MINUTES FOR THE FIRST DISTRICT OF GENERAL CONFERENCE OF ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTIST

The First District of the General Conference of Original Free Will Baptist convened at the Grifton Free Will Baptist Church, Grifton, North Carolina on April 13, 1973. The Grifton Free Will Baptist Church, being in Revival, we enjoyed joining with them in the great service. Service began with the singing of "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" and prayer by Rev. Billy Walker. The welcome was given by the Host Pastor, Rev. Gordon Hart, with the response by Rev. Billy Walker. The service was continued with the singing of the old hymn, "He Keeps Me Singing." There was a love offering taken for the evangelist by the Church, afterwhich the congregation again sang without the piano the old favorite "Amazing Grace."

Special music was rendered by young people from two of our member churches. The "Voices of Hope," Hope Church, Scotland Neck, and "The Lighthouse Singers" from the Grace Church in Rocky Mount were the groups singing. The message was then presented by Brother Ronald Niebrugge from the text Hebrews 11:24-26 on the subject "Moses, the Great Hero of Faith." After an invitation hymn, Herman Owens prayed the prayer ending this portion of the service.

The business session was opened by the Moderator, Rev. Harvey Dupree, asking for the reading of the minutes and the Treasurer's report. These were given by the Clerk, Rev. Dave Nobles. Six churches presented letters with the Attendance Banner going to Hope Church. A motion was made by Rev. Billy Walker, seconded by Rev. Gordon Hart that all minutes and records of this First District be passed on to Rev. Ronald Creech of our State Association's Historical Committee. Motion passed. A motion was made by Rev. Gordon Hart, seconded by Rev. Billy Walker that all monies remaining after all bills have been paid and all transactions have been made be given to Free Will Baptist Bible College Expansion Program for the North Carolina Project. Motion passed.

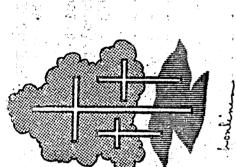
This being the final meeting of The First District(the General Conference being dissolved and two new associations being formed) our meeting was adjourned with a prayer asking God's blessing upon the new work. May God richly bless the two new associations, and May God take that which has been done by this district and use it to His everlasting glory.

Clerk and Treasurer Dave Nobles

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Grifton Free Will Baptist Church Grifton, North Carolina April 13, 1973

Rev.	Harvey Dupree	_	_	-	_	-		-	Moderator
									- Asst. Moderator
Rev.	Dave Nobles -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Clerk & Treas.

Congregational Singing - - - - - 7:30 p.m. Prayer

Welcome - Host Pastor

Response - Rev. Harley Brown

Minutes of Last Meeting & Treas. Report

Recognizing Churches, receiving Letters and Awarding Banner

Business Session

Special Music - Youth Groups from Member Churches

Guest Speaker Rev. Ronald Neibruegge, Smithfield

Invitation

Announcements

Benediction

BE SURE TO ATTEND THE FIRST ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PALMER ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS CONVENING AT WHITE OAK HILL CHURCH, MAY 12 AT 9:30 A. M. PRAY FOR GOD TO BLESS AS THE NEW FELLOWSHIP IS ESTABLISHED. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CONCERNING THIS CONTACT REV. DAVE NOBLES, BELVOIR CHURCH, GREENVILLE.