several letters from the local Conferences to the State Association lacked in many areas, and some are not being sent in a timely fashion. He asked the Executive Board members to communicate to the Conference Clerks to please do a better job supplying accurate information on time.

The Clerk recommends to accept all 21 Conferences letters, pending receipt of the Greenbrier County Conference letter and dues. M / S to accept the received Conference letters, and the Greenbrier County letter pending receipt.

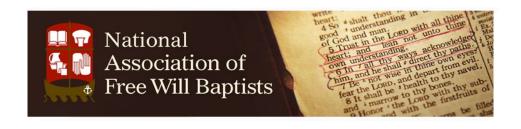
Motion carried

 $M\ /\ S$  to thank the Heritage Church for the meal and their hospitality today. Motion carried by a standing vote of thanks.

M / S to adjourn. Carried

Dismissed in Prayer by Rev. Allen Whitt at 2:00 pm. Keith Hadley, Clerk

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# Future National Convention Dates and Sites:

July 17-20, 2011 Charlotte, NC

July 15-18, 2012 Memphis, TN

July 21-24, 2013 Tampa, FL

July 27-30, 2014 Ft. Worth, TX

July 19-22, 2015 Grand Rapids, MI

July 17-20, 2016 Kansas City, MO

July 16-19, 2017 Louisville, KY

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## Who are Free Will Baptists?

Free Will Baptist roots can be traced to England as early as 1611. The first FWB church in America was begun by Paul Palmer in 1727 in Perquimans County, North Carolina. Some years later, in 1780, under the leadership of Benjamin Randall, Free Will Baptists were established in the northeast at New Durham, New Hampshire. From these early beginnings, Free Will Baptists in America have had a continuing ministry. Today, the National Association of Free Will Baptists is active in 36 states, 13 foreign countries, and a number of the islands of the sea. The work of the National Association is promoted from the National Offices and Randall House Publications located in Nashville, Tennessee.

## What Free Will Baptists believe:

- God We believe that God is the Creator, Sustainer, and Righteous Ruler of the universe. He has revealed Himself in nature, and in the Scriptures of the Holy Bible as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit: yet as one God.
- Jesus Christ He is God's unique Son; the only one of a kind. The Scripture teaches that He is God revealed in flesh. In His Divine nature He is truly God and in His human nature truly man. He is the One once crucified for man's sin, the now risen and glorified Savior and Lord who mediates between God and man and who gives us access to the Father through His intercession. None can come to the Father unless they come through Him.
- Holy Spirit All of the attributes of God are ascribed to the Holy Spirit by
  the Scriptures. It is He who convicts and convinces men of their sin. He also
  convinces man of that which is right, and that a final day of judgment will
  come. He, it is, who comes to live in us at conversion, to open our understanding to the Scripture, and to lead us into the truth.
- The Bible God used holy men to write the Scriptures. They are, in both the Old and New Testaments, the very words God intended us to have. They are, as given by God, without error and are our only rule of faith and practice. We profit from them by learning the truth about many things: they also speak to us about wrong doing; they even correct us and get us back on course as well as instructing us in right living.
- Man God created man in a state of innocence. Man, being tempted by Satan, yielded and willfully disobeyed God, becoming a sinner and incurring God's judgment upon sin. All of Adam's descendants inherit his fallen nature and thus have a natural inclination to sin. When one comes to an age of accountability, he is guilty of sinning before God and in need of salvation.
- God's Relationship to His Creatures and Creation God exercises a wise and benevolent providence over all beings and things. He maintains the laws

- of nature and performs special acts as the highest welfare of mankind and His created order of things require.
- Salvation Man receives pardon and forgiveness for his sins when he admits
  to God that he is a sinner, when in godly sorrow he turns from them and trusts
  in the work of Christ as redemption for his sin. This acceptance of God's great
  salvation involves belief in Christ's death on the cross as man's substitute and
  the fact of God's raising Him from the dead as predicted. It is a salvation by
  grace alone and not of works.
- Who Can be Saved? It is God's will that all be saved, but since man has the
  power of choice, God saves only those who repent of their sin and believe in
  the work of Christ on the cross. Those who refuse in this life to repent and believe have no later chance to be saved and thus condemn themselves to eternal
  damnation by their unbelief.
- Perseverance We believe that there are strong grounds to hope that the saved will persevere unto the end and be saved because of the power of divine grace pledged for their support. We believe that any saved person who has sinned (whether we call him a backslider or sinner), but has a desire to repent, may do so and be restored to God's favor and fellowship. Since man, however, continues to have free choice, it is possible because of temptations and the weakness of human flesh for him to fall into the practice of sin and to make shipwreck of his faith and be lost.
- Gospel Ordinances Free Will Baptists believe the Bible teaches three ordinances for the church to practice: Baptism in water by immersion, the Lord's Supper, to be perpetuated until His return, and the Washing of the Saints' feet, an ordinance teaching humility.
- Resurrection Free Will Baptists believe the Scriptures teach the resurrection
  of the bodies of all men, each in its own order; they that have done good will
  come forth to the resurrection of life, and they that have done evil to the resurrection of damnation.
- Church Government Free Will Baptist churches enjoy local church autonomy (self-governing). The local church is the highest authority in the denomination. Local churches voluntarily organize themselves into quarterly meetings, district, state, and national associations for the purpose of promoting the cause of Christ on the local, state, district, national, and world-wide level.
- Christ's Second Coming The Bible teaches that Jesus Christ, who ascended on high and sits at the right hand of God, will come again to close the Gospel dispensation, glorify His saints, and judge the world.
- Missions Free Will Baptists believe that Jesus commanded the church to go
  into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature. For an in-depth
  study of Free Will Baptist beliefs and practices, ask for a copy of the Free Will
  Baptist *Treatise*.

## A Brief History of Free Will Baptist

The Free Will Baptist denomination is a fellowship of evangelical believers united in extending the witness of Christ and the building of His Church throughout the world. The rise of Free Will Baptists can be traced to the influence of Baptists of Arminian persuasion who settled in the colonies from England.

The denomination sprang up on two fronts at almost the same time. The southern line, or Palmer movement, traces its beginnings to the year 1727 when one Paul Palmer organized a church at Chowan, North Carolina. Palmer had previously ministered in New Jersey and Maryland, having been baptized in a congregation which had moved from Wales to a trace on the Delaware River in northern Pennsylvania.

The northern line, or Randall movement, had its beginnings with a congregation organized by Benjamin Randall June 30, 1780, in New Durham, New Hampshire. Both lines of Free Will Baptists taught the doctrines of free grace, free salvation and free will, although from the first there was no organizational connection between them.

The northern line expanded more rapidly in the beginning and extended its outreach into the West and Southwest. In 1910-1911 this body of Free Will Baptists merged with the Northern Baptist denomination, taking along more than half its 1,100 churches and all denominational property, including several major colleges. On December 28, 1916, at Pattonsburg, Missouri, representatives of remnant churches in the Randall movement reorganized into the Cooperative General Association of Free Will Baptists.

Free Will Baptists in the southeastern United States, having descended from the Palmer foundation, had often manifested fraternal relationships with Free Will Baptists of the Randall movement in the north and west; but the slavery question and the Civil War prevented formal union between them. The churches in the southern line were organized into various associations and conferences from the beginning and had finally organized into a General Conference by 1921. These congregations were not affected by the merger of the northern movement with the Northern Baptists.

Now that the remnants of the Randall movement had reorganized into the Cooperative General Association and the Palmer movement had organized into the General Conference, it was inevitable that fusion between these two groups of Free Will Baptists would finally come. In Nashville, Tennessee, on November 5, 1935, representatives of these two groups met and organized the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

This body adopted a Treatise which set forth the basic doctrines and described the faith and practice that had characterized Free Will Baptists through the years. Having been revised on several occasions, it serves as a guideline for a denominational fellowship which comprises more than 2,400 churches in 42 states and 14 foreign countries.

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## Will You Be The "Other"?

Allow us to begin by saying THANK YOU. Thank you for your prayers, words of encouragement and your financial support.

Though 2009 was one of great challenges for Family Ministries, we know of no ministry that hasn't felt the fallout from tough economic times that our nation, families, and yes, even our churches have experienced. Our mail included letters from churches who were forced to cut back on their giving, and a number even had to drop their support indefinitely until things improved in their own financial downturn.

While some may not be able to partner with us at this time, I am convinced there are <u>others</u> who are in the position to step up and help. We are searching for those who are willing to be the <u>other</u>, whether the gift be great or small. We are reminded of the widow in *Mark, Chapter 12*, in the beautiful illustration of one who became the <u>other</u> in her giving, casting in all that she had. She became the <u>other</u> who was willing to make a difference, though she scarcely had enough for herself. Though we give little in charity, yet if it be according to our ability, and be given with an upright heart, it shall be accepted of Christ, who requires according to what a man has, and not what he has not.

Will you remember our VBS Campaign as you make your plans for this year's Vacation Bible School? Consider Family Ministries as your VBS mission project, "Children Helping Children." In addition, begin planning now for a great Mother's Day offering May 9, 2010. You should soon be receiving our Mother's Day poster to post on your bulletin boards, along with an appeal letter and giving envelope to encourage your congregation to participate in this very special offering which is so crucial to our annual budget.



An example of how pre-planning and groundwork can generate involvement—Unicoi FWB Church was burdened to raise funds for Family Ministries. Their desire was to complete this project prior to Christmas. They had a simple idea of placing a "change container" located in the church to collect loose change. The endeavor began to see real interest when individuals started to bring large sums of change. The church felt led to match the total amount collected, bringing the offering to \$2,060 in 3 months time.

During the process, a young man, Devin Northam, (age 2), was being taught to place coins in the container. Devin, however, took it upon himself to ask others by simply holding out his hand for their change. The church began referring to him as the "little usher" and to kindly give him the coins if he asked. The Lord truly used this little boy to be the <u>other</u> as a blessing to Family Ministries for his willingness to do God's work.

Another example of advance preparation; an East Tennessee pastor, and his congregation recently agreed to give all their Wednesday evening offerings until the first Sunday of May to go towards our 2010 Mother's Day appeal. By planning, praying, and being the <u>other</u>, great things can be accomplished.

Beloved, we are counting on you. Thank you and may God bless you in 2010.

In Christ,

Rev. Frank Woods VP of Financial Development In His Service,

Dr. James Kilgore Executive Director

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## -2009 Marked 70 Years in Ministry to Children and Families-

We look forward to what God has in store for us in the next 70 years and beyond!

## —A Ministry with a Mission—

To serve and share Christ in order to unify and preserve families and provide a loving, caring and secure environment in which to live, work and grow in the Lord.

## —2009 Statistics for Family Ministries—

- Served a total of 1,368 children and families through our ministries
- ♥ 102 babies born to clients of The Hope Center, our crisis pregnancy/resource center
- 91 graduates from our A & D program
- 112 young people accepted Jesus as their personal Savior, and 85 rededicated their lives to follow Christ

## —Ways You Can Help Throughout the Year—

**Christmas –** Share Christmas with our children. Wal-Mart gift cards are a great way to ensure each child receives needed and desired presents by allowing the house parents to shop and divide gifts equally.

"Children Helping Children" – Participate in our Vacation Bible School Campaign, encouraging your children to take us on as their mission project for the week of VBS. Information packets for the 2010 drive will be mailed out in January.

"20/20 Vision" Giving Plan – We need partners to join us in this faith promise offering. If 5,000 individuals/families would commit to giving just \$20 per month (that's less than 70 cents per day), we could underwrite a large portion of yearly budget.

**Mother's Day** – For many years, an annual offering for Family Ministries has been taken in May, and we ask that you lead your church on this day to receive a special offering to help meet the needs of hurting youth and families.

**Back to School** – We are in need of sponsors to donate funds for the curriculum and school materials beneficial to our youth's education.

**Honor/Memorial Gifts** – Remember your loved ones with a contribution in their honor or memory. Acknowledgments appear in our bi-monthly newsletter.

## -Mail your tax-deductible gifts to-

Free Will Baptist Family Ministries 90 Stanley Lane, Greeneville, TN 37743 or go on-line at <u>www.fwbfm.com</u> to make your VISA/MasterCard/Discover credit card donations.

# Services Provided Under the Umbrella of FWB Family Ministries

# From My Heart

labourers are few: Pray ye therefore the Lord...will send forth labourers into his Then saith he unto his disciples, the narvest truly is plenteous, but the narvest." Matthew 9: 37, 38 Allow me to share some great news of celebration. Over the past 8 years, we per year make decisions for Christ. able to minister to the mothers of unborn ages. This brochure provides a view of have witnessed over 100 children Because we offer varied services, we are children, infants, toddlers, adolescents, teens, senior citizens and families of all our many outreaches.

Ask Christ where He might want you to parents and foster families to be moms need prayer warriors to bring our needs partner with us. We need Godly house and dads to our youth. Most of all, we before God and ask His guidance and protection for this ministry.

Our vision is clear, our purpose and our programs are strong and we are excited about what the future holds. Thank you for all you do for us, together, we are....

"Changing Families, One 🦁 at a Time."

# JUST THE FACTS.....

purchase property and begin an orphanage. A 160-acre site in Greeno In 1938, at a meeting of the TN State ounty, Tennessee, was purchased unanimous approval was made to Association of FWB, a motion and for \$4.500.

began almost 70 years Free Will Baptist Family Ministries go has now expanded into a multi-Orphanage, opened under the care With a name change in 1998 to to accommodate the variety of In 1939, the Tennessee FWB of Mr. and Mrs. I L Stanley. services now provided, the

faceted & diverse ministry.

To serve and share Christ in order provide a loving, caring and se-cure environment in which to live, to unify and preserve families and work and grow in the Lord.

# The Laurels

December 2006 marked the opening of the first FWB retirement & assisted living facility.

adult, adolescent and child care Our VISION is to be nationally services which strengthen and preserve the family and provide recognized as a model of excellence in faith-based family, dignity to those we serve.

THE LAURELS is truly a physical testament to the truth



The Hope Center, our crisis preg-The Hope Center 276-393-7289.

through our office visits, over the Included in every visit and phone call nancy/resource center serves families phone or through our 24-hour Hopeline 1-866-319-HOPE(4673).

is a message of hope and healing found in a personal

relationship with Jesus Christ. We strive to demonstrate and share that truth with door or calls on walks through person each phone.

# Trula Cronk Homes for Children

abandoned, neglected & at-risk children in Tennessee through our assessment center and long-term residential program. Our goal is to provide a safe environment with trained, loving house parents & staff to help nurture hurting boys & girls-and foundation on which they can rebuild the their families-find answers & lay a solid The Trula Cronk Homes serve abused. proken pieces of their lives.



# We operate a home in Virginia; the Bristol Virginia Ministries

Boys' Home which opened in the spring of We strive to provide a caring home parents offer spiritual guidance & instruction while encouraging family involvement. Our on-site case manager & house parents assure kept and each child is given the love and care in social, independent living and daily skills, medical and counseling appointments are with a Christian family model. they deserve.

# Arkansas Ministries

12,500 sq. ft. facility known as the Florence rently serves 0 to 17 years of age. It is our goal to reunite each child with a family In Dec. 2003, we were given a historical Crittenton Home in Little Rock, AR. With its 12 bedrooms & 7 baths, the home curmember, & share Christ through daily devotions. The young people receive their own Bible upon admission into our home and are taken to church on a regular basis.



## carning Center Jackson-Tolle

The Jackson-Tolle Learning Center is our on-campus licensed school & serving our young people through academic assessments & individualintensive day-treatment program ized instructions.





May 2010

I send greetings from the Empire State, where Free Will Baptists are "Striking Back." The Merger in 1910 with American Baptists resulted in the disappearance of many Free Will Baptist churches and the distinctive Bible teachings that included a drong coppel message for all with recognition of scriptural vannings given in believers. It is such good news to hear of three families approved for the Buffale area. It will be a blessing to have followship with other Free Will Baptists.

There are so many praise items to report. First, we had a wonderful group of young people and adults from West Virginia that not only he ped with visitation, but also with temodeling two Sunday School morns. This group was under the direction of Dr. Jimmy Cax. Most members of the group were from the McCorkle Free Will Baptist Church where Bro. Russell Wright is pastor. Also, it was such a blessing to have Linda and Jim Hurchison. friends for many years, to accompany the team (pictured). Recently, one young man accepted Christ and followed the Lord in bay tism, and we had one rededication as well, Next, we had a complete set of new kitchen cabinets donated to our church by Curtis Booth, along with a stuve, oven, and microwaye.





We are looking forware to Dro, Jim Mattin's son, Stephen, and the church he pastors in Abbama coming for VBS in June. We have now children coming on our van which opens doors to homes and hears. Bro, Jim and his wife, Sylvia, carry the responsibility for the van and so much more. Place comember them in prayer. Bithful churches and individuals, through prayer and giving, continue to encourage us in our labors.

Our plans include some major underrakings, but they are necessary to move us in the direction of becoming self-supporting and planting ambher church. Includer in our plans is the decision on pay off our present church indebtedness. We new \$168,000 and our payment is \$1,409,79 each month. You can see how it would help us to move in the direction of becoming self-supporting. I have thought and prayed about how we might accomplish this task and have come to the conclusion that I don't know. Maybe you have some good ideas. Here are a lew that have either been suggested or came to mind:

- 1. Someone to write a check for \$168,000 or any amount close to that,
- 2. 168 people to give \$1000 over a one-year period (\$83,34 monthly)
- 3. 30 churches to commit to give \$5600 over a one-year period (\$466 monthly).
- 4. The always successful WNAC of any state to take on a portion to help raise
- Take any amount of money and put it to work using the talents and abilities God has given you for a year and give toward project.
- 6. Put our church as beneficiary on personal property.

Feel free to write with any suggestions or comments. My address is 6184 Buckskin Dr., Farmington, New York 14425, or email me dhouthingmediester meom. I'll keep you informed of our progress or you can send checks to the Landmark Free Will Baptise Church, Farmington, New York Building Fund.

Dana and Berry Booth

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## FOUNDATION FREE WILL BAPTIST

The three rings of the Free will Baptist Foundation logo are intentionally designed to symbolize a powerful partnership. When you enter into a relationship that affects your financial goals, you want peace of mind and the security of knowing you have made the wisest decision. The Foundation helps bring all three of the rings together to work in harmony, creating a strong and powerful partnership that works for you.

The green ring represents your assets in the form of cash, stock, real estate, or some other valuable. Your wise planning provided your family with security and a few amenities along the way. You have reached a stage in your life when you are determining how your assets will continue to benefit your spouse, family and ministries for which you care deeply.

The gold ring represents your family. You did not work hard all of your life in vain. Family is a blessing from God and the relationship bonds are typically very strong. Using planned giving will help you provide an income for your family and also benefit Free Will Baptist ministries. The Foundation offers programs to protect your wealth, provide tax advantages, and care for your family and surviving spouse.

The red ring represents ministries that you support or wish to support. When people reflect on what they have accomplished by their systematic giving over their lifetime, the total amount often surprises them. I magine the void that ministry would have experienced without you. You may be contemplating what you can do to provide income to ministries even after you have gone to be with the Lord.

The Free will Baptist Foundation offers a variety of money management and planned giving tools to help you meet your goals. Call us to explore how the power of your three rings can solidify your wishes and leave a legacy in your name. You have worked hard to get where you are. Work hard to preserve the power of your assets long after you leave this earth.

## WHAT IS AN ENDOWMENT?

In ancient Israel the farmland God distributed among the Hebrew tribes was never sold. But in times of deepest poverty, a family could give up the land under a long term "lease." Under this law, the "purchaser" bought the use and the fruit of the land, not the land itself. During Jubilee, all lands were restored to the original family owners. The mandate from God was, "Use the land, but do not consume it."

Like the land of ancient Israel, endowment gifts are preserved so that the principal is never consumed. The earnings become modern day harvests to support a variety of Free Will Baptist ministries while the original gift remains in place perpetually earning income.

Extraordinary describes the gift of an endowment. Let's compare an endowment to a typical gift.

A typical gift is a one-time outright transfer of funds in which the benefit is immediate. For example, when a church member places a gift of \$100 in the weekly offering, the gift benefits the ministry once.

A \$1,000 endowment given in 1935 would have provided

over \$11,500 to denominational ministries; and the original \$1,000 principal would have grown to more than \$10,000. Endowments keep giving on your behalf.

Endowments made during your lifetime are deductible as a charitable income tax deduction. Endowments may also be funded through a will so that after death you continue giving to Free Will Baptist ministries.

Endowments perpetuate your support of the Lord's work. After your death, the ministries you have loved and supported will miss both your prayers and your gifts. By funding an endowment you can make your gifts perpetual.

The Foundation creates new endowments for people like you who want to help any Free Will Baptist ministry. Your endowment can be designed to benefit several ministries, or a special one of your choice.

Whatever ministry you choose, remember the intent is for us to use the assets God provides, while not consuming them.



# It took 35 years to grow this olive.

Olive trees take seven to 35 years to produce their first olive, but once they start, they provide a harvest for thousands of years. Much like an olive tree, a gift annuity with the Free Will Baptist Foundation will produce the following benefits both now and for generations to come:

- + Great rates (see chart at right)
- + Payouts based on age.
- + Tax-free income for donors.
- + Never-ending benefits for the Free Will Baptist ministry of your choice.

Si	Single Table		Joint Table			e
Age	Actual Rate	Effective Rate		Ages	Actual Rate	Effective Rate
65	5.3%	5.77%		65/65	4.9%	5.70
70	5.7%	6.26%		70/70	5.2%	5.64%
75	6.3%	6.97%		75/75	5.6%	6.12%
80	7.1%	7.92%		80/80	6.1%	6.73%
85	8.1%	9.12%		85/85	7.0%	7.79%
90	9.5%	10.79%		90/90	8.3%	9.30%

But 2,000 years from now, they will still get a harvest from the tree.



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## Retirement

In order to assist its employees in ensuring that they have enough funds set aside for their retirement years, the National Association of Free Will Baptists, Inc. established the Retirement Pension Plan of the National Association of Free Will Baptists ("Plan"). This Plan has been amended and restated, effective January 1, 2009. The Plan is intended to provide retirement security to Free Will Baptist ministers and other eligible employees. It allows your employer to set funds aside for your retirement. In addition, it enables you to set aside a portion of your earnings in a tax-advantaged manner during your working years.

The Plan is a church retirement income account program described in section 403(b)(9) of the Internal Revenue Code. The Internal Revenue Code permits denominations and churches to set up retirement plans designed to permit you and your employer to accumulate retirement savings. The Plan takes full advantage of these special tax rules.

You are eligible to participate in the Plan if you are working at least 20 hours a week for an eligible employer that has agreed to participate in the Plan ("Participating Employer"). An eligible employer includes any church or agency that is participating cooperatively with the National Association of Free Will Baptists. In addition, Free Will Baptist ministers who are evangelists or otherwise self-employed and the spouses of Free Will Baptist missionaries are eligible to participate in the Plan without regard to the number of hours they work a week.

If you are eligible to participate as described above, you can become a participant in the Plan upon submitting an Enrollment Agreement to the Board. You must also agree to a minimum monthly contribution of at least \$10.

## Life Insurance

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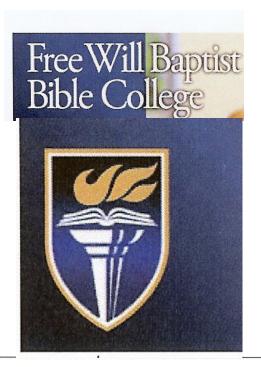
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# **UPPER OHIO VALLEY CONFERENCE**

CHURCH	PASTOR	CLERK
Beech Run Beech Run Road Arvilla, WV  Take Rt. 2, 6 miles north of St. Marys, to Arvilla Road. Travel 4 miles on Arvilla Road to Beech Run Road. Turn left on Beech Run Rd. Travel 1 mile, Church is on left.	Bob Cornell 52 Wood Circle Drive Parkersburg, WV 26104 (304) 834-1614	Sandra Lowther 7050 Arvilla Road Friendly, WV 26146 (304) 684-3789
Bonds Creek Fairmont Ridge Road Ellenboro, WV 26346 (304) 869-3068 Take Rt. 50 East to mile marker 34.5 Turn onto Fairmont Ridge Road. First driveway on right.	Jim Pyles, Sr. Rt. 1, Box 175 Cairo, WV 36337 (304) 869-3542	Steve Armentrout Rt. 1, Box 154 Cairo, WV 36337 (304) 869-3686

# Evergreen Hills Evergreen Hills

Cottageville, WV 25239

From Charleston area take I-77 N to Ripley exit 138. Turn left onto Rt. 62. Travel 8 miles to Rt. 331. turn left.

Travel 2 miles to Evergreen Hills Road turn right. Travel 1/2 mile, Church is on the right.

Mark Price Rt. 1, Box 140 Cottageville, WV 25239 (304) 372-5607 Mary E. Stanley
78 Wilrovajo Drive
Cottageville, WV 25239
(304) 372-6850
From Parkersburg area
take I-77 S to Ravenswood
exit 146. Turn right onto
Rt. 2/ Rt 33 E. keep left onto

Rt. 2 S.Travel 9 miles through Millwood and turn left into Evergreen Hills. Travel 1 mile Church is on the left.

### **Good Hope**

Cain's Run

Reedy, WV 25270

From Charleston area, take

I-77 N to Ripley exit 138.

Turn right on Rt. 33 E.Travel

25 miles to Rt. 14 at Spencer, turn left on Rt. 14 N. Travel 12 miles passing through Reedy. Turn left onto Cain's Run Road. Church is on left. John Price 3223 Hartley Run Road Le Roy, WV 25252 (304) 732-5417 Madge Price 62 Randolph Road Spencer, WV 25276 (304) 927-2683

From Parkersburg area take I-77 S to Mineral Wells exit 130.

Turn left onto Rt. 14 S.

Travel

14 miles to Palestine. Con-

tinue

on Rt.14 S, towards Reedy. Turn right onto Cain's Run Road. Church is on left.

# Maple Lane

12238 Hebron Road St. Mary's, WV 26170

Take Rt. 2 N to St. Marys.

Turn right on Hebron Road (McKim Street) at Certified Gas Station. Travel 12.2 miles, Church is on the right.

Rex Cox 4135 Rock Run Road St. Mary's, WV 26170 (304) 684-9458 Debby Hadley 11862 Hebron Road St. Mary's, WV 26170 (304) 684-3676

Take Rt. 50 East to Ellenboro exit. Turn left onto Rt.16

travel

300 yds and turn right onto Old Rt. 50. Travel 1.5 miles and turn left onto Highland / Hebron Rd. Travel 4 miles, turn left onto Hebron Rd. Travel 3 miles and cross bridge

and turn left, continue 1 mile, Church is on the left.

### **Mount Hope**

Marr, OH

Take I-77 N to Lower Salem exit 6. Turn right onto Rt. 821. Turn right onto Rt. 145, turn

right onto Rt. 565 Merge straight onto Rt. 260. Travel 1/8 mile turn right onto Township road 565, take next left onto Township Road 311. Travel 1/4 mile, Church is on right. Rex Cox

4135 Rock Run Road St. Mary's, WV 26170 (304) 684-9458 Marjorie Blair
36120 Witten Creek Road
Rinard Mills, OH 45734
(614) 934-2818
Take Ohio Rt.7 N to
New Matamoras, OH. Turn
left onto Rt. 260. Travel 16
miles, turn right onto Township Road 565
take next left onto
Township Road 311,Travel
1/4 mile, Church is on right.

Upper Ohio Valley Conf. Keith Hadley, Clerk 11862 Hebron Road St. Mary's, WV 26170 (304) 684-3676

### **UPPER OHIO VALLEY CONFERENCE MINISTERS**

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 Price, Roland
 Stanley, Jim

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 78 Wilrovajo Road,

 Millwood, WV 25262
 Cottageville, WV 25239

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 (304) 372-6850

### WAYNE COUNTY CONFERENCE

CHURCH **PASTOR CLERK** Big Lynn Tommy Staley Rodney Scott 2805 Big Lynn Creek Road PO Box 535 Rt. 1, Box 692 East Lynn, WV 25512 East Lynn, WV 25512 East Lynn, WV 25512 (304) 849-3470 (304) 849-5712 Dunlow Russell Watts Larry McMillian South Route 152 Rt. 1. Box 520-A Rt. 1. Box 319-B Dunlow, WV 25511 Fort Gay, WV 25514 Dunlow, WV 25511 (304) 385-4351 (304) 272-5082

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Watts, Russell Rt. 1, Box 520-A Fort Gay, WV 25514 (304) 272-5082

# WAYNE COUNTY CONFERENCE DEACONS

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# WYOMING COUNTY CONFERENCE

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Basin	Grant D. Prince General Delivery Herndon, WV 24726 (304) 294-8607	Lesia R. Cook HC 69, Box 146 Herndon, WV 24726 (304) 294-4792
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Mt. Carmel

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Linda Maynor

Oceana

Jackie Grimmett HC 72, Box 432 Man, WV 25635 (304) 583-2963 Georgetta Price General Delivery Oceana, WV 24870 (304) 682-6000

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Box 815-H Hanover, WV 24839 (304) 938-5775

Elbert Cline

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(304) 682-6168

(304) 294-0474 Lester, Dennis

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Bailey, Joe

Prince, Grant D. HC 69, Box 158 Herndon, WV 24726 (304) 294-8607

Vest, Jr. Damon

Marrianna, WV 25916

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Bailey, Larry

Toler, Eual General Delivery Oceana, WV 24870 (304) 682-5942

Vint, Chris

Cook, Larry

Marrianna, WV 25916 (304) 732-8999

# WYOMING COUNTY CONFERENCE DEACONS

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Hanover, WV 24839 (304) 938-3590

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### **OBITUARY LIST 2009 - 2010**

# **Beckley Conference**

Anna Belle Robinson Dickens – Bethel Church Junior Lewis "Nip" Duncan – Bethel Church James Ellis "Jim" Green – Bethel Church James "Jim" Edwards – Bethel Church Calvin Cline – Cool Ridge Church Rev. George Speck - Cool Ridge Church Edna Turner - Delbert Church Nancy Miller - Delbert Church Sadie Miller – Delbert Church Junior Athey – Fairdale Church Edward Bowles Jr.- Fairview Church Mary Blaine Lilly – Fairview Church Ronnie Richmond – Ghent Church Melvin Parks – Gordon Church Edna Adkins - Herndon Church Robert Byars – Herndon Church Cindy Perry – Herndon Church Ruby Sizemore – Herndon Church David Dishner – Lashmeet Church Sidney Gillenwater – Lashmeet Church Perdesta Shatley – Lashmeet Church Lena Cole - Old State Road Church

### Beckley Conference continued

Barbara Sizemore – Pierpoint Church Wilda Chamberlin – Sophia Church Lottie Sturgill – Sophia Church

# **Brotherhood Conference**

Peggy Belcher –  $1^{st}$ . Altizer Church Jeff Jeffers –  $1^{st}$ . Altizer Church

Deacon Azel "Shot" Roe - Camp Creek Church

Junior Johnson - Central Church

Peggy Johnson – Central Church

Virginia Smith – Central Church

Wilma Blankenship – Faith Church

Elwood McCormick - Good Shepherd Church

Herman Nicholas – Good Shepherd Church

Ted Barr – Sunshine Church

Melissa Lyons – Sunshine Church

Laura McCloud - Thomas Memorial Church

Deacon George Bicar - Trinity Church

# Christian Fellowship Conference

None listed

### Eastern Panhandle Conference

Dale Miller – Grace Fellowship Church

Marie Davis – Grace Fellowship Church

# None to report

# Fayette Conference

Holen Manning – Bradley Church

Dorothy Martin – Bradley Church

Dorothy Pauley - Bradley Church

Maggie M. Wriston – Bradley Church

Mary Wall Cox - Kilsyth Church

Joey Plumley – Skelton Church

# Freedom Conference

None listed

# **Greenbrier County Conference**

Gerald Carter - Feamster Church

Lois Manuel - Feamster Church

# **Greenbrier Nicholas Conference**

June Lester – Nile Chapel Church

Russell Freeman - Ward Road Church

Deacon Clarence Johnson - Ward Road Church

Jim Minor - Ward Road Church

Mike Miller – Virginia O'Dell Church

# **Guyan Valley Conference**

Carol Squire - Bethlehem Church

Shirley Eldrige - Mallory Church

Jenet Berry – Mt. Olive Church

Vecter Berry - Mt. Olive Church

Agnes Bryant - Mudfork Church

# **Huff Creek Conference**

Adda Abbott

Jasper Abbott

Ora Adkins

Winford Dalton

Dorthy Smith

Frori Stover

Kessleoren Lambert

Harold Lucus

Susie Meade

Billy Mullins

Ward Vance

Wavey Wiley

### Kanawha Conference

Eva White – Chesapeake Church

Lorraine Atkinson - Crown Hill Church

Shirley Massey - Dry Branch Church

Sherry Smith-Minks - Dry Branch Church

# Kanawha Conference continued

Dempsey Barker – Emmons Church

Mary Jo Barker - Emmons Church

Howard Paul - Faith Church

Freda Hall – Loudendale Church

Edith Snidow - Meadowbrook Church

Charlie Harper – McCorkle Church

Jackie Marker - McCorkle Church

Victor Miller – McCorkle Church

Diana Allison - Slaughter's Creek Church

Joe McGraw – Slaughter's Creek Church

Rex Thomas - Slaughter's Creek Church

Barbara Green- Southridge Church

Brookie Robinson - South Ruffner Church

Frances Marie Mullens – South Ruffner Church

June Cooper - Winifrede Church

Charles Jordon - Winifrede Church

Emory Peters – Winifrede Church

Nancy Stover - Winifrede Church

# Liberty Conference

James Roby Erwin - Rockhouse Church

Matilda Owens - Rockhouse Church

#### Logan Conference

None listed

#### #1 Mingo Conference

None listed

#### Trinity Conference

Johnson Belcher

Bertha Dean

Rev. Earl Ferguson

#### Tug River Conference

Rufus Canterbury – Parsley Bottom Church
Rush Dempsey – Parsley Bottom Church
Ersel Maynard – Parsley Bottom Church
Allen Jay Parsley – Parsley Bottom Church
Syd Thompson – Parsley Bottom Church
Virginia Thompson – Parsley Bottom Church
Grady Cole Presley – Tug River Church

#### **Unity Conference**

Louie Sheppard – Laurel Creek Church

Goldie Newsome – Lily Of The Valley Church

Dixie Sturgill – Lily Of The Valley Church

June Hall – Mt. Hope Church

#### Unity Conference continued

Paul Reed - Nolan Church

Tan Marcum - Nolan Church

Thelma Vanhoose – Nolan Church

Lionel Smith – West Williamson Church

Madeline Smith - West Williamson Church

#### Upper Ohio Valley Conference

Rev. Roy Lee Cox – Beech Run Church

Francis Reed - Bonds Creek Church

Everett Sonny Clark – Evergreen Hills Church

Marjorie Dorsey – Evergreen Hills Church

Angie Rollyson – Evergreen Hills Church

Janice Poling – Maple Lane Church

#### Wayne County Conference

James David Isaacs – Big Lynn Church

Sadie (Nellie) Stephens Smith – Big Lynn Church

Larry Finley - Dunlow Church

#### Wyoming County Conference

Roy Wringler - Big Jenny Church

Gertrude Cline - Ikes Fork Church

Jean Sloan - Ikes Fork Church

Total 125

#### **Obituaries Ministers and Deacons**

Rev. Roy Lee Cox

Rev. Earl Ferguson

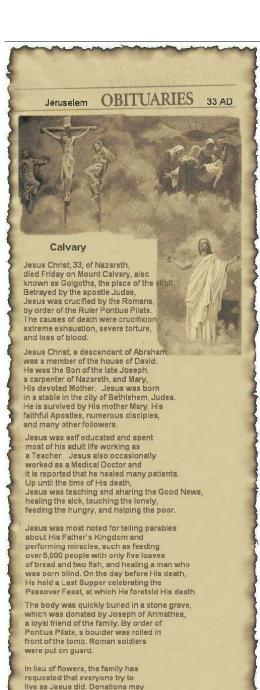
Rev. George Speck

Deacon George Bicar

Deacon Clarence Johnson

Deacon Azel "Shot" Roe

#### NOTES

be sent to anyone in need.

# LIST OF CHURCHES WHO HOSTED THE WEST VIRGINIA STATE MEETING

Switzer Church, Switzer, WV	6-7-46
Thomas Memorial, Hintington, WV	6-6-47
Sophia, Sophia, WV	6-4-48
Oceana, Oceana, WV	49
Green Shoals, Fry, WV	50
Ansted, Ansted, WV	6-8-51
Kopperston, Kopperston, WV	6-6-52
East Kermit, East Kermit, WV	6-12-53
Canebrake, War, WV	6-12-54
Gordon, Charmco, WV	6-10-55
Kanawha Fork, Rt. 2, Charleston, WV	6-8-56
Caretta, Rt. 16, between War and Welch	6-7-57
Nolan, Nolan, WV	58
Kilsyth, Kilsyth, WV	6-12-59
Thomas Memorial, Huntington, WV	6-10-60
Shamrock, Holden, WV	6-96
Kanawha Fork, Rt. 2, Charleston, WV	6-8-62
Anstead, Anstead, WV	6-7-63
Mount Tabor Camp Ground, Beckley, WV	6-12-64
Walnut Grove, Omar, WV	6-11-65
Harts Creek Tabernacle, Harts, WV	6-10-66
Gordon, Charmco, WV	67
Marrowbone, Kermit, WV	6-7-68
Winifrede, Winifrede, WV	6-6-69
Thomas Memorial, Huntington, WV	6-12-70

# LIST OF CHURCHES WHO HOSTED THE WEST VIRGINIA STATE MEETING

Mount Tabor Camp Ground, Beckley, WV	6-9-72
Shamrock, Logan, WV	6-8-73
McCorkle, Sod, WV	6-7-74
Ward Road, Canvas, WV	6-6-75
Fayette Youth Camp, Bradley, WV	6-11-76
First FWB, Chesapeake, WV	6-10-77
Parsley Bottom, Lenore, WV	6-9-78
McCorkle, Sod, WV	6-8-79
Thomas Memorial, Huntington, WV	6-6-80
Greenbranch, Man, WV	6-12-81
Sophia, Sophia, WV	6-11-82
Central, Huntington, WV	6-10-83
Cedar Grove, Parkersburg, WV	6-8-84
Parsley Bottom, Lenore, WV	6-7-85
Prince of Peace, Huntington, WV	6-6-86
Bradley, Bradley, WV	6-12-87
Loudendale, Rt. 2, Charleston, WV	6-10-88
Ward Road, Canvas, WV	6-9-89
Parsley Bottom, Lenore, WV	6-8-90
Bradley, Bradley, WV	6-7-91
Hope, Parkersburg, WV	6-12-92
Sophia, Sophia, WV	6-11-93
McCorkle, Sod, WV	6-10-94
University of Charleston, Charleston, WV	6-9-95
Sunshine, Huntington, WV	6-7-96
Bonds Creek, Ellenboro, WV	6-13-9
Heritage, Inwood, WV Mission Church	6-12-9

# LIST OF CHURCHES WHO HOSTED THE WEST VIRGINIA STATE MEETING

Loudendale, Charleston, WV	6-11-99
Cornerstone, Crab Orchard, WV	6-9-00
Bradley, Bradley, WV	6-8-01
Mona Hill, Wilkerson, WV	6-7-02
Central, Huntington, WV	6-7-03
Hope, Parkersburg, WV	6-11-04
Sunshine, Huntington, WV	6-10-05
Parsley Bottom, Lenore, WV	6-9-06
Bradley, Bradley, WV	6-8-07
McCorkle, Sod, WV	6-13-08
Greenbranch, Man, WV	6-12, 09
Heritage, Inwood, WV	6-11-10

The Minutes Books for the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Session (1951) and the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Session (1967) are missing from our Archives. If anyone has a copy and would like to share or donate them, please contact the Clerk. I can copy the books and return the original to you.

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#### PROGRAM 2011

The Central Free Will Baptist Church, Huntington, WV, welcomes you to the 66<sup>th</sup> annual session of the West Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptist,

June 10 - 11, 2011

#### THEME

## Power from the Rock (Matthew 16:18)

#### Agenda Friday, June 10, 2011

9:30	Welcome by Host Pastor
9:35	Moderator's Challenge
9:40	Recognition of Visitors
9:45	Executive Board Report of Conference Letters
9:50	Treasurer's Report
9:55	Election of Committees
	Business Committee – 5 Members: 3 Ministers/ 2 Deacons
	Program Placement Committee – 7 Members: 2 Ministers/
	1 Deacon/ 4 Delegates
	Executive Committee – 2 Members at Large from Executive Board Audit Committee – 5 Members
	Nominating Committee – 5 Ordained Ministers
10:10	Group Session/Fellowship. Possible Committee time.
11:10	Devotional – Rev. Roger Tolliver Speaker – Rev. Okey Tolliver (suggested scripture, Psalms 61:2)
12:15	Lunch
	Friday Afternoon Session
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1:15	Devotional – Deacon Jim Hutchison (suggested scripture, 1 Peter 2:8) Moderator calls session to order
1:30	Obituary Report
1:40	Mission Board recognition of Churches and Plaque presentations
2:10	Partial Business Committee Report
2:25	State Association Executive Board Report
	Adjournment
	Friday Night Worship

7:00 Devotional – Rev. Earl Brewer
Offering for Missions
Speaker – Rev. Jackie Grimmett (suggested scripture, Matthew 16:18)
Recognition of ordained Ministers and Deacons with thirty years
or more combined service

#### Saturday Morning, June 11, 2011

7:30	Ministers, Deacons, and Wives Appreciation Breakfast at Host Church
9:00 9:10 9:15	Devotional – Rev. Earl White (suggested scripture, Exodus 32:22) Moderator calls session to order Hand of Fellowship
9:25	National Reports
	Executive Office Reports Home Missions Report International Missions Report National Master's Men Report National Women's' Auxiliary Report Children's Homes Reports College Reports Randall House Berea Ministries Board of Retirement FWB Foundation
10:00 10:10 10:20	Digest of Reports / question and answer period Initial Nominating Committee Report Partial Business Committee Report
10:35	Fellowship Adjournment for Morning Worship Devotional – Rev. Kit Meade Speaker – Guest from National Association (suggested scripture, Matthew 7:24)
12:00	Lunch
	Saturday Afternoon Session
1:15 1:25 1:30 1:35	Devotional – Rev. Mike Smith (suggested scripture, 2 Samuel 22:2) Moderator calls session to order Program Placement Committee Report Final Business Committee Report
	Adjournment

#### PROGRAM 2012

#### The Victory Free Will Baptist Church, Pecks Mill, WV

"Logan Conference"

Welcomes you to the 67<sup>th</sup> annual session of the West Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptist,

#### June 8-9, 2012

## THEME Trust GOD to Reach Our Goal

#### Agenda Friday, June 8, 2012

9:30	Welcome by Host Pastor
9:35	Moderator's Challenge
9:40	Recognition of Visitors
9:45	Executive Board Report of Conference Letters
9:50	Treasurer's Report
9:55	Election of Officers and Committees
	Business Committee – 5 Members: 3 Ministers, 2 Deacons,
	Program Placement Committee – 7 Members: 2 Ministers,
	1 Deacon, 4 Delegates,
	Executive Committee – 2 Members at Large from Executive Board
	Audit Committee – 5 Members,
	Nominating Committee – 5 Ordained Ministers,
10:10	Group Session/Fellowship. Possible Committee time.
11:10	Devotional – Bro. Irvin Scarberry
	Speaker – Rev. Kenny Samms
12:15	Lunch
	Friday Afternoon Session
1:15	Devotional – Bro. Jeff Bennett
	Moderator calls session to order
1:30	Obituary Report
1:40	Mission's Board Recognition of Churches and plaques presentation
	Reports from Missions
2:10	Partial Business Committee Report
2:25	State Association Executive Board Report
2.23	Said Lissociation Executive Board Report
	Adjournment
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#### Friday Night Worship

7:00 Devotional – Bro. Jim Hutchison
Offering for Missions
Speaker – Rev. Steve Williams
Recognition of Ordained Ministers and Deacons
with thirty years or more combined service.

#### Saturday Morning, June 9, 2012

7:30	Ministers, Deacons, and Wives Appreciation Breakfast at Host Church
9:00 9:10 9:15 9:25	Devotional – Rev. Allen Whitt Moderator calls session to order Hand of Fellowship National Reports  Executive Office Home Missions International Missions National Master's Men National WAC Board of Retirement FWB Foundation Randall House Children's Homes Reports Harvest Child Care Ministries FWB Family Ministries College Reports Berea Ministries Other Reports
10:00 10:10	Committee Reports / Questions and Answers Initial Nominating Committee Report General Board Member to National Association Moderator Assistant Moderator Parliamentarian Treasurer Christian Education Board Disaster Response Committee Masters Men Board Mission Board Obituary Committee Publication Board
10:20	Partial Business Committee Report
10:35	Fellowship Adjournment for Morning Worship Devotional – Rev. Curtis Monk Speaker – Guest from National Association
12:00	Lunch
	Saturday Afternoon Session
1:15 1:25 1:30	Devotional – Bro. Larry Evans Moderator calls session to order Program Committee Report
1:35	Final Business Committee Report
	Adjournment

#### DATES OF CONFERENCE MEETINGS

Beckley Meets on Friday and Saturday before first Sunday in February,

May, August, and November.

Brotherhood Meets on Saturday before second Sunday in January, April, July,

and October.

Christian Fellowship Meets on fourth Saturday in January, April, July, and October.

Eastern

Meets 10:00am on the second Saturday in February, May, August,

Panhandle and November.

Elk River Meets on Saturday before third Sunday in May, August, November,

and February.

Fayette Meets 10:00am on fourth Saturday in January, April, July, and October.

Freedom Meets third Saturday in May and October.

Greenbrier County Meets on twice a year: On Saturday before second Sunday in April,

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Greenbrier

Meets on Saturday before fourth Sunday in January, April, July,

Nicholas Guyan Valley

Meets on Saturday before third Sunday in February, May, August, and November.

Huff Creek Meets on Saturday before third Sunday in February, May, August,

and November

Kanawha Meets on Friday and Saturday before third Sunday in February,

May, August, and November. (7:30 pm Friday) (9:30 am Saturday)

Liberty Meets on fourth Friday and Saturday in February, May, August,

and November.

Logan Meets on the Saturday before first Sunday of February, May, August,

and November.

Mingo #1 Meets on Saturday before second Sunday in January, May, and September.

Trinity Meets on Friday and Saturday before first Sunday in February,

May, August, and November.

Tug River Meets on second Saturday in February, May, August, and November.

Unity Meets on fourth Saturday in January, April, July, and October.

### **DATES OF CONFERENCE MEETINGS**

Upper Ohio Valley	Meets on fourth Saturday in January, April, July, and October. 10:00am
Wayne	Meets on Saturday before second Sunday in May, August, and November.
Wyoming	Meets on Friday and Saturday before first Sunday in February, May, August, and November.
WV State Association	Meets annually on Friday 9:30am and Saturday 9:00am before second Sunday in June.
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#### **NOTES**


#### **Places of Accommodations**

**Days Inn** 

5196 US Rte. 60

Huntington, WV 25705

304-733-4477

Ramada Inn

3094 16th. Street Road Huntington, WV 25701

304-523-4242

**Quality Inn** 

3325 US Rte. 60 East Huntington, WV 25705

304-525-7001

**Holiday Inn** 

Huntington Civic Arena

800 3<sup>rd</sup>. Avenue

Huntington, WV 25701

304-523-8880

**Red Roof Inn** 

5190 US Rte. 60 East Huntington, WV 25705

304-733-3737

**Super 8 Motel** 

3090 16<sup>th</sup> Street Huntington, WV 25701

304-525-1410

#### Places to Eat

3086 16<sup>th</sup>. Street Arby's,

Baskin Robbins, 1598 Washington Blvd.

2023 5<sup>th</sup>. Avenue 2123 5<sup>th</sup>. Avenue Burger King, Captain D's

Heavenly Ham, 4341 US Rte. 60 KFC, 1325 Hal Greer Blvd

100 7<sup>th</sup>. Avenue Little Caesars, 2106 5<sup>th</sup>. Avenue McDonald's

1700 Washington Avenue Shoney's

2013 5<sup>th</sup>. Avenue Steak Escape,

238 Washington Avenue Taco Bell,

Waffle House, 4168 US Rte. 60 Wendy's.

632 3<sup>rd</sup>. Avenue

#### **Directions to**

## Central Free Will Baptist Church, 451, 6th. Avenue Huntington, WV 25701

From Charleston, take I-64 West to exit #11. Turn right on Hal Greer Blvd. continue to 6th. Avenue and turn left. Go to 5th. Street and the Church will be on the corner of 5th.Street and 6th. Avenue.

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