MINUTES OF THE VIRGINIA STATE ASSOCAITION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

Seventy Seventh

Annual Session Held With
Woodland Heights
Free Will Baptist Church
Charlottesville, VA

June 18-19, 2015

The next session will be held at the Good News Free Will Baptist Church 5200 Courthouse Road Chesterfield, VA 23832 June 16-17, 2016

OFFICERS ELECTED 2015

Moderator
Elected Executive Board
Mark Crews
Larry Ross
Bob Brown
Marty Puckett2019
Don Helms2020
Home Missions Board
Glenn Johnson
Rodger Castle2016
Rev. David Mizelle2017
Earl Sutton
Dave Nobles
Larry Russell2020
Bob Brown2020
Board Member to
Free Will Baptist Family MinistriesEvan White (2016)
Harvest Childcare Ministries: Paul Collins (2021)
Board Member to Notice of Association of Free Will Poptiet Prives Pares (2016)
National Association of Free Will BaptistBruce Barnes (2016)
Promotional DirectorBruce Barnes (2016)
CTS RepresentativeAdam Bolin (2016)

The Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists met for the 77th annual session with the Woodland Heights FWB Church, Martinsville, VA. Thursday June 18, 2015 7 PM.

Moderator, Rev. Paul Collins called the meeting to order.

Opening Song: "Bind Us Together" Opening Prayer: Rev. Don Hellms

Welcome: Rev. Stanley Waddell, Pastor, Woodland Heights FWB

Church

Officers were introduced by the Clerk.

Moderator introduced Committees:

Nominating: Marty Puckett; David Mizzelle; Glenn Johnson

Registration & Credentials: Pat Evans; Jean Horsley

Moderator then introduced Promotional Director, Dr. Bruce Barnes who announced a new CD titled "Taking a Walk on the Other Side" which is available for purchase. Proceeds will go toward the support of the State Promotional Office. A 1-1/2 minute sample was played.

The Moderator took charge. Printed copies of Proposed Constitutional Changes were distributed among the congregation. (See pg. 16) A motion to table the Constitutional Changes was approved by vote of "aye".

Moderator called on Rev. Brent Patrick to open the worship time by leading in prayer.

Special music was provided by Woodland Heights Singers. "He Lives in Me": "I'm a Citizen of Two Worlds": "It's Real"

A special prayer for King of Kings FWB Church was led by Rev. Larry Ross.

Dr. Bruce Barnes then recognized Virginia FWB ministers with 50 years of service to the Lord.

Present and receiving plaques at this meeting were: Rev. Bob Breeden; Rev. Don Hellms; Rev. Virgil Maness; Rev. Dave Nobles; Rev. Larry Russell; Rev. Earl Sutton

Dr. Barnes will present plaques to those ministers not present at their District Association: Rev. Milligan Herron; Rev. M.D. Hyatt; Rev. L.W. Salling; Rev. C.F. "Jack" Sprinkle.

A special time of prayer was led by Dr. Barnes who then introduced Dr. Robert Picirilli.

Using 1 John as a text, Dr. Picirilli spoke on "Who Is A Christian?"

Invitation was given while singing "Just As I Am".

Offering of \$235.00 was received and the meeting was dismissed.

Friday, June 19, 2015

Meeting began at 8:30 a.m. with Rev. Mark Crews reading Romans 8:1-11 and leading in the opening prayer.

A motion was made and approved to accept the minutes of the 2014 meeting as printed.

Dr. Barnes presented the report of the Registration and Credentials Committee. (see page 10) A motion to accept the report was approved.

Diego Cueva reported on Virginia Hispanic Missions. Average attendance on Sundays is 110 and there are 14-16 different nations represented. Continue to pray.

Gary Hill presented the report of the Treasurer. (See pages 17 & 18) A motion to accept was approved.

Don White gave the report of the Executive Board covering meetings on Feb. 27, 2015 and June 18, 2015. (see pages 11-16) A motion to accept was approved.

Dr. Bruce Barnes gave the Report of the Promotional Director. (See page 19 & 20) A motion to accept was approved by standing ovation.

Testimonies were given regarding the success of the Grace Outreach program.

Bob Brown presented the report of the Virginia Mission Board. (See page 21) A motion to accept was approved.

Rev. Dave Nobles presented Financial Reports for the Mission Board (See pages 22-23) and the Cooperative Giving Plan. (See pages 24-28) A motion to accept was approved.

Newl Dotson reported for Harvest Child Care Ministries. 65% privately placed. Continue to pray. A motion to accept as information was approved.

Rev Frank Woods reported for FWB Family Ministries and introduced Mallory White, Director of Programs and Development for the Hope Center. A motion to accept as information was approved.

The following reports were presented:

- International Ministries Clint Morgan
- Randall House David Womak
- Welch College David Williford
- FWB Foundation Todd Smith
- Executive Office Eric Thompson
- Missionary to Brazil Andy Moore
- WNAC Elizabeth Hodges
- Missionary to Portsmouth, VA Marc Nepl

Dismissed in prayer. There was a short break taken.

11 am Service

Opening Song: "Draw Me Nearer" Rejoice Ministry Team: "He's Alive"; Medley: "When I survey the Wondrous Cross" and "Amazing Love"

Dr. Picirilli read Matthew 11:28-30 and spoke on "The Demanding Yoke of Jesus"

The 2016 Northern Virginia Ministers Retreat was announced. It is scheduled for the last week of Feb. 2016 with special guest Rev. Tim York.

Dismissal prayer and grace for lunch was given by Rev. Gary Hill.

1 PM

Opened in prayer by Rev. Paul Collins.

Mark Nepl reported for North American Ministries then reported on his work in Portsmouth.

Old Business

A motion was presented form the Executive Board to elect a Virginia Representative to the Harvest Child Care Board.

The motion was approved by vote of "aye".

New Business

A motion was made and approved to remove from the table the Constitutional Changes presented at the Thursday night session.

A motion was made and approved to accept the changes regarding the Promotional Director.

A motion was made and approved to accept the changes regarding Family Ministries.

A motion was made and approved to accept the changes regarding Harvest Child Care Ministry.

A motion was made and approved to accept the changes regarding Meetings.

A motion from the Executive Board to allow the Treasurer to transfer funds in the amount of \$5000 to the Mission Board to cover their operating expenses for the coming year was approved.

The report of the Nominating committee was presented by Rev. Marty Puckett. (see page 10) A motion to accept the report and elect the slate of nominees was approved.

Delegates to the National Meeting were elected. Sis. Ann Marie Brown; Sis. Teresa Hill; Sis. Judy Castle; Sis. Patty Collins

A motion to allow newly elected Moderator, Rev. Rodger Castle to appoint additional Virginia delegates from among those present at the National Meeting was approved.

Memorial prayer was led by Rev. Davis Sexton (LeRoy Hall Jr; Kenneth Profitt; Inez Sturgill; Jackie Rasnick; Vodis Shupe, Sr.; Jack Gilliam; Bob Moore; Margaret Bryan; Pete Wilburger; John McGee; David Bundy; Bill Brock; Kyle Carter, Sr.; Lester Robinson)

A motion to dismiss and to thank to the host church for their hospitality was approved by standing vote.

Announcements were made.

Dismissed in Prayer by Rev. David Kernodle.

Thursday, June 18, 2015 11:00 am Service

Opening Song: "He's Been So Good To Me" Rejoice Ministry Team from Welch College sang:

Medley: "I Can't Feel at Home"

"I'll Fly Away"

"In the Sweet By and By"

"How Firm a Foundation"

Dr. Bruce Barnes introduced speaker, Dr. Robert Picirilli. Reading Matthew 10:17-22 Dr. Picirilli spoke on "The Gospel According to Jesus".

Jesus explained three requirements to the question "What shall I do to inherit eternal life?"

- Give away all possessions (forsake personal loyalties and preferences)
- 2) Take up your cross (death of self)
- 3) Follow me (discipleship)

Every Christian is a disciple. (Acts 11:26)

The great commission instructs us to "make disciples"

As a noun, "disciple means "follower" or "pupil"

As a verb, it means "to learn"

(Luke 14:26-17; Luke 9:23; Matthew 10: 37-38; Mark 8:34-38) Common threads:

- 1) Break (leave) anything that might be one's master.
 - a. Sin (Romans 6) Requires repentance (Mark 1:14-15)
 - b. Family (not neglect)
 - c. Mammon (materials, possessions, money, related emotional attachments)
- 2) Take up cross (self is crucified with Christ)
- Enroll in the school of Jesus and submit to the lessons he teaches.

Dismiss and grace offered by Dr. Bruce Barnes

1:00 pm Service

Opening prayer: Rev. Bob Brown

Rejoice Ministry Team: "Hosanna" and "Cornerstone"

Dr. Picirilli read James 2:14-26 and spoke on "James, Justification & Faith"

Verses 14-20 present the "negative" perspective of justification Faith (so called) that does not produce works of obedience is ineffective

- Does not save (v14)
- Is not profitable (v15-16)
- Is not visible; not demonstrated or shown (v 18)
- Is only an intellectual persuasion head not heart (v 19)
- Is dead (vv17, 19 and 26)

Verses 21-26 present the "positive" perspective of justification Saving faith (that produces works of obedience) is effective.

- Faith is made complete and whole (v 22)
- Nothing else says "I believe God" except obedience (vv21-23; ref. Genesis 22)
- Righteousness is imputed and justification is achieved (v25; ref. Joshua 2)

The faith that saves is the faith that obeys

Faith is a believing response to whatever God says.

It is the substance that takes form by works.

Obedience is the exercise of faith. Faith expresses itself in works.

Practical implications:

- Be careful about how we present the gospel. (not "easy"; count the cost)
- Be careful about how we administer assurance of salvation (must be biblical)

Be careful about how we "do" church. (Membership is a covenant relationship; we need to reinvent discipline)

2:00 pm Service

Question & Answer session with Dr. Picirilli

Q: How do you see the future of the Free Will Baptist movement? A: Need to be firm in the scriptures as God's Word and need a heightened emphasis on soul winning.

Q: How do you balance soul winning with discipleship?

A: Need to lead people beyond just "profession"

Q: What would you recommend as the best material for new converts?

A: "Six Steps to Successful Christian Living by Bobby Jackson"
"Simple Instruction of a Pastor/Teacher" by Rob Morgan
"New Convert Lessons" available from Randall House

Q: What do you suggest for handling the issue of homosexuality?

A: Remain true to the scripture.

Q: Is Sunday School still effective in discipleship?

A: Yes. Provides small group setting and a systematic approach to bible study

Q: Reason for writing the new book?

A: Personal observation of people professing without demonstrating. Expanding growth of what's called the "free grace" movement. Needed response to the question of "How much sin is tolerable?"

Q: With reference to Ephesians 2:8-9, is salvation an event or a process?

A: Yes!

7:00 pm Service

"Who Is A Christian?"

A Christian by definition:

- Is born again by faith
 - Jesus links saving faith with positive behavior in such a way that they are inseparable.
- Practices righteousness (ref: 1:6-7; 2:3-4; 2:17; 3:7)
 - John denies that saving faith is maintained in a life of sin.
- Avoids (does not practice) sin (ref: 3:8-9; 5:18; 3:10)
 - John is talking about practicing not perfecting.

Implications:

- We can distinguish between children of God and children of the devil
- This is more than just mere indication of who is who, but expressing more of what is essential in saving faith.
- Practice of righteousness and avoidance of sin is characteristic (the very nature) of a Christian.
- How to administer assurance of salvation
 - Certainly not to anyone who is living a sinful lifestyle.
 - o Not based on name, title, etc but on lifestyle.
 - Must be evidence

Friday, June 19, 2015 11 am Service

"The Demanding Yoke of Jesus"

A gracious invitation to discipleship (come; take my yoke; learn of me) Note to whom the invitation is addressed: Laborers

- To Salvation

What He requires: Submission

What He promises: Rest

- To an "easy" yoke and "light" burden

Jesus sets the example in bearing the yoke by submitting (or being obedient to) the cross

Illustrated by Sampson (Judges 16:29)

REPORTS
REPORT OF THE REGISTRATION AND CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Association	Report	# of	Fees	# of
	Received	Churches	Received	Delegates
	(Y/N)			Listed
Central	Υ	5	\$ 1,000.00	11
Clinch Valley	Υ	5	\$ 1,500.00	1
Harmony	N			
John Wheeler	Υ	14	\$ 2,800.00	3
Northern	Υ	13	\$ 2,600.00	5
Sandy Valley	Υ	3	\$ 600.00	0
Southwest	Υ	20	\$ 4000.00	2
Tidewater	N			

Registration	Number
Ministers & Deacon:	35
Delegates:	16
Visitors:	40
Total:	91

Respectfully Submitted June 19, 2015 Margaret (Pat) Evans, Chair Jean W. Horsley

THE REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Office	Nominee	Term	Replacing
		Expires	
Moderator	Rodger Castle	2016	Paul Collins
Assistant Moderator	David Sexton	2016	Rodger Castle
Treasurer	Gary HIII	2016	Gary Hill
Executive Board	Don Hellms	2020	Don Hellms
Executive Board	Mark Crews	2016	Richard Barnes
Executive Board	Larry Ross	2017	Roger Bevins
Home Mission Board	Larry Russell	2020	Larry Russell
Home Mission Board	Bob Brown	2020	Bob Brown
National Board Member	Bruce Barnes		Bruce Barnes
CTS Representative	Adam Bolin	2016	Adam Bolin
Harvest Child Care	Rodger Castle	2021	
Board			

Respectfully Submitted June 19, 2015 Marty Puckett, Chair David Mizzelle Glenn Johnson

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Meeting At: Calvary Free Will Baptist Church Time: February 27, 2015, 10 a.m.

Attending was Moderator, Rev. Paul Collins; Asst. Moderator: Rev. Rodger Castle Executive Board Members: Rev. Don Hellms; Rev. Bob Brown; Rev. Marty Puckett;

Treasurer: Rev. Gary Hill; Clerk: Rev. Don White

Promotional Director: Rev. Bruce Barnes

Mission Board Members: Rev. Glenn Johnson; Rev. David Mizzelle

Opening Prayer: Rev. Don Hellms

Devotion: Rev. Paul Collins; Romans 13:11-14 "Making the most of time." Time is short / Time to wake up / The Lord is coming / Live as in the light / Walk honestly / Put on Jesus

Minutes of the 2014 Annual Meeting were presented by Clerk, Don White. Corrections were noted and a motion to accept "as revised" was seconded and approved by vote.

The following reports were presented by Treasurer, Gary Hill.

Treasurer's Report

Beginning Balance:	\$25,501.46
Total Income:	\$81,400.46
Total Expenses:	\$95,188.70
Gross Income:	\$13,788.24
Ending Balance:	\$11,713.22

FWB Foundation

Beginning Balance:	\$45,893.70
Interest (6-30-14):	\$625.98
Interest (12-31-14):	\$644.79
Ending Balance:	\$47,164.47

• Trust

Beginning Balance:	\$35,995.58
Total Income	\$44,420.76
Total Expenses:	\$59,110.33
Gross Income:	\$-14,689.57
Ending Balance:	\$21,306.01

• Promotional Office Balance Sheet

Fees (79 X \$200):	\$ 15,800.00
Promotional Office:	\$ 75,000.00
General Fund:	\$ 1,000.00
Total Income:	\$ 91,800.00

Proposed Budget 2015-2016

Corp Fees:	\$ 25.00
National Fees:	\$11,850.00
Salaries:	\$ 300.00
Promotional Office:	\$ 75,000.00
Minutes:	\$ 300.00
Insurance:	\$1,900.00
Meeting Expenses:	\$2,000.00
Miscellaneous:	\$425.00
Total Expenses:	\$91,800.00

A motion to accept the report was made and seconded. After discussions and clarifications the motion was amended to include authorization for the Treasurer to spend up to \$500.00 to purchase book-keeping software. The motion was approved unanimously.

Dr. Bruce Barnes presented the Report of the Promotional Director.

- Second year of full-time Promotional Office is already realizing various blessings spiritually, individually, associationally and congregationally.
- Thankful for the advancement of understanding, purpose and direction for our people in the state.
- Generated 81% of needed income for the office to date since June 1.
- Expenses are above average to date. Expenses to the National Meeting
 were higher this year as well as a 25% increase in travel over last year. If
 expenses continue in this trend the office will be over budget some
 \$4000.00 for the year.
- Full funding will require an additional \$270.00 per week in support
 - Honorariums are helping
 - o Church budget support is low and possible maxing out
 - Greatest potential is Fast-Snackers (need 116 at \$10 per month)
 - 100% funding is within reach; Need to encourage giving even more
- Still have a number of churches to visit but making second and third rounds to conferences
- Since June, held services 36 out of 38 weekends
- Currently seven churches using the Grace Outreach program
- One VBS scheduled as well as several Sunday School seminars
- New Kia Optima Hybrid averages over 40 MPG. 2013-2014 drove over 28,000 miles. Savings will be significant
- Working with CTS director, Adam Bolin to bring interest to youth competition in Virginia
- GRACE Outreach software app is in early development. Hope to be presented at 2016 Executive Planning Meeting. A "basic level" version to be made available at no charge to all Virginia Churches. Supporters of more than \$1000 will be offered a "Premium" version.

Paul Collins suggested that submitting a Sunday School Seminar syllabus and event documents to the Insurance Company may secure a discount in premiums.

A motion to accept the report of the Promotional Director was approved by vote of "aye" with no opposition.

Rev. Marty Puckett moved that the housing allowance for the Promotional Office be reduced to \$25,000.

The motion was seconded by Rev. Bob Brown and it was approved unanimously.

A motion to recognize several individuals at the next State Meeting for 50 years or more of ministry was made by Rev. Rodger Castle, seconded by Rev. Bob Brown and approved by vote of "ave" with no opposition.

The following list of names was suggested.

Bob Breeden; Don Hellms; Dave Nobles; Virgil Maness; C.F. "Jack" Sprinkle; N.N. Jennings Dotson; David Neitch.

Dr. Barnes was asked to verify and add others as appropriate.

Rev. Bob Brown reported for the Home Missions Board.

- Roanoke & Crosspointe are both now self-supporting.
- Continuing works:
 - o Jason Weaver, Winchester
 - Diego Cueva, VA Hispanic works
 - Paul Collins, Harrisonburg
- New Works
 - Mark Nepl with Kevin Bass, Portsmouth
 - David Osborne, Wytheville
- On-line Reporting
- Candidates using evaluation testing developed by National Association
- Short term help existing church planters
- Long term Be more proactive. Do research, find target areas, then recruit men.
- For information: Note that we will need to elect 2 Board members this year (terms expire for Rev. Larry Russell and Rev. Bob Brown.)

A motion to accept the Home Missions Board report was approved by vote of "aye" with no opposition.

CTS report was presented via email from Adam Bolin. Account is above \$500.00; getting more organized as a state work. Motion to accept was approved by vote of "aye" with no opposition.

Free Will Baptist Family Ministries report was emailed but not received until after the meeting had adjourned.

- 109 young people made decision for Christ and 10 followed Him in baptism in 2014
- 109 babies born to ladies served through the HOPE center
- 102 young people graduated from our Adolescent Alcohol and Drug Program
- Ministry expanded into the Charleston and Fort Worth area of Arkansas through the Maggie House to serve individual children as well as sibling groups.

Appointed Nominating Committee: Rev. Marty Puckett, Chair, Rev. David Mizelle, Rev. Glenn Johnson

Rev. Barnes was asked to contact Rev. Stanley Waddell for names to serve on the Registration and Credentials Committee.

A motion was made that the 2016 annual meeting convene with the Tidewater Association at the Good News FWB Church, Richmond VA, Rev. Glenn Johnson, Pastor. The motion was approved unanimously.

The following nominees are recommended:

- Moderator: Rev. Rodger Castle
- Assistant Moderator: Rev. David Mizelle
- Treasurer: Rev. Gary Hill

- Executive Board
 - o 2015: Rev. Don Helms (to replace himself)
 - 2016: Rev. David Sexton (to replace Rev. Richard Barnes retiring)
 - 2017: Rev. Larry Ross (to replace Rev. Roger Bevins retiring)
- Home Mission Board
 - 2015: Rev. Larry Russell (to replace himself)
 - o 2015: Rev. Bob Brown (to replace himself)
- National Board: Dr. Bruce Barnes
- CTS: Bro. Adam Bolin.

Reviewed and discussed Harvest Child Care's answers to submitted questions in consideration of a state representative on their Board of Directors. Rev. Marty Puckett moved to elect a member and it was seconded by Rev. Don Hellms. The motion was approved by vote of "aye" with no opposition. Rev. Paul Collins was suggested to serve in this position.

A motion was made to seat the following sub-committee to develop wording for constitutional changes allowing the new position and to change Promotional "Secretary" to Promotional "Director" for all occurrences.

Rev. Paul Collins, Rev. Bob Brown, Rev. Marty Puckett, Rev. Gary Hill, Rev. Rodger Castle, Rev. Bruce Barnes

The motion was approved by vote of "aye" with no opposition.

A revised schedule for the 2015 session was proposed.

- Preaching at 11 am, 1 pm & 7 pm on Thursday and 11 am on Friday
- Workshops at 2 pm on Thursday
- Replace Friday afternoon devotion with scripture reading.

A motion to accept the new schedule was approved by vote of "aye" with no opposition.

After some discussion, a motion was made by Rev. Bob Brown to adopt the following theme and schedule for the 2015 meeting and to extend an invitation to Dr. Robert Picirilli to bring all the messages.

Discipleship: The Expression of Saving Faith

- Discipleship: Model (11 am Thursday)
- Discipleship: Faith and Works (1 pm Thursday)
- Q & A with Dr. Picirilli (2 pm Thursday)
- Discipleship and Sanctification (7 pm Thursday)
- What is a follower of Christ? (11 am Friday)

The motion was seconded by Rev. Don White and approved by vote of "aye" with no opposition.

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Don White.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Meeting at: Woodland Heights Free Will Baptist church

Time: Thursday, June 18, 2015, 8 am

Attending: Bruce Barnes; Rodger Castle; Bob Brown; Marty Puckett; Don Hellms; Gary Hill; Don White

Welcome by Moderator, Paul Collins.

Opening prayer with special petition for the Church at Charleston, SC where a shooting took place was led by Bruce Barnes.

Devotion: Paul Collins, Ephesians 5:15-21

- 1. Make the most of every opportunity
- 2. Understand the will of the Lord
- 3. Be filled with the Spirit

Prayer: Paul Collins

Clerk, Don White presented the minutes from the Feb. 27, 2015 planning meeting. Corrections were noted and the minutes were approved.

Treasure, Gary Hill presented his report for review. It will be presented for approval in the state meeting while in session.

There is \$9,203.36 in the general checking account (to-date).

There is \$12,175.79 in the Promotional Office account (to-date).

Reviewed schedule for the state meeting.

A motion was made and approved that the location for the 2016 State Meeting be with the Good News FWB Church in Chesterfield, VA.

Reviewed names submitted by this Board to the nominating committee.

A motion was made that if the voting body approved the constitutional changes adding as an elected position a representative from the Virginia State Association to the Board of Harvest Child Care Ministry, that Rodger Castle be submitted to the nominating committee for that position. Motion was approved.

Rev. Rodger Castle reported that The State Mission Board has proposed an annual "Lovers of Missions" offering to help cover the expenses of State Mission Board meetings. He moved that the Executive Board endorse this action in support of the Mission Board. Don Hellms seconded the motion and it was approved by vote if "aye".

After a brief discussion Gary Hill moved to give the Mission Board \$5000 from the State general account to help cover their operating costs for the coming year. Bob Brown seconded and the motion was approved.

Bob Brown presented copies of Proposed Constitutional Changes. Wording was clarified.

1. Regarding the Promotional Director:

- Article IV Section C Items 7, 7a and 7c: Change the word "Secretary" to the word "Director".
- Article IV Section C Item 7b: insert the words "under contract of employment" after the word "duties" (He will perform his duties under contract of employment at the direction of and in cooperation with the Executive Board.)
- Article IV Section C Items 7: Add "d. The promotional director shall represent the Virginia State Association, Inc. as the General Board Member of the National Association of Free Will Baptists, Inc. Note: This in no means affects the Standing Rule #14 concerning the General Board Member to the National Association of Free Will Baptists, Inc."
- Article IV Section C Items 7: Add "e. The promotional Director shall serve on all State Boards in an advisory role."

2. Regarding Family Ministries:

- Article IV Section C Items 8b: Change the word "He" to "He/She"
- Article IV Section C Item 8c: Change the word "They" to "He/She"

3. Regarding Harvest Child Care Ministry:

- Article IV Section C Add Item "9. Board Member for Harvest Child Care Ministry a. It shall be the duty of the one elected to serve as a full member of the Harvest Official Board. b. He/she shall at all times represent the interests of Virginia Free Will Baptists in the overall ministry. c. He/she shall serve for a period of six (6) years."

4. Regarding Meetings:

- Article V Section A Item 2. Change "7:30 p.m." to 7:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Bob Brown and seconded by Rodger Castle to accept and present copies to the voting body. The motion was approved by vote of "aye".

Bruce Barnes previewed his report that will be given during the State Meeting and it was received as information.

Motion to give Dr. Picirilli an honorarium in the amount of \$500 was approved by vote of "ave".

Dismissed in prayer by Marty Puckett.

Virginia Association of Free Will Baptist Treasurer's Report

June 1, 2015 through May 31, 2015

(Presented at State meeting June 18-19, 2015)

Income

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Fees:		<u>Expenses</u>	
Central Va.	\$ 1000.00	Corp. Fee	25.00
Clinch Valley	1,400.00	National Fees	11,100.00
Harmony	600.00	Promotion Office	18,517.86
John Wheeler	2,800.00	Promotion Salary	28,753.34
Northern Va.	2,600.00	Promotion Housing	31,246.66
Sandy Valley	600.00	Officer Salaries	
Southwest Va.	4,000.00		
Tidewater	<u>2,2 00.00</u>		
	\$ 15,200.00		
State Offering	190.00		
General Fund	200.00		
Promotion Office	57,168.08		
Foundation Acct.	10,000.00	Insurance**	1,897.00
Total Income	\$82,758.08	Leadership Conference	672.14
		Minutes	225.34
		Speakers	600.00
Beginning Balance	\$25,501.46	Executive Meeting Expense	3,157.41
Gross Income		Bank Charge (New Checks)	69.53
WWW 1500 WWW 160	-\$13,828.09	Office Supplies	21.89
Ending Balance	\$11,673.37	Total Expenses	\$ 96,586.17

FWB Foundation Trust:

Beginning Balance	\$45,893.70
Interest (6-30-14)	625.98
(12-31-14)	644.79
Transfer to General Acct	10,000.00
(3-18-15)	
Total Balance	\$37,164.47

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VA Association FWB Promotion Office Balance Sheet

June 1, 2013 - May 31, 2015

(Presented at State meeting June 18-19, 2015)

Beginning Balance: \$35,995.58

Income: \$57,168.08

Expenses:

 Housing
 \$31,246.66

 Salary
 28,753.34

 Promotion Office
 18,517.86

 Total
 \$78,517.86

Total -\$21,349.78

Ending Balance \$14,645.80

TO THE VIRGINIA STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS 2014-2015 REPORT OF THE PROMOTIONAL OFFICE

In Matthew 11:4-5, Christ responds to a question asked by John, the Baptist by saying, "...Go and shew John again those things which ye do hear and see: The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them." Jesus took the time to show John that the things Messiah was called on to do were taking place in actuality.

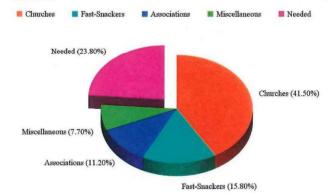
In like manner, you have a right to know that the promotional office is accomplishing what it was established to achieve. This report will show that the things this office has been called on to do are taking place in actuality.

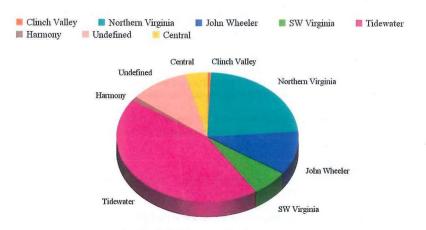
MINISTRY WORK

- · Preaching every weekend and holding promotional services
- Ministering 50 out of 52 weekends for the state
- Traveling 42,000 miles for Virginia
- Communicating through the website, Plumbline, and e-News
- Advising and helping churches strengthen constitutions and bylaws
- Preaching revivals and teaching Sunday school seminars
- Establishing GRACE Outreach in churches
- Helping churches without pastors
- Advising pastors as called upon
- Ministering to pastoral families
- Serving on the National General Board for Virginia
- Serving this year on the National Nominating Committee
- Encouraging pastors, congregations, and associations
- Promoting unity among us and a greater connection to each other across the state

BUDGET FIGURES

- Raised a record number of funds totaling \$57,168.08
- Leaves a fund-raising/budget shortfall of \$17,831.12
- Expenses exceeded the budget by \$3,517.86
- Fund-raising shortfall and excess budget expenses account for the \$21,349.78 deficit
- Still having \$14,645.80 available in reserve funding, this is a crunch year where full funding must be realized





MEANS TO FULFILL FUND-RAISING GOALS: Retain all present giving levels and commit to raising 23.8% more funds equaling \$17,831.12. This money could be raised through the following...

- By challenging each association to increase giving by \$500.00 (either through the association or a church budgeting the promotional office)
- By finding 50 new Fast-Snackers which will raise \$6,000
- By helping the promotional office sell 1,000 CDs which will raise \$10,000

2015-2016 EMPHASIS

GRACE Outreach

My most sincere thanks go out to all of you for making this ministry possible. With your continued prayers and support, the Virginia Promotional Office will serve all of our collective needs and honor our Savior. God bless you all.

Your servant, D. Bruce Barnes

VIRGINIA HOME MISSION BOARD REPORT

To the Virginia State Meeting June 19, 2015

This has been a very exciting year for the VAHMB and we believe 2016 is going to be even more so.

Sexton

The work in Suffolk has gone self-supporting last fall. David and Mark did a tremendous job getting this church to its present point.

Collins

The work in Harrisonburg is continuing to grow. In 2013 the National Home Missions Board unfortunately released the church from its watch-care we believe too early. Since that time we have undertaken its support 100% to be sure we have a firmly grounded self-sustaining work. Paul Collins has done an outstanding job and has stayed the course. We will see this church in going self-supporting probably within the next year.

Cueva

The Hispanic work continues to flourish in Northern Virginia. Diego Cueva has consistently proven to be a hard worker and tremendous soul-winner. The work in Woodbridge continues to grow and is now about 50% + supporting its ministries.

Weaver

The work in Winchester is underway. Jason and Holley have a new baby and most of us realize this is a great way to grow a church. Jason has been renting space to this point but is looking for the right opportunity to purchase in the near future.

Marc Neppl

Marc is well underway and working extremely hard toward raising his support for the beginning of his work in establishing a church again in the city of Portsmouth. He as recruited some spectacular help and I believe we will very soon be hearing of great things happening there.

David Osborne

David is our newest addition to Virginia's ministry outreach. David is working to plant a church in the Wytheville area. He was been working a job until end of April when he and his wife had another child and now has come full-time as a Joint Project with National Home Missions. If David gives you a call please allow him to come to your church and try to find a way to support the important work he is doing in planting a church in southwest Virginia.

Graciously Submitted,

Robert W. (Bob) Brown Chairman VAHMB

19 June 2015

VIRGINIA STATE HOME MISSIONS

Balance Sheet For All Accounts Through 5/31/2015

ASSETS

ASSETS	
Account Balances: CHECKING FOUNDATION	\$2,908.55 \$29,663.22
TOTAL ASSETS	\$32,571.77
LIABILITIES Liabilities	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$0.00
EQUITY	
Fund Balance/Other Equity Other Equity	\$0.00
COLLINS GENERAL FUND COLLINS LAND FUND GENERAL FUND HISPANIC GENERAL FUND ROANOKE GENERAL FUND SEXTON GENERAL FUND WEAVER GENERAL FUND TOTAL FUNDS	\$12,823.79 \$2,297.13 \$7,277.55 \$5,881.35 (\$0.00) \$0.00 \$4,791.95
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	\$32,571.77

VIRGINIA STATE HOME MISSIONS

Profit And Loss Statement 6/1/2014 Through 5/31/2015

INCOME

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COLLINS GENERAL INCOME	\$8,269.56
COLLINS LAND INCOME	\$1,461.00
GENERAL FUND INCOME	\$10,196.37
HISPANIC GENERAL INCOME	\$59,576.00
SEXTON GENERAL INCOME	\$2,281.00
WEAVER GENERAL INCOME	\$1,696.00

Total Income:

\$83,479.93

EXPENSE

Expense

COLLINS GENERAL EXPENSE	\$5,800.00
COLLINS LAND EXPENSE	\$1,200.00
GENERAL FUND EXPENSE	\$6,205.32
HISPANIC GENERAL EXPENS	\$60,771.60
SEXTON GENERAL EXPENSE	\$20,336.36
SEXTON LAND EXPENSE	\$59.00

Total Expense:

\$94,372.28

Net Profit or Loss: (\$10,892.35)

VIRGINIA STATE FWB ASSOCIATION

Balance Sheet For All Accounts Through 5/31/2015

ASSETS

MODETO	
Account Balances:	
CHECKING	\$100.00
FOUNDATION	\$14,700.30
SAVINGS	\$7,073.55
TOTAL ASSETS	\$21,873.85
LIABILITIES	
Liabilities	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$0.00
EQUITY	
Fund Balance/Other Equity	
Other Equity	\$0.00
COLLEGES FUND	\$543.35
COLLINS BUILDING FUND	\$100.00
COLLINS GENERAL FUND	\$1,265.80
HISPANIC GENERAL FUND	(\$0.00)
INTEREST FUND	\$596.74
INTERNAT MISSIONS FUND	\$2,028.75
MINISTRIES IN VA FUND	\$3,038.75
NAT HOME MISSIONS FUND	\$4,631.96
NAT MINISTRIES FUND	\$40.00
OTHER MISSIONS FUND	\$3,063.64
ROANOKE GENERAL FUND	(\$0.00)
SEXTON GENERAL FUND	\$0.00
VA STATE GENERAL FUND	\$3,747.72
VA STATE OFFICE FUND	\$33.80
VA STATE PROMO FUND	\$2,596.69
WEAVER FUND	\$440.00
TOTAL FUNDS	\$22,127.20
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	\$22,127.20

VIRGINIA STATE FWB ASSOCIATION

Profit And Loss Statement 6/1/2014 Through 5/31/2015

INCOME

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ncome	
Adventurers For Christ Inc	\$1,000.00
BBN Inc	\$160.00
Bailey Don Inc	\$20.00
Bryan Robert Inc	\$810.00
Camp Jacob Inc	\$1,900.00
Campus Crusade Inc	\$600.00
Carenet Inc	\$1,112.50
Collins Building Inc	\$1,336.00
Collins General Inc	\$6,452.49
Corlatta Candy Inc	\$35.00
Crabtree Jeff Inc	\$300.00
Crosspoint Inc	\$35.00
Dethridge Joshua Inc	\$100.00
Edgmon Anthony Inc	\$100.00
Ekyushu Nikolay Inc	\$1,800.00
Elliott Daniel Inc	\$378.35
FWB Bible College Inc	\$677.00
Falcianu Jora Inc	\$900.00
Family Ministries Inc	\$2,212.50
Gainer Mirial Inc	\$290.00
Gateway Global Miss Inc	\$60.00
Gwen Hendrix Hisp Bib Inc	\$40.00
Hall Allen Inc	\$200.00
Hanna Carlisle Inc	\$210.00
Harvest Child Care Inc	\$4,932.09
Henley Chip Inc	\$900.00
Hispanic General Inc	\$9,776.00
Hudson Larry Inc	\$330.00
Huff Jason Inc	\$25.00
Interest Inc	\$596.74
International Miss Gen Inc	\$4,853.98
Kivette Chad Inc	\$173.35
Kovach Zhora Inc	\$1,800.00
Lemelin George Inc	\$660.00
Mann Daniel Inc	\$800.00
McDonald Donnie Inc	\$500.00
Moldova Medical Clinic Inc	\$1,200.00
Moore Andy Inc	\$15.00
National Home Miss Gen Inc	\$100.00
Neppl Marc Inc	\$1,175.00
Osborne David Inc	\$4,447.04
Paunov Vitaly Inc	\$1,800.00
Reece David Inc	\$80.26
Reynolds Bill Building Inc	\$4,133.00
Reynolds Bill Inc	\$1,043.35
Reynon Ferdinand Inc	\$75.00
Riggs Mark Inc	\$20.00
Roanoke Bevins Inc	\$270.00
Scott Myron Inc	\$203.35
Sexton General Inc	\$1,696.00
Southeast FWB College Inc	\$600.00
Thomas Mark Inc	\$1,438.35
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VIRGINIA STATE FWB ASSOCIATION

Profit And Loss Statement 6/1/2014 Through 5/31/2015

Income

Tvardista John Inc	\$1,800.00
VA State General Inc	\$4,727.20
VA State Office Inc	\$200.00
VA State Promo Direct Inc	\$11,370.38
Weaver Jason Inc	\$2,001.00
Wire Transfer Fee GGM Inc	\$240.00
Wise Co. Christian Inc	\$1,660.00
Wright Randall Inc	\$150.00
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Total Income:

\$86,520.93

EXPENSE

Expense

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Advent	urers For Christ Exp	\$1,000.00
BBN Ex	(p	\$400.00
Bailey I	Don Exp	\$50.00
Bowling	Rick Exp	\$1,000.00
Bryan F	Robert Exp	\$540.00
Camp .	lacob Exp	\$1,750.00
Campu	s Crusade Exp	\$600.00
Carene	t Exp	\$1,112.50
Collins	Building Exp	\$1,461.00
Collins	General Exp	\$8,249.56
Corlatta	Candy Exp	\$40.00
Crabtre	e Jeff Exp	\$450.00
Dethrid	ge Joshua Exp	\$730.98
Edgmoi	n Anthony Exp	\$730.98
Ekyush	u Nikolay Exp	\$1,800.00
Elliott D	aniel Exp	\$353.35
FWB Bi	ble College Exp	\$869.75
Falcian	u Jora Exp	\$900.00
Family I	Ministries Exp	\$2,362.50
Friends	Of India Exp	\$15.00
Gainer I	Mirial Exp	\$280.00
Gatewa	y Global Miss Exp	\$65.00
Gwen H	lendrix Hisp Bibl Exp	\$40.00
Hall Alle	en Exp	\$500.00
Hanna (Carlisle Exp	\$190.00
Harvest	Child Care Exp	\$4,660.23
Henley !	Chip Exp	\$900.00
Hispanie	c General Exp	\$9,776.00
Hudson	Larry Exp	\$310.00
Huff Jas	on Exp	\$25.00
Internati	onal Miss Gen Exp	\$4,623.13
Kivette (Chad Exp	\$173.35
Kovach	Zhora Exp	\$1,800.00
Lemelin	George Exp	\$690.00
Mann Da	aniel Exp	\$900.00
McDona	ld Donnie Exp	\$1,025.00
Moldova	Medical Clinic Exp	\$1,200.00
Moore A	indy Exp	\$25.00

VIRGINIA STATE FWB ASSOCIATION

Profit And Loss Statement 6/1/2014 Through 5/31/2015

Ex	ner	150
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National Home Miss Gen Exp	\$100.00
Neppl Marc Exp	\$220.00
Osborne David Exp	\$1,647.08
Patel Hemant Exp	\$5.00
Paunov Vitaly Exp	\$1,800.00
Reece David Exp	\$74.87
Revnolds Bill Building Exp	\$4,498.00
Reynolds Bill Exp	\$858.35
Reynon Ferdinand Exp	\$239.35
Riggs Mark Exp	\$20.00
Roanoke Bevins Exp	\$1,090.98
Rogers Doug Exp	\$10.00
Scott Myron Exp	\$203.35
Sexton General Exp	\$2,501.00
Southeast FWB College Exp	\$100.00
Thomas Mark Exp	\$1,468.35
Tvardista John Exp	\$1,800.00
VA State General Exp	\$4,403.02
VA State Office Exp	\$200.00
VA State Promo Direct Exp	\$11,079.34
Weaver Jason Exp	\$1,716.00
Wire Transfer Fee GGM Exp	\$240.00
Wise Co. Christian Exp	\$1,640.00
World Vision Exp	\$45.00
Wright Randall Exp	\$375.00
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Total Expense:

\$87,933.02

Net Profit or Loss:

(\$1,412.09)

6/8/2015

Contributors And Amounts 6/1/2014 THROUGH 5/31/2015 Note: This report does not contain non-cash donations. It matches Statement Amounts.

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Name	Amount	Env#	Address	City	State	Zip
Ladies Aux. Adwolfe FWB	\$120.00	CONTRACT FORM	2055 Riverside Road	Marion	Virginia	24354
Tidewater Association	\$3,400.00	29	102 Corbin Dr	Newport News	Virginia	23606
Faith FWB Church Osborne	\$2,151.28		377 Shaw Road	Rural Retreat	Virginia	24368
Casa De Dios	\$150.00		3713 Pennington Lane	Woodbridge	Virginia	22192
Adwolfe FWB Church	\$1,166.75		114 Short Street	Marion	Virginia	24354
Bethel FWB Church	\$11,705.50	1	3713 Pennington Lane	Woodbridge	Virginia	22192
Bloss FWB Church	\$1,289.30	2	716 N. Barton Street	Arlington	Virginia	22201
Cardwell Town FWB Church	\$1,154.20		P.O. Box 1083	Saltville	Virginia	24370
Central FWB Church	\$6,828.00	3	P.O. Box 621	Norton	Virginia	24273
Cornerstone FWB Church	\$75.00		300 Henson Lane	Bristol	Tennessee	37620
Crosspointe FWB Church	\$779.06	. ,	2460 Pruden Blvd	Suffolk	Virginia	23434
Elkton FWB Church	\$1,800.00		P. O. Box 298	Elkton	Virginia	22827
Gateway FWB Church	\$5,795.00		5473 Virginia Beach Boulevard	Virginia Beach	Virginia	23462
Good News FWB Church	\$19,766.00	37	5200 Courthouse Road	Chesterfield	Virginia	23832
Grace FWB Church	\$11,781.06		9459 Poindexter Road	Louisa	Virginia	23093
Harrisonburg FWB Church	\$700.00		794 Gail Crist Drive	Harrisonburg	Virginia	22802
Heritage FWB Church	\$1,010.00		12500 Chewning Lane	Fredericksburg	Virginia	22407
Liberty FWB Church	\$300.00		279 Rowland Creek Lane	Marion	Virginia	24354
ighthouse FWB Church	\$2,048.53		942 Burks Hill Road	Bedford	Virginia	24523
Macedonia FWB Church	\$1,159.00		P.O. Box 958	Sparta	North Carolina	28675
Providence FWB Church	\$3,316.25		731 East Little Back River Road	Hampton	Virginia	23669
Shiloh FWB Church	\$5,700.00		21503 Benhams Road	Bristol	Virginia	24202
Jnity FWB Church	\$3,179.00	30	P O Box 15575	Chesapeake	Virginia	23322
Woodland Heights FWB Chu	\$240.00		1772 Northfork Road C/O Nancy Gauldin	Martinsville	Virginia	24112
eon & Faye Heath	\$100.00		719 Sunset Drive	Chilhowie	Virginia	24319
SW Quart. John Wheeler Ass	\$80.26		9458 Reedy Creek Road	Bristol	Virginia	24202
Maudie Lucas	\$30.00		200 6th St NW APT 802	Norton	Virginia	24273

AVERAGE: \$3,178.67 TOTAL GIVING: \$85,824.19 COUNT: 27

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION

Moderator: Rev. Larry Ross 1560 Oakwood St. Bedford, VA 24523 540-587-8963 Clerk: Brenda G. Burks 1089 Bell Hill Rd. Big Island, VA 24526 434-299-5719

Total Number of Churches	5
Total Number of Churches in city/town	1
Total Number of Churches rural	4
Total Number of Churches reporting	5
Churches with Full time pastors	1
Churches with bi-vocational pastors	4
Total Baptisms	
Total Members Added	12
Total members lost	8
Total membership	
Total Income for all churches (2 churches reporting)	\$121,592.72
Total number of Churches with budgets	
Total number of Churches with parsonages	2
Total value of all church property (3 churches reporting)\$1	
Total number of ordained ministers	
Total number of licensed ministers	
Total number of ordained deacons	
Total number of churches with daycares	
Total number of churches with Kindergartens	
Total number of churches with Christian Day School	
Total number of churches with Bible Institutes	
Total number of churches with Colleges	
Sunday School Enrollment	
Total CTS enrollment	
Total WNAC enrollment	
Total Masters Men enrollment	
Number of state association minutes requested	
Amount of representation fees enclosedto b	oe sent later

Central Association Cont'd

	<u> </u>
Charity FWB	Pastor: Curtis Ashley
415 Orchard Dr.	289 Orchard Drive
Bassett, VA 24055	Bassett, VA 24055
276-629-5722	276-629-8712
Chestnut Hill FWB	Pastor: Roger Bevins
13771 Lee-Jackson Hwy.	17195 Big Islang Hwy.
Big Island, VA 24526	Big Island, VA 24526
434-299-5066	434-660-789
King of Kings FWB	Pastor: Brandon Baber
12371 E. Lynchburg-Salem Tnpk.	1695 Founding Way Rd.
Forest, VA 24551	Bedford, VA 24523
434-525-7244	540-587-6555
Lighthouse FWB 924 Burks Hill Rd. Bedford, VA 24523	Pastor: Larry Ross 1560 Oakwood St. Bedford, VA 24523 540-587-8962
Woodland Heights FWB	Pastor: Stanley Waddell
1995 Old Chatham Rd.	1513 Grandview Rd.
Martinsville, VA 24112	Martinsville, VA 24112
276-634-0995	276-340-7906

Other Preachers:

Curior i reactione.	
Bob Breeden	Phil Stevens
1147 Woodland Ave.	64 Lindsay Lane
Buena Vista, VA 24416	Rustburg, VA 24588
540-261-1043	434-332-3636

CLINCH VALLEY ASSOCIATION

Moderator: Lonnie Townsend 135 Blueberry Ridge Dr. Duffield, VA 24244 276-431-4504 Clerk: Evelyn C. Herron 5660 Orebank Rd. Kingsport, TN 37664 423-288-8490

Total Number of Churches	5
Total Number of Churches in city/town	0
Total Number of Churches rural	5
Total Number of Churches reporting	5
Churches with Full time pastors	2
Churches with bi-vocational pastors	3
Total Baptisms	4
Total Members Added	0
Total members lost	4
Total membership	
Total Income for all churches (6 churches reporting)	
Total number of Churches with budgets	
Total number of Churches with parsonages	0
Total value of all church property (4 churches reporting)	.\$600,000.00
Total number of ordained ministers	
Total number of licensed ministers	
Total number of ordained deacons	
Total number of churches with daycares	
Total number of churches with Kindergartens	
Total number of churches with Christian Day School	0
Total number of churches with Bible Institutes	
Total number of churches with Colleges	
Sunday School Enrollment	
Total CTS enrollment	
Total WNAC enrollment	
Total Masters Men enrollment	
Number of state association minutes requested	
Amount of representation fees enclosed	\$1150.00

Clinch Valley Association Cont'd. - Midway Quarterly Conference

Officer valicy Association Cont. a. Midway Quarterly Conference	
Moderator:	Clerk:
Roger Herron	Evelyn C. Herron
5660 Orebank Rd.	5660 Orebank Rd.
Kingsport, TN 37664	Kingsport, TN 37664
423-288-8490	423-288-8490
Bishop Memorial FWB Hill Station Alley Rd. Gate City, VA 24251	Pastor: Daryle Hurd 449 Fraley Ave. Duffield, VA 24244 276-431-1121
Valley View FWB	Pastor: L.W. Salling 12890 Veterans Mem. Hwy.
Dungannon, VA 24245	Ft. Blackmore, VA 24250 276-995-2311

Sunbright Quarterly Conference

Sumbright Quarterly Conference	
Moderator: Jackie Frazier 2127 Ford Branch Rd. Duffield, VA 24244 276-940-2999	Clerk: Martha Townsend 3218 Mabe Stanleytown Rd. Duffield, VA 24244 276-431-2302
Bowen's Chapel FWB P.O. Box 54 Duffield, VA 24244	Pastor: William Bowen P.O. Box 54 Duffield, VA 24244 276-431-2533
Mabe's Chapel FWB 3218 Mabe Stanleytown Rd. Duffield, VA 24244	Pastor: Lonnie Townsend 135 Blueberry Ridge Dr. Duffield, VA 24244 276-431-4504
Red Hill FWB 1674 Red Hill Rd. Gate City, VA 24251	Pastor: Vernon McDavid 623 Horton Summit Rd. Duffield, VA 24244 276-431-2530

Clinch Valley Association, Sunbright Quarterly Conference Cont'd. Other Preachers

Kyle Akers	Charles Puckett
2189 Bishoptown Rd.	641 Mayfield Ave.
Duffield, VA 24244	Kingsport, TN 37665
276-940-2215	423-384-7105
Michael Herron	Milligan Herron
5660 Orebank Rd.	3545 Red Hill Rd.
Kingsport, TN 37664	Gate City, VA 24251
423-288-8490	276-452-4640
M. D. Hyatt	Nathan Jackson, Jr.
183 Hillcrest Circle	124 Chateaugay Rd.
Jonesborough, TN 37659	Kingsport, TN 37660
423-753-2240	423-288-1983
Carl Rogers	Paul Smith
579 Holcomb Hollow Rd.	3496 Red Hill Rd.
Big Stone Gap, VA 24219	Gate City, VA 24251
276-523-1781	276-452-2215
Licensed Minister	
Robert Dockery	
9999 Clinch River Hwy.	
Ft. Blackmore, VA 24250	

HARMONY ASSOCIATION

Moderator: Terry Rhoten 552 Pendletons Chapel Lane Ft. Blackmore, VA 24250 276-995-2661

Clerk: Lennis France 4745 Memorial Blvd. Kingsport, TN 37664 423-288-7039

Total Number of Churches	3
Total Number of Churches in city/town	0
Total Number of Churches rural	
Total Number of Churches reporting	3
Churches with Full time pastors	1
Churches with bi-vocational pastors	0
Total Baptisms	2
Total Members Added	0
Total members lost	0
Total membership	
Total Income for all churches	
Total number of Churches with budgets	0
Total number of Churches with parsonages	
Total value of all church property	\$400,000.00
Total number of ordained ministers	
Total number of licensed ministers	
Total number of ordained deacons	
Total number of churches with daycares	
Total number of churches with Kindergartens	
Total number of churches with Christian Day School	
Total number of churches with Bible Institutes	
Total number of churches with Colleges	0
Sunday School Enrollment	
Total CTS enrollment	
Total WNAC enrollment	
Total Masters Men enrollment	
Number of state association minutes requested	
Amount of representation fees enclosed	\$500.00

Harmony Association Cont'd

Durham's Chapel FWB Durham's Chapel Lane Clinchport, VA 24244 276-995-2661	Pastor: Terry Rhoten 522 Pendletons Chapel Lane Ft. Blackmore, VA 24250 276-995-2661
Starnes Bend FWB 8857 Clinch River Hwy. Ft. Blackmore, VA 24250	Pastor:
New Beginning FWB 184 Morningstar Rd. Church Hill, TN 37642 423-288-7039	Pastor:

JOHN WHEELER ASSOCIATION

Moderator: Rodger Castle 5905 Cochise Trail Kingsport, TN 37664 423-323-9234 Clerk: Donald W. White 1762 Pittstown rd. Bristol, VA 24201 276-669-3604

Total Number of Churches	14
Total Number of Churches in city/town	
Total Number of Churches rural	
Total Number of Churches reporting	
Churches with Full time pastors	
Churches with bi-vocational pastors	
Total Baptisms	
Total Members Added	
Total members lost	
Total membership	
Total Income for all churches	\$420,092.42
Total number of Churches with budgets	6
Total number of Churches with parsonages	1
Total value of all church property	
Total number of ordained ministers	23
Total number of licensed ministers	4
Total number of ordained deacons	44
Total number of churches with daycares	0
Total number of churches with Kindergartens	0
Total number of churches with Christian Day School	1
Total number of churches with Bible Institutes	0
Total number of churches with Colleges	
Sunday School Enrollment	398
Total CTS enrollment	45
Number of state association minutes requested	40
Amount of representation fees enclosed	\$2,800.00

John Wheeler Association Cont'd. - Northeastern Quarterly Conference

John Wheeler Association Cont d Northeastern Quarterly Conference		
Adwolfe FWB 1032 Grubmore Rd. Marion, VA 24354	Pastor: Bob Surber 195 Morningstar Road Abingdon, VA 24210 276-676-3540	
Cardwelltown FWB Route 2, Box 117 Saltville, VA 24370	Pastor: Mark Baumgardner 27413 Denton Valley Rd. Abingdon, VA 24211 Ph. 276-475-6016	
Faith FWB Church Wytheville, VA	Rev. David Osborne 337 Shaw Road Rural Retreat, VA 24368 276-620-6294	
Heavenly Hope FWB Marion, VA	Pastor: Bobby Collins 28559 Poor Valley Rd. Saltville, VA 24370 276-944-5320	
Liberty FWB Route 5, Box 448 Marion, VA 24354	Pastor: Jimmy Taylor 242 Barbrow Hollow Road Saltville, VA 24370 Ph. 276-496-5423	
Macedonia FWB Saltville, VA 24354	Pastor: Clarence Frye 723 Free Will Lane Saltville, VA 24370 276-496-5645	
Macedonia FWB 1764 Pine Swamp Road Sparta, NC	Pastor: Eddie Foster 446 Pugh Mountain Rd. Marion, VA 24354 276-783-8642	

Other Preachers:

David Neitch	
121 Colonial Heights Dr.	Robert Prater
Marion, VA 24354	183 Lions Club Road
276-783-2926	Saltville, VA 24370
	276-496-3423

John Wheeler Association Cont'd. - Southwestern Quarterly Conference

John Wheeler Association Cont. d Journal Quarterly Conference		
Cornerstone FWB 300 Hinson Lane Bristol, TN 37620 423-878-6700	Pastor: Gary Rowlette 1215 Anderson Street Bristol, TN 37620 423-652-2130	
East Bristol FWB 208 Trammel Road Bristol, TN 37620	Pastor: Donald White 1762 Pittstown Rd. Bristol, VA 24201 276-669-3604	
First FWB 1641 Euclid Ave. Bristol, VA 24201 276-466-2761	Pastor: Rev. David Mizelle 15676 Monticello Dr. Bristol, VA 24202 276-791-9550	
Friendship FWB 300 Sharps Creek Road Bristol, TN 37620	Pastor: Tony Woods 552 Sharp Creek's Rd. Bristol, TN 37620 423-878-7487	
Genesis FWB 1044 New Beason Well Road Kingsport, TN 37660 423-288-3532	Pastor: Jackie Cole	
Shiloh FWB 21503 Benhams Road Bristol, VA 24202 276-466-8620	Pastor: Rodger Castle 5905 Cochise Trail Kingsport, TN 37664 423-323-9234	
Temple FWB 745 Randolph Street Bristol, VA 24201	Pastor: Noah Holbrook 601 Garden Lane Bristol, VA 276-591-3115	

John Wheeler Association, Southwestern Quarterly Conference Cont'd. Other Preachers:

Roger Ball	Rev. Wayne Carr
5461 Rich Valley Rd.	119 Days Inn Road
Bristol, VA 24201	Elizabethton, TN 37643
276-466-2806	423-388-9638
(Shiloh)	(Shiloh)
Rev. N.N. Jennings Dotson	Chris Conally
2725 Prestwick Court	1315 Holston Dr,
Kingsport, TN 37664	Bristol, TN 37620
423-288-2891	(Cornerstone)
Rev. Jack Ketteman 64 Cherry Drive Bristol, VA 24201 615-430-2445 (First Bristol)	Pastor: C.F. Jack Sprinkle 15340 Majestic dr. Bristol, VA 24201 276-669-9570
Rev. Austin Woods	Ronnie Lee Worley
552 Sharp Creek's Rd.	1751 Pittstown Rd.
Bristol, TN 37620	Bristol, VA 24201
423-878-7487	276-591-3012
(Friendship)	(Temple)

NORTHERN VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION

Moderator: Don Hellms 13546 W. River Rd. Polmyra, VA 22963 434-842-2867 Clerk: Robert W. Brown 7515 Hunter Lodge Dr. Spotsylvania, VA 22551 540-582-5531 pastor@heritagefwb.net

Total Number of Churches	13
Total Number of Churches in city/town	10
Total Number of Churches rural	
Total Number of Churches reporting	13
Churches with Full time pastors	6
Churches with bi-vocational pastors	7
Total Baptisms	22
Total Members Added	19
Total members lost	27
Total membership	584
Total Income for all churches	\$814,364.37
Total number of Churches with budgets	5
Total number of Churches with parsonages	
Total value of all church property	\$396,000.00
Total number of ordained ministers	14
Total number of licensed ministers	
Total number of ordained deacons	
Total number of churches with daycares	
Total number of churches with Kindergartens	
Total number of churches with Christian Day School	
Total number of churches with Bible Institutes	
Total number of churches with Colleges	
Sunday School Enrollment	
Total CTS enrollment	
Number of state association minutes requested	13
Amount of representation fees enclosed	\$2600.00

Northern Virginia Association Cont'd.

Northern Virginia Association Cont u	
Bethel FWB 3713 Pennington Ln. Woodbridge, VA 22192 703-590-5199	Pastor: Dave Nobles 3713 Pennington Lane Woodbridge, VA 22192 703-590-6097 pastor@bethelfwbaptist.com
Calvary FWB 4808 Shelby Rd. Rochelle, VA 227384 540-948-9979	Pastor: Richard W. Wright 13622 Mt. Zion Church Rd. Culpepper, VA 22701 540-829-4675
Casa De Dios FWB 3713 Pennington Ln. Woodbridge, VA 22192 703-590-5199	Pastor: Diego Cueva 5650 Smallwood Ct. Woodbridge, VA 22193 703-670-8570
Cornerstone FWB 9709 Copeland Dr. Manassas, VA 20109-3225 703-361-6519	Pastor: Dallas Slemp 9709 Copeland Dr. Manassas, VA 20109-3225 703-361-6519
Elkton FWB Sixth St./ P.O. Box 298 Elkton, VA 22827 540-298-2894	Pastor: Billy D. King 100 Ashby St. Elkton, VA 22827 540-298-9680 pprchrBill@hotmail.com
FWB Church of Roanoke 1019 Gus Nicks Blvd. N.E. Roanoke, VA 24012 540-245-2706	Pastor: Mark Lewis 1019 Gus Nicks Blvd. N.E. Roanoke, VA 24012 540-245-2706
Grace FWB 9459 Poindexter Rd. Louisa, VA 23093 540-967-2446 540-967-5150 (fax)	Pastor: John Austin 740 Profitt Rd. Mineral VA 23117 540-894-0366
Harmony FWB 225 Spicers Mill Rd. Orange, VA 22960	Pastor: Paul Kirk 29125 Essey Lane Rhoadesville, VA 22542 540-854-8799

Northern Virginia Association Cont'd.

Harrisonburg FWB 611B W. Market St. Harrisonburg, VA 22802 540-433-8980	Pastor: Paul J. Collins 794 Gailcrist Dr. Harrisonburg, VA 22802 540-434-5734
Heritage FWB 12500 Chewning Lane Fredricksburg, VA 22407 540-786-7445 540-786-2985 (fax) http://heritagefwb.net	Pastor: Robert W. Brown 7515 Hunter Lodge Dr. Spotsylvania, VA 22551 540-582-5531 pastor@heritagefwb.net
LifeGate FWB PO Box 4702 Winchester, VA 22604	Pastor: Jason Weaver 1641 Cedar Grove Rd. Winchester, VA 22603 540-686-2783
Lyon Park FWB 716 N. Barton St. Arlington, VA 22201 703-527-7040	Pastor: Michael Kernodle 719 N. Cleveland St. Arlington, VA 22201 703-527-6743
Park Lane FWB 112 Park Lane W. Charlottesville, VA 22903 434-296-2740	Pastor: Don Helms 13546 West River Rd. Palmyra, VA 22963 434-842-2867

SANDY VALLEY ASSOCIATION

Moderator: Jason Reynolds P.O. Box 1691 Honaker, VA 24260 276-873-4074 Clerk:
Audrey Barton
1038 Barberry Rd.
Honaker, VA 24260
276-859-2311
adcnx4@gmail.com

Total Number of Churches	3
Total Number of Churches in city/town	0
Total Number of Churches rural	
Total Number of Churches reporting	3
Churches with Full time pastors	1
Churches with bi-vocational pastors	2
Total Baptisms	0
Total Members Added	0
Total members lost	1
Total membership	89
Total Income for all churches	
Total number of Churches with budgets	0
Total number of Churches with parsonages	0
Total value of all church property	
Total number of ordained ministers	
Total number of licensed ministers	
Total number of ordained deacons	9
Total number of churches with daycares	0
Total number of churches with Kindergartens	
Total number of churches with Christian Day School	0
Total number of churches with Bible Institutes	0
Total number of churches with Colleges	
Sunday School Enrollment	
Total CTS enrollment	0
Total WNAC enrollment	
Total Masters Men enrollment	
Number of state association minutes requested	
Amount of representation fees enclosed	\$600.00

Sandy Valley Association Cont'd.

Venia Chapel FWB 1094 Venia Church Rd. Honaker, VA 24260	Pastor: Wendell Harris 1312 High Knob Rd. Vansant, VA 24656 276-859-2497
Gents Chapel FWB 3196 Drill Rd. Honaker, VA 24260	Pastor: Johnny Woodward P.O. Box 318 Honaker, VA 24260 276-873-5834
Heltons Chapel FWB 2782 Stinson Ridge Rd. Rowe, VA 24646	Pastor: Jason Reynolds P.O. Box 1691 Honaker, VA 24260 276-873-4074

Other Preachers:

Donald Harris	Emory James
1161 Jay Hollow Rd.	1173 Nance White Branch Rd.
Honaker, VA 24260	Honaker, VA 24260
276-859-2918	276-859-9418
Michael Miller	Earl Reynolds
1232 Nance White Branch Rd.	2551 Stinson Ridge Rd.
Honaker, VA 24260	Rowe, VA 24646
275-859-2642	276-859-0540
Robert Tiller	Roy Lee Wilson
3705 Indian Creek Road	2718 Monte Rd.
Bee, VA 24217	Bee, VA 24217
276-859-0244	276-859-2149
Delmer Ball 1330 Honaker Chapel Rd. Castlewood, VA 24224 276-794-7013	

SOUTHWEST ASSOCIATION

Moderator: Wayne Scott 330 Ford Creek Rd. Gray, TN. 37615 423-207-0017 Clerk: James V. Pochodzay 2429 Ocoonita Rd. Jonesville, VA 24263 276-346-2222

Total Number of Churches	20
Total Number of Churches in city/town	5
Total Number of Churches rural	
Total Number of Churches reporting	20
Churches with Full time pastors	2
Churches with bi-vocational pastors	17
Total Baptisms	5
Total Members Added	19
Total members lost	
Total membership	
Total Income for all churches	
Total number of Churches with budgets	
Total number of Churches with parsonages	0
Total value of all church property	\$4,280,000.00
Total number of ordained ministers	
Total number of licensed ministers	
Total number of ordained deacons	
Total number of churches with daycares	
Total number of churches with Kindergartens	
Total number of churches with Christian Day School	1
Total number of churches with Bible Institutes	
Total number of churches with Colleges	
Sunday School Enrollment	
Total CTS enrollment	
Total WNAC enrollment	
Total Masters Men enrollment	
Number of state association minutes requested	
Amount of representation fees enclosed	\$4000.00

Southwest Association Cont'd. - East Wise Quarterly

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Bernard Broskey 378 Anderson Hollow Rd. NE Norton, VA 24273	Sammy Hall 14940 Sandy Ridge Rd. St. Paul, VA 24283 276-395-3819
Gary Hill 216 7 th St. NE Norton, VA 24273 276-679-5466	Cecil Jessee 153 Nancy Robinson St. Dungannon, VA 24245 276-467-1592
Danny C. Mullins 8301 Gillial Hollow Rd. Pound, VA 24279 276-395-5935	David Nidiffer 9605 Charles Ave. Wise, VA 24293
Curtis Wayne Perry P.O. Box 954 Coeburn, VA 24230 276-395-5315	Steve Powers 6245 Lake Road Big Stone Gap, VA 24219 276-679-3630
Marty Puckett 215 Harris St. NE Coeburn, VA 24230 276-395-6610	Lawrence Rutherford 3811 Reeds Creek Rd. Keokee, VA 24255 276-546-3727
Nolan Stanley P.O. Box 714 Pound, VA 24279 276-796-5603	

Southwest Association - Lee County Quarterly

First FWB Pennington Gap	Pastor: Wayne Scott 330 Ford Creek Rd. Gray, TN 37615 423-207-0017
Ocoonita FWB	Pastor: Paul Benfield 2722 Shawnee Ave. East Big Stone Gap, VA 24219 276-219-5780
Victory FWB	Pastor:

Southwest Association - Lee County Quarterly Cont'd. (Other Ministers)

Southwest Association - Lee County Quarterly Cont a. (Other Ministers)	
William Feck	Robert Hartsock
166 Mountain Ash Dr.	139 Cougar Alley Dr.
Dryden, VA 24243	Big Stone Gap, VA 24219
276-546-4319	276-523-0095
Donald Jones	Russell McCoy
1453 Smyth Chapel Rd.	4719 Sugar Run Road
Pennington Gap, VA 24277	Jonesville, VA 24263
276-546-4369	276-794-4083
Roger Rowe	James V. Vaughn
P.O. Box 118	20 Albemarle St.
Duffield, VA 24244	Big Stone Gap, VA 24219
276-546-0904	276-523-2826

Southwest Association - West Wise County Quarterly

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Bethel Chapel	Pastor: Randy Sturgill PO Box 242 Wise, VA 24293
Brian's Chapel	Pastor: Ray Goode 338 Woodland Ct. SE Wise, VA 24293
Faith	Pastor: Lars Dorton PO Box 731 Wise VA 24293
Martha's Chapel	Pastor: Jimmy Slemp PO Box 1531 Pound, VA 24279
Mt. Olive	Pastor: T.J. McAmis, Jr. PO Box 2565 Wise, VA 24293

Southwest Association – West Wise County Quarterly (Other Ministers)

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Ray Yeary	Ralph McFarland
PO Box 8217	PO Box 372
Wise VA 24293	Norton, VA 24273
Tommy McAmis	
PO Box 15	
Wise, VA 24293	

TIDEWATER ASSOCIATION

Moderator: Hal Jones 700 Mt. Pleasant Rd. Chesapeake, VA 23322 757-482-4688 Clerk:
Mark Kiepke
102 Corbin Dr.
Newport News, VA 23606
757-651-2708
Kiepke4@verizon.net

Total Number of Churches	12
Total Number of Churches in city/town	11
Total Number of Churches rural	
Total Number of Churches reporting	6
Churches with Full time pastors	12
Churches with bi-vocational pastors	0
Total Baptisms	
Total Members Added	37
Total members lost	
Total membership	
Total Income for all churches	
Total number of Churches with budgets	5
Total number of Churches with parsonages	4
Total value of all church property	
Total number of ordained ministers	
Total number of licensed ministers	
Total number of ordained deacons	
Total number of churches with daycares	
Total number of churches with Kindergartens	
Total number of churches with Christian Day School	3
Total number of churches with Bible Institutes	
Total number of churches with Colleges	
Sunday School Enrollment	
Total CTS enrollment	
Total WNAC enrollment	
Total Masters Men enrollment	
Number of state association minutes requested	
Amount of representation fees enclosed	\$2,400.00

Tidewater Association Cont'd.

Tidewater Association Cont'd.		
Bethany FWB P: 2430 Azalea Garden Rd. Norfolk, VA 23513 757-853-7300	Pastor: Mark Crews 4624 Larkin St. Norfolk, VA 23513 704-616-0754 757-201-8384	
Calvary FWB 814 E. Virginia Ave. Crewe, VA 23930 804-605-7080	Pastor: James Bradley 334-379-6980	
Carolina Virginia New Life Ministry 6560 Blackwater Rd. Virginia Beach, VA 23457	Pastor: Jeremy Eflier 6560 Blackwater Rd. Virginia Beach, VA 23457 757-713-3740	
CrossPointe FWB 2460 Pruden Blvd. Suffolk, VA 23434 757-923-9059 info@crosspointesuffolk.com www.crosspointesuffolk.com	Pastor: David Sexton 126 Niblick Circle Suffolk, VA 23434 757-923-9059	
Faith FWB 16053 Carrollton Blvd. (Mail) P.O. Box 205 Carrollton, VA 23314 757-238-3210	Interim Pastor: Larry Russell 800 Brookside Ave. Chesapeake, VA 23322 757-639-9042	
First FWB 8995 Hungary Hd. Richmond, VA 23294 804-270-9463 pastorbullock@ firstfreewillbaptistonline.org www.firstfreewillbaptistonline.org	Pastor: Jay Baines 8995 Hungary Rd. Richmond, VA 23294	
Gateway FWB 5473 Virginia Beach Blvd. Virginia Beach, VA 23462 757-499-9686 www.gatewatyfwbchurch.com	Pastor: Brent Patricl 205 Coliss Ave. Virginia Beach, VA 22462 757-499-9686 bpatrick@gatewayfwb.org	

Tidewater Association cont'd.

Good News FWB 5200 Courthouse Rd. Chesterfield, VA 23832 804-744-5401 gnfwbc@goodnewsfwb.org	Pastor: Glen E. Johnson 317 Wallingham Rd. Midlothian, VA 23113 804-794-0381
Great Bridge FWB 700 Mt. Pleasant Rd. Chesapeake, VA 23322 757-482-4688	Pastor: Hal Jones 1125 Sutherlyn Ct. Chesapeake, VA 23322 757-546-9688
Hyde Park FWB 8501 Chesapeake Blvd. Norfolk, VA 23518 757-587-6680	Pastor: Terry Beck 913 Burksdale Rd. Norfolk, VA 23518 757-587-7414
Providence FWB 731 E. Little Back River Rd. Hampton, VA 23669 757-850-2844	Pastor: Daniel Cason
Unity FWB 360 Hickory Rd. E Chesapeake, VA 23328 757-428-3957	Pastor: Earl Sutton 102 Fox Lane Moyock, NC 27958 252-435-6227 lesutton@aol.com
Virginia Beach FWB 210 S. Witchduck Rd. Virginia Beach, VA 23462 757-499-3536	Pastor: J. D. Norris 2401 Darden Ct. Virginia Beach, VA 23456 757-471-6209 jdnorris@vbfwbc.org

PREAMBLE

We, the Free Will Baptist Churches and Local Associations of the State of Virginia, being saved by grace through faith in the blood of Jesus Christ, submitting to the total authority of the Bible as God's Word, and realizing the necessity of a bond of fellowship among us, do, therefore, adopt this Constitution to the glory and honor of God and for the advancement of His Kingdom on earth.

ARTICLE I. Name, Purpose, and Affiliation

Section A. This association shall be known as the Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists, Inc.

Section B. This association is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Revenue Law). Such purposes include, but are not limited to the establishment and maintenance of religious worship, and the building, maintenance and operation or churches, schools, chapel, radio stations, television stations, rescue missions, print shops, day-care centers, camps, and nursing homes.

Section C. This association shall voluntarily affiliate with the National Association of Free Will Baptists according to the provisions in its treatise and shall support all phases of the denomination's work as much as possible. This being a voluntary affiliation, this association submits to no veto or dictatorial power, and this affiliation can be discontinued at any time.

Section D. This association may correspond by letter or otherwise with other Bible believing bodies.

ARTICLE II. Statement of Faith

Section A. The Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists has adopted A Treatise of Faith and Practices of the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

Section B. Human Sexuality

- 1. We believe that God has commanded that no intimate sexual activity be engaged in outside of a marriage between a man and a woman. We believe that all forms of homosexuality, lesbianism, bisexuality, bestiality, incest, fornication, adultery, and pornography are sinful perversions of God's gift of sex. Any officer or employee of the association becoming pregnant or causing pregnancy as a result of consensual intercourse, outside of the marriage relationship, shall be terminated from their position. We will not knowingly commission, license, ordain, hire, or countenance any of these lifestyles or practices. Any member association condoning or promoting such practices as stated above will be dismissed from this body (Genesis 2:24; Genesis 19:5,13; Genesis 26:8,9; Leviticus 18:1-30; Romans 1:26-29; 1 Corinthians 5:1; 6:9; 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8; Hebrews 13:4).
- 2. We believe that the only legitimate marriage is the joining of one man and one woman (Genesis 2:24; Romans 7:2; 1 Corinthians 7:10; Ephesians 5:22-23).
- 3. We believe that men and women are spiritually equal in position before God but that God has ordained distinct and separate spiritual functions for men and women in the home and the church. The husband is to be the leader of the home and men are to be the leaders (all ministers and deacons) of the church (Galatians 3:28; Colossians 3:18; 1 Timothy 2:815; 3:4,5,12).

Section C. Authority Of Statement Of Faith

The Statement of Faith as recorded in A Treatise of the Faith and Practices of Free Will Baptists or in this document does not exhaust the extent of our faith. The Bible itself is the sole and final source of all that we believe. We do believe, however, that the foregoing statement of faith and this document accurately represents the teaching of the Bible and, therefore, is binding upon all members.

ARTICLE III. Membership and Representation

Section A. Membership

- 1. The membership of this association shall be composed of properly organized and received Local Associations (yearly or district).
- 2. Any Local Association (yearly or district) desiring membership in this association must accept Free Will Baptist doctrine, practices, and system of church government as outlined in the most recent publication of <u>A Treatise of the Faith and Practices of Free Will Baptists</u> and must be in total agreement with the declarations of this Constitution.
- 3. Any organized Free Will Baptist Local Association (yearly or district) desiring to unite with this association, maintaining gospel order and agreeing with the position stated herein concerning doctrine and church government, and which is in favor of our evangelistic enterprises as stated in the final two paragraphs of our Free Will Baptist Church Covenant, may be received into this Virginia State Association in accordance with the procedure set forth in <u>A Treatise of the Faith and Practices of the Free Will Baptists</u> from the National Association of Free Will Baptists, Part IV, Chapter III, Section V, A3, D, & E. Upon completion of this process, any Local Association may become a member after having been received by majority vote by this association.

Section B. Delegates

- 1. All ordained ministers and deacons who are in good standing with a Local Association belonging to the Virginia State Association, and duly elected officers and members of boards and standing committees shall, upon registration, constitute the standing delegates.
- 2. Each Local Association in good standing with this body shall be entitled to five (5) delegates to be chosen from the laity and two (2) additional delegates for each district meeting (if divided into districts) to be chosen by the respective district meeting.
- Each local church affiliated with a Local Association in good standing shall be allowed one (1) delegate to this body.

Section C. Duties of members

- 1. It shall be the duty of each Local Association belonging to this association to send a letter on the proper form with the required fees to each meeting of this association, reporting in the same its statistics and benevolent work.
- Any Local Association not corresponding by letter and appropriate fees shall not be seated with its delegates until the matter has been resolved to the satisfaction of the body.

Section D. Discipline of a member

- 1. The Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists shall have the right to settle any question of discipline, doctrine, or usage that may properly come before it from any association, district meeting or church composing this association or act upon any appeal that may be made by anybody belonging to this association. Such appeals are to come before the body after having been appealed from the lower body to the next higher body.
- This State Association shall have the authority to withdraw fellowship from any Local Association for practices contrary to the Constitution of this association by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of all members present.
- An official attempt by the Executive Board toward restoration of fellowship must be made prior to exclusion of any member association.
- 4. Any charge or accusation against any member association, its churches, or its ministers shall be properly presented in writing to the Executive Board for consideration before being discussed on the floor.

ARTICLE IV. Officers, Boards, and Committees

Section A. Election Procedure

- 1. The Nominating Committee shall select a nominee for each office that is vacant and present the list to the Moderator
- 2. The Moderator shall read the name that is nominated for each office, and declare the floor open for additional nominations.
- Each office shall be filled by a majority vote of the body at the close of each regular session.

Section B. Terms of Office

- 1. The officers of this association shall consist of Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, and all boards and committees as elected by the body.
- 2. All officers and committees shall serve for a term of one (1) year except for the following:
- a) Clerk and Assistant Clerk-four (4) years, to be elected on leap year.
- b) Executive Board-five (5) years staggered.
- c) Mission board-five (5) years staggered.
- d) State Promotional Secretary-If a volunteer, he will be voted in annually. If salaried, he will be employed by the State Association and elected every two (2) years.
- e) The assistant treasurer (Home Missions treasurer)-at the will of the Home Missions Board.

Section C. Duties of officers

1. Moderator:

- It shall be the duty of the moderator to call each session to order for the business and to preside over all business sessions of this State Association.
- He shall appoint a Nomination Committee and a Credentials Committee prior to the beginning of each session, each consisting of at least three (3) members.
- He is to see that all business is conducted according to Robert's Rules of Order Revised (current edition).
- He is to maintain proper Christian order and not allow discussions when not carried on in a Christian spirit or when he thinks it will cause discord or division
- He is to preside over any special called meeting between sessions whether called by himself or the Executive Board.
- f. He shall seat the delegates in a designated section of the assembly room at the beginning of each business session.
- g. He is to promote the work of the Virginia State Association.
- He is to meet with the Executive Board to plan the Bible Conference and the State Association programs.

2. Assistant Moderator:

- It shall be the duty of the Assistant Moderator to assist the Moderator whenever called upon, and assume the chair in the absence of the Moderator.
- He is to meet with the Executive Board to plan the Bible Conference and the State Association programs.

3. Clerk:

- It shall be the duty of the clerk to keep clear, concise, accurate records of all proceedings of this body whether in special session or regular session.
- The clerk shall be responsible for the printing and distribution to the Local Associations of the minutes of each annual session.
- The clerk is to compile the letters sent from member Local Associations into the proper form to be sent to the to National Association of Free Will Baptists.
- The clerk is to keep all rulings of this body in order and ready for easy reference.
- e. The clerk is to mail each individual church clerk, pastor, and association clerk a notice of the State Association meeting dates at least one month in advance noting that each local church is allowed one (1) delegate at the State Association meeting. This will include any special or called meetings.
- f. The clerk will meet as part of the Executive Board to plan the Bible Conference and State Meeting programs and will keep records of these meetings, being able to report to the body.

4. Assistant Clerk:

- It shall be the duty of the Assistant Clerk to assist in recording the minutes of the State Association and the keeping of complete records of all business transactions
- It shall be the duty of the Assistant Clerk to assist the Clerk in the printing of the minutes of each Virginia State Association meeting.
- c. It shall be the responsibility of the Assistant Clerk to fill the Clerk's place should the office be vacant or the Clerk unable to attend.

5. Treasurer:

It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive, deposit, and disburse all funds at the discretion of this association. The Treasurer will meet as part of the Executive Board to plan the Bible Conference and State Association programs.

6. Assistant Treasurer

It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive, deposit, and disburse all funds at the discretion of this association. The Treasurer will meet as part of the Executive Board to plan the Bible Conference and State Association programs.

7. Promotional Director (2015)

- The State Association can have at its discretion a Promotional Director.
- He will perform his duties under contract of employment at the direction of and in cooperation with the Executive Board.
- The Promotional Director will generally promote the work of the Virginia State Association.
- d. The promotional director shall represent the Virginia State Association, Inc. as the General Board Member of the National Association of Free Will Baptists, Inc. Note: This in no means affects the Standing Rule #14 concerning the General Board Member to the National Association of Free Will Baptists, Inc
- The promotional Director shall serve on all State Boards in an advisory role.

8. Board Member for Family Ministries (Greeneville, Tennessee): (2015)

- It shall be the duty of the one elected to serve as a full member of the Family Ministries Official Board.
- He/she shall at all times represent the interests of Virginia in the overall ministry.
- c. He/she shall serve for a period of six (6) years.

9. Board Member for Harvest Child Care Ministries (Duffield, Virginia): (2015)

- a. It shall be the duty of the one elected to serve as a full member of the Harvest Official Board.
- He/she shall at all times represent the interests of Virginia in the overall ministry.
- c. He/she shall serve for a period of six (6) years.

Section D. Boards and Committees

1 Executive Board.

- The Executive Board shall consist of the Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and five (5) members elected by the association on a five year rotating basis.
- b. This Board shall have the power to act in behalf of and for the State Association form one regular session to another. It shall have the power to elect such officers as may be necessary for its own government, and to carry out the plans and undertakings of the State Association.
- c. This board shall have power to fill vacancies that may occur in any area of the work.
- d. It shall be the duty of this board to make written reports of all its work to the next regular session of the State Association.
- e. This board shall consider whatever business is placed upon it, or referred to it by this association or its membership.
- f. This board shall promote the work of the Virginia State Association.
- g. This board shall plan each Bible Conference and State Association.
- This board shall set the place for the State CTS competition each year when needed.
- The Executive Board will oversee the office of the State Promotional Secretary.
- This board shall each year develop a reasonable budget for the work of the State Association and the disbursement of its funds. It shall present this budget to the body in its regular session. It shall have authority to disburse funds as approved in the association budget.
- k. This board shall provide an audit of the financial records annually and report to the body at regular session.
- All State Boards and Committees shall be accountable to and shall report to the Executive Board at its annual planning meeting. (ref. 2012)

2 State Home Mission Board

- a. The State Home Missions Board shall consist of seven (7) members elected by this association on a five year rotating basis, and shall be responsible for carrying out the desires of this association in establishing and supporting mission churches in needed areas under the direction of the Virginia State Association. It shall report annually to this association.
- b. The treasurer of the Home Mission Board shall come from the membership of the Board. He will serve as the Assistant Treasurer of the State Association and serve at the will of the Home Missions Board.
- This board will have its own Constitution detailing its own responsibilities under the direction and authority of the Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists.
- d. This board shall have authority to make decisions, on location, personnel, and finance. Upon approval of this association or the Executive Board, it shall be authorized to deal with real estate property and mortgages as needed for the advancement of the work of missions.

3 Nominating Committee:

- a. The Nominating Committee shall consist of at least three (3) members.
- The Nominating Committee shall choose a nominee for each vacant office prior to the regular session making written report to the Moderator for report to the body.
- Each nominee should be contacted prior to being presented to the body to be sure that he is willing and able to perform the duties incumbent to the office.
- No one should be nominated who is not in good standing with his church, his Local Association, and this body.

4 Credentials Committee

- a. The Credentials Committee shall consist of at least three (3) members.
- The Credentials Committee is to examine all letters to the State Association and the credentials of the various delegates.
- The committee shall make recommendations to the State Association in session concerning the seating of delegates.

5 Other Committees

Committees as necessary shall be appointed by the chair unless otherwise provided for, and shall hold office until work is completed or until their successors are elected and installed.

ARTICLE V. Meetings

Section A. Time of meetings (2015)

- The Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists shall hold its regular meetings annually.
- The State Association shall meet beginning at 7:00 p.m. on the Thursday before the third (3st) Sunday in June each year, and shall continue in session until its work is completed.
- Special sessions may be called by the Moderator or the Executive Board when conditions demand.
- This State Association will sponsor a Bible Conference on the Thursday of the General Session beginning at 11:00 a.m.

Section B. Procedure of Annual General Session

- 1. Each session will begin with prayer and congregational singing.
- 2. The Clerk shall take charge of the devotional service.
- 3. The Clerk shall then introduce the officers, concluding with the Moderator.
- The Moderator shall declare the session to be in order for business and remind the association of its responsibility to do work for the Lord.
- The quorum consists of those who attend the meeting, provided it is either a stated meeting or one that has been properly called.
- 6. If a quorum is present, he shall then proceed with the business.
- 7. The minutes of the previous sessions will be made available in writing and are to be read only if asked for by a majority vote. The minutes of the present session will be made available to the Moderator at the first possible opportunity. He will assist the Clerk in any needed corrections.
- This body will be governed as stipulated in the most current edition of the Treatise of the Faith and Practices of Free Will Baptists unless otherwise plainly stated in this document.
- The rules contained in Robert's Rules of Order Revised (current edition) shall govern
 the body in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are not
 inconsistent with this document.

ARTICLE VI. Indemnification

Section A. Actions Subject to Indemnification

The association may indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending, or completed action, suit, or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative, or investigative, including all appeals (other than an action by or in the right of the association) by reason of the fact that the person is or was a moderator, assistant moderator, officer, employee, or agent of the association, against expenses, including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines, and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection with the action, suit, or proceeding; and if that person acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the association and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful. The termination of any action, suit, or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction, or on a plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent, shall not, of itself, create a presumption that the person did not act in good faith and in a manner that he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the association and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had reasonable cause to believe that his or her conduct was unlawful.

Section B. Expenses Subject To Indemnification

To the extent that a moderator, assistant moderator, officer, employee, or agent has been successful on the merits or otherwise in defense of any action, suit, or proceeding referred to in this Article, or in defense of any claim, issue, or matter in that action, suit, or proceeding, he or she may be indemnified against expenses, including attorneys' fees, actually and reasonably incurred by him or her in connection with the action, suit, or proceeding.

Section C. Limitations of Indemnification

Any indemnification made under this Article, may be made by the association only as authorized in the specific case of a determination that indemnification of the moderator, assistant moderator, officer, employee, or agent is proper in the circumstances because he has met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in Section A of this Article. The determination shall be made (a) by a majority *vote* of a quorum consisting of the members of Executive Board who were not and are not parties to, or threatened with, the action, suit, or proceeding; (b) if the described quorum is not obtainable, or if a majority *vote* of a quorum of disinterested *Executive* Board members so directs, by independent legal counsel in a written opinion; or (c) by a majority *vote* of the members of the association.

Section D. Timing of Indemnification

Expenses of each person seeking indemnification under this Article, may be paid by the association as they are incurred, in *advance* of the final disposition of the action, suit, or proceeding, as authorized by the *Executive* Board in the specific case, on receipt of an undertaking by or on behalf of the moderator, assistant moderator, officer, employee, or agent to repay the amount if it is ultimately determined that he or she is not qualified to be indemnified by the association.

Section E. Extent of Indemnification

The indemnification provided by this Article shall be deemed to be discretionary unless otherwise required as a matter of law or under any agreement or provided by insurance purchased by the association, both as to action of each person seeking indemnification under the Article in his official capacity and as to action in another capacity while holding that office, and may continue as to a person who has ceased to be a moderator, assistant moderator, officer, employee, or agent and may inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors, and administrators of that person.

Section F. Insurance

The association may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a moderator, assistant moderator, officer, employee, or agent of the association against any liability asserted against him and incurred by him in that capacity, or arising out of his status in that capacity, whether or not the association would *have* the power to indemnify him against liability under the provisions of this article. Such insurance will be purchased when deemed necessary by the body.

ARTICLE VII. Tax Exempt Provisions

Section A. Private Inurnment

No part of the net earnings of the association shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, officers, or other private persons, except that the association shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for the services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article I, Section B hereof.

Section B. Political Involvement

No substantial part of the activities of this association shall be the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation. This association shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

Section C. Dissolution

In the event of the dissolution of the Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists, any assets of the organization then remaining shall be conveyed to such organizations then existent dedicated to similar objectives to those of this organization, selected by the Executive Board at the time of dissolution. This organization must be exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Revenue Law) as amended or under successor provisions of the Code as may be in effect at the time of dissolution.

Section D. Racial Nondiscrimination

This association shall have a racially nondiscriminatory policy and therefore shall not discriminate against members, applicants, students, and others on the basis of race, color, or national or ethnic origin.

Section E. Limitation Of Activities

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Constitution the association shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes stated in Article I, Section B.

ARTICLE VIII. Designated Contributions

From time to time the association, in the exercise of its religious, educational, and charitable purposes, may establish various funds to accomplish specific goals. Contributors rnay suggest uses for their contributions but all suggestions shall be deemed advisory rather than mandatory in nature. All contributions made to specific funds or otherwise designated shall remain subject to the exclusive control and discretion of this association. No fiduciary obligation shall be created by any designated contribution for the general furtherance of any private persons.

ARTICLE IX. Binding Arbitration

Section A. Submission to Arbitration

Believing that lawsuits between believers are prohibited by Scripture, all members of this association agree to submit to binding arbitration for the resolution of any matters which cannot otherwise be resolved, and agree to expressly waive any and all rights in law and equity to bringing any civil disagreement before a court of law, except that judgment upon the award rendered by the arbitrator may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof.

Section B. Notice Of Arbitration

In the event of any dispute, claim, question, or disagreement arising out of or relating to this Constitution or any other associational matter, the parties shall use their best efforts to settle such disputes, claims, questions, or disagreement as befits Christians. To this effect, they shall consult and negotiate with each other in good faith and, recognizing their mutual interests not disgrace the name of Christ, seek to reach a just and equitable solution. If they do not reach such solution within a period of sixty (60) days, then upon notice by either party to the other, disputes, claims, questions, or differences shall be finally settled by arbitration as described in Section 1, above, and such Procedures for Arbitration as are adopted pursuant to the following two sections.

Section C. Limitations On Arbitration Decisions

Should any dispute involve matters of associational discipline, the arbitrators shall be limited to determining whether the procedures for associational discipline as outlined under this Constitution were followed.

Should any dispute involve the removal from office of any association officer, the arbitrators shall be limited to determining whether the procedures set forth in this Constitution were followed

Section D. Arbitration Procedures

The procedures for arbitration shall be as adopted by the Executive Board.

ARTICLE X. Amendments

The Constitution of the Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists may be altered or amended at any regular session by a two-thirds (213) vote of members present, providing the change has been submitted in writing and tabled from the previous session.

ARTICLE XI. Standing Rules

- 1. Everything will be done decently and in order. (I Corinthians 14:40)
- 2. The State Association will pay the Moderator, Clerk, and Treasurer \$100.00 per year
- The Executive Board shall determine the amount of honorarium that is to be given to speakers.
- 4. Representatives on the National Boards are to be active at the state level.
- 5. No person shall be allowed to nominate more than one member of any committee.
- Anyone desiring to speak shall rise to his feet and address the Moderator by the appellation, "Brother Moderator," but not speak further until recognized by the Moderator.
- No member of this association will be allowed to speak more than ten minutes, nor twice on the same subject without permission of the moderator.
- Reports shall be limited to ten (10) minutes unless ordered by a majority vote of the body.
- 9. The Moderator cannot succeed himself more than two times.
- The State Association will pay the fee for the youth contestants to participate in the National competition.
- 11. The annual State Association meeting will rotate around the state, alternating between east, north, and west as much as practical. Location is to be decided by vote at each preceding session.
- Office vacancies are to be filled from those who attend the State Association meetings regularly.
- Each Local Association (yearly or district) is to send \$200 per member church to this body for National dues, plus an offering to help defray the expenses of the State Meeting and the printing of the minutes. (2012)
- 14. The State's recommendation for the person to serve as its General Board member will be made and sent with the State Association's report to the National Association on the even calendar years.
- 15. To maintain continuity between the Virginia State Association and the National Association of the Free Will Baptists, the King James Version of the Bible shall be the official version of the Virginia State Association, to be used in all meetings, preaching, teaching, and other activities of the Association.
- A certificate of honor suitable for framing will be delivered to the surviving spouse of any deceased minister of the Virginia State Association.
- 17. The Moderator shall be an ex-officio member of all state boards and committees.
- 18. These Standing Rules can be changed by a majority vote at any regular session.

ADOPTION

This Constitution was adopted by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present and voting at a scheduled meeting of the Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists in which a quorum was present.

This Constitution supersedes any previous constitution, rulings, customs, or practices of the Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists.

Adopted:

Date June 14, 2003

Moderator Rev. Dr. Dave Nobles Clerk Rev. Virgil A. Maness

Executive Board Member Executive Board Member