

MINUTES
OF THE
97th Session
of the
West Virginia Yearly Meeting
of
Freewill Baptists
in session at
Delbert F.W.B. Church
Naoma, W. Va.

Friday, April 10, 1981 - 7:30 P.M.

Saturday, April 11, 1981 - 10:00 A.M.

MINUTES OF THE 97th MINISTERIAL SESSION of the
W. Va. Yearly Meeting of F.W.B. in session at the
Delbert F.W.B. Church, Naoma, W. Va.

April 10, 1981

7:30 P.M.

Service was conducted by host pastor, Rev. Vibert
Dickens

Opening Songs - Someone To Care, Love Lifted Me,
and Showers of Blessings.

Opening Prayer - Rev. Kenna French

The clerk, Rev. John R. Frame called the business
meeting to order. Rev. W. F. Chapman was chosen
to serve as Ministerial moderator. Minutes of the
last previous ministerial session were read and
approved. Reports of the ministers were called for
and all on hand were read and approved. 16
ministers reported to this session. Ministerial
business was then properly adjourned until next
ministerial conference.

Song - Just a Little Talk With Jesus

Fellowship manifested by Christian handshake.

Special song by The Frames - What a Day That Will
Be

Altar prayer led by Brother Tommy Bradford

Testimony and Songs by Bro. Bradford - Light at the
River and Victory In Jesus

Speaker for the Evening - Rev. Horace Sitton

Scripture - Hebrews 8 Text - New Covenant

Good, strong message by Bro. Sitton

Invitation Song - Leaning on Jesus

Announcements were made.

Service dismissed with prayer.

Rev. W. F. Chapman, moderator

Rev. John R. Frame, clerk

Ministers reports

Year Ending -
April 10, 1981

	SERMONS	REVIVALS	CONFESSIONS	RENEWALS	BAPTISMS	FUNERALS	MARRIAGES	FINANCE RECEIVED	PAID OUT
Irving Reedy	120	4	14	4	2	0	2	110.00	85.00
Walter Patterson	54	0	15	3	18	3	3	1,200.00	0
William Raynolds	11	0	1	1	0	0	2	25.00	0
Fred Wilfong	71	0	1	0	0	0	0	163.00	100.00
Delbert Pettry	33	0	10	1	2	1	2	40.00	206.00
Thomas Bradford	8	0	5	0	8	1	0	0	0
Kenna French	18	0	2	0	4	4	4	0	0
James C. Clark	54	2	0	3	5	0	0	0	0
Kenneth Clark	53	0	7	4	0	1	0	275.00	0
Marvin L. Kuhn	17	0	2	2	3	2	12	375.00	450.00
John Wills	74	0	11	0	5	1	4	0	0
Thomas Price	90	4	2	7	5	1	2	1,295.00	0
Charles Singleton	27	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
John R. Frame	144	0	15	1	20	0	2	1,800.00	300.00
Donald Howerton	18	0	4	0	5	0	0	0	0
Horace Sitton	36	1	5	0	0	4	0	0	0
David Ray Crum	73	3	26	17	24	13	15	5,074.40	1,097.60
Troy Howerton	50	0	3	0	1	0	1	1,300.00	0
W. F. Chapman	50	0	15	0	12	5	0	2,400.00	0
Jimmie Ryan	78	4	28	0	16	8	3	0	0

Ministers Reports
(cont.)

	SERMONS	REVIVALS	CONFESSIONS	RENEWALS	BAPTISMS	FUNERALS	MARRIAGES	FINANCE RECEIVED	PAID OUT
Don Woodall	30	0	1	3	0	1	0	20.00	0
Phillip Rowe	26	2	5	0	24	2	3	300.00	0
Thomas Bishop	41	2	5	4	3	0	0	0	0
Carl Lyons	90	2	79	45	41	8	2	9,600.00	2,600.00
Clell Elkins	400	0	40	0	2	3	5	500.00	300.00
Noble Jarrett	30	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	110.00
C.L. Morton	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	115.00
Edgar Spencer	9	0	0	0	1	3	2	0	0
Jack Harris	160	2	17	20	16	1	1	1,200.00	1,200.00

MINISTERS NOT REPORTING TO THE YEARLY MEETING

HARMONY CONFERENCE

Everett McKibben - Zaleski, Ohio
Kenneth McKibben - Zaleski, Ohio
Lee Curry - no address reported
John Mayhew - Box 33, Ragland, W. Va.
Homer Mayhew - Box 302, Ragland, W. Va.

BOONE CONFERENCE

Estel Baisden - Rt. 1, Danville, W. Va.
Duel Loftis - Gordon, W. Va.
Howard White - 116 Piney Drive, Madison, W. Va.
Kenneth Miller - Gordon, W. Va.
Levi Sheets - Madison, W. Va.
Corbett Turner - Rt. 2, Madison, W. Va.
Lee Graley - Lincoln Avenue, South Charleston, W. Va.
Otis Bryant - Jeffrey, W. Va.
Robert Lacy - Star Rt. Box 48, Poca, W. Va.
Garfield Wheeler - Dunbar, W. Va.
Leroy Jeffrey - Ramage, W. Va.
Freddie Kinder - Ridgeview, W. Va.
George Syner - Madison, W. Va.
Selsus Dutton - Van, W. Va.
Freddie Joe Jarrell - Julian, W. Va.
H.K. Messer - Madison, W. Va.
Glen Jarvis -Wharton, W. Va.
Kermit Cook -Rt. 2 Box 1583, Madison, W. Va.
Bernie Dotson - Alkol, W. Va.
Ray Osborne - Clothier, W. Va.
David Bias - RT.4, 502 Oakmont Dr., Huntington, W.Va.
Edessel Tudor - Palermo, W. Va.
James E. Wilson - Blair, W. Va.
David P. Jarrell - Van, W. Va.
J. Russell O'dell - Ottawa, W. Va.
Charles Baldwin - Sharples, W. Va.
Shelly Bowling - Barrett, W. Va.
Charles Wallace - Bob White, W. Va.
Ray Workman - Dunbar, W. Va.
Auldie Jarrell - Uneeda, W. Va.
J. Carl Skeens - Bob White, W. Va.
Farry Evans - Rt. 2, Madison, W. Va.
Lawrence Bishop - Bim, W. Va.
Clyde J. Lee - Twilight, W. Va.

W. Steven Burns - Bob White, W. Va.

RALEIGH CONFERENCE

All ministers reported!

MINUTES OF THE 97th GENERAL SESSION OF THE WEST VIRGINIA YEARLY MEETING OF THE FREEWILL BAPTISTS IN SESSION AT THE DELBERT F.W.B. CHURCH AT NAOMA, WEST VIRGINIA.

April 11, 1981
10:00 A.M.

Devotional was conducted by the host pastor, Rev. Vibert Dickens

Opening Song - Standing on the Promises

Opening Prayer - Rev. Noble Jarrett

Song - Amazing Grace

Fellowship was manifested by christian handshake.

Meeting called to order by Yearly Meeting Clerk.

Rev. W. F. Chapman was chosen to serve as General Session Moderator. Bro. Chapman read scripture from I Corinthians 13. Rev. Chapman chose Rev. Phil Rowe as assistant moderator.

Minutes of the last previous session were read and approved. Financial report was read by clerk.

Report accepted as read.

Committees were elected as follows:

BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Rev. Jimmie Ryan - Chairman

Boone

Rev. Walter Patterson

Harmony

Rev. Kenna French

Raleigh

* Rev. Don Woodall took Bro. French's place because Bro. French had to preach in the afternoon session.

NEXT SESSION COMMITTEE

Sis. Doris Ryan - Chairman

Boone

Sis. Joan Reedy

Harmony

Sis. Trilba Patterson

Harmony

All delegates

OBITUARY COMMITTEE

Rev. Irving Reedy - Chairman
Sis. Blanche Woodall
Rev. Fred Wilfong

Harmony
Boone
Raleigh

Letters from the 3 Quarterly Meetings were read and approved. Morning business adjourned until 1:00 P.M. for morning worship.

Morning worship service devotional conducted by host pastor.

Morning Speaker - Rev. Jimmie Ryan

Scripture - James 1:5 Text - Wisdom

Good, sound, strong message.

Rev. Fred Wilfong dismissed service and asked God's blessing on the food. Dinner was served in the church auxiliary building.

1:00 Saturday Evening

Devotional conducted by pastor.

Songs - I'll Fly Away

What A Day That Will Be

Gathering Flowers

Scripture reading by the pastor - Matthew 4

Altar prayer led by Rev. John Frame

Special singing by The Frames - Sun's Coming Up In
The Morning

Come Morning

I've Never Been This Homesick Before

Song by Bro. Delbert Pettry - One Day At A Time

Evening Speaker - Rev. Kenna French

Scriptures - Collosians 2 and II Peter 1:12

The Godhead in Christ (Text)

Very good, sound message.

Moderator convened business session at 2:30.

OLD BUSINESS - Report from Executive Committee

The chairman of the Executive Board - Rev. John Frame reported on what the Executive Board had done in the past year. The minutes of their two special meetings were read. The following items were submitted to the Yearly Meeting for approval.

Item #1 - New Yearly Meeting Letterheads

Motion was made and carried to accept letterhead as submitted. (Note of Explanation - It was brought to the attention of the Executive Board that the letterhead presently being used was insufficient so Sis. Patterson submitted a sample of the letterhead she thought would better serve the purpose in reporting information to the Yearly Meeting).

Item #2 - Rewriting Treatise

The Executive Board decided to accept part of the old Treatise of Faith written in 1948 and to make changes and add portions where they deemed necessary. (Since changes are too lengthy to print, any questions should be directed to the Executive Board or to the Yearly Meeting Clerk. The clerk has a list on file of all changes that are being made). Motion made and seconded to accept changes submitted. Brief discussion from the floor. Approved as submitted.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE REPORT

We the Obituary Committee recommend a moment of silent prayer in memory of the departed Brothers and Sisters from each Quarterly Conference that was mentioned.

Signed - Rev. Irving Reedy
Blanche Woodall
Rev. Fred Wilfong

Deaths reported -

HARMONY CONFERENCE

Bro. Clarence Marcum - Elk Creek
Sis. Lottie Collins - Addison
Sis. Zella Perry - Union Ridge

BOONE CONFERENCE

Sis. Edna McCormick - Laurel City
Sis. Emma Vance - Bim
Bro. Estill Huff - Cazy

Bro. Athal Ferrell - Spruce Laurel
Rev. Riley Caldwell - Powell Creek
Bro. Robert White - Star of Bethlehem
Bro. Amos Michael - Drawdy
Sis. Dorothy Mullins - Drawdy
Sis. Phyllis Trail - Little Creek
Bro. Loren Collins - Cazy

RALEIGH CONFERENCE

No deaths reported!

Report approved and tribute given.

NEXT SESSION COMMITTEE

We the Next Session Committee recommend the Next Session of the Y.M. be held with the Harmony Conference at the Addison Church at Addison, Ohio.

Signed - Doris Ryan
Trilba Patterson
Joan Reedy

Report was approved as read.

BUSINESS COMMITTEE REPORT

Item #1 - We recommend there be a registration fee of \$5.00 for ministers and deacons and the host church provide a table at the entrance of the church for this registration. Motion made and carried. (Note - Deacons will also have to pay if they vote. The deacons must show a card proving they are a deacon) Ammendment to Item #1 - The treasurer will take care of this registration and the treasurer has the right to appoint an assistant to help with this registration.

Item #2 - We recommend each conference send \$6.00 per church to Yearly Meeting. Item approved as read.

Item #3 - Any minister failing to attend Y.M. and sends his card in must send the \$5.00

registration fee. Motion and second made. Brief explanation by Bro. Patterson (Note - If a minister misses one Y.M. but reports with registration fee he will be given a good standing card. If he misses twice we will return his report card and his registration fee and inform him he is out of fellowship with the Y.M.). Motion carried.

Signed - Jim Ryan
Don Woodall
Walter Patterson

All items presented were approved.

OTHER BUSINESS

A rising vote of thanks was given to the Delbert Church and the pastor, Rev. Dickens for their hospitality offered to the Yearly Meeting.

Congregation sang a song (I'll Meet You By the River) and offering was taken for the Yearly Meeting. Offering amounted to \$21.51.

It was suggested that we need a central location for the Y.M. instead of some having so far to drive. Brother Patterson made the suggestion that we get two churches in a central location such as Little Creek & Toneys Branch to alternate each year hosting the Y.M.

Motion was made and carried to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. John R. Frame, clerk
Rev. W. F. Chapman, moderator

OFFICIALS OF THE WEST VIRGINIA YEARLY MEETING

Ministerial and General Session Moderator -

Rev. W. F. Chapman, Boone Quar. Meet.
Bloomingrose, W. Va.

Term expires at the election of new moderator
1982.

Treasurer - Mrs. Judy Frame
General Delivery
Bandytown, W. Va. 25012

Standing Office

Clerk - Rev. John R. Frame
General Delivery
Bandytown, W. Va. 25012

BOARDS OF THE W.VA. YEARLY MEETING

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Rev. John Mayhew - Harmony	Chairman
	April 1982
Rev. Delbert Pettry - Raleigh	April 1983
Rev. Phil Rowe - Boone	April 1984

EDUCATION BOARD

Rev. Walter Patterson - Harmony	Chair.
	April 1982
Rev. Selsus Dutton - Boone	April 1983
Rev. Delbert Pettry - Raleigh	April 1984

LEAGUE BOARD

Rev. John R. Frame - Boone	Chair.
	April 1982
Rev. Delbert Pettry - Raleigh	April 1983
Rev. Irving Reedy - Harmony	April 1984

HOME MISSION BOARD

Rev. John R. Frame - Boone	Chair.
	April 1982
Rev. Jimmie Ryan - Boone	April 1983
Dea. Tom Smith - Harmony	April 1984

FOREIGN MISSION BOARD

Rev. Delbert Pettry - Raleigh	Chair.
	April 1982
Rev. Edgar Spencer - Boone	April 1983
Rev. Walter Patterson - Harm.	April 1984

W.VA. YEARLY MEETING STATISTICS

This Yearly Meeting is composed of the Boone, Harmony and Raleigh Quarterly Meetings. The following table shows statistics of each Quarterly Conference.

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>BOONE</u>	<u>HARMONY</u>	<u>RALEIGH</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Churches	24	5	2	31
New	0	0	0	0
Dismissed or Transferred	1	0	0	1
Membership	1,129	161	39	1,329
New	193	48	7	248
Dismissed or Transferred	64	44	3	111
Deceased	10	3	0	13
Sunday School	24	5	2	31
Enrollment	1,187	128	109	1,424
Youth Leagues	Several - none reported	0	0	0
Enrollment	?	0	0	0
Women's Auxiliary	Several - only 1 reports	2	0	3
Enrollment	15	40	0	55
Prayer Meetings	24	5	Not reported	29
Ordained Ministers	61	9	4	74

(Yearly Meeting Statistics Cont'd)

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>BOONE</u>	<u>HARMONY</u>	<u>RALEIGH</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Licensed Ministers	1	2	0	3
Parsonages	3	0	0	3
Building & Equip.				
Value	1,000,000.00	217,000.00	33,000.00	1,250,000.00
Parson. Value	75,000.00	0	0	75,000.00
Pastor Salary	24,300.00	1,474.00	268.00	26,042.00
Evangelistic				
Salaries	7,802.97	991.00	0	8,793.97
Benevolence	1,730.00	0	0	1,730.00
Christian Education	8,114.96	967.66	521.35	9,603.97
Home Missions	7,595.00	294.69	113.48	8,003.17
Foreign Missions	3,003.04	0	0	3,003.04
Other (Misc.)	178.30	0	1,820.01	1,998.31
Bldg. & Repairs	99,083.79	19,627.84	2,415.32	121,126.95

FINANCIAL REPORT
1981

Bal. in treasury as of April 1981	\$ 322.27
Amt. rec. from churches & ministers	168.00
Pledges & offering from Boone Quarterly Meeting in April 1981	180.62
Pledges from Boone Quarterly Conf.	400.00
Total receipts	<u>\$1,070.89</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

Misc. expense for stamps, paper, cards & printing supplies	\$ 30.00
Clerk salary - 1982	<u>25.00</u>
Total disbursements	\$ 55.00

Previous balance	\$1,070.89
Total disbursements	<u>- 55.00</u>
Total amount in treasury	\$1,015.89

Cost for printing	<u>- 166.04</u>
Amount left in treasury as of April 1982	\$ 849.85

Churches belonging to W. Va. Yearly Meeting

BOONE QUARTERLY MEETING

Ameagle	Ameagle, W. Va.
Berry's Branch	Spurlockville, W. Va.
Bias Branch	Jeffrey, W. Va.
Bim	Bim, W. Va.
Cazy	Bob White, W. Va.
Coal Valley	Clothier, W. Va.
Cox's Fork	Danville, W. Va.
Drawdy	Peytona, W. Va.
Elizabeth	Gordon, W. Va.
Freedie	Van, W. Va.
Goff Mtn.	Dunbar, W. Va.
Greenview	Danville, W. Va.
Huntington Street	St. Albans, W. Va.
Laurel City	Ottawa, W. Va.
Little Creek <i>Ryan</i>	Chelyan, W. Va.
Martha	Bandytown, W. Va.
Mt. Herman	Comfort, W. Va.
Prenter	Prenter, W. Va.
Quinland	Madison, W. Va.
Spruce Laurel	Clothier, W. Va.
Star of Bethlehem	Twilight, W. Va.
Sylvester	Sylvester, W. Va.
Toneys Branch <i>Chapman</i>	Bloomingrose, W. Va.
Van (Bigson)	Van, W. Va.

Convenes Fri. night and Sat. before the
fourth Sun. in January, April, July and October.
Clerk - Bro. Raymond Sutphin, Van, W. Va.

Ministers of the Boone Quarterly Meeting

Estel Baisden	Rt. 1	Danville, W. Va.
Marvin L. Kuhn		Gordon, W. Va.
John R. Frame		Bandytown, W. Va.
W. F. Chapman		Bloomingrose, W. Va.
Jack Harris -	Rt. 4, Box	335D, Charleston, W. Va.
James Ramsey		Uneeda, W. Va.
Roy R. Hager	Rt. 1	Danville, W. Va.
James R. Hill		Seth, W. Va.
Phillip Rowe		Gordon, W. Va.
Edgar Spencer	Box 90	Van, W. Va.

Ministers - Boone Quarterly Meeting

Duel Loftis	Gordon, W. Va.
Howard White 116 Piney Drive,	Madison, W. Va.
Kenneth Miller	Gordon, W. Va.
Levi Sheets	Madison, W. Va.
Corbett Turner, Rt. 2,	Madison, W. Va.
Lee Graley, Lincoln Avenue,	South Charleston, W. Va.
Noble Jarrett	Ameagle, W. Va.
Don Woodall, Rt. 2	Hamlin, W. Va.
<u>Jimmie Ryan, Rt. 1</u>	<u>Danville, W. Va.</u>
Ottis Bryant	Jeffrey, W. Va.
Robert Lacy, Star Rt. Box 48,	Poca, W. Va.
Alderson Adkins	Ramage, W. Va.
Garfield Wheeler	Dunbar, W. Va.
Leroy Jeffrey	Ramage, W. Va.
Freddie Kinder	Ridgeview, W. Va.
George Syner	Madison, W. Va.
Selsus Dutton	Van, W. Va.
Freddie J. Jarrell	Julian, W. Va.
Melvin K. Messer	Madison, W. Va.
Glen Jarvis	Wharton, W. Va.
John A. Wills, Rt. 1, Box 91,	Clothier, W. Va.
Carl D. Lyons	Oceana, W. Va.
Kermit Cook, Rt. 2, Box 1583,	Madison, W. Va.
Bernie Dotson	Alkol, W. Va.
Clell Elkins	Alkol, W. Va.
Ray Osborne	Clothier, W. Va.
David Bias, Rt. 4 502 Oakmont Dr.,	Huntington, W. Va.
Edessel Tudor	Palermo, W. Va.
James E. Wilson	Blair, W. Va.
Kenneth Clark	Bald Knob, W. Va.
James C. Clark	Barrett, W. Va.
David P. Jarrell	Van, W. Va.
Troy Howerton	Seth, W. Va.
C.L. Morton	Sylvester, W. Va.
J. Russell O'dell	Ottawa, W. Va.
Thomas Bishop	Bim, W. Va.
Charles Baldwin	Sharples, W. Va.
Shelly Bowling	Barrett, W. Va.
Tom Price	Bob White, W. Va.
Charles Wallace	Bob White, W. Va.
Ray Crum	Seth, W. Va.
Ray Workman	Dunbar, W. Va.

Little creek

Ministers - Boone Quarterly Meeting

Charles K. Singleton	Gordon, W. Va.
Auldie Jarrell	Uneeda, W. Va.
J. Carl Skeens	Bob White, W. Va.
Farry Evans, Rt.2	Madison, W. Va.
Lawrence Bishop	Bim, W. Va.
Noah Kinder	Costa, W. Va.
Clyde J. Lee	Twilight, W. Va.
W. Steven Burns	Bob White, W. Va.
H. B. Sitton	Bim, W. Va.

Licensed Ministers of Boone Conference

Don Howerton, Box 12, Racine, W. Va.

HARMONY QUARTERLY MEETING - churches

Addison	Addison, Ohio
Madison	Zaleski, Ohio
Union Ridge	Albany, Ohio
Elk Creek	Delbarton, W. Va.
Harmony	Columbus, Ohio

Ministers

Everett McKibben	Zaleski, Ohio
Kenneth McKibben	Zaleski, Ohio
Walter Patterson, 2604 Lincoln Ave., Pt. Pleasant,	West Virginia
Lee Curry	no address reported
John Mayhew, Box 33	Ragland, W. Va.
Bill Reynolds, Rt.1, Box 323, Bidwell, Ohio	
Irving Reedy, 3115 Wessex Court, Columbus, Ohio	
Homer Mayhew, Box 302	Ragland, W. Va.

Licensed Ministers of Harmony Conference

Michael Perry, 26480 Rutherford Road, Albany, Ohio
Neal Robinson, Box 399 Delbarton, W. Va.

Conference convenes Saturday before the first
Sunday in February, May, August and November.

Clerk - Sis. Trilba Patterson, 2604 Lincoln Ave.
Point Pleasant, W. Va. 25550

RALEIGH CONFERENCE - churches

Delbert	Naoma, W. Va.
Dry Creek	Dry Creek, W. Va.

Ministers

Thomas Bradford	Dry Creek, W. Va.
Kenna French	Whitesville, W. Va.
Delbert Pettry, Box 411,	Whitesville, W. Va.
Fred Wilfong, Box 87	Naoma, W. Va.

No licensed ministers belonging to Raleigh Conf.

Convenes Saturday before the second Sunday in
February, May, August and November.

Clerk - Delbert Pattry, Box 411, Whitesville, W. Va.

