
MINUTES

66th Session

The West Virginia

Yearly Meeting



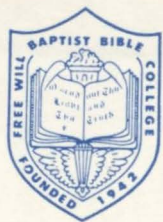
Of

The Free Will Baptist Church

In session with the

Thomas Memorial Church

Huntington, W. Va., August 25th 1950



FREE WILL BAPTIST
BIBLE COLLEGE

Presented by

Rev. Damon Dodd



THOMAS MEMORIAL
CHURCH



Bro. Raymond Sutphin
Clerk



Rev. John Henson
Moderator



Sis. Bonnie Lou Henson
Clerk Pro-tem



Ministerial Minutes of the 66th Ministerial Session of the West Virginia Yearly Meeting of the Free Will Baptists in session with the Thomas Memorial Free Will Baptist Church in Huntington, W. Va., on August 25, 1950.

FRIDAY MORNING—10:10 A. M.

Devotional Rev. A. A. Collins
 Opening Song "Won't It Be Wonderful There"
 Scripture Psalm 100
 Prayer Led by Rev. W. L. Cremeans
 Song "Where We'll Never Grow Old"
 Called to order by Rev. A. A. Collins, oldest minister present. On motion and second Sister Bonnie Lou Henson was elected clerk pro-tem.

SELECTION OF MODERATOR

Rev. G. E. Pauley was chosen Ministerial Moderator with Rev. A. A. Collins as assistant moderator.
 Voting power was properly assembled.
 Committees were selected from the floor as follows:

BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Rev. John M. Henson Chairman
 Rev. J. W. Cooper Second Member
 Rev. H. W. Scott Third Member
 Rev. M. J. Fortner Fourth Member
 Rev. Ballard Daniels Fifth Member

PULPIT SUPPLY

Rev. J. S. Sexton Chairman
 Bro. Blankenship Second Member
 Bro. R. E. Patterson Third Member

OBITUARY COMMITTEE

Rev. Joe Thomas Chairman
 Rev. Ray Crum Second Member
 Dea. O. H. Bragg Third Member

MINISTER'S REPORTS

Minister's reports were called for and those on hand at the morning session were read and approved.

Adjourned for five minutes recess.

Song "There Is A Fountain"
 Solo—Bro. Eustace Riggs .. "The Lord Will Make a Way"
 Testimony Sister Bonnie Lou Henson
 Prayer Rev. H. W. Scott
 Song—Bro. Paul Booth "Hold Fast To the Right"
 Friday Morning speaker Rev. Ray Crum
 Subject: "Witnesses for Christ." Text: Acts 1:8.
 Conclusion — Rev. J. W. Cooper .. "The Goodness of God"
 Both messages were very timely.
 Congregation sings "When We All Get To Heaven"
 Fellowship manifested by Christian handshake.
 Adjourned for lunch.

Benediction Rev. John M. Henson

FRIDAY EVENING, 2:00 P. M.

Devotional by Moderator
 Opening Song "Hick's Farewell" Rev. F. H. Stevens
 Prayer Led by Rev. Joe Thomas
 Scripture Reading Job 23
 Called to order for business.

More reports from ministers were read and approved.

Visitors welcomed while singing "Amazing Grace"

Special song by Sister Maggie Bias and daughter — "I'm In Love With Jesus."

Testimonies by Rev. W. L. Cremeans, Rev. A. A. Collins, and Rev. Holcomb.

Report of obituary committee given. Motion carried to approve report.

Congregation stood for a minute of silent prayer for the deceased, after which Rev. R. L. Bradley led in prayer. Adjournment. Recessed for five minutes.

Opened by special singing by Sister Bias and daughter—
 "Have You Really Been A Friend To Him?"

Called to order by moderator.

REPORT OF BUSINESS COMMITTEE

We recommend that any minister coming to the West Virginia Yearly Meeting by any source other than the regular channels through the quarterly meetings that now compose the yearly meeting be subject to investigation by the ministerial meeting as well as the yearly meeting proper.

Rev. John M. Henson Chairman

Rev. J. W. Cooper Second Member
 Rev. Ballard Daniels Third Member
 Rev. M. A. Workman Fourth Member
 Acting by appointment in absence of Rev. M. J. Fortner.

Rev. H. W. Scott Fifth Member

Motion carried to approve report as read.

Motion carried to stand adjournment until call of the moderator.

Special song Sister Ada Cooper and daughter
 "Don't Forget the Family Prayer"

Prayer Led by Rev. D. E. Bias

Evening Speaker Rev. Joe Thomas

Subject: "Good News—The Coming of the Lord" — 1st
 Thessalonians 4:4-18.

Rev. Eustace Riggs, a licensed minister, concluded the message. Subject: "What Have You?" Text: "What Is That In Your Hand?" Both messages were inspiring.

Congregation sings "Amazing Grace." Host pastor made announcements and assignments.

Benediction by Rev. A. A. Collins.

FRIDAY NIGHT, 7:30 P. M.

Devotional By Moderator

Opening Song "I Feel Like Traveling On"

Scripture Hebrews 12

Prayer Rev. O. C. Berry

Moderator resumes business.

Motion carried to adjourn and if any minister's reports come in they be filed by the clerk as information.

Pastor of host church takes charge.

Fellowship manifested by Christian handshake while singing "Zion's Hill."

Special Song by Rev. R. L. Bradley
 "Heaven," and "I'm Glad I'm One of Them."

Prayer Led by Brother Bill Dennison

Special Song Sister Bias and daughter
 "The Old Ship of Zion." A wonderful testimony was given by Sister Bias.

Annual Message Rev. Charles Gray
 Subject: "A Good Shepherd."

Rev. Edgar Spencer concluded the message. Subject: "What Think Ye of Christ? Whose Son Is He?"

Fellowship was manifested by Christian handshake while singing "There'll Be Shouting."

Announcements and assignments by pastor.

Benediction by Rev. John M. Henson.

Rev. G. E. Pauley, Ministerial Moderator

Bonnie Lou Henson, Clerk Pro-tem.

Minutes of the 66th General Session of the West Virginia Yearly Meeting of the Free Will Baptists in session with the Thomas Memorial Free Will Baptist Church, 522 Barfington Street, Huntington, W. Va. on August 26, 1950.

SATURDAY MORNING, 9:30 A. M.

Devotional by Rev. A. A. Collins.

Opening Song "When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder."

Prayer led by Rev. J. L. Patterson.

Song, "Sweet By and By."

Rev. A. A. Collins called the meeting together in the absence of the Clerk. Motion carried to elect Sistr Bonnie Lou Henson as clerk pro-tem.

SELECTION OF MODERATOR

Rev. John M. Henson was chosen as moderator for the General Session with Rev. G. E. Pauley as assistant moderator.

Voting power was properly assembled. Motion carried unanimously to unsilence Rev. D. E. Bias. Rev. D. E. Bias was silenced at the last session because he had a letter from his church and conference which he got under the old treatise and the moderator ruled by the new treatise. There were no charges or anything else against Bro. Bias.

SELECTION OF COMMITTEES

The following committees were chosen:

Business committee: (Selected from floor.)

Rev. J. L. Patterson, Brotherhood Q. M., Chairman; Rev. Charles Gray, Boone Q. M., Second Member; Rev. Ernest Bias, Raleigh Q. M., Third Member; Rev. J. W. Cooper, Fayette Q. M., Fourth Member; Rev. R. H. Doan, Beckley Q. M., Fifth Member.

PULPIT COMMITTEE

This committee being elected from the floor by the Ministerial session was retained by the General Session body being composed as follows:

Rev. J. S. Sexton, chairman; Bro. G. M. Blankenship, 2nd member; Bro. R. E. Patterson, 3rd member.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE

Rev. D. E. Bias, chairman; Rev. Yule Tilley, second member; Rev. Joe Thomas, third member.

NEXT SESSION COMMITTEE

This committee was composed of the various Q. M. delegates to the yearly meeting with Bro. Elmer Cole serving as chairman.

REPORT OF QUARTERLY MEETINGS

The following Quarterly Meetings reported with finances as listed:

Conference	Yearly Meeting	State Bldg. Fund
Beckley	\$99.00	
Boone	102.00	\$5.00
Brotherhood	27.00	5.00
Elk River	10.00	
Fayette	24.00	
Raleigh	35.00	

Motion carried to approve last years minutes.

Visiting ministers welcomed and advised to seat as advisory members.

Rev. and Mrs. Carl Vallance were present from Mingo Conference.

Motion carried that the letters be turned over to the business committee.

Morning business adjourned for preaching.

Fellowship was manifested by Christian handshake and visitors welcomed while singing "Amazing Grace."

Solo by Sister Eleanor Bias, "Every Heartbeat Brings Me Nearer."

Rev. D. E. Bias introduced as the morning speaker. Text: Timothy 4:9-16. Rev. Bias gave an excellent, sound doctrinal message.

Rev. Kenneth O. Brown, McDowell Conference, brought the conclusion. He brough a wonderful message.

Fellowship manifested by Christian handshake while Bro. Brown sang "Jesus Is Passing This Way."

Dinner served in the sewing room.

SATURDAY EVENING, 2:00 P. M.

Opening song, "An Empty Mansion."

Devotional by moderator.

Scripture II. Thessalonians 3.

Prayer led by Bro. Blankenship.

Song, "Jesus Hold My Hand."

Testimony by Sister Lilly.

Solo by Bro. Eustace Riggs, "The Lord Will Make A Way Somehow."

Moderator resumes business.

Motion carried to remove the Charleston Conference letter from the table and dispose of same.

Motion carried that the clerk of the yearly meeting return the Charleston Conference letter to the clerk of said conference.

ROUTINE BUSINESS

Reports of various boards.

SUPERANNUATION BOARD

No report. Accepted. Bro. Herbert Cook was reelected to a 3-year term on Superannuation Board.

EDUCATION BOARD

No report. Accepted. Rev. M. J. Fortner was elected to a 3-year term on Education Board.

FREE WILL BAPTIST LEAGUE BOARD

Rev. Deward Jarrells was elected to a 3-year term on Free Will Baptist League Board.

Motion carried that Dea. R. W. Henson serve the unexpired term of Rev. W. C. Combs on the Free Will Baptist League Board.

HOME MISSION BOARD

Rev. P. A. Manning was elected to a three year term on the Home Mission Board.

Rev. D. E. Bias was elected to a two year term on the Home Mission Board to fill the term of Rev. T. C. Morgan.

Motion carried to declare the office vacant of the one year man on the Home Mission Board.

Rev. L. R. Parsons was elected to a one year term on the Home Mission Board.

FOREIGN MISSION BOARD

Rev. F. E. Nicholas was reelected to a three year term on the Foreign Mission Board.

Rev. R. L. Bradley elected to serve the one year term on the Foreign Mission Board in place of Rev. G. E. Pauley.

Rev. J. W. Cooper elected to serve a two year term on the Foreign Mission Board in place of Rev. D. W. French.

Rev. F. E. Nicholas to be chairman of the Foreign Mission Board, all funds are to be sent to him. Rev. Nicholas reported the Foreign Mission Board had collected and turned over to proper authorities \$97.07. Accepted.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Rev. E. F. Bias of Naomi, W. Va., was elected to a six year term on the Yearly Meeting Executive Board representing the Raleigh Q. M., replacing Rev. F. P. Cook, whose term has expired.

Motion carried to declare the office of the Elk River Q. M. Member on the Executive Board vacant.

Rev. G. T. Brown elected to a two year term on the Executive Board.

YEARLY MEETING EVANGELIST

Motion carried to dispose of the office of yearly meeting evangelist. Carried.

Annual speaker for Friday Night, 1951 Session

Rev. J. L. Patterson, Burnwell, W. Va., was elected as speaker with Rev. A. A. Collins of Milton, W. Va., alternate speaker.

Motion carried that the clerk secure the necessary forms, blanks and information for the Boards to work with.

Visitors recognized while singing, "Take My Hand Precious Lord."

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

Obituary

We, your committee, report the following deaths in our ranks during the past year and recommend that this body stand in silent prayer for one minute as a tribute of respect to their memory, and their names be included in the minutes.

Brother Joe Workman.	Star of Bethlehem	Boone
Brother Austin Jackson	Bull Creek	Boone
Brother Elzie Cabel....	Cazy	Boone
Sis. Margaret Gibson..	Van	Boone
Sis. Kiser	Laurel City	Boone
Bro. Enoch Pauley ...	McCorkle	Boone
Sis. Belva Griffith	McCorkle	Boone
Bro. Hesikah Holcomb.	Bickmore	Elk River

Other deceased member whose names are not available.

Rev. D. E. Bias, Chairman

Rev. Joe Thomas, Second Member

Rev. Yule Tilley, Third Member

Motion carried to accept this report.

Body stood in silent prayer in respect for the deceased.

NEXT SESSION COMMITTEE

We, your committee, have decided that the next session of the Yearly Meeting will be held with Packsville Free Will Baptist Church, Packsville, W. Va., in the Raleigh Conference, to convene Friday and Saturday before the Fourth Sunday in August, 1951.

Bro. Elmer Cole, Chairman

Motion carried to receive report.

BUSINESS COMMITTEE

It was moved and supported to read an item then act on it.

We, your committee, submit and recommend the following:

- 1 That Sister Lois Whitley's yearly meeting card be not granted until she is reconciled to the Beckley Conference. Carried.
- 2 That Sister Stollie Parson's card be not granted until her standing be cleared by her local conference and by the Yearly Meeting Executive Board. Carried.
- 3 That the Free Will Baptist League Board of the Yearly Meeting turn their money which is held by Rev. Ray Crum to the treasurer of the State League. Carried.
- 4 That a letter of recommendation be granted the Beckley Conference. Carried.
- 5 That we pay today's clerk and also Bro. Sutphin. Carried.
- 6 That we elect a Home Mission Board member to fill Rev. Morgan's place.

Rev. J. L. Patterson, Chairman

Rev. Charles Gray, second member

Rev. Ernest F. Bias, third member

Rev. J. W. Cooper, fourth member

Rev. R. H. Doan, fifth member

A rising vote of thanks was given the Thomas Memorial Church for their care of the Yearly Meeting.

It was moved and supported that this body withdraw from the State Meeting. For 11; against 7.

Motion carried to retain the Obituary Committee that we had this year for the next session.

Motion and second to dissolve the W. Va. Yearly Meeting as of this date. Motion and seconded that this motion be tabled. For 16; against 3.

Minutes for this session were read and approved.

Adjourned until next regular session.

Final benediction by Rev. Horton Davis.

Rev. John M. Henson, Moderator

Bonnie Lou Henson, Clerk Pro-tem

STATISTICS

OFFICIALS OF THE YEARLY MEETING

Moderator, Rev. John M. Henson, (term expires August 1951) Box 131, Hurricane, West Virginia.

Treasurer, Deason E. B. Legg (standing official), 409 Water Street, Huntington, W. Va.

Clerk, Bro. Raymond Sutphin (standing official), Van, West Virginia.

YEARLY MEETING EXECUTIVE BOARD

	Term Expires
Rev. M. J. Fortner (Brotherhood Q. M.) 523 Richmond Street, Huntington, W. Va.	1951
Rev. G. T. Brown (Elk River Q. M.) Clay, W. Va.	1953
Rev. Cecil Blair (Fayette Q. M.) Route 2, Fayetteville, W. Va.	1954
Rev. Edgar Spencer (Boone Q. M.) Ranger, W. Va.	1955
Rev. E. F. Bias (Raleigh Q. M.) Naomi, W. Va.	1956

OTHER BOARDS

SUPERANNUATION

	Term Expires
Rev. Ernest F. Bias, Chairman Naomi, West Virginia	August, 1951
Deacon E. B. Legg second member 409 Water Street, Huntington, W. Va.	August, 1952
Rev. Herbert Cook, third member Arnett, W. Va.	August, 1953

EDUCATION

- Rev. Don Workman, Chairman August, 1951
Kenova, W. Va.
- Bro. Raymond Sutphin, second member August, 1952
Van, W. Va.
- Rev. M. J. Fortner, third member August, 1953
523 Richmond Street, Huntington, W. Va.

F. W. B. LEAGUE

- Deacon R. W. Henson, Chairman August, 1951
401 Richmond Street, Huntington, W. Va.
- Rev. Ray Crum, second member August, 1952
Fayetteville, W. Va.
- Rev. Deward Jarrells, third member August, 1953
Chesapeake, W. Va. ,

HOME MISSION

- Rev. L. R. Parsons, Chairman August, 1951
Route 7, Box 193, South Charleston, W. Va. ,
- Rev. D. E. Bias, second member August, 1952
Rock Creek, W. Va.
- Rev. P. A. Manning, third member August, 1953
Oak Hill, W. Va.

FOREIGN MISSION

- Rev. R. L. Bradley August, 1951
Petoyna, W. Va.
- Rev. J. W. Cooper August, 1952
Route 1, Fayetteville, W. Va.
- Rev. F. E. Nicholas, Chairman August, 1953
Bownemont, W. Va.



The West Virginia Yearly Meeting of the F. W. B. meets in annual session on Friday and Saturday before the fourth Sunday in August each year.

It is composed of the following Quarterly Meetings:—
Boone, Brotherhood, Elk River, Fayette and Raleigh.

STATISTICS BY QUARTERLY MEETINGS

BOONE

Boone—Quarterly Meeting dates—Friday and Saturday before the fourth Sunday in January, April, July and October. Q. M. Clerk, Raymond Sutphin, Van, W. Va.

CHURCHES OF BOONE Q. M.

Name	Location
Cazy	Bim, W. Va.
Freedra	Van, W. Va.
Van	Van, W. Va.
Bull Creek	Van, W. Va.
Quinland	Uneda, W. Va.
Star of Bethlehem	Twilight, W. Va.
Oldest Martha	Bandytown, W. Va.
Elizabeth	Gordon, W. Va.
Blair	Blair, W. Va.
Monclo	Monclo, W. Va.
Coal Valley	Clothier, W. Va.
Laurel	Clothier, W. Va.
Laurel City	Ottawa, W. Va.
Greenvew	Greenvew, W. Va.
Powell Creek	Star Route, Madison, W. Va.
Guiding Light	Danville, W. Va.
Willow Grove	McCorkle, W. Va.
McCorkle	McCorkle, W. Va.
Scary	Winfield, W. Va.
Estep	Ridgeview, W. Va.
Droudy	Peytona, W. Va.
Toney's Br. Chapel	Blooming Rose, W. Va.
Mt. Hermon	Comfort, W. Va.
Hopkin's Fork	Seth, W. Va.
Nelson	Seth, W. Va.

Prenter	Prenter, W. Va.
Morning Star	Keith, W. Va.
Milburn	Milburn, W. Va.
Jarrells' Valley	Star Route 2, Madison, W. Va.
Bias' Branch	Jeffrey, W. Va.
Ameagle	Ameagle, W. Va.
Lick Creek	Danville, W. Va.
14 Mile Creek	Ranger, W. Va.
Wills Memorial	Chesapeake, W. Va.

(These churches have a combined membership of 1317 and a combined Sunday School enrollment of 1697.)



ORDAINED MINISTERS OF BOONE Q. M.

Name	Address
Rev. J. B. Workman	Clothier, W. Va.
Rev. W. H. Howell	Ottawa, W. Va.
J. W. Jeffrey	Jeffrey, W. Va.
Rev. Roy R. Hager	Ramage, W. Va.
Rev. John Abbott	Van, W. Va.
Rev. Deward Jarrell	Chesapeake, W. Va.
Rev. James Ramsey	Unedda, W. Va.
Rev. E. L. Gibson	Van, W. Va.
Rev. M. L. Kuhn	Van, W. Va.
Rev. Edgar Spencer	Ranger, W. Va.
Rev. R. L. Bradley	Peytona, W. Va.
Rev. S. C. Fraley	Ranger, W. Va.
Rev. F. H. Meadows	Blooming Rose, W. Va.
Rev. Glen Pugh	Blooming Rose, W. Va.
Rev. Elias Michaels	Comfort, W. Va.
Rev. Sharp Estep	Comfort, W. Va.
Rev. Taylor Munsey	Comfort, W. Va.
Rev. Ray Crum	Fayetteville, W. Va.
Rev. W. D. Porter	Seth, W. Va.
Rev. Richard Hill	Prenter, W. Va.
Rev. L. C. Hewlett	Mt. Hope, W. Va.
Rev. Virgil Sharp	Ridgeview, W. Va.
Rev. S. E. Kyle	Chesapeake, W. Va.
Rev. H. W. Scott ..	Sugar Creek Drive, Charleston, W. Va.
Rev. Lonnie McNeely	Clotheir, W. Va.
Rev. Charles Gray	Arnett, W. Va.
Rev. C. O. Messer	Julian, W. Va.
Rev. M. W. Graley	McCorkle, W. Va.
Rev. O. V. Hill	Alum Creek, W. Va.
Rev. H. K. Hilbert	Alum Creek, W. Va.
Rev. Herman Adkins	Van, W. Va.
Rev. A. W. Wilson	Madison, W. Va.

Rev. Carl Davis	Milburn, W. Va.
Rev. Nathan Gibson	Jeffrey, W. Va.

LICENSED MINISTERS OF BOONE Q. M.

Name	Address
Rev. Denver Ball	Greenview, W. Va.
Rev. Shady Estep	Bim, W. Va.
Rev. Ike Harper	Seth, W. Va.
Rev. Elmer Flannery	Clothier, W. Va.
Rev. Au'die Jarrell	Bim, W. Va.
Rev. Noah Burgess	Raroge, W. Va.
Rev. Oliver M. Smith	Sharples, W. Va.

BROTHERHOOD

Quarterly meeting dates—Friday and Saturday before the first Sunday in January, April, July and October. Q. M. Clerk, Rev. Orvil C. Berry, Culloden, W. Va.

CHURCHES OF BROTHERHOOD Q. M.

Name	Location
Sousanah	Culloden, W. Va.
Pine Grove	Hurricane, W. Va.
Thomas Memorial	Huntington, W. Va.
Youngs Chapel	St. Albans, W. Va.
Browns Chapel	St. Albans, W. Va.
Good Hope	Burnside, W. Va.
Bownemont	Bownemont, W. Va.
Kelley's Creek	Rt. 4, Charleston, W. Va.
Signal Gap	Hurricane, W. Va.

(These churches have a combined membership of 452 and a combined Sunday School enrollment of 462.)

ORDAINED MINISTERS OF BROTHERHOOD Q. M.

Name	Address
Rev. A. A. Collins	Milton, W. Va.
Rev. N. S. Cremeans	Hurricane, W. Va.
Rev. Richard Cremeans	Milton, W. Va.
Rev. Orvil C. Berry	Culloden, W. Va.
Rev. J. S. Clagg	Hurricane, W. Va.
Rev. O. S. Thomas	Red House, W. Va.
Rev. J. M. Henson	Hurricane, W. Va.

Rev. J. S. Sexton 524 Buffington Street, Huntington, W. Va.
 Rev. Basil Hodge .. 1409 Walnut Street, Kenova, W. Va.
 Rev. M. J. Fortner, 523 Richmond St., Huntington, W. Va.
 Rev. L. R. Parsons, Route 7 S. Charleston, W. Va.
 Rev. Fred Nicholas Bownemont, W. Va.
 Rev. J. L. Patterson Burnwell, W. Va.
 Rev. Herman Parsons St. Albans, W. Va.
 Rev. M. A. Workman Kenova, W. Va.
 Rev. Ballard Daniel Ceredo, W. Va.
 Rev. Don Workman Kenova, W. Va.
 Rev. D. E. Bias Rock Creek, W. Va.

LICENSED MINISTERS OF BROTHERHOOD Q. M.

Name	Address
Rev. Eustace Riggs	Kenova, W. Va.



ELK RIVER

Elk River — Quarterly Meeting dates— Friday and Saturday before the third Sunday in February, May, August and November. Q. M. Clerk, Sister Velma E. Ramsey, Bickmore, West Virginia.

CHURCHES OF ELK RIVER Q. M.

Name	Location
Bickmore	Bickmore, W. Va.
Lick Fork	Bickmore, W. Va.
Pisgah	Clay, W. Va.

(These churches have a combined membership of 75 and a combined Sunday School enrollment of 225.)



ORDAINED MINISTERS OF ELK RIVER Q. M.

Name	Address
Rev. Joe Sears	Clay, W. Va.
Rev. G. L. Brown	Clay, W. Va.
Rev. W. W. Gibson	Belva, W. Va.
Rev. Jennings Holcomb	Bickmore, W. Va.

(No licensed ministers at present time)

FAYETTE

Fayette Quarterly Meeting dates— Friday and Saturday before the fourth Sunday in January, April, July and October. Q. M. Clerk, Sister Ada Cooper, RFD No. 1, Fayetteville, West Virginia.

CHURCHES OF FAYETTE Q. M.

Name	Location
Robison	Robison, W. Va.
Ansted	Ansted, W. Va.
Salem	RFD 1, Fayetteville, W. Va.
Greenwood Mt.	Lawton, W. Va.
Highland Mt.	Lawton, W. Va.
South Fayette	South Fayette, W. Va.
Mill Creek	Victor, W. Va.
Kaymoor	Kaymoor, W. Va.

(These churches have a combined membership of 314 and a combined Sunday School enrollment of 444.)

ORDAINED MINISTERS OF FAYETTE Q. M.

Name	Address
Rev. Joe Thomas	Ansted, W. Va.
Rev. Cecil Blair, RFD 2,	Fayetteville, W. Va.
Rev. J. W. Cooper, RFD 1,	Fayetteville, W. Va.
Rev. C. C. Roseblock	Lawton, W. Va.
Rev. E. R. Tyree	Maplewood, W. Va.
Rev. Herman Williams	Beardsfork, W. Va.
Rev. Basil Adkins,, RFD 1,	Fayetteville, W. Va.
Rev. P. A. Manning	Oak Hill, W. Va.
Rev. A. D. Ewings	Lookout, W. Va.

LICENSED MINISTERS OF FAYETTE Q. M.

Name	Address
Rev. Steve Hogg	Gauley Bridge, W. Va.
Rev. Elzie Cody	RFD 1, Fayetteville, W. Va.

RALEIGH

Raleigh Quarterly Meeting dates—Friday and Saturday before the second Sunday in February, May, August and November. Q. M. Clerk, Bro. F. R. Combs, Posey, W. Va.

CHURCHES OF RALEIGH Q. M.

Name	Location
Packsville	Packsville, W. Va.
Horse Creek	Naoma, W. Va.
Dry Creek	Dry Creek, W. Va.
Masseysville	Arnett, W. Va.
Hazy	Hazy, W. Va.
Delbert	Pineknob, W. Va.
Bethel	Pineknob, W. Va.
New Hope	Pineknob, W. Va.
Flat Branch	Arnett, W. Va.
Quarrier	Quarrier, W. Va.

(These churches have a combined membership of 360 and a combined Sunday School enrollment of 479.)

ORDAINED MINISTERS OF RALEIGH Q. M.

Name	Address
Rev. Kenna French	Packsville, W. Va.
Rev. W. M. Peters	Pineknob, W. Va.
Rev. Mont Pettry	Pineknob, W. Va.
Rev. R. F. Perry	Colcord, W. Va.
Rev. F. P. Cook	Arnett, W. Va.
Rev. Herbert Cook	Arnett, W. Va.
Rev. Thomas Brodford	Dry Creek, W. Va.
Rev. Fred Robertson	Packsville, W. Va.
Rev. Lee Stevens	Lang, W. Va.
Rev. Glenneth Click	Lang, W. Va.
Rev. Ernest F Bias	Naoma, W. Va.
Rev. Denver Dickens	Arnett, W. Va.
Rev. H. H. Rumbarg	Packsville, W. Va.

LICENSED MINISTERS OF RALEIGH Q. M.

Name	Address
Rev. Wade Webb	Arnett, W. Va.
Rev. Virgil Cook	Arnett, W. Va.
Rev. James Bone	Dry Creek, W. Va.
Rev. Eugene Miller	Naoma, W. Va.

The West Virginia yearly meeting of F. W. B. now has 64 churches, 2,518 members, 61 Sunday Schools, 3,307 pupils, 78 ordained ministers and 14 licensed ministers.

Statistics compiled by Yearly Meeting clerk based upon reports from various conferences.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Amount in treasury at beginning of session Aug., 1950.
 Yearly Meeting Fund \$215.25
 State Building Fund 50.00
 F. W. B. League Fund 3.03

RECEIPTS OF 1950 SESSION

Beckley Q. M.	\$ 99.00	Y. M. Fund\$...	Building Fund
Boone Q. M.	102.00	Y. M. Fund\$5.00	Building Fund
Brotherhood Q. M.	27.00	Y. M. Fund\$5.00	Building Fund
Elk River Q. M. ...	10.00	Y. M. Fund	
Fayette Q. M.	24.00	Y. M. Fund	
Raleigh Q. M.	35.00	Y. M. Fund	
Rev. L. R. Parsons	2.00	Y. M. Fund	
Total Receipts	\$299.00	Y. M. Fund10.00	Building Fund
Amt. on hand	\$215.25	Y. M. Fund50.00	Building Fund
Totals	\$514.25	Y. M. Fund60.00	Building Fund

(And \$3.03 F. W. B. League Fund)

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DISBURSEMENTS

To Clerk	\$ 20.00
To Clerk Pro-tem	20.00
Printing 1950 Minutes, By-Laws, Pictures	81.65
	TOTAL \$121.65
BALANCE Y. M. FUND	\$302.60
BUILDING FUND	\$ 60.00
F. W. B. LEAGUE	\$ 3.03

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CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
of the
WEST VIRGINIA YEARLY MEETING OF
FREE WILL BAPTISTS
As Adopted by the Yearly Meeting in its
64th Annual Session August 21, 1948

ARTICLE 1

This Yearly Meeting shall be called the West Virginia Yearly Meeting of Free Will Baptists, and shall be composed of such regularly organized and well-disciplined Free Will Baptists Quarterly Meetings, conveniently located, as may embody themselves under this Constitution.

ARTICLE 2

The Conference of this Yearly Meeting shall consist of delegates from the several Quarterly Meetings of which it is composed, every Quarterly Meeting being entitled to one delegate, every Quarterly Meeting containing five hundred members to two delegates, and one additional delegate for every additional five hundred members.

ARTICLE 3

The officers of this Yearly Meeting shall be a standing clerk and treasurer; and a moderator who shall be chosen at every session of the Yearly Meeting with assistants as may be found necessary.

ARTICLE 4

Any well-organized and well-regulated Free Will Baptist Quarterly Meeting, composed of such churches as conform to the practices, and adopt the doctrines of the Free Will Baptist denomination, as published in the Treatise of their faith, and in the Minutes of the National Association, and are in favor of all the benevolent enterprises of the denomination, may at any time, on application, by vote of this body, become a member thereof.

ARTICLE 5

This Yearly Meeting shall have power to discipline the Quarterly Meetings of which it is composed, and to exclude them for disorderly walk; if labor proves unsuccessful; but in no case to reverse their decisions, nor to interfere with any of their internal regulations.

ARTICLE 6

The sessions of this Yearly Meeting shall be held on Friday and Saturday before the fourth Sunday in August of each year, at which time it shall be the duty of the Quarterly Meetings of which this Yearly Meeting is composed to represent themselves by letter and delegates, and report their standings, prospects, and statistics; at which time the Yearly Meeting shall act upon such questions and topics as may be referred to it by its respective Quarterly Meetings, and transact such other business not repugnant to this Constitution, nor the practices of the denomination, as in its judgment may promote the cause of Christ and the interests of the churches and Quarterly Meetings, within the limits of this Yearly Meeting.

ARTICLE 7

This Yearly Meeting shall have power to adopt any regulations or by-laws, not inconsistent with this Constitution, which may be deemed essential to the further regulation of its sessions.

ARTICLE 8

This Constitution may be altered or amended by a vote of the Yearly Meeting at any regular session, notice of such intended alteration having been given in writing, and recorded at the next previous session.

ARTICLE 9

This Constitution shall supersede any previous Constitution which may have been adopted by this Yearly Meeting.

ELDER D. E. BIAS, Chairman,

DRAFTING COMMITTEE:

ELDER D. W. FRENCH,

ELDER W. M. PETERS,

ELDER ELIAS MICHAELS,

ELDER P. A. MANNING,

BRO. RAYMOND SUTPHIN, Clerk.



BY-LAWS

1

This Yearly Meeting shall report by letter and delegates, with the specified amount of dues to the West Virginia State Meeting at all its regular sessions. Each Quarterly Meeting comprising this Yearly Meeting shall be entitled to one delegate and the dues to the State Meeting shall be not less than five dollars (\$5.00) for each Quarterly Meeting composing this Yearly Meeting.

2

This Yearly Meeting shall have the right to pass upon the Christian and Ministerial standing of all its ministers annually, and issue certificates of standing to such as are esteemed worthy, and if any are not worthy report such to the respective churches with which they are connected, and no man without such card of standing should be received as a minister.

3

When a Quarterly Meeting in good standing requests a letter to join another Yearly Meeting or Association, a letter of recommendation is granted, but it is contrary to the practices of the denomination for a Quarterly Meeting to dissolve its connection with the Yearly Meeting without consent of said Yearly Meeting.

4

This Yearly Meeting has the right to discipline the Quarterly Meetings of which it is composed as the Quarterly Meeting has the right to discipline the churches which belong to it, and for same reason. This Yearly Meeting can not reverse the decisions of a Quarterly Meeting nor labor with individual churches but can labor with a Quarterly Meeting as a body in case the Quarterly Meeting pursues an unscriptural or disorderly course.

5

When a Quarterly Meeting fails to report itself, or becomes heretical or corrupt in practice this Yearly Meeting will pursue the same course of action with it as a Quarterly Meeting does with a disorderly church.

6

This Yearly Meeting will not receive a Quarterly Meeting that has been rejected by another Yearly Meeting or Association without a reconciliation.

7

All ordained deacons in good standing and duly elected delegates shall have voting privilege. All ordained ministers holding a card in good standing in the Yearly Meeting shall be standing delegates with voting privilege.

8

All corresponding messengers and all visiting ministers, in good standing in the denomination, shall be invited to sit with us as advisory members.

9

The Moderator shall be nominated and elected from the floor at the beginning of each session, and shall be released from office when his successor is elected. It shall be his duty to set the voting power in a designated section of the assembly room, and to conduct the business in an orderly manner. He shall have the right to close debate or discussion when not carried on in a Christian spirit or businesslike manner, and his decisions can only be changed by two thirds majority vote.

10

The Clerk shall be a standing officer. His or her duties shall be to record and keep records of all business authorized by this Yearly Meeting. Amount of fees to be determined at the discretion of the Assembly. His or her term of office shall expire when deemed wise or necessary by a majority of the assembly.

11

The Treasurer shall be a standing officer. His or her duties shall be to receive all money coming into this Yearly Meeting and keep accurate records of same, also show receipts for all expenditures.

12

The Executive Board shall consist of one ordained minister from each Quarterly Meeting composing this Yearly Meeting whose duties shall be to arrange the programs of the Yearly Meeting, and change location of place of meeting should some emergency arise where a change would be necessary and any other duties that the assembly may deem necessary to empower them to do. The term of office of executive board shall be so arranged that one member's term expire each year. The oldest member on the board (in point of service) shall be chairman of the board.

13

SPECIAL MEETINGS

The Chairman of the Executive Board shall determine when a special meeting is necessary. He shall notify the clerk of the special meeting as to time and place and purpose, who in turn shall notify each member of the Executive Board together with the Moderator and Treasurer, notice to reach each person not less than ten days before special meeting date.

The special meeting shall be presided over by the Moderator and in case of his absence by the Chairman of the Executive Board. A majority of the board and designated persons shall constitute a quorum. The Clerk shall attend these special meetings to keep record of same.

14

The Yearly Meeting shall have the following Standing Boards in addition to the Executive Board, and may add other boards from time to time as the assembly deems necessary. These boards shall each be composed of three members with their term of office so arranged that one member's term expire each year.

1. Supernation Board.
2. Education Board.
3. Home Mission Board.
4. Foreign Mission Board.
5. The Free Will Baptist League Board.

15

Committees may be appointed or elected as deemed necessary by the Yearly Meeting.

16

These by-laws shall supersede any previous by-laws which may have been adopted by this Yearly Meeting.

17

These by-laws may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote of the Yearly Meeting at any regular session, notice of such intended alterations having been given in writing and recorded at the next previous session.

DRAFTING COMMITTEE

Elder D. E. Bias, Chairman,

Elder Elias Michaels,

Elder D. W. French,

Elder P. A. Manning,

Elder W. M. Peters,

Bro. Raymond Sutphin, Clerk.

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