

MINUTES
41st Annual Meeting
Great Lakes Association of the Original FWB of Ohio
Canaan FWB Church, Rev Jim McComas, Pastor
May 17, 2003

The Moderator, Rev Tom Jones, called the 41st Annual Conference of the Great Lakes Association of the Original Free Will Baptists of Ohio to order.

Congregational Singing: "I'll Live In Glory" – Music Led by Bro Bryan Justice

Session Welcome – Rev Tom Jones

Opening Prayer – Bro Joe Meadows

Session Call to Order and Recognition of Visitors – Rev Tom Jones

Devotions: Text: Romans 8:38,39, "Refreshing Ministers" – Rev Ralph Griffith

Roll Call Of Churches and Ministers – Five conference churches were recognized, along with their respective ministers, deacons, delegates, and visitors.

Oral Reports of Churches:

1. Calvary FWB Church – Ravenna, OH - Rev Mike Martin
2. First FWB Church – Austintown, OH – Rev Tom Dooley
3. Three Rivers FWB Church – Pittsburgh, PA - Rev Tom Jones
4. Canaan FWB Church – Creston, OH - Rev Jim McComas
5. Akron FWB Church – Akron, OH - Rev Kenneth Frisbee

A prayer of consecration around the altar was offered for all churches represented at the conference led by Rev Tom Jones.

M/S/C to accept the Oral Reports of the Churches.

M/S/C to accept the Minutes of the Conference Meeting of October, 2002.

M/S/C to accept the Treasurer's Report as read by the clerk.

M/S/C to accept the Ministerial Meeting Report as read by Ministerial Conference Clerk, Rev Jones.

M/S/C to accept the WNAC Meeting Report as read by Sister Karen Carver.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

1. M/S/C to contribute \$300 to the 150th Club to reduce the new church indebtedness for Rev Tim Byers in Ashtabula, OH.
 - a. (Rev Frisbee made a challenge to add \$300 from the Akron FWB Church to the above contribution; Rev Jim McComas added \$300 from Canaan FWB, and Rev Tom Jones added \$100 from Three Rivers FWB Church for a combined total of \$1000.00. for the Ashtabula FWB Church).
2. M/S/C to accept new officers to the Ministerial and Great Lakes Conference for a 2-year period ending May 21, 2005, as follows:
 - a. Ministerial Conference: Moderator – Rev Larry Keener; Asst Moderator – Rev Mike Martin; Clerk – Rev Tom Dooley.
 - b. Great Lakes Conference: Moderator – Rev Kenneth Frisbee; Asst Moderator – Rev Mike Martin; Clerk-Treasurer – Rev Ron Bauman.
 - c. Ohio State Board Member – Rev Tom Dooley, 2-year period beginning in June 2004.
3. M/S/C to designate Sister Gerry Beal and Sister Angela Dooley as delegates to the Ohio State Annual Meeting, June 27-28, 2003, with authority provided the Assn Clerk to add names as needed.

5-Minute Intermission

Song: Congregation – "Amazing Grace" led by Bryon Justice.

Prayer: Rev Ron Bauman

An Offering Was Received

Special Singing: "I Laid Down My Life" and "A Pile Of Crowns" – Sung by Rev Paul Daniels

Message: Text: James 5:17 & I Kings 18:41-46 - "Lord Send Down The Rain", by Guest Speaker, Rev Mike Nabors, Pastor, First FWB Church, Dayton, OH.

Closing Prayer: Bro George Beal

Meeting Adjourned.

The ladies of the Canaan FWB Church served a wonderful lunch, with warm fellowship enjoyed by all who were in attendance.

Respectively submitted, Rev Ron Bauman, Clerk.

... The Clerk moves that the minutes be accepted as read.

Next Meeting: First FWB Church, Austintown OH, October 17-18, 2003.

MINUTES
41st Semi-Annual Meeting
Great Lakes Association of the Original FWB of Ohio
First FWB Church, Rev Tom Dooley, Pastor
October 18, 2003

The Assistant Moderator, Rev Mike Martin, called the 41st Semi-Annual Conference of the Great Lakes Association of the Original Free Will Baptists of Ohio to order.

Congregational Singing: "The Solid Rock" – Music Led by Rev Tom Dooley

Prayer and Session Welcome – Rev Mike Martin

Session Call to Order and Recognition of Visitors – Rev Mike Martin

Devotions: Text: Psalm 133, "Unity of Spirit – Let Brotherly Love Continue" – Rev Mike Martin

Roll Call of Churches and Ministers – Three conference churches were recognized, along with their respective ministers, deacons, delegates, and visitors.

Oral Reports of Churches:

1. Akron FWB Church – Rev Ron Bauman
2. Calvary FWB Church – Rev Mike Martin
3. First FWB Church – Austintown – Rev Tom Dooley
4. Emmanuel Church – Blassburg PA – Rev Jack Hartman

Visitors:

5. Lighthouse FWB Church – Rev Tim Byers
6. State Association – Rev Edwin Hayes

A prayer of consecration was offered around the altar for all churches represented at the conference led by Rev Ron Carver.

M/S/C to accept the Oral Reports of the Churches.

M/S/C to accept the Minutes of the Conference Meeting of May, 2003.

M/S/C to accept the Treasurer's Report as read by the clerk.

M/S/C to accept the Ministerial Meeting Report as read by Ministerial Conference Clerk, Rev Tom Dooley.

M/S/C to accept the WNAC Meeting Report as read by Sister Illene Bauman.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

1. M/S/C to contribute \$300.00, to the 1500 Club of the Lighthouse FWB Church, Conneaut, OH, Tim Byers, Pastor.
2. Brother Tom Dooley challenged Pastors, delegates, and attendees to return to their churches and suggest a goal be established that would encourage churches, Sunday school classes, and others to make a concerted effort to collect \$100.00, to send to Brother Tim Byers Home Mission church in Conneaut, Ohio. If 1500 people, classes, churches, groups or conferences would send \$100.00 each, to Brother Tim, his church debt could be retired in a very short amount of time. And then Brother Tom indicated that we need to pray that more FWB churches could be planted in our part of Ohio, and especially down along the OH SR 11 corridor.
3. Brother Mike Martin made it known that his church would like to host a future Great Lakes Conference Meeting, preferably in the month of May so that the noon meal could be held out of doors where there would be ample room to accommodate the Conference Group.

Message: Text: Matthew Chapter 14 - "Why God Allows Me To Go Through Storms", by Guest Speaker, Rev Wayne Keith, Pastor, Pleasant Hill FWB Church, Delaware, OH.

Special Singing: "Champion Of Love" sung by Rev Tom Dooley.

Benediction and Prayer led by Rev Tom Dooley.

Meeting Adjourned.

The ladies of the Austintown FWB Church served a wonderful lunch, with warm fellowship enjoyed by all who were in attendance.

Respectively submitted, Rev Ron Bauman, Clerk.

... The Clerk moves that the minutes be accepted as read.

Next Meeting: Akron FWB Church, Creston OH, May 14-15, 2004.