

**MINUTES OF THE
VIRGINIA STATE ASSOCIATION
OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS**

Seventy Ninth
Annual Session Held With
Bethel
Free Will Baptist Church
Woodbridge, VA

June 15-16, 2017

The next session will be held at the
Central
Free Will Baptist Church
700 Kentucky Road
Norton, VA 24273
June 14-15, 2018

OFFICERS ELECTED 2017

Moderator.....	Rodger Castle (2018)
Assistant Moderator.....	David Sexton (2018)
Clerk.....	Don White (2020)
Assistant Clerk.....	Bob Brown (2020)
Treasurer.....	Brent Patrick (2018)
Assistant Treasurer (from Home Mission Board)	Dave Nobles

Elected Executive Board

Gary Hill.....	2018
Marty Puckett.....	2019
Don Helms.....	2020
Mark Crews.....	2021
Larry Ross.....	2018

Home Missions Board

Earl Sutton.....	2018
Dave Nobles.....	2019
Larry Russell.....	2020
Paul Collins.....	2020
Glenn Johnson.....	2021
Rodger Castle.....	2021
Rev. David Mizelle.....	2022

Board Member to

<u>Free Will Baptist Family Ministries.....</u>	Evan White (2022)
<u>Harvest Childcare Ministries:.....</u>	Paul Collins (2021)

Board Member to

<u>National Association of Free Will Baptist.....</u>	Bruce Barnes (2018)
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<u>Promotional Director.....</u>	Bruce Barnes (2018)
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<u>CTS Representative.....</u>	Jack Ketteyman (2018)
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PROCEEDINGS

The Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists convened at the Bethel Free Will Baptist Church.

Thursday, June 15, 2017 - 7:00 pm

Opening song, "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" was led by Rev. Jay Baines. Piano was played by Sis. Susan Forlines.

Host Pastor, Rev. Dr. Dave Nobles gave the opening prayer and welcomed the congregation.

Clerk, Rev. Don White then introduced the officers serving at this convention.

Moderator, Rev. Dr. Rodger Castle then took charge and introduced committees.

Nominating: Rev. Dr. Dave Nobles, Rev. Larry Ross and Rev. Larry Russell

Registration and Credentials: Bro. Jamie Lane, Bro. Russell Davis, Sis. Grace Davis, Sis. Mary Dennis

A motion to adjourn business and enter into worship was seconded and approved by vote of "aye" with no opposition.

Rev. Nobles introduced the praise team from the Casa de Dios Church, representing 16 different Hispanic nationalities. The praise team sang songs, "Show Us Your Glory", "How Great Thou Art" and "What a Powerful Name It Is".

Rev. Nobles then introduced Rev. David Sexton to bring the message. Reading Rev. 5:1-14 Rev. Sexton preached on "The Lamb's Worthiness: The Worship Service of the Ages".

Invitation was given.

Rev. Nobles made announcements and called for Rev. Marshall Boney to dismiss in prayer.

Friday, June 16, 2017 - 8:30 am

Moderator, Rev. Rodger Castle called the meeting to order and read scripture 1 Peter 1:18-21.

Prayer requests were taken and opening prayer was led by Rev. Marty Puckett. A motion was made to accept the Minutes of the 2016 meeting as printed. The motion was seconded and approved by vote of "aye" with no opposition.

Rev. Gary Hill presented the Report of the Treasurer (pages 8-9) and Proposed Budget (page 10). A motion to accept was seconded and approved by vote of "aye" with no opposition.

Clerk, Rev. Don White gave the report of the Executive Board. (pages 11-13)

Dr. Bruce Barnes presented the Report of the Promotional Director (pages 14-17). A motion to accept was seconded and approved by vote of "aye" with no opposition.

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Rev. David Mizelle presented the Report of the Home Missions Board (page 18) and introduced Rev. Dave Nobles who presented the Financial Report of the Home Missions Board (pages 19-25).

Home Missionaries were introduced and each gave a brief report of their work.

- Diego Queva, Hispanic Missions, 110 average, new work started in Arlington
- Marshall Boney, Virginia Beach, launched Jan 22 with 158 in attendance, several outreaches started, 120 saved, 5 baptized in the ocean.
- Jason Weaver, Winchester, property paid off, hope to start building in the fall
- David Osborne, Wytheville, faced several obstacles but have continued, fruit is being harvested, opportunities to expand being considered.
- Adam Garrett, Wytheville, working with David Osborne, half of funds still need to be raised.
- Paul Collins, Harrisonburg, Going self-supporting, Land sold and will close next month.
- Marc Nepl, Portsmouth, launched in Jan 2017, 77 professions since launch.

A motion to accept the Home Missions reports was seconded and approved by vote of "aye" with no opposition.

A special prayer for all Virginia Home Missionaries was led by Dr. Barnes.

Bro. Jamie Lane presented the Report of the Credentials Committee (pages 26-32 including District Reports pages 33-50). A motion to accept was seconded and approved by vote of "aye" with no opposition.

The following reports were given and received as information.

- Harvest Childcare Ministries, Newl Dotson
- Free Will Baptist Family Ministries, Rodger Castle
- Welch College, Mike Edwards
- Free Will Baptist Foundation, Todd Smith
- Executive Office, Eric Thompson
- Free Will Baptist North American Ministries, Sam McVey
- Randall House, Ron Hunter
- Rhode Island Mission, Bill Reynolds

Morning worship began by singing "Thou Art Worthy" and "Majesty". Singing was led by Rev. Jay Baines. Piano was played by Sis. Susan Forlines.

Rev. Marty Puckett then introduced Rev. Gary Hill then called for rejoice praise team from Welch College for special music.

- "Salvation in Jesus' Name"
- Medley: "I Can't Feel at Home", "I'll Fly Away" and "In the Sweet By and By"

Rev Gary Hill then took charge reading scripture Rev. 1:6-9 and preached on the subject "Marriage Supper of the Lamb".

Worship time was dismissed by Dr. Barnes and grace for the noon meal was provided by James Bradley.

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Reports Continued.

- Free Will Baptist Board of Retirement, Joshua Edison

Moderator Rev. Rodger Castle called for Old Business. There was none.

Rev. Dave Nobles gave the Report of the Nominating Committee (page 51). A motion to accept the nominations and elect by acclamation was seconded and approved by vote of "aye" with no opposition.

Delegates to the National Meeting were nominated.

- Patricia Collins
- Judy Castle
- Teresa Hill
- Christina Crews

A motion to elect the nominees and authorize the Moderator to appoint additional delegates from those attending was seconded and approved by vote of "aye" with no opposition.

A moment of silence was given for the memorial prayer led by Rev. Glen Johnson. (list of names on page 52)

Announcements were made. A motion to adjourn was seconded and approved by vote of "aye" with no opposition and the moderator dismissed the congregation.

NOTES FROM THE BIBLE CONFERENCE

Thursday, June 15, 2017

11:00 am Service

Opening Song: "Wonderful Grace of Jesus" was led by Rev. Jay Baines. Piano was played by Sis. Susan Forlines.

Special Singing: Rejoice Praise Team (Welch College)
"My Savior", "You're All to Me" and "I Will Stand on Every Promise of Your Word"

Message: Rev. Mark Crews, "The Lamb's Identity" (Rev. 5:1-7)
Prerequisite: He is worthy because of the requirements of prophecy
Pain He suffered motivates us to ministry
Power of creation and to take the book
We need a revitalization of His power
We need to identify the Lamb to those that are lost.
We need to identify Christ in the center of all our situations and circumstances.

1:00 pm Service

Opening Song: "Power in the Blood" was led by Rev. Jay Baines. Piano was played by Sis. Susan Forlines.

Special Singing: Rejoice Praise Team (Welch College)
"I'm Alive Because He Lives"

Message: Rev. Richard Wright, "The Lamb's Blood (Rev. 7:14-15 and Rev. 12:11)

Tribulation makes Heaven sweeter.
We can overcome because of the blood.
The world has been changed because of the blood.
1 Peter 1:18-21
Purchasing Blood (vv18-19)
Prophesied Blood (v20)
Pure Blood (v22)
Price of the blood

NOTES FROM THE BIBLE CONFERENCE

2:00 pm Service

Opening Song: "A New Name Written Down in Glory" was led by Rev. Jay Baines. Piano was played by Sis. Susan Forlines.

Special Singing: Rev. Don White, "O What a Savior"

Message: Rev. Jay Baines, "Lamb's Book of Life" (Rev. 13:8 & 21:27)
In the end if your name is not in the Lamb's Book of Life you're in trouble.
Believers' names are written there.

God's plan has always been to save sinners by the blood of the Lamb.
(That's eternity past.) Rev. 5 is eternity future.

We praise Him in the present for the blood and the Book of Life.

We're the appointed people.

We're the purchased people.

When our names are there it's a source of encouragement, comfort and peace to know Christ, and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His suffering.

7:00 pm Service

Opening Song: "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" was led by Rev. Jay Baines. Piano was played by Sis. Susan Forlines.

Special Singing: Praise team from the Casa de Dios Church
"Show Us Your Glory", "How Great Thou Art" and "What a Powerful Name It Is".

Message: Rev. David Sexton, "The Lamb's Worthiness" (Rev. 5:1-14)
"The Worship Service of the Ages"

The Weakness of humanity (v2-3)

Not who is willing but who is worthy

John wept because he knew the world needed to be redeemed.

The Worthiness of the One

Power

Because of who He is (vv5-6)

Lamb as slain (but standing)

Strong Lamb (7 horns)

Searching Lamb (7 eyes)

Position

Because of where He is (v6)

In the midst of the throne

Lamb was always there. (we can get so occupied with things around us that we fail to see the Lamb)

NOTES FROM THE BIBLE CONFERENCE

7:00 pm Service (cont'd)

Prerogative

- Because He had the right of creation
- Because He had the right of conquest
- Because He had the right of Calvary

The Worship of creation (vv8-14)

Every song is about Him

- Person of the Lamb – worthy of our praise (v9)
- Passion of the Lamb – slain for us (v9)
- Purpose of the Lamb – redemption

Friday, June 17, 2016

Opening Song: “Thou Art Worthy / Majesty” was led by Rev. Jay Baines.
Piano was played by Sis. Susan Forlines.

Special Singing: Rejoice Praise Team (Welch College)

“Salvation in Jesus’ Name” and medley “I Can’t Feel at Home, I’ll Fly
away, In the Sweet By and By”

Message: Rev. Gary Hill, Marriage Supper of the Lamb” (rev. 19:6-9)

A Great price was paid (dowry)

Betrothal – time of observation, purity and preparation (Jn 14)

Groom goes for the bride

Ceremony: wedding document read and drinking of cup

Beauty of Bride (v8)

Glory of Groom (Rev 1) makes the bride clean

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REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Virginia Association of Free Will Baptist

Treasurer's Report

June 1, 2016 through May 31, 2017

<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenses</u>
Fees:	Corp. Fee 25.00
Central Va. 1,000.00	National Fees 11,100.00
Clinch Valley 1,200.00	Promotion Office 14,661.55
Harmony 500.00	Promotion Salary 35,000.04
John Wheeler 2,600.00	Promotion Housing 24,999.96
Northern Va. 2,600.00	Officer Salaries 300.00
Sandy Valley 600.00	Insurance 1,888.00
Southwest Va. 4,000.00	Leadership Conference 879.18
Tidewater <u>2,400.00</u>	Minutes 287.47
\$ 14,900.00	Speakers 500.00
	Executive Meeting Expense 3,478.97
State Offering 52.00	CTS Reimbursement 43.88
General Fund 375.00	Bank Charge 12.00
Promotion Office* 67,505.65	GRACE Mission Reimbursement 10,000.00
Foundation Account** 5,000.00	
GRACE Mission*** 10,150.00	Total Expenses \$ 103,176.05
Reimbursement 235.63	
Total Income \$98,218.28	
	FWB Foundation Trust:
Beginning Balance \$13,649.70	Beginning Balance \$ 8,024.56
Gross Income* \$ -4,957.77	Interest (6-30-16) 110.35
Ending Balance \$8,691.93	(12-31-16) 62.97
	Transfer to General Acct. (8-23-16) 5,000.00
	Total Balance \$ 3,197.88

* Promotion Income includes \$5,000.00 from Va. State Home Missions GRACE Mission Acct.

**Gross Income includes Foundation transfer of \$5,000.00

*** State owes GRACE Mission \$150.00 reimbursement

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REPORT OF THE TREASURER (cont'd)

Promotion Office Balance Sheet

June 1, 2016 – May 31, 2017

Income \$67,505.65

Expenses:

Housing \$24,999.96

Office \$14,661.55

Salary \$35,000.04

\$74,661.55

Total  \$-7,155.90

Beginning Balance \$-6,728.63

Balance 5/31/17 \$ -13,884.53

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Proposed Budget

Virginia Association of Free Will Baptist Proposed Budget 2017-2018

Income

Fees: (# of Churches @ \$200.00)

Central Va. (5)	\$1,000.00
Clinch Valley (5)	1,000.00
Harmony (3)	600.00
John Wheeler (13)	2,600.00
Northern Va. (13)	2,600.00
Sandy Valley (3)	600.00
Southwest Va. (20)	4,000.00
Tidewater (12)	<u>2,400.00</u>
	\$14,800.00

Promotion Office 75,000.00

General Fund 3,500.00

Total Income \$ 93,300.00

Expenses

Corp. Fees	\$ 25.00
National Fees	11,100.00
Salaries (Officers,)	300.00
Promotion Office	75,000.00
Minutes	300.00
Insurance	1,900.00
State Mtg. Expenses	3,500.00
Miscellaneous	<u>1,175.00</u>
Total Expenses	\$93,300.00

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REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD (August 2017)

Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists Minutes of the Combined Board Meeting: August 27, 2016

The Executive Committee met in a called joint session with the Home Mission Board on August 16, 2016 at the Harrisonburg FWB Church, Harrisonburg, VA for the express purpose of discussing the "Grace Mission" project.

Attending:

Dr. Rodger Castle, Moderator; Home Mission Board
Rev. Don White, Clerk
Dr. Bob Brown, Executive Board; Asst. Clerk; Mission Board
Dr. Bruce Barnes, Promotional Director
Dr. Dave Nobles, Mission Board
Rev. David Mizzelle, Home Mission Board
Rev. Larry Russell, Home Mission Board
Rev. Glenn Johnson, Home Mission Board
Rev. Mark Crews, Executive Board
Rev. Larry Floss, Executive Board
Rev. Marty Puckett

Dr. Barnes welcomed everyone and opened the meeting by reading scripture (Romans 10:1-4) and leading in prayer.

A video about Grace Missions was presented and an "Overview of Grace Mission" was reviewed and discussed.

Dr. Barnes was excused from the meeting.

Rev. Marty Puckett presented the Treasurer's report (as sent by Rev. Gary Hill)

Account Balances as of Aug 26, 2016:

General: \$9,910.13

Foundation: \$3,024.56 (transferred \$5000 on Aug. 23, 2016)

These are the total funds for the state.

Promotion Office: -\$18,570.20

We have not requested any funds from the Northern VA pledge of \$30,000.

However, it will probably be necessary next month.

A motion was made by Rev. Mark Crews of the Executive Board to approve the recommendation by Dr. Barnes which states:

"Grace Mission will operate as a ministry of the Virginia Free Will Baptist Promotional Director under the approval of the VAFWB Executive Board and the VAFWB Missions Board. Directional oversight of Grace Mission will be provided by the Mission Board including the hiring of new staff to aid the promotional director in the ministries of Grace Mission. If conflicts arise on any issue related to the mission, the promotional director, executive board, or missions board has the right to appeal to a joint meeting of the executive and missions boards. The majority decision of this joint board will remain final as long as it does not violate the original charter of operation concerning Grace Mission. Otherwise, the VAFWB Mission Board prevails in its direction as it relates to the mission work."

The motion was seconded by Dr. Dave Nobles of the Mission Board.

Dr. Bob Brown, Chair of the Mission Board called for a vote of the Mission Board members. Approved unanimously.

Dr. Rodger Castle, Moderator of the State Association and Chair of the Executive Committee then called for a vote of the Executive Committee. Approved unanimously.

The Mission Board then pledged \$10,000 for Grace Mission.

Dr. Barnes was asked to rejoin the meeting and was informed of all motions.

Meeting was dismissed in prayer by Rev. Don White.

Approved: Thursday, March 23, 2017

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REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD (February 2017)

Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists Minutes of 2017 Planning Meeting

The Executive Committee met Feb. 23, 2017 at the Harrisonburg FWB Church, Harrisonburg, VA.

Attending:

Dr. Dave Nobles, Dr. Bruce Barnes, Rev. Mark Crews, Rev. Marty Puckett, Rev. Gary Hill, Rev. Don Helms, Rev. Larry Ross, Rev. David Sexton, Dr. Rodger Castle, Rev. Don White, Rev. Paul Collins

Call to Order was made by Moderator, Dr. Rodger Castle reading from 2 chronicles 7:12-20 and sharing a time of devotion.

Opening prayer was offered by Rev. Larry Ross

The nominating Committee for 2017 was appointed.

Rev. Dave Nobles, Chair
Rev. Larry Ross
Rev. Larry Russell

Dave Nobles will advise of Credentials Committee Members to serve at the State Meeting

Minutes of the 2016 meeting were presented by Clerk, Rev. Don White. Corrections were noted and a motion to accept and print was approved by vote of "aye" with no opposition.

The following Reports were presented and accepted by vote.

- Treasurer, Rev. Gary (Rev. Hill requested that the Nominating Committee find a new Treasurer.)
- CTS Director, Rev. Jack Kettelman (by letter)
- Promotional Director, Dr. Bruce Barnes
- Free Will Baptist Family Ministries (by letter)
- Harvest Child Care Ministries, Rev. Paul Collins

The following Theme and Speakers for the June Meeting was approved.

"BEHOLD THE LAMB"

Thursday, 11 am: Identity of the Lamb, Rev. Mark Crews

Thursday, 1 pm: Blood of the Lamb, Rev. Richard Wright

Thursday, 2 pm: Lamb's Book of Life, Rev. Jay Barnes (alternate: Rev. Paul Collins)

Thursday, 7 pm: Worthiness of the Lamb, Rev. David Sexton

Friday, 11 am: Marriage Supper of the Lamb: Rev. Gary Hill

By teleconference, Rev. David Mizelle reported for Home Missions.

- With the resignation of Chairman Rev. Bob Brown (moved away) the Board has elected Rev. Mizelle as their new Chairman and requests replacing Rev. Bob Brown with Rev. John Austin.
- The Board has approved the Harrisonburg church, Paul Collins pastor to sell 2½ acres of property.
- Heritage FWB has requested help from the Missions Board in restructuring and/or finding a new pastor.

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

Officers to elect in 2017:

- Assistant Clerk to replace Rev. Bob Brown (recommend Rev. Paul Collins)
- Treasurer to replace Rev. Gary Hill (recommend Rev. Brent Patrick)
- CTS Representative to replace Rev. Jack Kettelman (recommend to re-elect)
- Mission Board to replace Rev. David Mizelle (recommend to re-elect)
- Mission Board to replace Rev. Bob Brown (recommend Rev. John Austin)
- Executive Board to replace Rev. Bob Brown (recommend Rev. Gary Hill)
- Executive Board to replace Rev. Larry Ross (recommend to re-elect)

Recommend the 2018 State Meeting convene with the Central FWB church, Norton VA

Motion to adjourn was approved by vote of "aye" with no opposition.

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. David Sexton.

Printed: Tuesday, June 6, 2017
Revised: Wednesday, June 7, 2017

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REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD (June 2017)

Minutes

Executive Board Meeting - VA State Assoc. FWB June 15, 2017

The Executive Board of The Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists met at the Bethel Free Will Baptist Church, Woodbridge VA on Thursday, June 15, 2017 at 8 am.

Attending was Rev. Dr. Bruce Barnes, Rev. Dr. Rodger Castle, Rev. Larry Ross, Rev. Dr. Dave Nobles, Rev. Mark Crews, Rev. Marty Puckett, Rev. Gary Hill and Rev. Don White.

Rev. Dr. Rodger Castle called the meeting to order and read scripture from Jeremiah 18:1-6

Treasurer, Rev. Gary Hill presented the Report of the Treasurer. A motion to accept was seconded and approved by vote of "aye" with no opposition.

Clerk, Rev. Don White presented the minutes of the February 23, 2017 Executive Board Meeting. A motion to accept was seconded and approved by vote of "aye" with no opposition.

Promotional Director, Rev. Dr. Bruce Barnes presented the report of the Executive Director. A motion to accept was seconded and approved by vote of "aye" with no opposition.

There was a discussion about changing the Treasurer's responsibilities to include Mission accounts. This may require changes to the Constitution and By-laws.

The Report of the Nominating Committee was presented and a motion to accept was seconded and approved by vote of "aye" with no opposition.

A motion to adjourn was seconded and approved by vote of "aye" with no opposition.

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Gary Hill.

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REPORT OF THE PROMOTIONAL OFFICE

REPORT OF THE PROMOTIONAL DIRECTOR 79TH ANNUAL VIRGINIA STATE ASSOCIATION MEETING JUNE 16, 2017

THANK YOU

Let me begin by expressing our sincere appreciation for all the prayers and expressions of concern for Debbie as she went through her cancer treatment. She is doing well, and she is facing a low risk of it returning. We thank the Lord for His goodness in our behalf. Also, I want to thank all of you for your patience with me in that I did not travel quite as much in this last quarter so I could be a little closer to home during Debbie's treatments. I know you understand, and I genuinely appreciate it. I am now back in regular travel mode.

INTRODUCTION OF GRACE MISSION AS A MINISTRY OF THE PROMOTIONAL OFFICE

As most all of you have heard over the past year and as represented in the Executive Board Report, Grace Mission is now a ministry arm of the Virginia promotional office. This is the idea I mentioned to you last year but that we were not yet ready to announce formally. The basic ministry approach was an idea I had pondered for several years, but it became a potential avenue whereby we might be able to maintain a full-time promotional office. Over the past several years we had raised between 62% to 74% of needed funds. It was obvious that we needed an additional funding source. So, the idea was to formalize the work of Grace Mission into a ministry that would meet needs within Free Will Baptists as a whole and far beyond us here in Virginia but also keep me laboring in ministry areas. This approach would also provide the means of raising funds outside Virginia. The raised funds that come from outside Virginia could then become a supplement to the salary side of the promotional office if needed. Otherwise, all Grace Mission funding would exist to operate the mission and its advancement.

Let me share the following for understanding. There is a VAFWB Promotional Office account for which funds are raised within Virginia so that this office can operate. From these funds, my salary is paid and the expense budget for the office, all of which are approved by this body. There is now a separate Grace Mission account with its own incorporation and EIN tax number into which funds raised outside of Virginia are deposited, and I fully give account for all these funds before the VAFWB Mission Board. Therefore, the only funds from Grace Mission that come to the promotional office are the amounts needed to maintain my salary as set by the state association for the promotional director.

This is an understandable approach to funding which first places responsibility on us for the support of our promotional office. But also, it reassures donors outside Virginia that they are supporting the work of Grace Mission and not just building up what's going on in Virginia. It is understandable that some support funds from Grace Mission might be needed to help supplement the salary of the person leading and completing the mission work. Here in our state, we need to remember that the stronger we support the promotional office, the more quickly the work of Grace Mission will advance. The fewer funds we have to pull over to supplement the promotional director's salary, the more funds we will have to expand the outreach of the mission. And of course, all our churches in Virginia will be the first to benefit from that advancement along with our NAFWB missionaries.

PRESENT FINANCIAL INFORMATION

You will note from the state treasurer's report that the office expenditures were below budget by a few hundred dollars. One of the main reasons we had some relief here is because of Grace Mission. Some of the expenses incurred during the year were related to the work of the mission; consequently, the mission account was used instead of the promotional office account. As you can see from all income sources (see the

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REPORT OF THE PROMOTIONAL OFFICE (cont'd)

BREAKDOWN OF GIVING FROM ASSOCIATIONS AND CHURCHES TO THE VIRGINIA PROMOTIONAL OFFICE 2016 - 2017

VIRGINIA ASSOCIATIONS

Northern Virginia Conference	\$ 20,000.00
Tidewater Association	\$ 3,000.00
SW Virginia Association: East Wise Quarterly	\$ 500.00
John Wheeler Association: Southwestern Quarterly ..	\$ 300.00
John Wheeler Association: Northeastern Quarterly ..	\$ 300.00
Central Virginia Conference	\$ 236.75

CHURCHES

Gateway FWB Church, Virginia Beach	\$ 4,300.00
Bethel FWB Church, Woodbridge	\$ 3,000.00
Good News FWB Church, Chesterfield	\$ 2,890.00
Lighthouse FWB Church, Bedford	\$ 2,507.46
CrossPointe FWB Church, Suffolk	\$ 1,807.00
First FWB Church, Bristol	\$ 1,800.00
Calvary FWB Church, Rochelle	\$ 1,600.00
Mary's Chapel FWB Church, Coeburn	\$ 1,400.00
Bethany FWB Church, Norfolk	\$ 1,200.00
Unity FWB Church, Chesapeake	\$ 1,090.00
Cardwell Town FWB Church, Cardwell Town	\$ 1,064.96
Central FWB Church, Norton	\$ 1,000.00
Woodland Heights FWB Church, Martinsville	\$ 750.00
Casa De Dios FWB Church, Woodbridge	\$ 600.00
Genesis FWB Church, Kingsport	\$ 600.00
Liberty FWB Church, Marion	\$ 600.00
Hyde Park FWB Church, Norfolk	\$ 500.00
Heritage FWB Church, Fredericksburg	\$ 300.00
Faith FWB Church, Carrollton	\$ 210.00
Harrisonburg FWB Church, Harrisonburg	\$ 200.00
Macedonia FWB Church, Sparta, NC	\$ 177.00
Park Lane FWB Church, Charlottesville	\$ 175.00
Chestnut Hill FWB Church, Big Island	\$ 150.00

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REPORT OF THE PROMOTIONAL OFFICE (cont'd)

GRACE MISSION REPORT 79TH ANNUAL VIRGINIA STATE ASSOCIATION MEETING JUNE 16, 2017

I encourage you to get one of our prayer cards, go online, and see everything that is involved in the mission. It would simply take too much time to detail it here. However, we are nearing completion of our Phase 1 Mission Development Plan which means that our video production studio will be complete and ready for filming on Wednesday next week. Our target date for our debut of weekly preaching and teaching feeds is September 1st. This gives us the time needed to streamline our production process. Once that is up and running weekly, we will enter Phase 2 which is completing the online version of GRACE Outreach.

I have been holding a number of GRACE Outreach Revivals in Virginia, Michigan, and North Carolina. Also, about twenty churches are now using the program and seeing great and encouraging results. As the online version begins to be made available, I believe we will see a steady increase in participation as well as funding support from churches accessing the program.

I want to give special thanks to individuals and departments of our National Association for their encouragement of and support for Grace Mission. I visited and spoke with almost all of our national leaders, and I appreciate their warm reception and encouragement. I want our brethren here in Virginia to know about the cooperation we are realizing from our National departments and leaders. Let me share some specifics.

DR. DAVID CROWE AND FWB NORTH AMERICAN MINISTRIES

Dr. Crowe was immediately supportive of the vision of this ministry, and both he and the NAM board began significant monthly, financial support of the mission beginning this past January. Dr. Crowe has also offered us a great opportunity to showcase Grace Mission and GRACE Outreach at the Pigeon Forge Power Conference next year where he has asked me in two sessions to share these works with the attendees. He is also giving me the opportunity after the Sunday evening service at the National to be present with their missionaries so we can register them to receive the various services of Grace Mission.

RON HUNTER AND RANDALL HOUSE PUBLICATIONS

Mr. Hunter has graciously worked out an avenue by which we will be able to distribute our video teaching of the D6 curriculum. These lessons will be available weekly only through Grace Mission and only to supporting ministries and NAFWB missionaries who are confirmed customers receiving the Randall House D6 curriculum. This approach is necessary because of the intellectual rights of the publisher for the materials they labor to produce. I am excited to work with Mr. Hunter and Randall House Publications in encouraging the use of our denominational materials.

DAVID BROWN AND THE FWB FOUNDATION

Mr. Brown was one of the first our national department leaders to know about the possibilities of Grace Mission, and he was an encourager from the very start. Mr. Brown and the FWB Foundation recently provided Grace Mission with a \$10,000.00 grant which was specifically for helping us get a major piece of equipment needed for the video-production studio. The aid they have provided will help our production appear so much more professional from the start.

In conclusion, I want to thank our boards here in Virginia who have a vision not only for what needs to take place here but also around the world. The VAFWB Mission Board graciously provided the seed monies to begin the process of implementing Grace Mission. Because of this help, we have been able to get down the road much faster than expected. Also, the VAFWB Executive Board stepped out in faith to believe in a vision I had for the future of the promotional office as well as for our denomination and for a world in need of a Savior! Of all promotional directors of all states, I cannot help but feel myself the most blessed. I pledge, once again, my all for our Lord and for you, my brethren.

D. Bruce Barnes

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REPORT OF HOME MISSION BOARD

I have the privilege to represent the Virginia Mission Board this morning. I am reminded in 2 Timothy that we must live faithfully to the intentional sharing the gospel, to realize that there will be trials and difficulties that are associated with the work of the gospel. The scriptures read: do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, **9** who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began. Today I am thankful for the calling and purpose that God has given to me. May we all be found faithful.

I am excited about the works that have begun in the last few years and the continued works that are happening across our state in our various Church Plants. Virginia is growing and continues to change. We must be ready and willing to make every effort to see churches planted in areas in which God would lead. We must never forget the task in which we have been given in light of the gospel. The gospel by its very nature is not to be held but to be shared. Let us continue to come together as a State to intentionally plant healthy churches in areas in which God leads. We can do more together than we can separately.

The Mission board met yesterday with all of our state missionaries, associates and some of their families as well as Bro. Bruce Barnes that gave us an update on the progress of Grace Mission. We had a good time of discussion between everyone concerning various topics that impact the planting of churches as well as our established church works. We discussed difficulties in areas of culture, ethics, race and truth. The hearts of our missionaries were clear as they displayed a passion for the gospel and reaching people in their communities with the message that changes.

In a few moments you will hear a report from our treasurer, Dave Nobles followed by greetings and comments from each of our church planters. Each of these works, the missionaries and their families need and deserve our support. We have a responsibility to not only serve in our areas, but to send others to areas void of witness. Pastors please lead your church in taking the gospel outside of your local area and be a part of sharing the gospel with people you will never meet. I challenge you to lead your church support one or more of your Virginia Mission works on a monthly basis.

Brother Moderator, at the end of the final missionary report from our missionaries, this will conclude the mission Board report.

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REPORT OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD TREASURER

VIRGINIA STATE HOME MISSIONS
Balance Sheet For All Accounts
Through 9/31/2017

ASSETS

Account Balances:	
CHECKING	\$29,110.63
FOUNDATION	\$26,121.56
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$55,232.19</u>

LIABILITIES

Liabilities	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$0.00</u>

EQUITY

Fund Balance/Other Equity	\$0.00
Other Equity	
COLLINS GENERAL FUND	\$14,048.40
COLLINS LAND FUND	\$1,008.62
GENERAL FUND	\$11,298.53
GRACE MISSION FUND	\$4,854.53
HISPANIC GENERAL FUND	\$16,885.66
WEAVER GENERAL FUND	\$7,136.45
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>\$55,232.19</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>\$55,232.19</u>

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REPORT OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD TREASURER (cont'd)

VIRGINIA STATE HOME MISSIONS

Profit And Loss Statement
6/1/2016 Through 5/31/2017

INCOME

Income	
COLLINS GENERAL INCOME	\$1,640.35
COLLINS LAND INCOME	\$361.49
GENERAL FUND EXPENSE	\$2.50
GENERAL FUND INCOME	\$15,080.23
GRACE MISSION INCOME	\$9,894.53
HISPANIC GENERAL INCOME	\$49,052.28
WEAVER GENERAL INCOME	\$1,700.00
Total Income:	\$77,691.38

EXPENSE

Expense	
COLLINS GENERAL EXPENSE	\$2,000.00
COLLINS LAND EXPENSE	\$2,000.00
GENERAL FUND EXPENSE	\$14,424.96
GRACE MISSION EXPENSE	\$5,000.00
HISPANIC GENERAL EXPENSE	\$56,207.30
WEAVER GENERAL EXPENSE	\$5,500.00
Total Expense:	\$85,132.28

Net Profit or Loss:	(\$7,440.90)
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REPORT OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD TREASURER (cont'd)

VIRGINIA STATE FWB ASSOCIATION
Balance Sheet For All Accounts
Through 5/31/2017

ASSETS

Account Balances:

CHECKING	\$100.00
FOUNDATION	\$15,527.00
SAVINGS	\$22,654.94

TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$38,281.94</u>
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LIABILITIES

Liabilities

TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$0.00</u>
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EQUITY

Fund Balance/Other Equity

Other Equity	\$0.00
COLLEGES FUND	\$990.00
COLLINS GENERAL FUND	\$588.81
GRACE MISSION FUND	\$1,600.00
HISPANIC GENERAL FUND	\$614.00
INTEREST FUND	\$1,430.52
INTERNAT MISSIONS FUND	\$2,091.59
MINISTRIES IN VA FUND	\$4,241.60
NAT HOME MISSIONS FUND	\$3,914.00
OTHER MISSIONS FUND	\$3,915.00
SEXTON GENERAL FUND	\$0.00
VA STATE GENERAL FUND	\$11,793.70
VA STATE OFFICE FUND	(\$0.00)
VA STATE PROMO FUND	\$5,177.72
WEAVER FUND	\$1,945.00

TOTAL FUNDS	<u>\$38,281.94</u>
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TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>\$38,281.94</u>
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REPORT OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD TREASURER (cont'd)

VIRGINIA STATE FWB ASSOCIATION

Profit And Loss Statement
6/1/2016 Through 5/31/2017

INCOME

Income	
Boney Marshall Inc	\$1,395.35
Bryan Robert Inc	\$965.00
Camp Jacob Inc	\$2,400.00
Carenet Inc	\$1,000.00
Collins General Inc	\$1,850.90
Crabtree Jeff Inc	\$150.00
Dillard Amos Inc	\$155.00
Each One Plant One Inc	\$7,640.00
Edgmon Anthony Inc	\$275.00
Ekyushu Nikolay Inc	\$1,800.00
Elliott Daniel Inc	\$175.00
FWB Bible College Inc	\$1,800.00
Falciano Jora Inc	\$900.00
Family Ministries Inc	\$1,350.00
Friends Of India Inc	\$30.00
Gatner Mirial Inc	\$20.00
Gateway Global Miss Inc	\$70.00
Grace Mission Inc	\$11,454.53
Gwen Hendrix Hisp Bib Inc	\$15.00
Hanna Carlisle Inc	\$200.00
Harvest Child Care Inc	\$5,938.29
Henley Chip Inc	\$900.00
Hispanic General Inc	\$7,477.28
Hudson Larry Inc	\$175.00
Interest Inc	\$422.26
International Miss Gen Inc	\$4,687.28
Kovach Zhora Inc	\$1,800.00
Lemelin George Inc	\$225.00
Mann Daniel Inc	\$650.00
Moldova Medical Clinic Inc	\$1,220.00
Neppl Marc Inc	\$2,545.91
Osborne David Inc	\$8,217.56
Paunov Vitally Inc	\$1,800.00
Postlewaite Jonathan Inc	\$150.00
Reynolds Bill Building Inc	\$2,628.53
Reynolds Bill Inc	\$535.00
Stiles Alan Inc	\$791.00
Sprull Carl Inc	\$865.00
Thomas Mark Inc	\$870.00
Tvardista John Inc	\$1,800.00
VA State General Exp	\$2.50
VA State General Inc	\$5,871.28
VA State Office Inc	\$150.00
VA State Promo Direct Inc	\$17,615.31
Weaver Jason Inc	\$3,280.00
Willife Chris Inc	\$300.00
Wire Transfer Fee GGM Inc	\$220.00
Wise Co. Christian Inc	\$1,640.00
World Vision Inc	\$250.00
Total Income:	\$104,452.99

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REPORT OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD TREASURER (cont'd)

VIRGINIA STATE FWB ASSOCIATION

Profit And Loss Statement
6/1/2016 Through 5/31/2017

EXPENSE

Expense	
Beck Stephen Exp	\$500.00
Boney Marshall Exp	\$1,900.35
Bryan Robert Exp	\$905.00
Camp Jacob Exp	\$2,100.00
Carenet Exp	\$1,100.00
Collins Building Exp	\$361.49
Collins General Exp	\$1,840.35
Crabtree Jeff Exp	\$150.00
Crowe Josh Exp	\$271.00
Dillard Amos Exp	\$125.00
Each One Plant One Exp	\$10,637.75
Edgmon Anthony Exp	\$275.00
Ekyushu Nikolay Exp	\$1,650.00
Elliott Daniel Exp	\$155.00
FWB Bible College Exp	\$2,060.00
Falcianu Jora Exp	\$825.00
Family Ministries Exp	\$1,250.00
Gainer Mirial Exp	\$90.00
Gateway Global Miss Exp	\$60.00
Grace Mission Exp	\$9,854.53
Gwen Hendrix Hisp Bibl Exp	\$15.00
Hanna Carlisle Exp	\$180.00
Harvest Child Care Exp	\$5,057.33
Henley Chip Exp	\$825.00
Hispanic General Exp	\$7,052.28
Hudson Larry Exp	\$150.00
International Miss Gen Exp	\$3,981.82
Kovach Zhora Exp	\$1,650.00
Lemelin George Exp	\$205.00
Mann Daniel Exp	\$620.00
Moldova Medical Clinic Exp	\$1,100.00
Neppi Marc Exp	\$2,550.34
Northern VA Youth Camp Exp	\$406.49
Osborne David Exp	\$6,278.09
Paunov Vitaly Exp	\$1,650.00
Postlewaite Jonathan Exp	\$275.00
Reynolds Bill Building Exp	\$2,538.43
Reynolds Bill Exp	\$485.00
Roanoke Bevins Exp	\$20.00
Skiles Alan Exp	\$761.00
Spruill Carl Exp	\$1,240.00
Thomas Mark Exp	\$1,015.00
Tvardista John Exp	\$1,650.00
VA State General Exp	\$3,708.11
VA State Meeting Exp	\$175.00
VA State Office Exp	\$200.00
VA State Promo Direct Exp	\$16,478.44
Weaver Jason Exp	\$1,720.00
Wilhite Chris Exp	\$300.00
Wire Transfer Fee GGM Exp	\$220.00
Wise Co. Christian Exp	\$1,375.00

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REPORT OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD TREASURER (cont'd)

VIRGINIA STATE FWB ASSOCIATION

Profit And Loss Statement
6/1/2016 Through 5/31/2017

Total Expense:	\$99,820.80
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Net Profit or Loss:	\$4,632.19
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REPORT OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD TREASURER (cont'd)

6/11/2017

Contributors And Amounts

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6/1/2016 THROUGH 5/31/2017

Note: This report does not contain non-cash donations. It matches Statement Amounts.

Name	Amount	Env #	Address	City	State	Zip
Cathryn Amos	\$12.00		131 Amos Road	Martinsville	Virginia	24112
Tidewater Association	\$3,000.00		102 Corbin Dr	Newport News	Virginia	23066
Stames Bend Baptist Church	\$150.00		P.O. Box 9	Hillons	Virginia	24258
Mark Baumgardner	\$15.00		27413 Denton Valley Road	Abingdon	Virginia	24211
Robert Bryan	\$50.00		FWBFM P.O. Box 5002	Antioch	Tennessee	37011
Anonymous Cash	\$12.00					
Marys Chapel Church	\$600.00		P.O. Box 989	Coeburn	Virginia	24230
Casa De Dios	\$1,100.00		3713 Pennington Lane	Woodbridge	Virginia	22192
Adwolfe FwB Church	\$1,910.81		114 Short Street	Marion	Virginia	24354
Bethel FwB Church	\$13,018.06		3713 Pennington Lane	Woodbridge	Virginia	22192
Bloss FwB Church	\$83.00		716 N. Barton Street	Arlington	Virginia	22201
Calvary FwB Church	\$265.00		814 E. Virginia Ave.	Crewe	Virginia	22930
Cardwell Town FwB Church	\$1,260.95		P.O. Box 1083	Saltville	Virginia	24370
Central FwB Church	\$7,607.00		P.O. Box 621	Norton	Virginia	24273
Chestnut Hill FwB Church	\$145.00		1069 Powell School Road	Big Island	Virginia	24526
Cornerstone FwB Church	\$150.00		300 Henson Lane	Bristol	Tennessee	37620
East Bristol FwB Church	\$200.00		208 Trammel Road	Bristol	Tennessee	37620
Elkton FwB Church	\$900.00		P. O. Box 298	Elkton	Virginia	22827
Faith FwB Church	\$752.00		P O Box 205	Carrollton	Virginia	23314
First Church	\$543.00		10315 White Marsh Road	Glen Allen	Virginia	23060
First (Bristol) FwB Church	\$495.00		1741 Euclid Ave	Bristol	Virginia	24201
Gateway FwB Church	\$4,200.00		5473 Virginia Beach Boulevard	Virginia Beach	Virginia	23462
Good News FwB Church	\$19,290.00		5200 Courthouse Road	Chesterfield	Virginia	23832
Grace FwB Church	\$22,685.85		9459 Poindexter Road	Louisa	Virginia	23093
Harmony FwB Church	\$43.00		225 Constitution Highway	Rapidan	Virginia	22733
Harrisburg FwB Church	\$400.00		784 Gail Crist Drive	Harrisburg	Virginia	22802
Heavenly Hope FwB Church	\$132.00		1837 Valley Road	Saltville	Virginia	24370-383
Heritage FwB Church	\$1,490.35		12500 Chewning Lane	Fredericksburg	Virginia	22407
Hyde Park FwB Church	\$3,600.00		8501 Chesapeake Boulevard	Norfolk	Virginia	23503
Liberty FwB Church	\$200.00		279 Rowland Creek Lane	Marion	Virginia	24354
Lighthouse FwB Church	\$2,515.85		942 Burks Hill Road	Bedford	Virginia	24523
Macedonia FwB Church	\$3,182.60		P.O. Box 958	Sparta	North Carolina	28675
Park Lane FwB Church	\$375.00		112 Park Lane W	Charlottesville	Virginia	22903-422
Shiloh FwB Church	\$4,200.00		21503 Benhams Road	Bristol	Virginia	24202
Unity FwB Church	\$3,806.00		P O Box 15075	Chesapeake	Virginia	23322
Woodland Heights FwB Chu	\$426.00		1772 Northfork Road C/O Nancy Gaudin	Martinsville	Virginia	24112
Nancy Gaudin	\$12.00		1772 North Fork Road	Martinsville	Virginia	24112
Nora Ingram	\$12.00		124 Inman St	Martinsville	Virginia	24112
Nancy Kelton	\$12.00		117255 Central St	Coeburn	Virginia	24230
Richard McDaniel	\$12.00		2113 Christopher Drive	Chesapeake	Virginia	23321
Grace Mission	\$4,676.29			Virginia Beach	Virginia	23462
Harry Oakes	\$12.00		1404 Chatham Road	Martinsville	Virginia	24112
National Assoc Of FwB	\$166.86		P.O. Box 5002	Antioch	Tennessee	37011
FwB Church Of Roanoke	\$369.00		1019 Gus W. Nicks Blvd, NE	Roanoke	Virginia	24012
Daniel Osborne	\$20.00		Camp Jacob			
Patricia Wyatt	\$12.00		P.O. Box 445	Saltville	Virginia	24370
TOTAL GIVING:	\$104,028.23	COUNT: 46	AVERAGE: \$2,261.48			

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REPORT OF THE REGISTRATION AND CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Virginia State Association of FWB 2017 Report of the Registration & Credentials Committee

Association	Report Recd. (Y/N)	# of Churches	Fees Rec'd	Delegates Listed (number)
CENTRAL:				
CLINCH VALLEY:	Y	5	1,200. ⁰⁰	
HARMONY:				
JOHN WHEELER:	Y	13	100. ⁰⁰	
NORTHERN:	Y	14	2,800. ⁰⁰	
SANDY VALLEY:	Y	3	600. ⁰⁰	
SOUTHWEST:	Y	20	4,000. ⁰⁰	
TIDEWATER:				

Registration	Number
Ministers & Deacons:	35
Delegates:	10
Visitors:	49
Total:	94

Respectfully submitted: (date) 06, 16, 2017

Jamie L. [Signature] _____, Chair
May S. [Signature] _____

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REPORT OF THE REGISTRATION AND CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE (Cont'd)

VIRGINIA ORDAINED & LICENSED MINISTERS

NAME	CHURCH	CITY/STATE
Bruce Barnes	VAFWB Promotional Office	Virginia Beach, VA
Gary Hill	Central FWB	Norton, VA
Marty Pickett	MARY'S CHURCH	Coeburn VA
Mark Cress	REHMAN FWR	NOFOLK VA
Rodger Carter	FWB FM/Easthill	Bristol, VA
James Brubaker	Calvary Church	Cross VA
Ray William Tindal	Cooperation FWB Church	Gett, VA
Don Felito	EAST BRISTOL	Briston VA/IN
Larry Ross	Chestnut Hill Bapt.	Big Island VA
Dave Nobles	Bethel Church	Woodbridge VA
Dave Mzede	First FWB Church	Bristol, VA
Richard Wright	Calvary FWR	Roanoke VA
Samuel Johnson	Bethel M. FWR	Chattanooga VA
John H. Hart	Grace FWR W.B.	Louis VA
Danny Woody	Grace FWR	Louis VA
RAUL DE VINS	GRACE FWR	LOUISA VA
Jay BAINES	First Church Richmond	Richmond VA
Ed Gaud	First Church Richmond	Richmond VA
Paul Collins	Harrisonburg FWB Church	Harrisonburg
MICHAEL KEENANCE	YOUNG PINE FWR	ARLINGTON
DIESO AREVA	CASA DE DIOS.	WOODBRIDGE.
David Sexton	Cross Pointe	SUFFOLK VA
Yvonne Smith	Hyde Park	NOFOLK, VA
Glen Johnson	Good News	Chesterfield VA
(24) James Lane	Bethel FWR	Woodbridge, VA
Earl Brubaker	Unity	Chesapeake VA
Steve Hupp	W. King Church	Harrisonburg VA

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REPORT OF THE REGISTRATION AND CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE (Cont'd)

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VISITORS

NAME	CHURCH	CITY/STATE
NATE BROWN	BETHEL	Woodbridge, VA
JAMES HERRINGTON	Bethel	WDBS
FREDY POZANCO	CASA DE DIOS	WDBS
JULIA POZANCO	CASA DE DIOS	" "
MELVIN SETTLE	BETHEL	Woodbridge
Mina Larios	Casa de Dios	Woodbridge
Patricio Larios	Casa de Dios	Woodbridge
Darwin Larios Jr.	Casa de Dios	Woodbridge
Mary D. Dennis	Bethel Church	Woodbridge, Va.
James Ross	Christminster	Baylis, Va.
Case Nappal	Restore	Portsmouth
Beth Bass	Restore	Portsmouth
Rosemary Ramsey	BETHEL CH.	WOODBRIDGE
Roy Ramsey	BETHEL - CH.	WOODBRIDGE
Vicki Ramirez	BETHEL CH	Woodbridge
Maribel Hernandez	Casa de Dios	Stafford VA.
Bertha Rodriguez	CASA DE DIOS	Woodbridge
Brian Horne	Bethel	Woodbridge, VA
Anna Horne	Bethel	Woodbridge, VA
Daniel Horne	Bethel	Woodbridge, VA
Von Brown	Bethel	Woodbridge, VA
(110) Wade Brown	Bethel	Woodbridge, VA

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REPORT OF THE REGISTRATION AND CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE (Cont'd)

VISITORS

NAME	CHURCH	CITY/STATE
Debbie Barnes	VA F.W.B. Promotions	Virginia Beach, VA
Todd Smith	F.W.B. Foundation	Antioch, TN
BART	VA Council	Richmond, VA
Sam McVay	FM	Austrian, IN
Justin Erickson	Board of Retirement	Antioch, TN
Eric Thomson	INE Magazine / Exec. off.	Jackson, TN
Mike Edwards	Welch College	Gallatin, TN
Susan Fortlines	Rejoice (members)	Gallatin, TN
Martha Stone	Genesis Church	Kingsport TN
Betty Stipes	BETHANY	NORFOLK, VA
Jeff Cockrell	Welch College	Gallatin TN
Gladys Tonkin	Cornerstone F.W.B.	Catlett, VA
Russell Davis	Bethel F.W.B.	Woodbridge, VA
(14) Grayce Davis	Bethel F.W.B.	Woodbridge, VA
Judy Castle	East Bristol	Winsted, Va.
Barbara Berca Garrett	Faith Church	Wynthesville, VA
Theresa Hill	Central F.W.B. Church	Norton, VA
Brad Ransom	Home Missions	Antioch, TN
Hannah Reynolds	Beacon F.W.B.	Exeter, RI
Sarah Reynolds	Beacon F.W.B.	EXETER, RI
Billy Reynolds	Beacon F.W.B.	Exeter, RI
Holly Weaver	Silpogate	Winchester, VA
(13) RON HUNTER	Randall House	Nashville TN
Tiffany Boney	Reignite Church	Va Beach, VA
Alexis Boney	Reignite Church	Va Beach, VA
Robin Kernodie	Lyons Park Fellowship	Arlington, VA
Shelby Kernodie	" "	" "

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CENTRAL ASSOCIATION – no report

CLINCH VALLEY ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL LETTER FROM QUARTERLY MEETING TO DISTRICT ASSOCIATION
OR
DISTRICT ASSOCIATION TO STATE ASSOCIATION

Clinch Valley Association to Virginia State
(Name of Quarterly Meeting or District Association) (Name of District Association or State Association)

Meeting at Bethel Free Will Baptist Church on June 15th + 16th, 2017
(Date)

Period of time this report covers: From May, 2016 to May, 2017

Present Moderator's Name Carl Rogers Telephone (276) 333-1781

Mailing Address 574 Holcom Hollow Rd.

City Big Stone Gap State VA Zip 24219

DELEGATES: see Rep. Paper Herron - thanking Delegates
Evelyn Herron - with authority
to appoint anyone that may
be able to make it to the
meeting

A. CHURCH CHARACTERISTICS

1. Total number of churches 5
2. Total number of churches in:
 - City/Town Rural
 - Rural 5
3. Total number of churches reporting 5
4. Total number of churches with:
 - Full-time pastor 1
 - Bi-vocational pastors 3

B. MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

1. Total number of baptisms 4
2. Total members added 4
3. Total members lost 3
4. Total membership 121

C. STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

1. Total income of all churches \$39,938.00
2. Total number of churches with budgets _____

D. BUILDING INFORMATION

1. Total number of churches with parsonages _____
2. Total value of all church property, including parsonages \$29,100.00

E. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Total number of ordained ministers* 14
Licensed ministers _____
2. Total number of ordained deacons 6
3. Total number of churches with:
 - Day Care _____
 - Kindergarten _____
 - Christian Day School _____
 - Bible Institute _____
 - College _____
4. Total Sunday School enrollment 108
5. Total CTS enrollment _____
6. Total WNAC enrollment _____
7. Total Master's Men enrollment _____

Number of district association minutes requested _____
 Number of state association minutes requested 10
 Representation fees enclosed: Quarterly \$ _____ District \$ _____ State \$ 200.00 National \$ _____
 Signed: Clerk's Name Evelyn C. Herron Telephone (423) 288-8490
 Mailing Address 8600 Orebank Rd
 City Kingsport State TN Zip 37664

*Attach names, mailing addresses and telephone numbers.
 Moderator: Carl N. Rogers
 Order from Executive Office, P.O. Box 5002, Antioch, Tennessee 37011-5002.
 Please make a photocopy for your records. Form 503 (Rev. 2/04)

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CLINCH VALLEY ASSOCIATION (cont'd)

SUNBRIGHT QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

Moderator: William O. Bowen Clerk : Martha Townsend
P.O. Box 54 3218MabeStanleytown Rd.
Duffield VA , VA 24244 Duffield, Va. 24244
(276) 431-2533 (276) 431-2302

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Bowen's Chapel FWB Church Bowen's Chapel Dr. Duffield, VA 24244	William Bowen P.O. Box 54 Duffield, VA 24244 (276) 431-2533
Mabe's Chapel FWB Church 3101 Mabe-Stanleytown Rd. Duffield, VA 24244	Lonnie Townsend 135 Blueberry Ridge Dr. Duffield, VA 24244 (276)431-4504
Red Hill FWB Church 1674 Red Hill Rd. Gate City, VA 24251	Vernon McDavid 623 Hortons Summit Rd. Duffield, VA 24244 (276) 431-2530

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CLINCH VALLEY ASSOCIATION (cont'd)

CLINCH VALLEY ASSOCIATION MINISTERS

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(423) 288-1983

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Big Stone Gap, VA 24219
(276) 523-1781

Roger Herron
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Kingsport, TN
(423)288-8490

Paul Smith
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L. W. Salling
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CLINCH VALLEY ASSOCIATION (cont'd)

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Duffield, VA 24244
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Robert Dockery
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Ft. Blackmore, VA 24250
(276) 995-2069

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HARMONY ASSOCIATION

HARMONY ASSOC.

City _____ State VA

DELEGATES: Audrey Bowen Karen Collins
Camie Blenkins
Wanda Arnold
Laura Kyles
Carol Frazee

A. CHURCH CHARACTERISTICS
1. Total number of churches 3
2. Total number of churches in:
city/town _____ rural 3
3. Total number of churches reporting 3
4. Total number of churches with:
full-time pastors _____
part-time pastors 3

B. MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION
1. Total number of baptisms 3
2. Total members added 14
3. Total members lost 2
4. Total membership 103

C. STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION
1. Total income of all churches _____
2. Total number of churches with budgets _____

D. BUILDING INFORMATION
1. Total number of churches with parsonages 0
2. Total value of all church property,
including parsonages 400,000

E. GENERAL INFORMATION
1. Total number of ordained ministers* 3
licensed ministers* 3
2. Total number of ordained deacons 0
3. Total number of churches with day cares 0
with kindergartens 0
with Christian day schools 0
with Bible institutes 0
with colleges 0

4. Total Sunday School enrollment 123
5. Total CTS enrollment N/A
6. Total WNAC enrollment N/A
7. Total Master's Men enrollment N/A

Number of district association minutes requested 10
Number of state association minutes requested 5
Amount of representation fees enclosed: Quarterly \$ 500 District \$ _____ State \$ _____ National \$ _____

Signed: Clerk's Name Lenny Frazee Telephone 431 288-7039
Mailing Address 4245 Memorial Blvd
City Kingsport State TN Zip 37664

*Attach names, mailing addresses and telephone numbers.
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Brother Don,
The only changes we have is I have been ordained
And Pastor Starves Band F.W.B.
Lenny Frazee
4245 Memorial Blvd
Kingsport TN, 37664
423-288-7039

REPORTS

JOHN WHEELER ASSOCIATION

Annual Letter From Quarterly Meeting to District Association or District Association to State Association

Association Name John Wheeler
Meeting Location Bethel FWB, Woodbridge, VA Date 6 / 15-16 / 2017 (month/day/year)
Reporting Period May / 2016 to May / 2017 (month/year)
Moderator Rev. Eddie Foster Phone (276) 783-8642
Address 446 Pugh Mountain Rd. Email _____
City Marion State VA Zip 24354
Clerk Rev. Donald White Phone (276) 669-3604
Address 1762 Pittsdown Rd. Email dwhite@strongwell.com
City Bristol State VA Zip 24201

Delegates

1. Sis. Jo White 4. _____
2. Sis. Judy Castle 5. _____
3. _____

A. CHURCH CHARACTERISTICS

1. Number of churches 13
2. Number of churches reporting 13
3. Number of churches:
Within city limits 3
Rural 10
4. Total number of churches with:
Full-time pastors 9
Bi-vocational pastors 4

B. MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

1. Baptisms 13
2. Members added 1
3. Members lost 10
4. Membership 231

C. STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

1. Income of all churches \$ 170,539.56
2. Number of churches with budgets 1

D. BUILDING INFORMATION

1. Number of churches with parsonages 1
2. Value of all church property including parsonages \$ 375,000

E. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Number of ordained ministers 22
Licensed ministers 5
(Attach names, addresses, and phone numbers)
2. Number of ordained deacons 7
3. Number of:
Daycares _____
Christian Schools _____
Bible Institutes _____
Colleges _____
4. Sunday School enrollment 152

E. ASSOCIATIONAL PROPERTY (Camp, school, etc.)

Name _____
Value \$ _____

District association minutes requested _____ State association minutes requested 26
Representation fees enclosed: Quarterly \$ _____ District \$ _____ State \$ 2,600 National \$ _____

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JOHN WHEELER ASSOCIATION (cont'd)

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Bristol, VA 24201
276-466-2806

Rev. Mark Baumgardner
27413 Denton Valley Rd.
Abingdon, VA 24211
276-475-6016

Rev. Rodger Castle
5905 Cochise Trail
Kingsport, TN 37664
423-323-9234

Rev. Bobby Collins
28559 Poor Valley Road
Saltville, VA 24370
276-944-5320

Rev. Chris Connally
1315 Holston Dr.
Bristol, TN 37620
423-764-7577

Rev. Greg Dingus
14501 Castle Yonder Lane
Bristol, VA 24201
276-591-7353

Rev. N. N. Jennings Dotson
2725 Prestwick Court
Kingsport, TN 37660
423-288-2891

Rev. Eddie Foster
446 Pugh Mountain Road
Marion, VA 24354
276-783-8642

Rev. Clarence Frye
723 Free Will Lane
Saltville, VA 24370
276-496-5645

Rev. Jack Ketterman
64 Cherry Drive
Bristol, VA 24201
615-430-2445

REPORTS

JOHN WHEELER ASSOCIATION (cont'd)

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Marion, VA 24354
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377 Shaw Rd.
Rural Retreat, VA 24368
276-620-6294

Rev. Robert Prater
183 Lions Club Road
Saltville, VA 24370
276-496-3423

Rev. Gary Michael Kowlette
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Bristol, TN 37620
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Rev. C.F. Jack Sprinkle
15340 Majestic Dr.
Bristol, VA 24201
276-669-9570

Rev. Lee Statzer
1851 Pittstown Rd.
Bristol, VA 24201
276-644-1577

Rev. Bob Surber
195 Morningside Drive
Abingdon, VA 24210
276-676-3540

Rev. Jimmy Taylor
242 Barbrow Hollow Road
Saltville, VA 24370
276-496-5423

Rev. Donald White
1762 Pittstown Rd.
Bristol, VA 24201
276-669-3604

Rev. Austin Woods
552 Sharps Creek Road
Bristol, TN 37620
423-878-7487

REPORTS

JOHN WHEELER ASSOCIATION (cont'd)

Rev. Ronnie Lee Worley
1751 Pittstown Road
Bristol, VA 24201
276-591-3012

REPORTS

NORTHERN VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION

Annual Letter From Quarterly Association To Virginia State Association
June 15, 2017 Form 503

Association Name: Northern Virginia Association of Free Will Baptists Inc.

Meeting Location: Bethel Free Will Baptist Church, Woodbridge, VA. Date: June 15-16, 2017

Reporting Period: January 1, through December 31, 2016.

Moderator: Mike Kernodle Telephone: 703 527-6743

Mailing Address: 719 N. Cleveland Street Email: pastormike.bloss@gmail.com

City: Arlington State: Virginia Zip: 22201

Clerk: Paul J. Collins Telephone: 540 434-5734

Mailing Address: 794 Gailerist Drive Email: vacollins5@yahoo.com

City: Harrisonburg State: Virginia Zip: 22802

Delegates

1. Patricia Collins 4. Jennifer Kernodle

2. Chris Wojdag 5. _____

3. SherryWright

A. CHURCH CHARACTERISTICS

1. Number of Churches: 14

2. Number of Churches Reporting: 14

3. Total Number of Churches:

Within City Limits: 9 Rural: 5

4. Churches W/ Full Time: 8 Bi Voc. 6 Pastors

B. MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

1. Baptisms: 20

2. Members added: 58

3. Members lost: 46

4. Membership: 698

C. STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

1. Income of All Churches: 1,057,471.00

2. Number of Churches with budgets: 9

D. BUILDING INFORMATION

1. Number of Churches with Parsonages: 3

2. Value of all Church Property
including parsonages \$ 11,930,600.00

E. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Number of Ordained Ministers: 19

2. Number of Licensed Ministers: 4

3. Number of Ordained Deacons: 8

4. Number of

Daycares: 0

Christian Day Schools: 1

Bible Institutes: 0

Colleges: 0

5. Sunday School Enrollment: 460

F. ASSOCIATIONAL PROPERTY

Name: None

Value: 0.00

District Association Minutes Requested: 50 State Association Minutes Requested: 50

Representation Fees Enclosed:

Quarterly: \$ _____ District: \$ _____ State: \$ See Gary Hill National: \$ _____

Clerks Signature: Paul J. Collins

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NORTHERN VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION (cont'd)

NORTHERN VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS INC.

<u>Church</u>	<u>Pastor</u>
Bethel Free Will Baptist Church 3713 Pennington Lane Woodbridge, VA 22192 703 590-5199	Pastor: Dave Nobles 3713 Pennington Lane Woodbridge, VA 22192 703 590-6097 dnobles@bfbwbc.com
Calvary Free Will Baptist Church 4808 Shelby Road Rochelle, VA 22738 540 948-9979	Pastor: Richard Wright 13622 Mt. Zion Church Road Culpepper, VA 22701 540 829-4675
Casa De Dios Free Will Baptist Church 3713 Pennington Lane Woodbridge, VA 22192 703 590-5199	Pastor: Diego Cueva 3713 Pennington Lane Woodbridge, VA 22192 703 991-5508
Casa De Oracion FWB Church 716 N. Barton Street Arlington, VA 22201 703 906-8263	Pastor: Jose Figueroa 716 N. Barton Street Arlington, VA 22201 703 906-8263
Cornerstone FWB Church 3611 Midland Road Midland, VA 22728 540 272-5600	Pastor: William Tonkin 3613 Midland Road Midland, VA 22728 540 272-5600
Elkton Free Will Baptist Church Sixth Street / P.O. Box 298 Elkton, VA 22827 540 298-2894	Pastor: Billy King 100 Ashby Ave Elkton, VA 22827 540 298-9680
Free Will Baptist Church of Roanoke 1019 Gus Nicks Blvd NE Roanoke, VA 24012 540 345-2706	Pastor: Mark Lewis 1019 Gus Nicks Blvd NE Roanoke, VA 24012 757 620-1845 (Cell) pastorlewis@freewillroanoke.org
Grace Free Will Baptist Church 9459 Poindexter Road Louisa, VA 23093 540 967-2446	Pastor: John Austin 740 Willis Proffit Road Mineral, VA 23117 540 894-0366
Harmony Free Will Baptist Church 225 Spicers Mill Road Orange, VA 22960 540 854-8799	Pastor: Paul Kirk 29125 Essex Lane Rhoadesville, VA 22542 540 854-8799
Harrisonburg Free Will Baptist Church 331 Vine Street Harrisonburg, VA 22802 540 433-8980	Pastor: Paul J. Collins 794 Gallcrist Drive Rockingham, VA 22802 540 434-5734 vocollins5@yahoo.com
Heritage Free Will Baptist Church 12500 Chewning Lane Fredericksburg, VA 22407 540 786-7445	Pastor: Unknown 12500 Chewning Lane Fredericksburg, VA 22407 540 809-3364 (Clerk)
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NORTHERN VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION (cont'd)



Northern Virginia Association of Free Will Baptists, Inc.

1808 SHELBY ROAD • ROCHELLE, VIRGINIA 22738

May 19, 2017

Rev. Gary Hill
Treasurer, Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists
Central Free Will Baptist Church
216 7th Street N.E.
Norton, Virginia 24273

Dear Bro. Gary,

Enclosed is a check from the Northern Virginia Association to the Virginia State Association for the annual membership dues for fourteen (14) churches in the amount of **\$2,800.00**. Bro. Paul Collins, NORVA Clerk, will provide you with the listing if he hasn't already.

God Bless,

George R. (Bobby) Barrett
Treasurer

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SANDY VALLEY ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL LETTER FROM QUARTERLY MEETING TO DISTRICT ASSOCIATION
OR
DISTRICT ASSOCIATION TO STATE ASSOCIATION

Sandy Valley Association to Virginia State Association
(Name of Quarterly Meeting or District Association) (Name of District Association or State Association)

Meeting at Bethel FNB Church Church on June 15-16, 20 17

Period of time this report covers: From MAY, 20 16 to April, 20 17
(Date)

Present Moderator's Name: Johnny Woodward Telephone (276) 873-3834

Mailing Address P.O. Box 308
City Newport State VA Zip 24260

DELEGATES: None

A. CHURCH CHARACTERISTICS

1. Total number of churches 3
2. Total number of churches in:
City/Town _____ Rural 3
3. Total number of churches reporting 3
4. Total number of churches with:
Full-time pastors _____
Bi-vocational pastors _____

B. MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

1. Total number of baptisms 0
2. Total members added 0
3. Total members lost 0
4. Total membership 89

C. STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

1. Total income of all churches \$ 14,745
2. Total number of churches with budgets 0

D. BUILDING INFORMATION

1. Total number of churches with parsonages 0
2. Total value of all church property, including parsonages \$ 342,500

E. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Total number of ordained ministers* 10
licensed ministers* 0
2. Total number of ordained deacons 9
3. Total number of churches with:
Day Care 0
Kindergarten 0
Christian Day School 0
Bible Institute 0
College 0
4. Total Sunday School enrollment 90
5. Total CTS enrollment 0
6. Total WNAC enrollment 0
7. Total Master's Men enrollment 0

Number of district association minutes requested _____
Number of state association minutes requested 20
Representation fees enclosed: Quarterly \$ _____ District \$ _____ State \$ 600 National \$ _____
Signed: Clerk's Name Johnny Woodward Telephone (276) 794-7015
Mailing Address 1330 NEWPORT CHAPEL RD
City CASTLEWOOD State VA Zip 24224

* Attach names, mailing addresses and telephone numbers.

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SANDY VALLEY ASSOCIATION (cont'd)

SANDY VALLEY ASSOCIATION ORDAINED MINISTERS

Rev. Wendell Harris
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Vansant, Virginia 24656
276-859-2497

Rev. Donald Harris
1161 Jay Hollow Road
Honaker, Va. 24260
276-859-2918

Rev. Jason Reynolds
P.O. Box 1691
Honaker, Va. 24260
276-873-4074

Rev. Emory James
1173 Nance White Branch Road
Honaker, Va. 24260
276-859-9418

Rev. Roy Lee Wilson
2718 Monte Road
Bee, Va. 24217
276-859-2149

Rev. Michael Miller
1232 Nance White Branch Road
Honaker, Va. 24260
276-859-2642

Rev. Earl Reynolds
1139 High Knob Road
Vansant, Va. 24656
276-859-0540

Rev. Robert Tiller
3705 Indian Creek Road
Bee, Va. 24217
276-859-0244

Rev. Johnny Woodward
P.O. Box 318
Honaker, Va. 24260
276-873-5834

Rev. Delmer Ball
1330 Honaker Chapel Road
Castlewood, Va. 24224
276-794-7013

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SOUTHWEST ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL LETTER FROM QUARTERLY MEETING TO DISTRICT ASSOCIATION
OR
DISTRICT ASSOCIATION TO STATE ASSOCIATION

Southwest Association to Virginia State Association
(Name of Quarterly Meeting or District Association) (Name of District Association or State Association)
Meeting at Bethel F.W. Baptist Church Church on June 15 & 16th, 2017
Woodbridge, VA (Date)
Period of time this report covers: From May 14, 2016 to May 20, 2017
Present Moderator's Name Rev. Jack Cantrell Telephone (276) 796-6019
Mailing Address 9351 Bold Camp Rd.
City Pound State VA Zip 24279

DELEGATES: Sister Teresa Hill

A. CHURCH CHARACTERISTICS

1. Total number of churches 20
2. Total number of churches in:
City/Town 5 Rural 15
3. Total number of churches reporting 20
4. Total number of churches with:
Full-time pastors 2
Bi-vocational pastors 18

B. MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

1. Total number of baptisms 22
2. Total members added 9
3. Total members lost 25
4. Total membership 770

C. STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

1. Total income of all churches \$ Unknown
2. Total number of churches with budgets Unknown

D. BUILDING INFORMATION

1. Total number of churches with parsonages 2
2. Total value of all church property, including parsonages \$ 4,525,000.00

E. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Total number of ordained ministers* 37
licensed ministers* 2
2. Total number of ordained deacons 44
3. Total number of churches with:
Day Care 0
Kindergarten 0
Christian Day School 1
Bible Institute 0
College 0
4. Total Sunday School enrollment 503
5. Total CTS enrollment 181
6. Total WNAC enrollment 105
7. Total Master's Men enrollment 26

Number of district association minutes requested —
Number of state association minutes requested 78
Representation fees enclosed: Quarterly \$ — District \$ — State \$ 4,000.00 National \$ —
Signed: Clerk's Name James Vernon Pochodzay Telephone (276) 346-3223
Mailing Address 2429 Occoquit Rd.
City Jonesville State VA Zip 24263-7387

*Attach names, mailing addresses and telephone numbers.

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SOUTHWEST ASSOCIATION (cont'd)

SOUTHWEST ASSOCIATION
Lee County Quarterly Conference
Ministers as reported April 15, 2017

Church & Pastor

First Free Will Baptist Of Pennington Gap

Rev Wayne Scott
330 Ford Creek Rd.
Gray, TN 37615
(423) 207-0017

Other Ministers In Church

Rev Roger Rowe
P.O. Box 118
Duffield, VA 24244
(276) 546-0904

Ocoonita Free Will Baptist

Rev Robert Hartsock
139 Cougar Alley Drive
Big Stone Gap, VA 24219
(276) 523-0095

Other Ministers In Church

Rev Paul Benfield
P.O. Box 172
2722 Shawnee Avenue East
Big Stone Gap, VA 24219

Rev James J Vaughn
20 Albemarle Street
Big Stone Gap, VA 24219
(276) 523-2826

Victory Free Will Baptist

Rev Daniel Crawford
12057 Corder Town Road
Coeburn, VA 24230
(276) 395-4240

Other Ministers In Church

Rev Donald Jones
1453 Smyth Chapel Rd
Pennington Gap, VA 24277
(276) 546-4369

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TIDEWATER ASSOCIATION

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ANNUAL LETTER FROM QUARTERLY MEETING TO DISTRICT ASSOCIATION OR DISTRICT ASSOCIATION TO STATE ASSOCIATION

TIDEWATER to VIRGINIA STATE
(Name of Quarterly Meeting or District Association) (Name of District Association or State Association)

Meeting at _____ Church on _____ (Date) _____, 20____

Period of time this report covers: From 4, 2016 to 4, 2017

Present Moderator's Name REV. WMEK CREWS Telephone (704) 616-0754

Mailing Address 2430 AZALEA GARDEN RD.

City NOFOLK State VIRGINIA Zip 23513

DELEGATES:

A. CHURCH CHARACTERISTICS

1. Total number of churches 12
2. Total number of churches in:
City/Town 10 Rural 2
3. Total number of churches reporting 7
4. Total number of churches with:
Full-time pastors 12
Bi-vocational pastors _____

B. MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

1. Total number of baptisms 38
2. Total members added 20
3. Total members lost 5
4. Total membership 938

C. STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

1. Total income of all churches \$ 567,054.58
2. Total number of churches with budgets 7

D. BUILDING INFORMATION

1. Total number of churches with parsonages 4
2. Total value of all church property, including parsonages \$ 11,210,000.

E. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Total number of ordained ministers* 24
licensed ministers* 5
2. Total number of ordained deacons 25
3. Total number of churches with:
Day Care 3
Kindergarten 2
Christian Day School 2
Bible Institute _____
College _____
4. Total Sunday School enrollment 473
5. Total CTS enrollment 15
6. Total WNAC enrollment 26
7. Total Master's Men enrollment 22

Number of district association minutes requested _____

Number of state association minutes requested 12

Representation fees enclosed: Quarterly \$ _____ District \$ _____ State \$ _____ National \$ _____

Signed: Clerk's Name WMEK B. W. KLEPKE Telephone (757) 651-2708

Mailing Address 102 CORBIN DR

City NEWPORT NEWS State VIRGINIA Zip 23606

*Attach names, mailing addresses and telephone numbers.

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THE REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Virginia State Association of FWB 2017 Report of the Nominating Committee

Office	Nominee	Term Expires	Replacing
Moderator	Not Required	2018	Not Required
Assistant Moderator	Not Required	2018	Not Required
Treasurer	Brent Patrick	2017	Gary Hill
Executive Board			
Executive Board	Larry Ross	2017	Larry Ross
Executive Board	Gary Hill	2018	Bob Brown
Home Mission Board			
Home Mission Board	David Mizelle	2017	David Mizelle
Home Mission Board	Paul Collins	2020	Bob Brown
National Board Member			
National Board Member	Not Required	2018	Not Required
CTS Representative			
CTS Representative	Jack Ketteiman	2017	Jack Ketteiman

Respectfully submitted: (date) 6/15/2017


 _____, Chair




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THE MEMORIAL PRAYER LIST

Memorial

RUTH DOTSON (wife of Rev. Jennings DOTSON)

JAMES WHITE

JEFF WHITE

Clinch Valley Association - M. Dittysatt + Milligan Herro (both
Honored for 50+ years of service)

John Mullins, Sr

Kenny Phillips

Ray Goode

Shirley Etkins

~~John~~ Beverly NORRIS - J.D. NORRIS'S WIFE

CONSTITUTION

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 of 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 2:8,15; 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.

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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 A Treatise of the Faith and Practices of Free Will Baptists 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 A Treatise of the Faith and Practices of the Free Will Baptists 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.
3. 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.
2. 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.
2. 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.
3. 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.

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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.
3. 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:

- a. 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.
- b. 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.
- c. He is to see that all business is conducted according to *Robert's Rules of Order Revised* (current edition).
- d. 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.
- e. 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.
- h. He is to meet with the Executive Board to plan the Bible Conference and the State Association programs.

2. Assistant Moderator:

- a. 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.
- b. He is to meet with the Executive Board to plan the Bible Conference and the State Association programs.

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3. Clerk:

- a. 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.
- b. The clerk shall be responsible for the printing and distribution to the Local Associations of the minutes of each annual session.
- c. 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.
- d. 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:

- a. 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.
- b. 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)

- a. The State Association can have at its discretion a Promotional Director.
- b. He will perform his duties under contract of employment at the direction of and in cooperation with the Executive Board.
- c. 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.
- e. The promotional Director shall serve on all State Boards in an advisory role.

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

- a. It shall be the duty of the one elected to serve as a full member of the Family Ministries Official Board.
- b. 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.
- b. 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.

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Section D. Boards and Committees

1 Executive Board.

- a. 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.
- h. This board shall set the place for the State CTS competition each year when needed.
- i. The Executive Board will oversee the office of the State Promotional Secretary.
- j. 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.
- l. 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.
- c. 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.
- b. 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.
- c. 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.
- d. No one should be nominated who is not in good standing with his church, his Local Association, and this body.

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4 Credentials Committee

- a. The Credentials Committee shall consist of at least three (3) members.
- b. The Credentials Committee is to examine all letters to the State Association and the credentials of the various delegates.
- c. 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)

1. The Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptists shall hold its regular meetings annually.
2. The State Association shall meet beginning at 7:00 p.m. on the Thursday before the third (3rd) Sunday in June each year, and shall continue in session until its work is completed.
3. Special sessions may be called by the Moderator or the Executive Board when conditions demand.
4. 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.
4. 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.
5. 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.
8. 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.
9. 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.

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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.

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ARTICLE VII. Tax Exempt Provisions

Section A. Private Inurement

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 may 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.

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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 (2/3) vote of members present, providing the change has been submitted in writing and tabled from the previous session.

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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
3. 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.
6. 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.
7. 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.
8. 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.
10. 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.
12. Office vacancies are to be filled from those who attend the State Association meetings regularly.
13. 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.
16. 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

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