## MINUTES

OF THE

## Forty Fifth Annual Session

**OF** 

# Zion Hope No. 2 Association Of Free Will Baptists

WHEN CONVENED WITH

## The First Free Will Baptist Church

FORT SMITH, ARK.

SEPTEMBER 17, 18, 19, 1959

Rev. L. G. Crowder, Moderator 4501 N. 32nd St., Fort Smith, Ark.

Rev. Herbert Rogers, Asst. Moderator Booneville, Ark.

> Fred V. Smith, Clerk Rt. 3, Van Buren, Ark.

Mrs. Fred V. Smith, Asst. Clerk Rt. 3, Van Buren, Ark.

The next regular session will convene with the Booneville Free Will Baptist Church at Booneville, Ark. on Thursday night before the 3rd Sunday in September, 1960.

The introductory sermon will be preached by Rev. Leonard Crowder. Rev. Herbert Rogers, alternate.

The Memorial Sermon will be preached on Saturday morning at 11 o'clock by Rev. Rupert Pixley and Rev. Glenn Dipboye.

## **Proceedings**

THE FORTY FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE ZION HOPE NO. 2 ASSOCIATION ASSEMBLED AT THE FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH AT FORT SMITH, ARK., THURSDAY NIGHT, SEPTEMBER 17, 1959 TO BEGIN ITS TWO DAYS AND NIGHTS YEARLY CONFERENCE.

#### THURSDAY NIGHT SESSION

Services were opened by singing with Sis. Opal Rogers at the piano.

Prayer by Bro. Hartley from Wichita, Kans.

Scripture reading from 1st Corinthians 12, by Asst. Moderator, Bro. G. G. Dipboye.

Song, "Glad Reunion Day" lead by Bro. Leo King.

Quartet by Bro. Crowder, Bro. R. E. Pixley, Bro. Leo King, Bro. Duren, "In The Sweet Forever".

Message was brought by Bro. Harold Collins from Matt. 18. It was a very forceful message, well delivered and well received.

The Moderator, Rev. R. E. Pixley, made a short talk and called for the reading of the letters.

Letters were read from 23 churches and motion was carried that letters be received and delegates seated.

There were 19 ministers and 15 deacons present for Thursday night's session.

The delegates then elected the following officers to serve throughout the coming year.

Moderator—Rev. L. C. Crowder.

Asst. Moderator-Rev. Herbert Rogers.

Clerk-Fred V. Smith.

Asst. Clerk-Mrs. Fred V. Smith.

The former clerks, Bro. and Sis. Wayne Bonewell who have served as clerks so well and efficiently for so many years had asked that they be not considered in the election due to impaired health. A standing vote of thanks was given them for their long and faithful service.

Motion carried we adjourn until 9:30 A. M., Friday Morning.

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Jim Gregory.

# FRIDAY MORNING BUSINESS SESSION SEPT. 18, 1959

Opened with singing led by Bro. Bill Tidwell, "Tell It To' Jesus".

The Asst. Moderator, Bro. Herbert Rogers, read as a

scripture lesson the 91st Psalm and called on Bro. Chas. Price to open the conference with prayer.

Rules of order were read by the Moderator, Rev. L. C.

Crowder.

Visitors from Wichita and other places were introduced. The following committees were then appointed by the moderator, Rev. L. C. Crowder, and the asst. moderator, Rev. Herbert Rogers, after questioning them and some were not appointed after stating they were not sure they would be able to attend full session.

#### DIVINE SERVICE COMMITTEE

Bro. Sam Southerland, Chairman. Bro. Lois Teague, Member. Sister Opal Rogers, Member.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE

Bro. Chas. Price, Chairman. Bro. Jim Gregory, Member. Bro. Geo. Robbins, Member.

#### ARRANGEMENT COMMITTEE

Rupert Pixley, Chairman. Bro. Boyd Duren, Member. Bro. Wayne Bonewell, Member.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Sister Ellen Bonewell, Chairman. Sister J. H. C. Jordan, Member. Sister James Keller, Member.

## OBITUARY COMMITTEE

Sister Agatha Jeffcoat, Chairman. Sister Geo. Robbins, Member. Sister Dora Gregory, Member.

Addition to letter from First Church at Wichita was read. (See letters).

Motion carried that it be received and ordaining council agreed to handle.

Letter from the Robert E. McGee Association was read and Eld. W. Dorey Sr., Eld. W. T. Daniel and Bro. Ed. McCause were welcomed and seated as corresponding delegates from the Robert E. McGee Association.

Talk was made by Rev. J. R. Proctor, pastor of the First Church at Wichita.

Partial report of Divine Service Committee was read and received.

Motion carried that we adjourn the business session until 1 P. M. and that we meet back at 10:45 for song service and preaching.

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Lois Teague.

## 10:45 A. M. SONG AND PREACHING SERVICE

Opened with singing 135 led by Bro. L. C. Crowder. Solo by Sis. Belva Brown.

Prayer by Bro. Tommy Robertson.

Quartet by Bro. Crowder, Bro. Rupert Pixley, Sis. Belva Brown and Bro. Bill Tidwell. Sis. Carolyn Bowen at piano.

Rev. Ben Pixley preached a wonderful sermon using the theme, "The Importance of a Christians Activities."

Rev. J. R. Proctor followed using scriptures, Romans 1-16 and Proverbs 14-12.

The pastor, Rev. R. E. Pixley, gave a statement on the noon lunch.

Bro. Herbert Rogers gave the benediction and asked God's blessing on the food after which we adjourned to the new dining room of the church and were served a bountiful meal.

#### 1 P. M. BUSINESS SESSION

Opened with singing No. 286.

Scripture reading by asst. moderator, Psalm 92.

Prayer by Sis. Mabel Proctor.

Solo by Sis. Belva Brown.

Special Song by Sis. Opal Rogers and Sis. Haskell Wright.

Partial report of ordaining council was read. Motion carried we receive report and retain committee.

Report of association treasurer was read by treasurer. Motion carried we receive report. Motion carried we retain Bro. Glenn Dipboye as association treasurer for the coming year.

As no church had asked for the next association in the letters, moderator asked for nominations from the floor and Booneville was selected as place for the next association which convenes Thursday night, before the third Sunday in September, 1960.

Introductory sermon to be preached by Rev. Leonard Crowder, Rev. Herbert Rogers as alternate.

Memorial speakers will be Rev. Rupert Pixley and Rev. Glenn Dipboye at 11 o'clock, Saturday morning.

Partial report of Divine Service Committee read and received.

Delegates to the State Association to be held at the Ballews Chapel Free Will Baptist Church, Grubbs, Ark. starting Wednesday evening, Sept. 30, 1959, were elected as follows:

Bro. Chas. Price, Sis. Mabel Proctor, Sis. Opal Rogers, Sis.

Fred Smith and Sis. Haskell Wright.

Motion carried we send \$3.00 per church to the State Association. Motion carried we proceed to ordain Bro. Geo. Robbins as a deacon in the Wichita Church. Presbytery chosen by him was Rev. J. R. Proctor, Rev. Tommy Robertson and Rev. Leonard Crowder.

Partial report of Arrangement Committee read. Motion carried we received report and retain committee.

Motion carried we adjourn business session until 9:30 A. M., Saturday.

Prayer by Bro. Francis Smith.

#### 3 P. M. PREACHING SERVICE

Bro. Sam Southerland preached, reading John 6-4 and James 4-7.

Prayer by Bro. Southerland.

Bro. Rupert Pixley followed using John 6-8, 14-18 and Eph. 1-6. Two good sermons well delivered and well received.

Dismissed until 7 P. M., benediction by Bro. Wayne Bone-well.

## 7 P. M. PREACHING SERVICE

Opened with song service led by Bro. Bowen, Sis. Bowen at the piano.

Prayer by Bro. Phillips.

Duet by Bro. Rupert Pixley and Leonard Crowder.

Quartet by Bros. Rupert Pixley, Leonard Crowder, Leo King and Bowen.

By request, Bro. Link Roberts led No. 127.

Song by the Herbert Rogers family.

Rev. Leonard Crowder took charge of the preaching service and preached a wonderful communion and feetwashing sermon using various scripture references throughout the New

Testament followed by a very spiritual communion and feet-washing service. About 75 or 80 persons took part in this and there was much shouting and other evidence of a good spiritual feeling among all present.

### SATURDAY MORNING BUSINESS SESSION

Opened with singing led by Bro. Leo King.

Scripture reading by Bro. Plumlee.

Prayer by Bro. Lloyd Summerhill.

There was one vacancy on the ordaining Council and one on the executive board and we proceeded to elect to fill vacancies. Rev. Leonard Crowder was elected to a 3 year term on the ordaining council and Rev. Herbert Rogers elected to a 5 year term on the executive board.

Following are now members of council and board.

#### ORDAINING COUNCIL

L. C. Crowder-3 years

G. G. Dipboye—2 years, Chairman

Albert Rozell—1 year

#### EXECUTIVE BOARD

Herbert Rogers—5 years Rupert Pixley—4 years, Chairman Fred Simth—3 years Raymond Chronister—2 years

Harold Collins-1 year

At a previous conference the rule was adopted to take a collection at future meetings of the association to help defray expenses as receipts from the churches were not enough to meet expenses.

A collection was taken while singing, "Amazing Grace", the amount was \$19.50, which was turned over to the association treasurer.

Prayer by Bro. Herbert Rogers.

The Sunday School report was read and received and committee discharged.

The final report of Divine Service Committee was read and motion carried to received report and dismiss committee.

The final report of the Finance Committee was read. Motion carried we receive report and take another collection in afternoon service and discharge committee.

Report of evangelist was read and motion made and

seconded that report be received and we elect an evangelist, but was not voted on at this time.

Recommendation No. 1 and 2 of the Arrangement Committee was read and motion carried that all business relating to an evangelist be tabled over until 1 P. M. We immediately started the 11 o'clock Memorial Service which opened with singing, "Where the Soul Never Dies".

Prayer by Bro. Hubert Hutchins.

Quartet by Bros. Crowder, Leland King, Hubert Hutchins and Sis. Rogers, with Sis. Bowen at the piano.

Rev. Glenn Dipboye then took charge of services and read a list of the deceased members and he and Rev. H. D. Shipley preached the Memorial sermon.

Rev. Dipboye used Hebrews 11 and Rev. Shipley, I Cor. 51-58. They were both wonderful messages and were followed by a quartet by Bros. Pixley, Hutchins, Crowder and Sis. Satterfield, during which there was handshaking and shouting and much display of the Heavenly spirit.

Bro. Leland King gave the benediction and thanks for the food which was served immediately after in the dining room.

#### 1 P. M. BUSINESS SESSION

Opened with singing No. 355 led by Bro. Crowder.

Assistant moderator read 92nd Psalm, prayer by Bro. Hutchins.

Duet by Barbara and Boyd Osborne.

Conference was declared open for business and recommendation No. 1 of the Arrangement Committee was read. After statement by Bro. G. G. Dipboye the present evangelist, he left the room and matter was discussed by Bros. Cole, Price, Joslin, Southerland, Osborne and Hutchins. After discussion vote was called for and it was voted unanimously to retain evangelist for the coming year and we proceeded to elect an evangelist. Rev. Glenn Dipboye was elected by a very large majority.

Recommendation No. 2 of the Arrangement Committee was read and discussed and motion carried that request be complied with. As previously asked by the Finance Committee a collection was taken in the amount of \$14.51 which was turned over to treasurer.

Final report of the Executive Board was read and voted to receive and retain Committee.

Report of the Obituary Committee was read and voted to receive report and discharge committee.

Final report of the Arrangement Committee was read and voted to receive report and retain committee.

Letter from the Weavers Chapel Free Will Baptist Church at Batesville, Ark. was read and clerk was instructed to acknowledge receipt of the letter and assure them of our best wishes and prayers. Motion carried we adjourn until Thursday night before the 3rd Sunday in Sept., 1960, at the Booneville Church. It was a very wonderful session and was enjoyed by all present. Two of our oldest ministers and their wives were present at part of the session, Rev. Ben Pixley and Rev. E. W. Simpkins also Rev. Tommy Robertson from the Antioch Association. They were recognized by the moderator and given a hearty welcome.

#### SATURDAY AFTERNOON PREACHING SERVICE

Opened with singing and Bro. Herbert Rogers preached, reading from Romans 7, followed by Bro. Burl Osborne.

Benediction by Rev. E. S. Essman.

Some of the delegation had a long way to travel and some left before the session was over. There were 14 present from Wichita which was a record as they traveled nearly 400 miles to be present and we appreciate their presence and effort very much.

Moderator—L. C. Crowder.
Asst. Moderator—Herbert Rogers
Clerk—Fred Smith
Asst. Clerk—Mrs. Fred V. Smith

# Committee Reports

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

#### (Final report)

We find that 23 churches report a total attendance of 1461 pupils during the past year. We recommend that each church make a special effort to increase our attendance by sending out absentee cards, and visiting as many families as possible. We also recommend that the churches use Free Will Baptist literature and devoted Christian teachers.

Mrs. Wayne Bonewell, Chairwoman Mrs. Leamon Robertson Mrs. Gene Robertson

#### EXECUTIVE BOARD

#### (Final report)

We, the Executive Board have nothing to report, have not been called for any purpose and suppose that all is in peace and harmony among the churches. If any of the churches have need of the services of the Executive Board we suggest that they call on us.

Rupert Pixley, Chairman

#### REPORT OF THE ORDAINING COUNCIL

## (Partial Report)

We, the Ordaining Council recommend that Brothers Jesse Plumlee and Clyde C. Campbell be licensed for 12 months and we recommend that Bro. George Robbins be ordained as a deacon at this sesion.

G. G. Dipboye, Chairman L. C. Crowder, Member

## FINAL REPORT OF ORDAINING COUNCIL

We, the Ordaining Council have examined and questioned O. J. Wall and discussed our articles of faith, our minutes, the

Treatise and our ways of discipline and opinion on the Treatise and the Bible and we do not feel like recommending him for ordaination at this time. We recommend that his license be extended for six months and that he then appear back to the ordaining council. However we recommend that he be permitted to serve as Pastor Pro-Tem of the church he was called to serve and that he co-operate with the ordaining council and the association and by his work and co-operation we hope that we can be able to agree and recommend him later for ordination, but we do not feel like doing that now.

G. G. Dipboye, Chairman L. C. Crowder, Member Albert Rozell, Member

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE

## (Final Report)

We, the Finance Committee find that our expense last year was \$285.00. We have in the treasury at this time \$272.95. If expenses run as much as last year we are about \$15.00 short at this time to meet expenses. We recommend a free will offering be taken at this time. We urge each church to prayerfully consider this expense and if possible to give more than their quota.

C. B. Price, Chairman Geo. Robbins J. E. Gregory

#### ARRANGEMENT COMMITTEE

## (Partial Report)

Recommendation No. 1—We the Arrangement Committee recommend that time be given to the body to discuss whether we should continue with the association evangelist.

Recommendation No. 2—By request of the church in Booneville, we recommend our association send a resolution to the State Association on behalf of a chaplain to work at the State Sanatorium at Booneville.

Final report. We have nothing further to offer.

Rupert Pixley, Chairman Wayne Bonewell Boyd Duren

#### REPORT OF DIVINE SERVICE COMMITTEE

#### (Final Report)

Friday morning at 11 o'clock—Bro. Ben Pixley and Bro. J. R. Proctor.

Friday 2:30 P. M.—Bro. Sam Southerland and Bro. Rupert Pixley.

Friday night-Bro. L. C. Crowder.

Saturday 3 P. M.—Bro. Herbert Rogers and Bro. Burl Osborne.

We recommend that if time permits we give our visiting ministers and also the young ministers an opportunity to talk a few minutes.

Sam Southerland, Chairman Lois 'Teague Opal Rogers

#### REPORT OF MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

- 81 CHURCH—Bro. Bill Tedder passed away Jan. 7, 1959.
- COTTONWOOD CHURCH—Henry A. Hites departed this life Jan. 2, 1959. Mrs. Marion (Maud) Owens departed this life July 19, 1959. She was not a member of this church but was a regular attendant.
- SHADY GROVE CHURCH—Rev. B. M. Daniels passed away Aug. 21, 1959 at Baycliff, Tex. He was ordained in Zion Hope No. 2 Assn. about 8 years ago. Was a member of Shady Grove Church and moved his letter to an association in Texas. He was a devout Christian. Our great loss is Heavens gain.
- GREENWOOD CHURCH—Bro. Vacial Qualls died April 2, 1959.
- MOUNTAIN VIEW CHURCH—Bro. Jim Robertson:
- CENTRAL CHURCH—Bro. Joe Chamberlain passed away May 18, 1959.
- INDEPENDENCE CHURCH—Bro. Parker Johnson of West Fork, Ark. departed this life some time this winter Funeral was conducted at Stillwell, Okla. by Rev. G. G. Dipboye.

Jessie Ray Thompson, born April 3, 1956, departed his life Sept. 12, 1959, Funeral was conducted at Bryant Ceme-

tary by Rev. Glenn Dipboye and Rev. Chas. Graham, Sept. 17, 1959. He was the grandson of Bro. and Sis. Jesse Hyatt who are members of the Van Buren Free Will Baptist Church.

FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, Fort Smith, Ark.—
Rev. Tom Nolan, his health was poor and he had not preached for some time prior to his death.

Mrs. Della McAllister.

Bro. Henry.

Sister Opha Mae Robertson passed away Sept. 11, 1959 after a long illness. She was the wife of John Robertson, a deacon in the First Free Will Baptist Church, Ft. Smith and before her illness was a faithful attendant and worker in the church. Funeral services were held Sept. 14th in her home church by Rev. R. E. Pixley and Rev. Harold Schuler. Sister Crow.

Mrs. J. E. Gregory, Chairwoman

Mrs. Agatha Jeffcoat Mrs. Flora Robbins

(Note by clerk, these obituary reports are very incomplete, but they contain all the information given to me and the committee. I would suggest that in the future if you have a death in your church, the clerk write up all information at the time and mail to the association clerk or hold it and send in with the association letter.)

## RECORD OF LEAGUE BY LAWS

We, the Zion Hope No. 2 Association Free Will Baptists:

- 1—We recommend three judges instead of one from each church and that these three judges be selected by our League president from the audience and that they be disinterested parties if possible.
- 2—We recommend program time be limited to 20 minutes for each church.
- 3—We recommend if a preacher preaches at one League rally he is not eligible to preach at the next one.
- 4—We recommend a pulpit committee of three adult persons, leaders perhaps, who will place names before the body for selection of one preacher, who will be available, elected by our young people to preach at the 11 o'clock service and will also recommend that special emphasis be placed on this service as an evangelistic service.
- 5—We recommend that judges may judge the programs as they feel led.

6—These recommendations are rules of order and may be changed or amended by two thirds of those present at any League Conference, under the direction of the League President.

President, Harold Adams Sec.-Treas., Barbara Osborne

#### ANNUAL MINISTERS REPORTS

- 1—ORVILLE SPEARS—Ordained, Churches pastored 1, Professions 2, Received into church 3, Baptized 1, Funerals 2.
- 2—RAYMOND CHRONISTER—Ordained, Sermons preached 84, Revivals conducted 1, Churches pastored 1, Professions witnessed 6, Additions to church 16, Baptized 4, Money received \$743.31.
- 3—JAMES M. COLE—Churches pastored 1, Revivals conducted 2, Professions witnessed 5, Miles traveled about 10,000, Ordained.
- 4—CHARLES GRAHAM—Ordained, Churches pastored 1, Sermons preached 117, Money received \$720.00, Revivals 2, Funerals 9, Professions 3, Received into church 4.
- 5—LLOYD SUMMERHILL—Ordained, Churches pastored 1, Sermons preached 110, Miles traveled 10,000, Professions 9, Baptized 11, Received into church 17.
- 6—JESSE W. PLUMLEE—Licensed, I was saved Oct. 18, 1956, I have preached 100 sermons and the Lord has saved 64 lovely souls.
- 7—G. G. DIPBOYE—Ordained, Sermons preached 200, Funerals 14, Conversions 45, Rededicated several, Miles about 10,000, Money received \$2521.00.
- 8—LESLEY D. PETERMAN—Ordained, Churches pastored 2, Revivals held 1, Professions witnessed 1, Miles traveled 2000, Amount received \$291.71.
- 9—JOE PATTERSON—Licensed, Revivals conducted 1, Sermons about 30, Professions 2.
- 10-J. W. ATWELL-Ordained, Churches pastored 1, Sermons preached 104, Professions 1, Received in church 1, Money received \$200.00.
- 11—HERMAN STUBBLEFIELD—Ordained, Sermons preached 85, Professions 4, Churches pastored 1, Asst. pastor

- Branch Church in Arkansas Association, Travel about 5000 miles, Kept about \$5.00 returned balance to church funds.
- 12—H. D. SHIPLEY, Sermons 175, Churches pastored 1, Revivals 4, Professions 6, Additions to Church 2, Funerals 2, Miles traveled 4000, Money received \$1201.37.
- 13—ERCELL HUGGINS—Sermons preached 40, Funerals 3, Professions 19, Ordained.
- 14—ALBERT ROZELL—Sermons 163, Professions 2, Churches pastored 1, Received into church 7, Miles traveled 3828, Revivals 2, Money received \$682.71, Ordained.
- 15—ROBERT CAMPBELL—Licensed, Sermons about 50, Money received about \$64, Miles traveled about 500, Revivals 2, Professions 3, Rededications 2.
- 16—F. S. ESSMAN—Ordained, Sermons preached 150, Churches pastored 1, Revivals 2, Professions 4, Addition to church 3, Funerals 2, Miles traveled 4000, Money received \$1000.00
- 17—J. K. WOODS—Ordained, Churches pastored 1, Sermons preached 165, Funerals 4, Received into church 2, Professions 12, Baptized 3.
- 18—S. A. SOUTHERLAND—Ordained, Sermons preached 135, Pastored churches 1, Revival 5, Conversions 14, Miles traveled 2800, Funerals 5, Addition to church 1, Money received \$1350.00.
- 19—EARL CHRISTIAN—Ordained, Sermons preached 15, Miles traveled 300, professions 3.
- 20—DAVID JOSLIN—Student FWB Bible College—Sermons 62, Miles traveled 10,000, Revivals 3, Money received \$530.00, Conversions 46, Homes visited 150, Hospital visits 25, Gospel tracts distributed 250.
  - 21-J. A. JOSLIN-Ordained-Sermons preached 30.
- 22—O. J. WALL—Licensed—Sermons preached 150, Revivals conducted 4, Professions 35, Received in church 7, Miles traveled 900, Money received \$328.00.
- 23—L. C. CROWDER, Ordained, Sermons preached 200, Pastored church 1 full time, Revivals 13, Conversions 50, Miles traveled 26,000, Funerals 23, Baptized 10, Members received in church 18, Money received \$4676.54.

# FINANCIAL REPORT (of the Clerk of money received at the Association)

	Treasurer	Evangelist
Locke	\$ 10.00	\$
First Free Will Baptist Church, Wichita	25.00	5.00
Lone Elm 88 Church		2.00
81 Church	10.00	
Walnut St. Church	10.00	
Booneville	10.00	
Cottonwood	[-10.00]	5.00
South Fort Smith	10.00	5.00
Van Buren	10.00	5.00
Kenner Chapel	10.00	3.00
Shady Grove	10.00	
Greenwood	10.00	
Mountain view	į į	5.00
Central Center Point	10.00	
Center Point	10.00	_
Freedom	10.00	,
Catcher Highway 71 Mountainburg	10.00	•
Highway 71	10.00	• .
Mountainburg	5.00	
Wilson Church	10.00	
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Riverdale Armour Ave.		5.00
Armour Ave.	25.00	10.00
Total	\$245.00	\$81.00

# REPORT OF CHURCHES (According to Letters)

#### 1—LOCKE—

Delegates: Sisters Minnie Allen, Clara Patterson, Myrtle Humphrey, Clara Spears, Allie Donaldson. Pastor name and address, Rev. Robert Satterfield, Ruby, Ark.; Clerk Pearl Creel, Mountainburg, Ark.; Ordained ministers, Robert Satterfield, Rudy, Ark.; No. of licensed ministers 1; Deacons 3; Sunday School enrollment 40; Church membership 26; Resident 20; Non-resident 6; Members received last year 3; Members dismissed by letters 2; Amount inclosed for minutes \$10.00.

## 2-FIRST F. W. B. CHURCH-(Wichita, Kans.)

Delegates-Bro. Jesse Plumlee, Bro. Clyde Campbell, Sis.

Jesse Plumlee, Bro. Geo. Robbins and Bro. Francis Smith. Pastor name and address, Rev. J. R. Proctor, 1701 S. Sedgwick, Wichita, Kans.; Clerk, Mrs. George Robbins, 4726 Lulu, Wichita, Kans.; No. of ordained deacons, 6; No. of licensed ministers 1; Church membership 77; Resident 75; Non-resident 2; Members received 18; by baptism 3, by letter 8, by statement of faith 7; Sunday School enrollment 90, League enrollment 50, Women's auxiliary membership 15; Financial report, General offerings \$6324.72, Pastor's salary \$1720.00, evangelistic work \$140.00, building and repair \$2029.22, literature \$160.00, misc. \$228.49, other expenses \$2000.00, total \$5277.71, Foreign Missions \$45.00, Home Missions \$45.00, value of church property \$18000.00. Amount inclosed for minutes \$25.00, for evangelist \$5.00, Addition to letter which was read and voted on Friday.

We have set aside Bro. Clyde Campbell and Bro. Jesse Plumlee who we ask to be examined and grant license to preach if found acceptable.

We have set aside Bro. George Robbins and ask that he be ordained as a deacon.

## 3—LONE ELM CHURCH (88)—

Delegates—Sis. Eulema Gentry, Sis. Belva Brown, Sis. Minnie Atwell, Sis. Edna Lamb, Inclosed \$2.00 for evangelist, Moderator Earl Gentry, Clerk, Thell Brown.

#### 4-81 CHURCH-

Delegates, Bro. W. B. Hance, Bro. Joe Brammer, Sis. Amanda Brammer, Sis. Gladys Hance, Bro. Houston Peters, Bro. Charles Graham, Ruby Ark. was elected pastor for the coming year. Average in Sunday School 60, Deaceased 1. We are sending \$10.00 for minutes, Clerk, Gladys Hance, Ruby Ark.

## 5-WALNUT ST.-(3200 Walnut St., Ft. Smith, Ark.)

Delegates—Jesse Hagan, Beatrice Abney, Madeline Abney, Bud Weicke, Ollie Wright. Alternates—Bro. and Sis. Cliff Brossard. Pastor name and address, Rev. L. C. Crowder, 4501 N. 32nd St., Fort Smith, Ark.; Clerk, Mrs. James Almond, 4506 Irene St., Fort Smith, Ark.; Licensed ministers 1, Ordained deacons 7, Auxilliaries, Sunday School, League, Women's Auxillary, Master Men, Prayer Meeting; Average Sunday School attendance 200. Church owns parsonage value at \$8000.00. Membership 271, resident 171, non-resident 100; Members received 18, by baptism 6, by letter 4, statement of faith 8. Members dismissed 1, by letter 1. Women's auxiliary members 12, Pas-

tor's salary \$3640.00, evangelistic work \$235.00, Building and repairs \$744.00, literature \$160.00, Foreign Missions \$25.00, Associational projects \$10.00, Value of church property \$10,000.00, We inclose \$10.00 for minutes.

### 6-BOONEVILLE CHURCH-(Booneville, Ark.)

Delegates—Bro. and Sis. Chester Kiersay, Sis. Carolyn Bowen, Sis. Marie Venable, Sis. Opal Rogers. Pastor, Rev. Herbert Rogers; Clerk, Mrs. Rose Duren; Treasurer, Mrs. Willie Wright. No. of church members 75, No. received past year 37, No. dismissed 0, No. conversions 24, tithes and offerings received \$3212.61, Paid out \$3161.37, Active deacons 7, Average attendance in Sunday School 80, Have active Ladies auxiliary, Large active youth choir, Inclosed \$10.00 for Association expense. Pastor's address, 215 W. 5th, Booneville, Value of church property \$18,000.00.

### 7—COTTONWOOD CHURCH—

Delegates—Sis. Lola Fay Woods, Helen Stump, Sis. Pearl Ramsey, Sis. Owens, Bro. Claudie Waldrop. Alternates—Sis. Lola Waldrop, Bro. Freddie Chapman, Sis. Fannie Dyer. Pastor Pro-tem for coming year, Rev. Bob Campbell; Clerk, Bro. Claudie Waldrop. Ordained ministers, Rev. Mack Watts; Rev. W. A. Viles both of Muldrow, Okla. and Rev. Lesley Peterman, Dyer, Ark. Ordained deacons 4, Church membership 64, Active 47, Non active 17, Members received 2, Members dismissed by letter 1, Deceased 2, Sunday School enrollment 35, Inclosed. \$10.00 for minutes and \$5.00 for evangelist.

#### 8—SOUTH FORT SMITH—

Delegates—Bro. Joe Waggoner, Sis. Glass, Sis. Loudermilk, Bro. Lester Waggoner, Sis. Helen Mitchell, Alternates—Sis. Betty Mitchell, Sis. Mary Waggoner, State of religion good, Members received 16, No. baptized 4, Inactive members 13, Active members 30, Non resident members 12, Total membership 55, Prayer meeting good, Sunday School enrollment 55, Average number of pupils 50, condition of League good, Membership 35, Ladies Auxiliary 10 members, Value of church property \$12,000.00, Paid pastor \$646.62, Evangelistic work \$125.00, Misc. \$546.29, Foreign Missions \$24.56, Home Mission \$20.00, Pastor for coming year, Rev. Carl Pugh, Poteau, Okla.; Clerk, Christene Waggoner, 2711 So. Waco, Fort Smith, Ark.; Deacons, Harold Mitchell, Jake Loudermilk.

#### 9-VAN BUREN CHURCH-

Delegates—Tom Bryant, Houston Snow, Sam Yeakley, Sis. Mary Bryant, Mary Wall; Alternates, Betty Snow, Martha

Snow; State of religion good, Members received past 3 months 7, Total membership 31, Sunday School average attendance 45, Paid pastor \$450.00, Home Mission \$60.00, Building and repair \$100.00, Inclosing for minutes \$10.00, For evangelist \$5.00, Pastor's name, Rev. O. J. Wall, Van Buren, Ark., pending ordination; Mrs. Fred V. Smith, clerk.

#### 10-KENNER CHAPEL CHURCH-(Rudy, Ark.)

Delegates—Sis. Thelma Kenner, Edna Smith, Hazel Burkhart, Goldie Carney, Rose Atwell, Pastor for coming year, Rev. J. W. Atwell, Ruby, Ark.; Clerk, Ellen J. Bonewell, Ruby, Ark.; Ministers belonging to this church, Rev. Henry Hart, Rev. S. A. Smith, No. or ordained deacons 4, Church membership 36, Resident 22, Non-resident 14, Sunday School enrollment 45, Building fund \$719.00, Paid pastor \$100.00, Literature \$25.00, Paid to radio programs \$15.00, Home Missions \$2.00, Amount inclosed for minutes \$10.00 for evangelist \$3.00.

### 11—SHADY GROVE CHURCH—(Hackett, Ark.)

Delegates—Bro. John Shirley, Sis. Betty Cusick, Sis. Alice Howard, Sis. Anna Casto, Pastor Rev. Burl Osborne, Van Buren, Ark.; Clerk Eileen Phillips, Rt. 1, Box 48, Huntington, Ark. Ordained ministers belonging to our church, Rev. Frank Byrd, Hackett, Ark.; Rev. Bedford Brown, Rt. 1, Greenwood, Ark., Church memership 50, Members received by baptism 8, Members dismissed 1, Deceased 1, Sunday School enrollment 60, No. of deacons 3, Offering received \$500.00, Pastor's salary \$1040.00, Evangelistic work \$340.00, Building and repairs \$1100.00, Literature \$10.00, Misc. \$249.00, Other \$40.00, Value of church property \$8,000.00, Amount inclosed for minutes \$10.00.

## 12-FIRST F. W. B. CHURCH-(Greenwood, Ark.)

Delegates—Bro. Robert Canada, Sisters Reba Canada, Irene Rogers, Lucille Bartlett, Dorothy McKinney, Pastor's name, Rev. E. S. Essmon, 5000 So. 28th, Fort Smith, Ark,; Clerk, Mrs. Edward Jenkins, Greenwood, Ark., Ordained ministers belonging to our church, Rev. E. S. Essmon, No. licensed ministers 1, Ordained deacons 5, Church membership 69, Resident 64, Non-resident 5, Members received by statement of faith 3, Members dismissed by letter 4, Deceased 1, Total offerings \$1526.63, Pastor's salary \$1020.00, Evangelistic work \$152.55, Building and repairs \$26.40, Literature, Sunday School and League \$106.25, Misc. \$10.00, Utility bills \$101.65, Unified program \$35.50, Education \$7.00, State and national projects \$5.00, Value of church property \$10,000.00, Inclosed for minutes \$10.00.

## 13-MOUNTAIN VIEW CHURCH-(Charleston, Ark.)

Delegates—Brothers Gene Brown, C. J. Brown, Sisters Bill Robertson, Dovie Wagner, No. deceased 1, Pastor Sam Southerland, Clerk Frances Robertson, Amount inclosed for minutes \$10.00, For evangelist \$5.00.

### 14—CENTRAL CHURCH—(Central, Ark.)

Delegates—Bro. P. A. Nance, Sis. Cora Nance, Sis. Agatha Jeffcoat, Sis. Lela Smith, Sis. Anivea Chronister, Alternates Bro. J. W. Smith and Sis. Carrie Odom, State of religion good, Members received 2, No. dismissed 2, No. deceased 1, Total membership 83, condition of Prayer Meeting good, Sunday School good, Average number of pupils 45, No. of officers 2, No. of teachers 4, Paid pastor \$1010.37, Paid on building \$58.00, Amount inclosed for minutes \$10.00, Pastor's name, Rev. H. D. Shipley, 3119 No. Albert Pike, Fort Smith, Ark., Clerk Mrs. Clifford Skyes, Lavaca, Ark., Rt. 1.

#### 15-CENTER POINT CHURCH-(Mulberry, Ark.)

Delegates—Sisters Cole, Patterson, Dill, Stapp and Bro. Lloyd, State of religion good, Members received this year 4, Total membership 29, condition of Sunday School good, Average attendance 25, Value of church property \$5000.00, Inclosed for minutes \$10.00, For evangelist \$3.00, Pastor, James M. Cole, Van Buren, Ark.; Clerk, Elizabeth Fielding, Mulberry, Ark.

## 16—FREEDOM CHURCH—(Alma, Ark.)

Delegates—Sis. J. H. C. Jordan, Sis. Rufus Reed, Sis. Bill Johnston, Bro. and Sis. Jim Gregory, Sr. Pastor's name, Rev. Lesley Peterman, Dyer, Ark, Clerk Robbie Kaundart, Alma, Ark., Ordained ministers belonging to church Rev. J. H. C. Jordan, Rt. 3, Alma, Ark., Rev. Lesley Peterman, No. of deacons 2, Church membership 95, Resident members 48, Non-resident members 47, Sunday School enrollment 50, Evangelistic work \$65.00, Building and repairs \$60.00, Orphanage \$46.00, Inclosed \$10.00 for minutes and \$10.00 for evangelist.

## 17—CATCHER CHURCH—(Van Buren, Ark.)

Delegates—Sisters Ethyl Osborne, Becky Campbell, Maxine McClure, Effie Mason, Bro. Bob Campbell, Pastor Rev. Albert Rozell, Rt. 1, Van Buren, Ark., Clerk Lorraine Osborne, Rt. 3, Van Buren, Ark., Ordained ministers belonging to our church Rev. Burl Osborne, Rev. Albert Rozell, Rev. Glenn Dipboye, Van Buren; Rev. Junior Story, Charleston, Ark., Licensed ministers 1, Deacons 2, Sunday School good, Average attendance 40, Total attendance 1 year 1626, Prayer Meeting fair, Church

members 140, Resident 76, Non-resident 64, Members received 7, By baptism 1, Dismissed 4 by letter, Received 2 by letter, 4 by statement of faith, Total offering \$1361.81, Pastor's salary \$612.71, Evangelistic work \$157.00, Building and repairs \$139.25, Literature \$69.60, Janitor \$245.00, Misc. \$10.00, Total expenses \$1233.56, Outside expenditure \$58.53, Value of church property \$3800.00, Amount inclosed for minutes \$10.00, For evangelist \$10.00.

### 18—HIGHWAY 71 CHURCH—(Alma, Ark.)

Delegates—Sis. Beulah Williams, Bro. and Sis. Harold Adams, Bro. and Sis. Jimmie Pigg, Alternates Bro. Williams, Sis. Bessie Shelly, Pastor, Rev. Roland Atwell, Chester, Ark.; Clerk, Mrs. Bessie Shelly, Rt. 3, Alma, Ark.; Church membership 104, Members received, 2 by letter, 1 by statement of faith, Dismissed 4 by letter, Sunday School enrollment 67, League enrollment 30, Prayer Meeting 12, Total collections \$2552.80, Pastor's salary \$2040.00, Evangelistic work \$150.00, Literature \$93.79, Misc. \$299.01, Orphanage \$2.50, State and national projects \$20.00, Value of church property \$6000.00, Inclosed for minutes \$10.00 for evangelist \$5.00.

## 19-MOUNTAINBURG CHURCH-(Mountainburg, Ark.)

Delegates—Sisters Kate Teague, Fannie Barker, Betty Simco, Mary Gregory, Bro. Bill Simco, State of Sunday School and morning services good, Sunday night and Wednesday night services fair, Inclosed \$5.00 for minutes and \$3.00 for evangelist, We have called Rev. Arvel Spears as pastor for the coming year, Edna Wright, Clerk, Mountainburg, Ark.

## 20-WILSON F. W. B. CHURCH-(Belleville, Ark.)

Delegates—Sis. Beatrice Moody, Sis. Alta Hays, Sis. Doris Rogers, Pastor Rev. O. F. Moody, Belleville, Ark., Clerk Robbie Hays, Dannville, Ark., Ordained ministers belonging to our church, Rev. O. F. Moody, Belleville, Ark., Licensed ministers 1, Deacons 3, Church membership 44, Resident 31, Non-resident 23, Members received by leter 2, Members dismissed by letter 2, Sunday School enrollment 59, League enrollment 30, General offerings \$25.00 per week, Pastor's salary \$1080.00, Evangelistic work \$25.00, Literature \$30.12, Miscellaneous \$142.00, Value of church property \$7000.00, Amount inclosed for minutes \$10.00.

## 21—BETHLEHEM CHURCH—(Van Buren, Ark.)

Delegates—Bro. and Sis. John Bell, Bro. Larry Deason, Bro. Marvin Breeden, Sis. Sue Webb, Pastor, Rev. Lloyd Summerhill, Van Buren, Ark., Clerk, Sis. Mary Phillips, Fort

Smith, Ark., We have dismissed 4 by letter and had 7 additions to the church, Church membership 70, Sunday School attendance 60, Paid pastor \$1000.08, Sunday School literature \$50.00, Paid out for revival \$100.00, Building improvement \$1500.00, Inclosed for minutes \$10.00, For evangelist \$5.00.

## 22-RIVERDALE CHURCH-(Cecil, Ark.)

Delegates—Sis. Ola Mae Crook, Sis. Columbia Eubanks, Bro. Claude Eubanks, We are without a pastor now but hope to get one soon, Inclosed \$10.00 for minutes and \$5.00 for evangelist, Mrs. Dow Underwood, Rt. 1, Cecil, Ark., Clerk.

## 23—FIRST F. W. B. CHURCH—(Fort Smith, Ark.)

Delegates-Bro. Bill Tidwell, Bro. Grady Freeman, Bro. and Sis. Chronister, Sis. Keller, Alternates Bro. Carl Long, and Bro. Doyle Summerhill, State of religion good, Members received this year 73, Number died 5, No. baptized 34, Condition of Prayer Meeting good, Condition of Sunday School good, Average number of pupils 210, No. of officers 13, No. of teachers 18, Paid pastor 4940.00, Paid evangelist \$55.00, For Home Missions \$57.75, Foreign Missions, we have been giving to the cooperative program through the state, For building and repairs \$8537.16, For education \$603.67, Publications and other miscellaneous work approximately \$300.00, Amount inclosed for minutes \$25.00, For evangelist \$10.00, Pastor's name and address, Rev. R. E. Pixley, 3722 Armour Ave., Fort Smith, Ark., Names and addresses of ministers belonging to our church, Rev. Doc Marchant, 1450 N. 40th, Fort Smith, Ark.; Rev. E. W. Simpkins, RFD 3, Fort Smith, Ark.; Rev. Doyle Summerhill, 4010 N. 31st, Fort Smith, Ark,; Rev. W. T. Tidwell, 3119 N. Albert Pike, Fort Smith, Ark.; Rev. Burl Nye, 704 N. 11th, Fort Smith, Ark.; Rev. S. A. Sebastion, 3530 Fischer, Ft. Smith, Ark.; Rev. Doug Jones, 3920 Armour Ave., Fort Smith, Ark.; Rev. Jewell Morrison, Ruby, Ark.; Clerk, Mrs. Alvis Finn, 3908 Johnson, Fort Smith, Ark.

All churches represented except Independence and Mineral Springs.

#### MINISTERS' DIRECTORY

## (Ordained)

- 1. Rev. James M. Cole, 207 South 13th St., Van Buren, Arkansas.
- 2. Rev. L. C. Crowder, 4501 N. 32nd St., Fort Smith, Arkansas.

- 3. Rev. Dock Marchant, 1451 N. 40th St., Fort Smith, Arkansas.
- 4. Rev. Lloyd Summerhill, Van Buren, Arkansas.
- 5. Rev. E. W. Simpkins, Rt. 3, Fort Smith, Arkansas.
- 6. Rev. A. E. Sebastain, 3530 Fischer St., Fort Smith, Arkansas.
- 7. Rev. F. S. Essman,
  5000 S. 28th St., Fort Smith, Arkansas.
- 8. Rev. L. D. Peterman, Dyer, Arkansas.
- 9. Rev. Frank Byrd, Hackett, Arkansas.
- 10. Rev. Luther Clark, Hackett, Arkansas.
- 11. Rev. D. D. Peters, Rudy, Arkansas.
- 12. Rev. Earl Gentry, Rudy, Arkansas.
- 13. Rev. Earcil Huggins, Alma, Arkansas, Route.
- 14. Rev. Roland Atwell, Chester, Arkansas.
- 15. Rev. Gene Thomas, Rt. 3, Fort Smith, Arkansas.
- 16. Rev. H. D. Shipley, 3119 N. Albert Pike, Fort Smith, Arkansas.
- 17. Rev. R. E. Pixley, 3722 Armour Ave., Fort Smith, Arkansas.
- 18. Rev. J. K. Woods, Muldrow, Oklahoma, Route 2.
- 19. Rev. Mack Watts, Muldrow, Oklahoma, Route 2.
- 20. Rev. J. R. Proctor, 1701 S. Sedgwick, Wichita, Kansas.

- 21. Rev. S. A. Smith, Rudy, Arkansas.
- 22. Rev. Arvel Spears, Locke, Arkansas.
- 23. Rev. A. L. Darris, Chester, Arkansas.
- 24. Rev. J. W. Atwell, Rudy, Arkansas.
- 25. Rev. Robert Satterfield, Rudy, Arkansas.
- 26. Rev. Charles Graham, Rudy, Arkansas.
- 27. Rev. J. A. Joslin, 1920 Dechard, Van Buren, Arkansas.
- 28. Rev. Burl Osborne, Route 3, Van Buren, Arkansas.
- 29. Rev. G. G. Dipboye, Route 1, Van Buren, Arkansas.
- 30. Rev. Albert Rozell, Route 1, Van Buren, Arkansas.
- 31. Rev. Oscar Stapp, Mulberry, Arkansas.
- 32. Rev. Raymond Chronister, 5512 South 29th, Fort Smith, Arkansas.
- 33. Rev. S. A. Southerland, Charleston, Arkansas.
- 34. Rev. Junior Story, Van Buren, Arkansas.
- 35. Rev. J. H. C. Jordan, Alma, Arkansas.
- 36. Rev. Earl Christian, Alma, Arkansas
- 37. Rev. Herman Stubblefield, Fort Smith, Arkansas.
- 38. Rev. David Harding. Charleston, Arkansas.

39. Rev. Oscar Crabtree, Route 3, Van Buren, Arkansas.

#### LICENSED MINISTERS

- 1. Arvell Burrough, Locke, Arkansas.
- 2. O. J. Wall, Van Buren, Arkansas.
- 3. Bob Campbell, Route 3, Van Buren, Arkansas.
- 4. Clyde Campbell, Wichita, Kansas.
- Jessie Plumlee,
   Wichita, Kansas.
- 6. Jewell Morrison, Rudy, Arkansas.
- 7. Earnest Fant, Fort Smith, Arkansas.
- 8. Joe Patterson, Mulberry, Arkansas.
- 9. Doyle Summerhill, Fort Smith, Arkansas.
- 10. Silas Harris, Rudy, Arkansas.
- 11. W. T. Tidwell, Fort Smith, Arkansas.

## LIST ON MINISTERS PRESENT AT ASSOCIATION SOME TIME DURING SESSION

H. D. Shipley, J. M. Coal, Albert Rozell, Herbert Rogers, L. C. Crowder, Lloyd Summerhill, S. A. Smith, Clyde Campbell, Jesse Plumlee (both just licensed), J. R. Proctor, Sam Southerland, W. T. Tidwell, R. E. Pixley, Burl Osborne, G. G. Dipboye, W. A. Viles, Ben Pixley, J. H. C. Jordan, E. W. Simpkins, Luther Clark, F. S. Essman, Bob Campbell (licensed), Doyle Summerfield (licensed), J. A. Joslin, Charles Graham, Harold Collins, H. H. Hutchins, L. D. Peterman, O. J. Wall

(licensed), Robert Satterfield, Doc Marchant, Doland Atwell, Earl Christian.

VISITING MINISTERS—Tommie Robertson, W. Dorey, Sr., Harold Schuler, W. T. Daniel.

## REPORT OF THE ASSOCIATION TREASURER

As recorded from the beginning of the 1958 session to the beginning of the 1959 session.

Amount in treasury at beginning of the 1958 session .. \$ 7.00

### Received by letter during 1958 session:

Locke Church		10.0
Tick 71 Charab		•
Highway 71 Church		
Van Buren Church	h .	
Bethlehem Church		10.0
Wilson Church		5.0
First Church of Wichita, Kansas		
First Church of Fort Smith		
Central Church		10.0
Freedom Church		
Mountain View Church		
Booneville Church		10.0
Shady Grove Church		. 10.0
South Fort Smith Church		10.0
Walnut Street Church		10.0
Greenwood Church		10.0
Kenner Chapel Church		
Catcher Church	*******	10.0
Lone Elm 88 Church		00.0
Center Point Church Independence Church	***********	00.0
Independence Church	**********	4.0
Mountainburg Church		7.0
Mountainburg Church 81 Church Cottonwood Church	******	10.0
Cottonwood Church	****	10.0
Mineral Springs Church		10.0
The Wilson Church sent me the remainder o		
quota after the Association adjourned.		
Amount of 2 collections at the Association.		49 (
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Making a total of		\$202 (
manning a weat of	************	\$454.

## Amount checked out of this fund was:

For cost of typing and printing our minutes and cost of material, ordination and license blanks, mailing of district and state

minutes, certificate cards and all items of expense added thereto	\$145.00
Paid to treasurer for preparing manuscript and other duties attached thereto as	
adopted in 1957 session	25.00
same session Paid to the Russelville Church for caring for State Association	20.00 75.00
Total expense	\$265.00
Balance in treasury at the beginning of the 1959 session Carefully submitted by the association treasurer,	\$ 27.93 G. G.
Dipboye, Rt. 1, Van Buren, Ark.	

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ASSOCIATION EVANGELIST FROM SEPT., 1958 TO SEPT., 1959

I have worked in the usual manner visiting churches, conducting revivals and helping in revivals, and preaching a few nights in churches when they wanted me and assisting churches and pastors when called upon. Some churches have called me for revivals and some for 3 or 4 nights and I have stood willing to help weak or needy churches or to help them find pastors or any other work when given proper notice and have searched for opportunities to help our association. I have traveled better than 10,000 miles and witnessed about 43 conversions and several rededications during revivals and other services. I have conducted and assisted in conducting. My financial report includes all money, clothes and produce of any kind given to me under heading of ministerial work. I have not listed my correspondence and other expenses. I have kept a daily record of all my work and receipts, I have preached about 200 sermons, have conducted some conferences by request and have baptized some by request and conducted some services in homes and communities and have witnessed some conversions at homes and sick rooms and at my home, have conducted and assisted in 14 funerals and have had to travel long distances to some of them.

Financial record of receipts:

Freedom Church				, <i>'</i>		\$ 190.00
Catcher Church		**********	:			125.00
First Fort Smith Church	,		1,		•••••	
First Church at Wichita,						150.00
Mountainview Church		********				90.00
Van Buren Church		•-••				\$ 35.00

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Center Point Church	35.00
Kenner Chapel Church	35.00
88 Lone Elm Church	20.00
Mountainburg	55.00
Mountainburg  Locke Church	45.00
81 Church	50.00
Cottonwood Church	130.00
Wilson Church South Fort Smith Church	75.00
Greenwood Church	
Walnut St. Church	30.00
Walnut St. Church Bethlehem Church	50.00
Shady Grove Church	75.00
Central Church	55.00
Highway 71-Church	85.00
Independence Church	48.00
Rooneville Church	40.00
Riverdale Church	80.00
Mineral Springs Church	80.00
Contributions given and sent to me personally	
by those interested in this work and for	
special services	443.00
For revivals and other work in churches and	. 110.00
and communities not in this association	500.00
Total receipts	\$2521.00
Carefully submitted by the association evangelis	•
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#### RULES AND BY-LAWS

# Of the Zion Hope No. 2 Association and Fifth Sunday Meeting of Free Will Baptists

- 1. At every sitting of the association, business shall be opened and closed with prayer by the moderator or whomsoever he may request.
- 2. Standing delegates of the association shall consist of ordained ministers, ordained deacons and church clerks.
- 3. At every sitting of the association or fifth Sunday meeting the moderator and clerk be elected from the floor at the opening service; on Friday night at fifth Sunday meeting and on Thursday night at the yearly association.
- 4. Those allowed to vote and take part in discussion shall be the ordained ministers, ordained deacons, church clerks and the elected delegates from the churches belonging to this association.

- 5. Only five delegates from any one church may be seated in our association or fifth Sunday meetings. Alternates may be used to replace the regular delegates who are absent.
- 6. Letters are to be read and delegates seated on opening night of the association or fifth Sunday meeting. Tardy letters to be read and received when presented.
- 7. Letters to the yearly association should be mailed to the associational clerk at least two weeks before the association meets.
- 8. Letters to the fifth Sunday Meeting are to be presented on Friday night of the conference, or as soon as possible.
- 9. No one shall be allowed to hold any elected office in the association or fifth Sunday meeting unless they are an elected or standing delegate of this association.
- 10. Those who speak shall arise and address the moderator. Personal reflections shall be avoided in all discussions.
  - 11. No motion shall be discussed without a second.
- 12. No motion may be discussed by the moderator from the chair; however, he may surrender the chair to the assistant moderator, and with given permission from the chair, may proceed to discuss the said motion.
- 13. All discussion on motions must pertain to the motion or subject under consideration.
- 14. When a motion has been made and seconded and a member opposes its discussion, the moderator shall ask the question, "Shall it be discussed?" If negative, the question shall be dismissed.
- 15. Each church in the association is asked to send ten dollars to the yearly association for the support of same.
- 16. If any proposition or motion under discussion contains two or more points, it shall be divided at the request of any member and the vote taken separately.
- 17. No one shall speak more than twice on the same subject without special leave of the moderator.
- 18. All questions shall be decided by a majority vote of members present.
  - 19. Motion made and lost shall not be recorded.
- 20. No member shall absent himself without special leave of the moderator.
- 21. Minutes shall be leisurely read and corrected before the close of the association if necessary.
- 22. At all future sessions of the association, arrangements shall be made to insure two sermons or other devotional exercises equivalent thereunto during each day of the session, and the chair shall announce just before the adjournment who shall fill the stand at the next meeting.
  - 23. These Rules and By-Laws shall be distinctly read from

the chair immediately after organization of the association or convention and before any business is transacted.

- 24. Alternations may be made in these Rules and By-Laws at any regular session of the association.
- 25. Recommendation: We recommend that this association observe communion and feet washing in associations and fifth Sunday meetings.
- 26. Recommendation: We recommend that this association have their communion and feet washing service on Friday night instead of Saturday night.

### RULES OF ORDINATION

- 1. Do you believe in the total depravity of the human heart? Answer: No.
- 2. Do you believe that infants are saved while in a state of innocence? Answer: I do.
- 3. Do you believe in a full and free salvation to all who will accept it on the gospel terms? Answer: I do.
- 4. Do you believe in a burial of a believer in Christ with water after he has been baptized into Christ by the Holy Ghost is the only baptism? Answer: I do.
- 5. Do you believe that any man has a right in the gospel to repeat baptism to such a subject? Answer: No.
- 6. Do you believe that communion, feet washing and baptism are gospel ordinances and are to be taught and practiced until He comes again? Answer: I do.
- 7. Will you solemnly pledge yourself to preach and practice the same, God being your helper? Answer: I will by the help of God.
- 8. Do you believe that none will be finally saved but those who persevere in holiness to the end? Answer: I do.

#### ARTICLES OF FAITH

- 1. We believe in one true and living God, the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, and these three are equal in divine essence, power and glory (Romans 1:20; I John 1:7; John 17:21).
- 2. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the written Word of God, and are the only infallible rule of faith and practice (Matthew 5:18; II Timothy 3:16).
- 3. We believe that God created man good and gave him holy commandments whereby he should live holy, but man

voluntarily disobeyed the commandments of God, transgressed the law and fell under the just condemnation of the same whereby all mankind are sinners; not by constraint, but by choice, being partakers of the sinful nature attained by the fall. That man is unable to save himself with his own power, but we see Jesus for the suffering of death crowned by glory, that He, by the grace of God, should taste death for every man (Genesis 3:7-17; Hebrews 2:9).

- 4. We believe that Christ, by His death, burial and resurrection, purchased our pardon and offered it freely to all mankind upon the principles of repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. He now commands all men everywhere to repent, therefore He saith: "Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else" (Matthew 4:17; Isaiah 45:22; Acts 20:2-21; Acts 17:30).
- 5. We believe that adult persons must be regenerated and born of the Spirit of God if they inherit eternal life (John 3:3)
- 6. We believe that infants and idiots are saved by the merits of the Son of God (John 4:11; Deuteronomy 1:39; Mark 10:14; Luke 18:16).
- 7. We believe that all Christians should persevere in grace and be faithful to the end if they inherit eternal life; for blessed are they that do His commandments that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates of the city (Matthew 24:13; Revelation 22:14).
- 8. We believe that baptism by immersion is the apostolic mode, even the burial of the believer in water; and that Christ, who is our life, showed this humble example to His children and bids us walk therein (John 3:22; Matthew 3:16; 28:19; Romans 6:2-5).
- 9. We believe that God in His goodness displays His power of grace in a great degree in calling and qualifying His servant by the teaching of the Holy Ghost, and by the instructions of His blessed Word, to go forth and proclaim life and salvation. He bids us freely to come, and nothing prevents the salvation of any but their own stubborn rebellion and sinful refusal to come (I Corinthians 12:13; Ephesians 3:7; Revelation 22:17; Isaiah 55:1).
- 10. We believe that baptism, the Lord's Supper and washing the saints' feet are divine ordinances and should be observed by all His children (Mark 14:22; John 13:4-14; Matthew 28:19, 20; I Timothy 5:10).
- 11. We believe that none have a right to baptism only those who have obtained a living hope in the Lord Jesus Christ and none have the right to administer the same, only those who are called of God and have come under the hands of the presbytery of elders. Each church ought to have a pastor, dea-

cons and clerk, chosen by the church and to continue in office during the good pleasure of the same. In dealing with disorderly members, reference should be had in the 18th chapter of Matthew and other Scriptures relative to dealing with disorderly members. In all cases a majority shall rule, except in receiving members which shall be unanimous (Titus 1:5; Acts 14:23; II Corinthians 6:6).

- 12. We believe it to be the duty of each church to assemble themselves together once a month and that it is the duty of the pastor of the church, when setting forth the Lord's Supper, to... "let a man examine himself, and so let him eat,..." (I Corinthians 11:28; John 13:14; Hebrews 10:25).
- 13. We believe that sanctification and holiness is a Bible doctrine; that immortality is God dwelling in the light so when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, "Death is swallowed up in victory." We believe it is our duty to be tender and affectionate to one another, study the happiness of the people of God in general and to be singly engaged to promote the honor and glory of God (Galatians 6:10; I John 2:9).
- 14. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, both the just and the unjust. The resurrection of the just to glory and immortality in the presence of God, the unjust to everlasting shame and banishment from the presence of God (Matthew 25:31, 34; I Corinthians 15:45; II Thessalonians 1:4, 11; Revelation 20:12, 15).

#### 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 appearances 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 principles 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 uno the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.