



# Ohio State Meeting



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**ANNUAL REPORTS FOR 2016**

**June 23-24, 2017**

Heritage Free Will Baptist Church  
575 Obetz Road  
Columbus, Ohio 43207



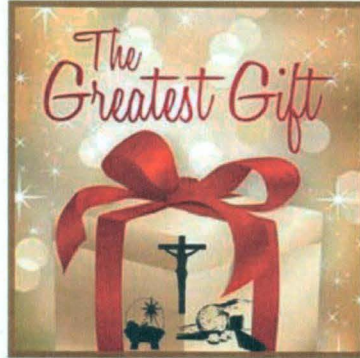
# OCTOBER 13<sup>TH</sup> – 14<sup>TH</sup>

## 2017 Fall Retreat

Friday 3:00 PM until Saturday 3:00 PM

"And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth."

John 1:14



We will be having a packing party at the retreat, please bring items to fill a shoebox.

**Holiday Inn and Suites**  
116 Park Ave. West  
Mansfield, OH 44902

Come prepared, we will be having a



**Full Payment & Registration**  
**due September 4<sup>th</sup>**

We will also be exchanging ornaments with our prayer partners. Please bring an ornament of \$5 value.

# IZABELLA MCMILLION

Speakers Bureau  
Manager for  
Operation Christmas Child

**\$90 per person**  
w/ 4 people in room  
**\$105 per person**  
w/ 3 people in room  
**\$145 per person**  
w/ 2 people in room  
**\$160 for 1 person** in a room

Send payment and registration to  
Jeannie Sargent 1397 Terry Dr.  
Reynoldsburg, OH 43068

Registration form available at [www.ohiofwb.com](http://www.ohiofwb.com)

# 2017 National Association of Free Will Baptists July 16-19 Louisville, Kentucky



81st National Association of Free Will Baptists // Louisville, Kentucky // July 16-19, 2017

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# Ohio State Association of Free Will Baptists

## PROGRAM

June 23-24, 2017

### Friday Morning

9:00 AM Prayer Session Meets  
9:30 AM Association Called into Official Session & Introduction of the Moderator, Rev. Mark Price  
Welcome to Heritage Free Will Baptist Church by Rev. Tim Stout, Pastor  
Moderator's Message  
9:35 AM Report of the General Board--Seating of the Delegates  
9:50 AM Appointment of Committees: \*Resolution \*Obituary \*Appreciation  
9:55 AM Welcome Visiting Brethren and Corresponding Messengers from other bodies by the Moderator  
10:00 AM Report of the Ohio State Mission Board  
10:25 AM Report of the Ohio Youth Conference (CTS) Board  
10:40 AM Report of the Board of Directors  
Report of the Promotional Secretary  
11:00 AM Worship in Giving  
Ministry in Songs: Ohio Minister's Trio  
11:15 AM Message: Rev. Jim Blankenship, Pastor of Antioch Community FWB, "*Stand In the Face of Fear*"  
Noon Adjourn for Lunch

### Friday Afternoon

1:15 PM Devotion: Rev. Robert Legg  
1:30 PM Report of the Ohio Women Active for Christ  
1:35 PM Report of the National Women Active for Christ  
1:40 PM Miscellaneous Business  
2016 National Convention Report  
Appointment of Delegates to National Association of FWB  
1:55 PM Report of the National Executive Department  
2:00 PM Report of Randall House Publications  
2:05 PM Report of Welch College  
2:10 PM Report of the International Mission Department  
2:15 PM Report of the North American Ministries Department  
2:30 PM Report of the FWB Foundation  
2:35 PM Report of the National Board of Retirement  
2:40 PM Miscellaneous Reports  
4:00 PM Adjourn

### Friday Evening

6:30 PM Prayer Session Meets  
7:00 PM Youth Worship Meeting in Heritage Hall  
7:00 PM Adult Worship, Presiding: Rev. Tom Dooley  
7:15 PM Worship in Giving  
7:25 PM Ministry in Songs: Paul James Sound Trio, Southwest FWB Church, Columbus, Ohio  
7:40 PM Message: Rev. Travis McKenzie, Ohio Home Missionary to Ashland, Oh, "*Stand Against a Formidable Foe*"  
Adjourn

### Saturday Morning

9:00 AM Prayer Session Meets  
9:30 AM Devotion: Deacon Jesse Luthy  
9:45 AM Miscellaneous Reports  
10:00 AM Reports from the Committees: \*Resolution \*Obituary \*Appreciation \*Registration  
10:35 AM Reading the State Letter  
10:40 AM Report from the Nominating Committee  
Election of Officers  
11:00 AM Appointment of Prayer & Registration Committee Chairpersons and Nominating Committee for 2018  
Worship in Giving  
Ministry in Songs: Jared Mounts, Worship Leader, Westerville FWB Church  
11:15 AM Message: Rev. Keith Burden, Executive Secretary, National Association of FWB, "*Stand For the Faith*"  
Noon Adjournment

**Moderator: Mark Price**  
**Assistant Moderator: Tom Dooley**  
**Clerk: Bryon Justice**  
**Assistant Clerk: Manuel Lopes**  
**Music Director: David Chamberlin**  
**Pianist: Deena Armstrong**

**OFFICES FOR ELECTION:**

	Moderator.....	2018
	Assistant Moderator....	2018
	Clerk.....	2018
	Assistant Clerk.....	2018

**GENERAL BOARD:**

	Little Miami.....	2019
	Lawrence.....	2019
	Jackson.....	2019
	Great Lakes.....	2019
	Franklin.....	2019
	Cuyahoga-Lorain.....	2019
	Central Ohio.....	2019
	Tri-State.....	2019
	Northeastern.....	2019
	Capital City.....	2019

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS:**

		2018
		2018
		2018
		2018

**OTHER BOARDS:**

	Board of Directors.....	2024
	CTS Board.....	2024
	State Missions Board...	2024

**OTHERS:**

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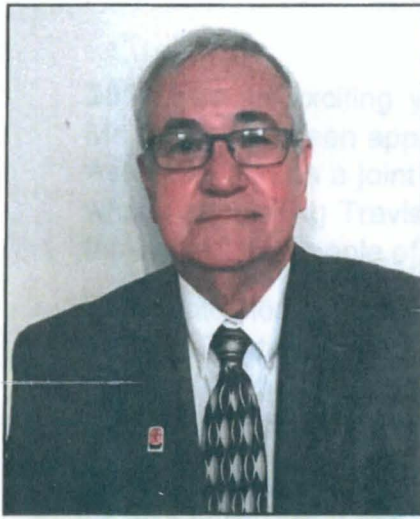


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\*\*\*We ask that you turn your cell phones off or put them on vibrate  
 during the business and worship sessions. **Thank you for your cooperation!**

**2018 Ohio State Association Meeting**  
**June 22-23rd**  
**Heritage FWB Church, Columbus, Ohio**

# Speaker Profiles

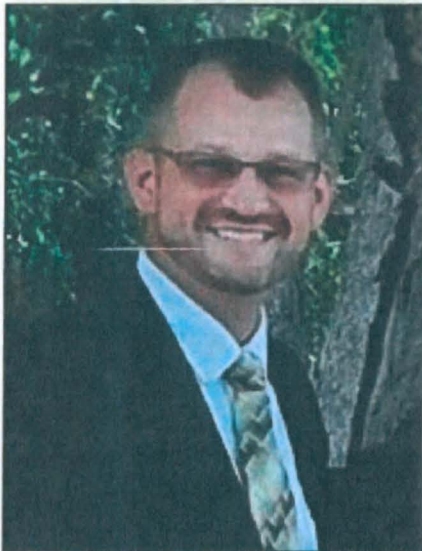


Antioch Community FWB Pastor Rev. **Jim Blankenship** will be bringing the Friday morning message on the subject, *"Stand in the Face of Fear."*

Pastor Jim was saved when he was 16. He served as SS teacher, youth leader and deacon. He preached his first sermon when he was 28. He was a member of the Ohio Missions Bd. and serves on the Exec. Committee for the Central Ohio Conference.

Brother Jim has been married to his high school sweetheart, Lynn, for almost 49 years. They have two daughters, three grandchildren and one great grandson. **The Blankenship Family** is Pastor Jim's favorite singing group.

Pastor Jim founded the Antioch Community FWB Church in 1979. The building was an old run down church that had been closed for many years. Today it is a beautiful country church with a new look complete with a new sanctuary and fellowship hall. Pastor Jim is especially proud of 12 men saved at Antioch FWB that have been called to preach.



Ohio Home Missionary to Ashland, **Travis McKenzie** is scheduled to preach on the subject, *"Stand Against a Formidable Foe"*.

Bro. Travis is Ohio's missionary to a new work in Ashland OH. Travis answered the call to preach and began preaching at age 19. He was ordained by the Northern Ohio Conference of FWB in May of 1994 and has served as senior pastor to the Bethel FWB Church in Mansfield, OH, interim pastor to the Fleming Ave. FWB Church in Lorain, OH and recently as associate pastor at the Canaan FWB Church in Creston, OH.

Travis has received his Bachelor's Degree in Pastoral Theology from Andersonville Theological Seminary where he is pursuing a Master's degree in New Testament Biblical Studies.

Travis and his wife Melissa were married in October 1992 and have two children, a son, Joel Matthew (20) and a daughter, Rachel Joy (11). His hobbies include reading, wood-working, gardening and hunting.



Rev. **Keith Burden**, Executive Secretary of the National Association of FWB in Nashville, TN will then preach the final message, *"Stand for the Faith"*.

Brother Keith Burden oversees the operation of the National Offices Building and promotes the entire denominational family along with all agencies and programs.

He serves as denominational liaison with government agencies, is editor-in-chief of ONE Magazine, arranges for the annual national convention and leadership conference, and champions stewardship through The Together Way Plan and other methods of proportionate giving.

**THE OHIO STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST**  
**MISSION BOARD 2016 REPORT**

2016 was an exciting year. We announced at last year's State Meeting that Travis McKenzie had been approved as our newest Ohio Missionary to plant a FWB Church in Ashland, Ohio as a joint project with North American Ministries. Thank you to everyone who is supporting Travis as he works in Ashland. Please continue to pray for him, his family, and the people of Ashland.

Your State Home Mission Board understands the great responsibility we have in church planting. That is why we are working hard on the evaluation as well as the development of potential church planters. We take seriously the stewardship of church planters, their families, and church planting resources.

While we believe that every Christian should be in some way a part of church planting, we also believe that not everyone is qualified to be a church planter. An important part of the assessment process is to help the potential planter to see if being a lead church planter is a good fit. Often the assessment process will reveal other ministries the candidate would be better suited for.

Church planting creates challenges for us as we strive to be good stewards of the resources the Lord has provided. While the assessment process takes time and is very intense, we are expecting better church planters, better church plants, and healthier stewardship of people and resources in the process.

How can you help us in this vision? **First** of all pray for your State Home Mission Board as we share our vision of church planting in such a way that others catch the vision. **Secondly**, pray that every church in Ohio will see how church planting fits into God's mission. **Thirdly**, come alongside as we endeavor to do our part in carrying out the Great Commission.

We are very excited for what we believe God has in store for Ohio Home Missions. We believe that we are going to see more successful church plants that will bring glory to our God and Savior the Lord Jesus Christ.

Our goal is to help bring future church plants to a self-supporting status much sooner. We are asking for your prayers and patience as we continue to endeavor to plant FWB churches here in Ohio.

***Thanks for All You Do For Ohio Missions***

The Ohio Home Missions Board

**THE OHIO STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST  
MISSION BOARD JUNE 2016 – JUNE 2017**

**Rev. Bruce Copley**  
2170 Vanitburg Rd.  
Mansfield, OH 44903

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**E-mail:** [bcopley50@gmail.com](mailto:bcopley50@gmail.com)

**Rev. Roland Luthy**  
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Amelia, OH 45102

**Term: 2018**  
**Church:** (513) 752-4882  
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**E-mail:** [luthyjd@fuse.net](mailto:luthyjd@fuse.net)

**Rev. Jerry Sargent**  
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**Term: 2019**  
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**E-mail:** [sarsnoopy@yahoo.com](mailto:sarsnoopy@yahoo.com)

**Rev. Paul R. Etterling II (Secretary/Treasurer)**  
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**E-mail:** [westervillechurch@sbcglobal.net](mailto:westervillechurch@sbcglobal.net)

**Rev. Mike Gladson (Chairman)**  
1609 Wedgwood Way  
Wooster, OH 44691

**Term: 2021**  
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**Rev. Roger Daniel**  
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**Term: 2022**  
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**Rev. Tim Stout**  
Heritage FWB Church  
575 Obetz Rd.  
Columbus, OH 43207

**Term: 2023**  
**Church:** (614) 492-0989  
**E-mail:** [pastortim@heritagefwb.com](mailto:pastortim@heritagefwb.com)

**Ohio Home Missionary**

**Rev. Travis McKenzie**  
770 State Route 42  
Ashland, OH 44805

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## 2016 TOGETHER WAY PROGRAM RECEIPTS

Total Receipts		Associations	Conferences
Individuals (1)	\$ 240.00	Ohio Association FWB	Central Ohio
Conferences (10)	\$ 1,970.44	OWAC	Cornerstone
Associations (4)	\$ 7,851.40	Ohio Youth Conference	Cuyahoga-Lorain
Churches (82)	\$ 48,119.43	Reynoldsburg WAC	Franklin
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 58,181.27</b>		Jackson
			Lawrence
			North & Western
			Pine Creek
			Porter
			Trinity

### Churches

Ambassador	First Austintown	McArthur	Scioto
Antioch	First Chillicothe	Mount Calvary	Sciotodale
Beatty	First Clyde	Mount Hope	Shelby First
Bethesda Chapel	First Springfield	Mount Sterling	South Charleston
Bloom	Forest Valley	Neville	South Columbus
Bucyrus	Friendly	New Beginnings (Mansfield)	Springfield
Canaan	Gahanna	New Hope	Stoney Run
Canaan Land	Garden City	Newark	Swauger Valley
Carey	Good Hope	North	Tick Ridge
Christian Fellowship	Harrison	Oak Hill	Turkey Creek
Cleveland	Heritage	Old Kyger	Union
Coalton	High Street	Pine Creek	Unity
Columbus First	Hillsboro	Pine Grove	Urbana
Community (West Jefferson)	Hillview	Pleasant Hill	Victory
Cornerstone (Mansfield)	Kent	Porter	Wakefield
Cross Pointe	Lebanon	Puritan	Westerville
Dean Road	Lighthouse	Redeemer	Westside
Deforest	Lima	Reynoldsburg	Woodland Chapel
Eastside	Lockbourne	Rittman Community	Woodstock
Eifort	Madison	Rosedale	
Faith-Cleveland	Marysville	Samantha	

**THANK YOU TO ALL WHO MAKE OHIO HOME MISSIONS POSSIBLE!**

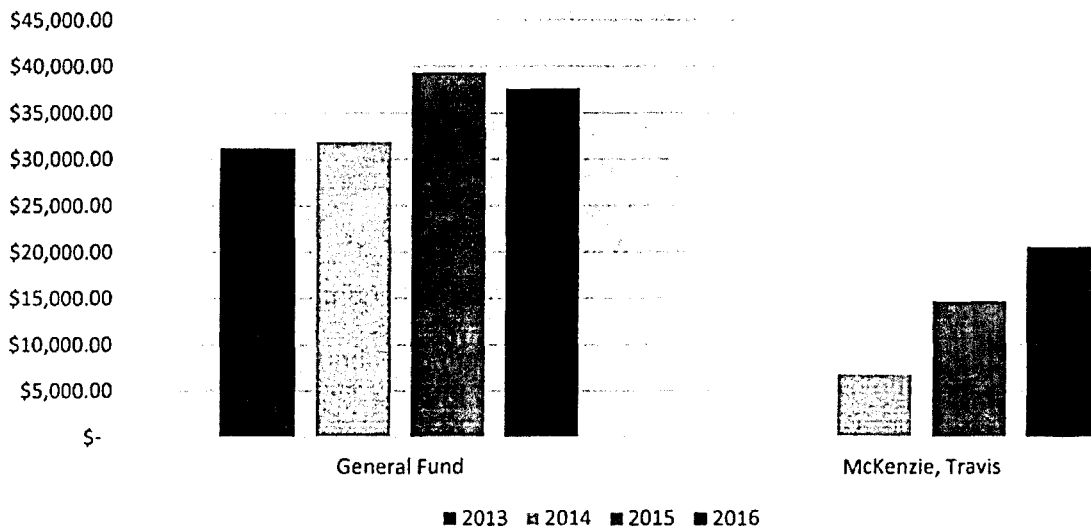
## 2016 TOGETHER WAY PROGRAM RECEIPTS INCOME BY ACCOUNT

2016	General Fund	Travis McKenzie	Total Income
January	\$ 2,940.27	\$ 1,103.93	\$ 4,044.20
February	\$ 3,100.46	\$ 1,083.92	\$ 4,184.38
March	\$ 3,003.37	\$ 566.58	\$ 3,569.95
April	\$ 2,818.55	\$ 1,923.67	\$ 4,742.22
May	\$ 2,035.07	\$ 1,754.07	\$ 3,789.14
June	\$ 9,451.31	\$ 3,336.34	\$ 12,787.65
July	\$ 1,550.15	\$ 1,600.26	\$ 3,150.41
August	\$ 3,042.36	\$ 1,681.14	\$ 4,723.50
September	\$ 3,191.01	\$ 1,149.39	\$ 4,340.40
October	\$ 1,984.38	\$ 1,338.45	\$ 3,322.83
November	\$ 2,495.76	\$ 2,576.20	\$ 5,071.96
December	\$ 1,999.91	\$ 2,454.72	\$ 4,454.63
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 37,612.60</b>	<b>\$ 20,568.67</b>	<b>\$ 58,181.27</b>

**NOTES:**

1. General fund is comprised of designated gifts for general fund (\$ 14,311.48) and co-operative giving (\$ 23,301.12).
2. Travis McKenzie fund is comprised of designated gifts for Travis McKenzie (\$ 5,538.80), As Needed (\$ 11,041.25) and State Ministry Offering (\$ 3,988.62).

### Account Income Comparison



**OHIO ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST HOME MISSION BOARD  
2018 PROPOSED BUDGET**

Category	2016		2017	2018
	Approved	Spent	Approved	Proposed
Supplies	\$ 125.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00
Computer Needs	\$ 225.00	\$ 262.30	\$ 225.00	\$ 225.00
Postage	\$ 75.00	\$ 5.50	\$ 75.00	\$ 25.00
Phone	\$ 250.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 0.00
Travel	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 514.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Meals	\$ 500.00	\$ 267.97	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Ohio Retreat	\$ 125.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00
Loan Payments	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Wages / Insurance	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 60,000.00
Mission in Motion	\$ 3,000.00			
Miscellaneous	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,150.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 87,300.00</b>	<b>\$ 4,599.77</b>	<b>\$ 87,300.00</b>	<b>\$ 69,000.00</b>

**BALANCE SHEET  
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2016**

**Assets**

**Current Assets**

Savings \$ 73,208.06

Checking \$ 90,162.27

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**Total Current Assets \$ 163,370.33**

**Fixed Assets**

London Property \$ 200,000.00

HP Laptop Computer \$ 262.30

QuickBooks Accounting Software \$ 286.70

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**Total Assets \$ 200,549.00**

Less Accumulated Depreciation \$ (167.14)

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**Total Fixed Assets \$ 200,381.86**

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**Total Assets \$ 363,752.13**

**Liabilities** \$ 0

**Net Worth**

Assets \$ 363,752.13

Liabilities \$ 0.00

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**Total Net Worth \$ 363,752.13**



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**INCOME TAX SERVICE**

3213 South High Street  
Columbus, Ohio 43207

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~~May 9, 2017~~

Ohio State Home Missions Board  
Free Will Baptist  
532 Allview Ct.  
Westerville, Ohio 43081

Dear Sirs:

We have reviewed the financial records of Ohio State Home Mission Board of Free Will Baptist for the period January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016. These financial records are the responsibility of Ohio State Home Mission Board Free Will Baptist.

A review of financial information consists principally of applying analytical procedures to financial data and making inquiries of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters. It is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements taken as a whole. Accordingly we do not express such an opinion.

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial information for it to be in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Springer  
MJ Lowe Tax Service



## The Ohio Youth Conference

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Board Members: Marcus Bailey  
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JD Webb

June 1, 2017

Brothers and Sisters in Christ of the state of Ohio:

I bring you greetings from the Ohio Youth Conference. On behalf of the entire OYC Board, I would like to thank you for your continued support through your prayers, participation, and giving. We could not do what we do for the Lord and our youth without the support of His people.

We would like to remind everyone of the programs for the youth of Ohio. The first is that the OYC Board will pay the fee associated with visiting one of our Free Will Baptist Colleges for any Ohio student. The second was that we offer up to a \$1,000 in scholarship to students that fill out our application, have participated in OYC competitions in age category D, and will be or are attending a Free Will Baptist College. The third program was introduced last year. The Zachary Yoho Truth and Peace Scholarship awards \$250 to each Ohio student's account when they are accepted to Truth and Peace. We do hope the youth of Ohio take advantage of these offers, and churches continue supporting OYC so we can continue these programs.

Last year, we once again hosted Friday evening youth worship services, overnight activities and a Saturday morning session. We are very appreciative of **Heritage's** willingness to provide us with everything we needed to hold these special services during the state meeting, and are looking forward to our services and activities this year...

On April 8, the annual Youth Competitions were held at **Heritage** FWBC. The OYC board would like to congratulate all those that will be representing Ohio at the National Youth Conference in Louisville. We would encourage anyone attending the National Convention to make some time and support our youth that worked so hard to make it to the National Competition.

As a reminder, OYC has a page on Facebook. We are using it to promote OYC activities as well as activities of groups around the state quickly and in mass. If you are on Facebook, we'd love to have you search for the Ohio Youth Conference and join the group! Please encourage your youth to join, too.

This year we are saying good bye to one of our board members, as Bro. **JD Webb**, along with his wife Breeana, are preparing to become missionaries to Brazil. We would like to thank JD and Breeana for their time working with OYC and pray the Lord's blessing on their new work.

Please continue to support the OYC through your prayers, participation, and giving. We are here to serve you. So, please let us know if there is anything we can do to help you promote or support youth activities. Our board members are here for you. We are looking forward to another great year in the state of Ohio for our youth!

In His Service,

Jason Luthy, OYC Chairman



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**Balance as of 12/31/15**

**\$24,199.34**

### Receipts:

Coop giving for 2016	\$6,832.11
Competition Fees for 2015	\$ 380.00
Checks #806 voided – never cashed	\$ 25.00

### Total Receipts

**\$ 7,237.11**

### Expenses:

January meeting - food	\$ 95.74
January meeting - mileage	\$ 350.75
OAFWB – 2019 National Fund	\$1,300.00
Zachary Yoho Truth & Peace Scholarship	\$ 750.00
College Scholarship	\$1,000.00

Hotel rooms for State Competition	\$ 822.71
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State Competition:	\$1,395.22
Food & gift cards	\$ 644.86
Judges' Gratuities	\$ 500.00
Trophies	\$ 243.00
Mailing of NYC registrations	\$ 7.36

NYC Registration fees	\$ 330.00
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Friday Night offering @ State Meeting	\$ 100.00
Pop, plates & gift cards	\$ 366.03
Pizza	\$ 150.00
Babysitting	\$ 200.00
Steve Berry – honorarium & hotel	\$ 763.95
Myriam LeLourarn – honorarium & hotel	\$ 418.90
Doughnuts, juice & milk	\$ 80.00
LazerKraze (rental, tokens & drinks)	\$1,620.80

### Total Expenses

**\$ 9,895.68**

**Balance as of 12/31/16**

**\$21,540.77**



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### Proposed Budget 01/01/2018 – 12/31/2018

	2018 Proposed	2017 Approved	2016 Approved	2016 Spent
<b>Board Travel Expenses</b> (Travel/Meals/Competition Hotels)	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	\$ 800	\$1,269.20
<b>OYC Giving</b>	\$ 3,500	\$ 4,500	\$ 2,700	\$3,050.00
FWB College Scholarship	\$ 2,000			(Scholarship + NAFWB Fund)
FWB College Visit Fees	\$ 500			
Truth & Peace Scholarship	\$ 1,000			
<b>State Competition:</b>	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,500	\$1,395.22
Supplies	\$ 200			
Food	\$ 500			
Judges' Gratuity	\$ 900			
Trophies	\$ 900			
<b>State Meeting</b>	\$ 3,850	\$ 3,000	\$ 1,700	\$3,851.26
State Offering	\$ 100			
Babysitting	\$ 200			
Giveaways	\$ 200			
Speaker	\$ 850			
Special Activities	\$ 2,500			
<b>NYC Registration Fees</b>	\$ 800	\$ 800	\$ 1,000	\$ 330.00
<b>OYC Mailings/Promotion</b>	\$ 50	\$ 100	\$ 50	\$ -
<b>2018 Proposed Budget:</b>	<u>\$ 11,400</u>	<u>\$ 11,600</u>	\$ 8,750	\$9,895.68
<b>2018 Anticipated Income:</b>	<u>\$ 8,000</u>	(1)	2016 Income:	\$7,237.11

**Notes:**

(1) Any short fall between income and expenditures will be made up by using a portion of the current OYC bank balance.



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### Congratulations to the 2016 NYC Bible Competitions Winners!

Group memorization 11th grade - Caleb and Ashley (3rd)

Individual sign language C - Kylie Etterling (1st)

Individual sign language D - Caleb Brazzell (2nd)

Group sign language D - Lord's Loving Hands (1st)

Mixed Media B - Brianna Montoya (1<sup>st</sup>)







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### Congratulations to the 2017 OYC Ministry Expo Winners!

#### Individual Memorization

0.K5 Aslyn Mounts\*  
0.01 Ella Luthy\*  
0.02 Nate Luthy\*  
0.03 Ana Luthy\*  
0.06 Emily Sammons\*

#### Vocal Solo

1.10 A Colton Luthy\*  
1.20 D Jake Tenney\*  
1.30 C Haley Wellman\*  
1.30 D Katie Widdig\*

#### Sign Language – Individual

6.11 B Cooper Luthy\*  
6.11 D Shardonay Johnson\*  
6.11 D Caleb Brazzell

#### Puppetry – Live

6.61 C Palar & Kylie (Mansfield)\*  
6.61 D Dakoda & Kyle (Mansfield)\*

#### Drawing

7.20 C Elizabeth Miller\*  
7.20 C Cassie Baker

#### Photography – Single

7.51 C Hannah Rudder\*  
7.51 D Kallie Crouse\*

#### Sculpted Clay

7.71 A Nate Luthy\*

#### Group Memorization

0.12g Ashley & Caleb\*

#### Vocal Ensemble

2.20 D Dakoda & Cierra\*

#### Sign Language – Group

6.12 B Lord's Loving Hands (Westerville)\*  
6.12 D Lord's Loving Hands (Westerville)\*

#### Painting

7.10 C Makayelynn Justice\*

#### Mixed Media

7.30 B Brianna Montoya\*

#### Textiles

7.63 A Ella Luthy\*

#### Slide Show

9.30 A Ana Luthy\*



\*=will be going to National





## The Ohio Youth Conference

Jason Luthy, Chairman  
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Board Members: Marcus Bailey  
Mark McCarty  
Mike Sammons

Adam McCarty  
Deanna Price, Treasurer  
JD Webb

### **Congratulations to the 2017 Ohio Truth and Peacers!**

Kortney Pelfrey  
Natalee Pelfry  
Ashley Sammons  
John Williams

#### **The Zachary Yoho Truth and Peace Scholarship**

The Ohio Youth Conference is happy to announce that the 2017 Ohio Truth and Peacers listed above are recipients of The Zachary Yoho Truth and Peace Scholarship, and have had \$250 deposited into their Truth and Peace accounts to help offset some of the cost of the program.

Zachary Yoho was an Ohio Youth Conference competition participant and Truth and Peace member for 2 years. In that time, Zachary was a great mentor to the youth of the State of Ohio. In 2006 Zachary was a freshman at Free Will Baptist Bible College (now Welch College). On March 30, 2007, Zachary went on to be with the Lord in his sleep. In his short time on the earth, Zachary lived a life that honored Christ and was an excellent example to the Free Will Baptist youth of Ohio. With The Zachary Yoho Truth and Peace Scholarship, the Ohio Youth Conference would like to honor his memory, and help future Ohio youth experience the Truth and Peace leadership program.



#### **What is Truth & Peace?**

The Truth & Peace Leadership Conference is the premier leadership training conference for Free Will Baptist high school students. Each year, students from across the country, in grades 9-12, meet for two weeks of intensive leadership training. The culmination of the conference is at the National Youth Conference where the Truth & Peace student put their training into practice as the staff of the NYC.

If you are the kind of student who is not willing just to endure school, but want to make a difference on your campus, in your church, and with your youth group, then Truth and Peace is the experience you are looking for.

## Executive Committee Report

June 22, 2017

The Executive Committee met October 8, 2016, at the State Office, Reynoldsburg, Ohio, to plan the State Association meeting for June 23-24, 2017.

Members present: Mark Price, Tom Dooley, Jeremy Luthy, Dan King, Charles Crider, Russell Street, Manuel Lopes, and Bryon Justice.

The Moderator offered a devotion from Luke 11:1-2.

### Items of Business:

**Item #1** After prayer and discussion the committee agreed that the theme for the 2017 State Association meeting will be, "**Stand**".

**Item #2** North American Ministries is to be given extra time (15 minutes) during the 2016 meeting for their report. Luncheon on Friday will be provided by the OWAC with a free will offering including tips to be suggested to attendees.

**Item #3** The committee voted to present to the General Board, a possible addition to Section 16 of the Ohio Constitution as follows: *We believe that God wonderfully and immutably creates each person as male or female. These two distinct, complementary genders together reflect the image and nature of God and the rejection of one's biological gender is a rejection of the image of God within that person. (Genesis 1:26-27)* **From National Center for Life and Liberty**

**Item #4** The committee voted to return to the Heritage Free Will Baptist Church for the 2018 State Association meeting.

The Committee then adjourned until next session.

Bryon Justice, Clerk

# Board of Directors Report

## Ohio State Association of Free Will Baptists

Greetings from your Ohio State Association of FWB Board of Directors.

We want to express our deep appreciation for the trust you have placed in us as the Board of Directors of the Ohio Free Will Baptist State Office. We seven men are humbled by your faith and appreciate your support.

God has been very kind to our State Office and our denomination. We are blessed to have Bro. Edwin Hayes as our Executive Secretary. We have had the benefit of having good promotional men lead us and Bro. Edwin is no exception. He and Bro. Paul Keener continue to promote our denomination's D6 literature which is produced by Randall House. Continue to pray for Bro. Edwin and our State Office staff.

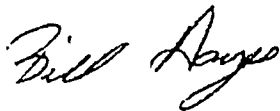
We want to say a special THANK YOU to all of the churches in our state who support the State Office through the Together Way program. Your investment in our state work through Co-op or direct donations allows us to be a blessing to our churches in Ohio. This is your State Office and we encourage you to continue to support this important State Ministry.

God has blessed our State Office financially. Bro. Edwin has included the financial report for the State Office and an overview of his ministry and that of the State Association in his report.

We, the Board of Directors, are very blessed to be able to serve and minister to our state association and pray God's continued blessings on Brother Edwin, the staff, and churches which we serve. Please rejoice with us as you read over the enclosed information. As always, feel free to contact Edwin or any member of the Board of Directors if you have any questions or are in need of further information regarding the finances of the State Office.

God Bless You and continue to pray for the State office.

Sincerely Yours and HIS!



Bill Hayes, Chairman  
Board Of Directors

Eugene Crouch, Asst. Chairman

Mitch Salyers, Secretary

Chris Oiler, Member

Peter Dunn, Member

Mike Mounts, Member

John Wallace, Member

# Promotional Secretary's Report-2016



I completed 23 years of serving the association in this office in 2016. The Lord has proved to be faithful all during this time. He blessed us with a wonderful year in 2016.

## Preaching

I appreciated the opportunity to preach or teach in 53 church appointments, eight conferences, in five church revivals, one conference revival, the Tampa Camp Meeting, the Michigan State Meeting and one regional men's meeting. I taught the lesson on the subject, "Why I Am a Free Will Baptist" in eight churches, the regular Sunday School lesson seven times and presented one Sunday School Workshop. I attended a total of 21 conferences, the WRFD Pastor's Breakfast, the International Mission WMO Dinner, the National Association in Kansas City, the D6 Conference in Louisville, the National Leadership Conference and the National Executive Committee Meeting in Nashville. I am available to fill your pulpit for conferences, Sunday services and revivals.

## Promotion

Our giving for 2016 for the State Office was *very slightly down*. The Ambassador Magazine had an income of \$14,022.00 which is down by \$680.00 under 2015, the State Office General Fund giving was \$13,731.04 which is down by \$240.00 under 2015 and Co-op giving was \$155,421.12 which was close to our record last year of \$156,269.02 which was down by only \$847.90. Total income for the Ohio Together Way Plan received in 2016, was \$537,741.59. This was more than 2015 by \$13,004.95.

Our giving to the National Departments was up in 2016. This breakdown is as follows: Ohio gave \$213,272.99 to National Home Missions and \$108,595.18 to International Missions. Gifts to the Executive Office totaled \$22,520.69 and \$26,457.05 went to Welch College. Ohio churches gave a total of \$384,170.95 to National Ministries which is \$72,090.00 more than in 2015. In addition to this, Ohio gave \$63,947.45 to the FWB Family Ministries of Tennessee.

The approximate breakdown of percentages from all Ohio gifts income breakdown are as follows:

<p><i>State Office 15.0%, Ambassador Magazine 2%, State Missions 8.84%, State CTS 1.04%</i></p> <p>Ohio State Ministries Total 26.88% of all gifts given</p>
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<p><u>Ohio State Ministries</u> 26.88% of all gifts</p> <p><u>Special Ministries</u> 4.92% of all gifts</p> <p><u>National Ministries</u> 58.4% of all gifts</p> <p><u>Children's Homes/Other</u> 9.7 % of all gifts</p>
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The Together Way Giving Plan allows our churches to funnel all their state and national outside giving through the State Office. 105 churches, conferences or ministries have given through the State Office in 2016.

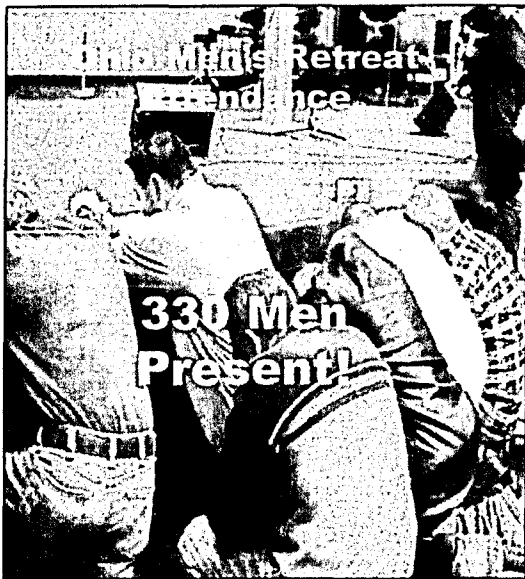
In 2016 we promoted the nineteenth annual State Ministries Offering. We received \$7,877.25 which was over \$800.00 more than 2015 from at least 61 churches or conferences.



Our State Association did receive a commission from Brotherhood Mutual from their new program. The commission totaled \$15,000.00. This commission is for advertising for them. We are waiting to hear if we receive an additional commission based on a formula of premiums verses our churches' losses. We are still not adding this to our budget at this time.

Because of the good year the state office had in 2016 and receiving the commission, we are proposing that we give \$5,000.00 to Travis McKenzie's account, \$1,500.00 to the Ohio Men's Retreat to not have to raise the price for 2018, \$1,500.00 for the Ohio Women Active for Christ and add \$5,000.00 to our 2019 National Fund.

We had our eighteenth annual Ohio Golf Tournament. Forty-three golfers had a good time fellowship and recreation directly after the State Meeting.



### Men's Retreat

We had our annual Men's Retreat in 2017. We had Randall University President Tim Eaton and Arkansas Pastor Will Harmon as speakers. We witnessed many decisions made for the Lord and for the second year in a row, we saw a man come to Christ at the retreat. The Lord continues to bless this vital ministry.

**The 2018 retreat is scheduled for January 18-20th at the Heartland Conference Center in Marengo, Ohio.**

*(See the ad on the inside of the back page of this book.)*

### Pastor & Church Assistance

We continue to assist churches in need of a pastor or pulpit supply. We are thankful to be there to be a help to our pastors and churches when they are in need of counsel or advice.

### Ambassador Magazine

We completed our 56th year in publishing the *Ambassador*. The magazine had an income of \$14,022.00.

### Ohio UPDATES Ohio Email Updates

We do operate an *Ohio Update Email List* which allows us to send out information and prayer requests. If you would like to receive *Ohio Updates*, send an email to [ehayes@ambassadorbible.com](mailto:ehayes@ambassadorbible.com) and ask to be placed on the list.



## Ohio Pastor's Retirement Plan

This voluntary plan allows the pastor of each church who gives to the Co-op Plan or directly to the Ohio State Association Office to have 5% of the gifts given to his retirement account at the National Board of Retirement in Nashville. If you have not signed up yet, I would encourage you to see the registration desk and pick up your application.

**We have 17 pastors signed up for the plan.**

Two checks were sent to the pastor's accounts in 2016.

\*The first was sent in January and totaled **\$1,866.08** for 15 pastors.

\*In July we sent a check for **\$2,021.28** for 16 pastors.

**The Ohio State Office and Ambassador Bookstore will be CLOSED the following dates:  
July 14-23rd and will reopen Monday, July 24th  
September 20-24th and will reopen Monday, September 25th  
December 22nd-January 1st and will reopen Tuesday, January 2nd**

## Web Page

**www.OhioFWB.org**

We maintain our State website with current state ministry information, announcements, our history, beliefs, events calendar, my schedule, forms and links to our National, OYC, Ohio Missions and OWAC Pages. You can also find us on Facebook. We are considering the redesign of our site to make it more compatible with cell phones.

## National Fund

We have a fund set up to host the 2019 National Association of Free Will Baptists. We used \$25.00 from each church's fees in 2016 and the additional \$4,000.00 from the Brotherhood Commission and deposited \$8,845.00 for this account. That account now stands at **\$34,363.79**.



## Randall House Commission

Both Bro. Paul Keener and Edwin Hayes represent Randall House Publications to our churches and conferences. We receive a quarterly commission based on Ohio FWB literature sales. In 2016 we received **\$17,964.35** in commissions from Randall House which is over \$2,000 more than in 2015.

*Using  
Randall House material will be a blessing to your Church and it gives you the opportunity to support your own Ohio State Association!*

## Ambassador Bookstore

The bookstore sales were down again. Our receipts for 2016 were **\$9,945.42** and our product cost was **\$6,846.27**. Our actual sales for the year were **\$9,863.85** compared with **\$11,714.15** in 2015.

You can purchase material by the website **www.ambassadorbible.com** or the phone **1/800/726-1290**.

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## National Church Growth Conference

Our office sponsored the North American Ministries Church Growth Conference Friday and Saturday, September 16-17th at Heritage FWB Church in Columbus. Director of Church Revitalization Director Jim McComas and Director of Church Planting Brad Ransom presented the program. The attendance for the event was 51 and we had 14 pastors present.



## Budget Notes

1. The Board of Directors requested and received authorization at 2013 State Meeting, "That if we incur a major expense such as the heating/cooling system, the copier, or computers, etc. that we would have permission to take care of these expenses with our savings or checking accounts." *Phone System, CC Terminal and Powerpoint Projector were added to this list in 2015.*

*"These additions would be contingent on a vote of the Board of Directors."*

2. Considering we did receive a Brotherhood Commission in 2016 that was not in the budget. We recommend that the Ohio State Association distribute the Brotherhood Commission the following way: give the Travis McKenzie Account \$5,000.00, \$1,500.00 for the Ohio Men's Retreat so we would not have to raise the price for 2018, \$1,500.00 to the Ohio Women Active for Christ and to place an additional \$5,000.00 in our 2019 National Fund.

## Our Staff

We appreciate our staff. They all do a great job in helping fulfill the goals of this ministry. We thank Ambassador Bookstore Manager **Paul Keener**, Bookkeeper **Ruth Ann Castle**, Ambassador Magazine Proofreader **Linda Hayes** and Ambassador Magazine Distribution **Sue Keener**.

## Conclusion

We appreciate all our churches who support the Ohio State Office ministry and our Ohio State Ministries. There is a blessing to be gained by supporting the state work through the **Co-op Plan**, **Ambassador Magazine**, or direct gifts to the **State Office**, **Ohio State Missions** and **Ohio State Youth**.

*"...so stand fast in the Lord, my dearly beloved:"* Philippians 4:1b

Edwin Hayes, Executive Secretary





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May 8, 2017

Ohio State Association of Free Will Baptists and  
The Ambassador Church Supply Center

Dear Sirs:

We have reviewed the accompanying balance sheets of the Ohio State Association of Free Will Baptists as of December 31, 2016 and the related statements of income, retained earnings, and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the organization's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our findings.

We could not satisfy ourselves to the amounts as referenced in Notes 1 through 3 to the Balance Sheet.

In our opinion, except for the effects of Notes 1 through 3 to Balance Sheet referred to in the previous paragraph, the financial statements referred to in the first paragraph present fairly, in all material aspects, the financial position of the Ohio State Association of Free Will Baptists as of December 31, 2016, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended.

If there are any questions or concerns regarding the financial statements or this letter, please feel free to contact Jennifer Springer at the above address or telephone number.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Springer  
MJ Lowe Tax Service



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**SUBJECT:** Supplement to the Balance Sheet

This is a supplement to the Balance Sheet for Ohio State Association of Free Will Baptists and the Ambassador Church Supply Center as of December 31, 2016, Notes 1 through 3.

**Note 1:**

Although the records are being kept on a cash basis, the receivables, payables, and inventories are being accounted for at the end of each month for reporting and management information purposes. Staff employees have counted the inventory, not an outside independent accounting firm. We recommend that an outside firm be employed to handle end of year inventory.

**Note 2:**

The figure used to determine fixtures and equipment is an estimated cost (fair market value) of replacement. The actual purchase cost of these items could not be determined.

**Note 3:**

This figure represents the actual purchase cost of the vehicle less depreciation based on the method used by the Internal Revenue Service. Actual appraisal or "Bluebook" value of the vehicle may be more than the book balance.

	CO-OP	OHIO MISS	NATL MIN	OHIO YOUTH	SPEC MIN.	STATE OFFICE	AMBASSADOR	
CHECKING ACCT								\$ 100,346.69
SAVINGS ACCT								\$ 6,214.13
NATIONAL FUND								\$ 25,426.30
PAYROLL ACCT								\$ 1,581.75
CHURCH EXT LOAN FUND								\$ 269,330.08
AMOUNT CARRIED 12/31/15								\$ 402,898.95
INCOME	\$ 155,421.12	\$ 34,880.15	\$ 150,286.15	\$ 2,156.50	\$ 32,369.35	\$ 148,606.32	\$ 14,022.00	\$ 537,741.59
TOTAL								\$ 940,640.54
Business Expenses-Disbursements						\$ -		
Wages						\$ 49,390.05		
Federal Taxes						\$ 24,270.36		
State Taxes						\$ 2,245.68		
City Taxes						\$ 1,994.17		
Workers Comp						\$ 136.22		
Insurance						\$ 6,094.38		
Retirement						\$ 6,600.00		
Housing Allowance						\$ 12,999.84		
Travel-Ex Sec						\$ 3,048.57		
Travel- BD						\$ 812.34		
Travel -Employees						\$ 2,281.92		
Travel-Ex comm						\$ 978.60		
Special Ministries					\$ 32,369.35	\$ -		
Automobile Payment								
Automobile Insurance						\$ 905.00		
Automobile Repairs						\$ 1,098.91		
Gasoline						\$ 1,500.32		
Bookstore Product						\$ 6,846.27		
Credit Card Settlement						\$ 181.07		
Sales Tax						\$ 185.61		
Condo Fees						\$ 1,964.16		
Property Taxes						\$ 3,918.12		
Copier						\$ 839.15		
Employee expense						\$ 156.20		
Operating Supplies						\$ 58.23		
Office supplies						\$ 1,024.02		
Phone						\$ 1,126.24		
Postage						\$ 2,824.91		
Internet						\$ 799.84		
Utilities						\$ 1,272.82		
State Assoc Expense						\$ 2,361.75		
Pastors Retirement						\$ 3,887.36		
National CO-OP	\$ 46,625.94							
Natl Ministries Desig			\$ 150,286.15					
Ambassador							\$ 11,570.72	
National Fee						\$ 20,700.00		
State Home Mission CO-OP	\$ 23,301.12							
State HM Mission Desg		\$ 34,880.15						
Ohio Youth Coop	\$ 4,675.61							
Ohio Youth Designated				\$ 2,156.50				
Retreat						\$ 33,756.58		
Revivals						\$ 3,389.97		
Miscellaneous						\$ 1,072.92		
Leadership Conference						\$ 334.95		
Professional Fees						\$ 2,200.00		
Golf Tournament						\$ 520.00		
Expense Totals	\$ 74,602.67	\$ 34,880.15	\$ 150,286.15	\$ 2,156.50	\$ 32,369.35	\$ 203,776.53	\$ 11,570.72	\$ 509,642.07
TRANSFERS								
Transferred to National Acct						\$ 8,903.43		\$ 8,903.43
Purchased Fixtures						\$ 200.85		\$ 200.85
Transferred Interest to Savings						\$ 12.45		\$ 12.45
Gifts to St Mission, OYC, OWAC		\$ 7,000.00						\$ 7,000.00
Increase In Payroll Acct						\$ 2,482.83		\$ 2,482.83

National Church Growth Conference						\$ 1,912.06		\$ 1,912.06
TOTAL EXP+TRANSFERS	\$ 74,602.67	\$ 41,880.15	\$ 150,286.15	\$ 2,156.50	\$ 32,369.35	\$ 217,288.15	\$ 11,570.72	\$ 530,153.69
REMAINING FUNDS	\$ 80,818.45	\$ (7,000.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (68,681.83)	\$ 2,451.28	\$ 7,587.90
BALANCE IN CHECKING								\$ 107,934.59
BALANCE IN PAYROLL								\$ 4,064.58
BALANCE IN SAVINGS								\$ 6,226.58
BALANCE IN NATL FUND								\$ 34,329.73
BALANCE IN LONG TERM INVST								\$ 269,330.08
TOTAL BALANCE AS DECEMBER 31, 2016								\$ 421,885.56

**Ohio State Association of Free Will Baptists State Office Income  
2018-Budget**

Randall Curriculum Sales	\$	17,900.00
Brotherhood Commission		
Church Fees	\$	27,600.00
General Fund Gifts	\$	13,800.00
Golf Tourney	\$	1,700.00
Interest from NHM CELF Acct.	\$	11,060.00
Ohio Bible Institute	\$	25.00
Service Income	\$	9,500.00
State Ministry Offering	\$	3,190.00
Ohio Men's Retreat	\$	38,500.00
Bookstore Sales	\$	10,000.00
Misc Income	\$	1,255.00

**Total Income** **\$ 134,530.00**

## Ohio State Association of Free Will Baptists Proposed Budget-2018

	<u>COOP</u>	<u>OH MISSION</u>	<u>NATL MINISTRIES</u>	<u>OH. YOUTH</u>	<u>SPEC MINIS</u>	<u>ST. OFFICE</u>	<u>AMBASSADOR</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b>INCOME</b>	\$ 156,200.00	\$ 45,570.00	\$ 156,000.00	\$ 2,914.00	\$ 32,400.00	\$ 134,530.00	\$ 14,100.00	\$ 541,714.00
<b>BUSINESS EXPENSES</b>								
WAGES						\$ 57,340.00		
FEDERAL TAXES						\$ 23,132.00		
STATE TAXES						\$ 2,530.00		
CITY TAXES						\$ 2,070.00		
WORKERS COMPENSATION						\$ 200.00		
INSURANCE						\$ 2,000.00		
RETIREMENT						\$ 6,600.00		
REVIVALS						\$ 3,374.63		
HOUSING ALLOWANCE						\$ 13,000.00		
TRAVEL-EXEC. SECRETARY						\$ 3,200.00		
TRAVEL-BRD. OF DIRECTORS						\$ 850.00		
TRAVEL-EXEC. COMMITTEE						\$ 1,000.00		
TRAVEL-BOOKSTORE MGR						\$ 2,400.00		
AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE						\$ 925.00		
AUTOMOBILE REPAIRS						\$ 1,000.00		
GASOLINE						\$ 2,200.00		
PROFESSIONAL FEES						\$ 2,520.00		
STATE ASSOCIATION EXPENSE						\$ 2,500.00		
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE						\$ 500.00		
RETREAT						\$ 35,000.00		
GOLF TOURNEY						\$ 1,250.00		
MISCELLANEOUS						\$ 1,400.00		
PROPERTY TAXES						\$ 3,950.00		
CONDO FEES						\$ 2,553.00		
UTILITIES (ELECTRIC & GAS)						\$ 1,500.00		
COPIER						\$ 900.00		
PHONE						\$ 1,300.00		
INTERNET PROVIDER						\$ 800.00		
POSTAGE METER						\$ 3,100.00		
POSTAGE PERMIT						\$ 230.00		
POSTAGE/SHIPPING						\$ 100.00		
EMPLOYEE EXPENSE						\$ 200.00		
OFFICE SUPPLIES						\$ 1,450.00		
OPERATING SUPPLIES						\$ 170.00		
SPECIAL MINISTRIES					\$ 32,400.00			
ST HOME MISSION CO-OP	\$ 23,430.00							
ST. HME MISSION DESIGNATED		\$ 45,570.00						
OHIO YOUTH COOP	\$ 4,686.00							
OHIO YOUTH DESIGNATED				\$ 2,914.00				
NATIONAL CO-OP	\$ 46,860.00							
NATL MINIST DESIGNATED			\$ 156,000.00					
NATIONAL FEE						\$ 20,850.00		
NATIONAL HOST FUND						\$ 3,600.00		
MINISTER'S RETIREMENT						\$ 3,900.00		
AMBASSADOR							\$ 11,600.00	
CREDIT CARD SETTLEMENT						\$ 550.00		
SALES TAX						\$ 250.00		
BOOKSTORE PRODUCT						\$ 6,900.00		
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$ 74,976.00	\$ 45,570.00	\$ 156,000.00	\$ 2,914.00	\$ 32,400.00	\$ 217,294.63	\$ 11,600.00	\$ 540,754.63
<b>REMAINING FUNDS</b>	\$ 81,224.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (82,764.63)	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 959.37

**Ohio Association of Free Will Baptist and  
Balance Sheet  
as of December 31, 2016**

<b>ASSETS</b>			
	Payroll Account	\$4,064.58	
	State Office Checking Account	\$107,934.59	
	Savings CD	\$6,226.58	
	National Home Missions Investment Note	\$269,330.08	
	National Fund	\$34,329.73	
	Cash register Change	\$150.00	
	Building/Land	\$109,179.18	
	Retreat Deposit	\$4,320.26	
N-1	Accounts Receivable	\$538.12	
N-1	Store Inventory	<u>\$5,744.84</u>	
	<b>Total Cash Assets</b>		<u>\$541,817.96</u>
N-2	Fixtures & Equipment	\$51,406.35	
	Accumulated Depreciation Fixtures & Equipment	<u>(\$45,642.58)</u>	
	Fixtures & Equipment Net		\$5,763.77
N-3	State Vehicle	\$24,017.40	
	Accumulated Depreciation State Vehicle	<u>(\$10,806.96)</u>	
	State Vehicle Net		\$13,210.44
	<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>		<u>\$18,974.21</u>
	<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<u>\$560,792.17</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
	Unpaid Accounts (Store)		
		<u>\$391.95</u>	
	<b>Total Liabilities</b>		\$391.95
	<b>Net Worth</b>		<u>\$560,400.22</u>
	<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; NET WORTH</b>		<u>\$560,792.17</u>

**Ohio State Association of FWB  
and the Ambassador Church Supply Center  
Balance Sheet  
Three Year Comparison**

ASSETS	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Church Supply Checking & savings Acct	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
State Office Checking & Savings Acct	\$107,934.59	\$106,560.82	\$94,325.20
Savings CD	\$6,226.58	\$0.00	\$0.00
Payroll acct	\$4,064.58	\$1,581.75	\$4,290.62
Petty cash	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
Accounts Receivable	\$538.12	\$423.15	\$557.32
National Home Missions Investment Note	\$269,330.08	\$269,330.08	\$269,330.08
Building/Land	\$109,179.18	\$109,179.18	\$109,179.18
Retreat Deposit	\$4,320.26	\$6,075.62	\$5,330.82
Store Inventory	\$5,744.84	\$6,407.85	\$7,796.29
National Fund	<u>\$34,329.73</u>	<u>\$25,426.30</u>	<u>\$18,858.05</u>
<b>Total Cash Assets</b>	<b>\$541,817.96</b>	<b>\$525,134.75</b>	<b>\$509,817.56</b>
Fixtures & Equipment	\$51,406.35	\$52,686.89	\$55,397.65
Accum Depreciated Fixtures & Equipment	( <u>\$45,642.58</u> )	( <u>\$44,587.96</u> )	( <u>\$44,294.02</u> )
Fixtures & Equipment Net	\$5,763.77	\$8,098.93	\$11,103.63
State Vehicle	\$24,017.40	\$24,017.40	\$24,017.40
Accumulated Depreciation State Vehicle	( <u>\$10,806.96</u> )	( <u>\$6,003.48</u> )	( <u>\$1,200.00</u> )
State Vehicle Net	<u>\$13,210.44</u>	<u>\$18,013.92</u>	<u>\$22,817.40</u>
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b><u>\$18,974.21</u></b>	<b><u>\$26,112.85</u></b>	<b><u>\$33,921.03</u></b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b><u>\$560,792.17</u></b>	<b><u>\$551,247.60</u></b>	<b><u>\$543,738.59</u></b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
State Vehicle	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Accounts payable	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Unpaid Accounts (Store)	\$391.95	\$481.77	\$448.20
Remainder of 20th Ann Gift	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Mortgage-Building	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$391.95</b>	<b>\$481.77</b>	<b>\$448.20</b>
<b>Net Worth</b>	<b>\$560,400.22</b>	<b>\$550,765.83</b>	<b>\$507,974.03</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; NET WORTH</b>	<b><u>\$560,792.17</u></b>	<b><u>\$551,247.60</u></b>	<b><u>\$508,800.31</u></b>



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**Churches**

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Eastside  
Eifort  
Faith-Cleveland  
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Gahanna  
Good Hope  
Harrison  
Heritage  
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Newark  
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North  
Oak Hill  
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Pine Grove  
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Porter  
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Redeemer  
Reynoldsburg & Ladies Auxiliary  
Rosedale  
Samantha  
Shelby First  
South Charleston  
South Columbus  
Southwest  
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Central Ohio  
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Bethesda Chapel  
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Bucyrus  
Christian Fellowship  
Coalton  
Community-Somerset  
Community-West Jefferson  
Cornerstone-Mansfield  
Dean Road  
Eifort  
Faith-Cleveland  
Fellowship  
First Clyde  
Gahanna  
Grace-Cleveland  
Good Hope  
Harrison  
Heritage  
Hillsboro  
Hillview  
Lockbourne  
Main Street  
Mansfield  
Marysville  
Mount Calvary  
Mount Hope  
Mount Sterling  
Newark  
New Hope-Chillicothe

Northridge  
Oak Hill  
Old Bethel  
Old Kyger  
Petrea  
Pine Creek  
Pine Grove  
Porter  
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Sciotodale  
Shelby First  
South Charleston  
South Columbus  
Springfield  
Summit Station  
Tick Ridge  
Union & SS Classes  
Urbana  
Wakefield  
Wellington  
Westside  
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**Conferences & Ministries**

Freddy Dutton Ministries  
Franklin  
Northeastern  
North & Western  
Pine Creek  
Porter  
Ohio Women's Auxiliary

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## 2016 OWAC State Report for the Ohio Association of Free Will Baptist

*I will sing of the mercies of the Lord for ever: with my mouth will I make known thy faithfulness to all generations.*  
*Psalm 89:1*

### Ohio Women Active for Christ

Throughout 2016 OWAC studied with the women of WNAC about surrendering. We learned that while it is not always easy, it is imperative that we surrender our all over to Jesus Christ. His Spirit has been felt at our events throughout 2016, we are thankful for all the many ways He's allowed us to be a part of His Kingdom work.

Our membership is up from last year, OWAC's recorded a membership of 120 women from 12 churches throughout the state. The churches who have partnered with us in 2016 are Akron, Ambassador, Canaan, Cleveland, Dailyville, Harrison, Hillview, McArthur, New Road, Porter, Reynoldsburg and Westerville.

#### President

Sarah Sargent

Our Women's Day events continue to be a highly anticipated event for OWAC. They featured 6 different classes and 6 teachers. "Before the Prodigal Returns" was taught by Cecelia Lundy. "Everyday Worship" was taught by Malari Helman. "Integrity" was taught by Cheri Hayes. "Modern Day Idolatry" was taught by Paula Davis. "Praise You In The Storm" was taught by Jessica Musetti. "Personalities: Finding your role in the church" was taught by Linda Hayes. "Social Media" was taught by Sarah Sargent. The northern Ohio event was held on April 30<sup>th</sup> at the Canaan FWB Church in Creston. We had 75 women in attendance representing 11 different churches. May 21<sup>st</sup> we had our final Women's Day event of the season. Ambassador FWB Church did a great job hosting the event. We had 28 women in attendance. We had at least 7 churches represented at the event. Our devotion at this event was entitled "Truths your Pastor's wife wants you to know" it was presented by Frances Etterling and Melissa Sammons.

#### Vice President

Donna Springer

#### Secretary

Jessica Musetti

#### Treasurer

Jeannie Sargent

#### State Representative

Paula Davis

OWAC is continuing to invest in our organizations future. So on June 4<sup>th</sup> we held our second annual "His Girls" Conference. We had approximately 20 in attendance representing five different churches. While this event was down in attendance from last year, OWAC still believes it is an important event to continue. We can never go wrong providing our youth a place to come and grow closer to God and to each other.

#### Member at Large

Gerri Beal

Sherry Brazzell

Frances Etterling

Cecelia Lundy

Melissa Sammons

June 23<sup>rd</sup> we had 58 in attendance for the 74<sup>th</sup> OWAC state meeting. Our speaker was Ohio's own, Marie Drakulic. Marie spoke on our theme "I Surrender All". Marie shared from the book of Hosea and sharing about God's redeeming love and power. Marie shared that God is both the author and hero of her story. She also encouraged each of us to share our story with someone. Special singing was by Malari Helman. During our meeting we set our state project for 2017, with a goal of \$6500. The project will go to our 2019 National Convention fund, Travis Mackenzie, WNAC, Kevin & Beth Bass, Tom & Pam Jones, Tim & Amanda York, David & Angie Outlaw, Mimi Le Louarn and OWAC general fund. At our meeting we collected \$475 in gift cards for Family Ministries and another \$525 in gift cards for the WNAC Steward Provision Closet. Our major item of business was to make some updates to our constitution and by-laws.

On August 20, 2016 OWAC's officers hosted a thank you luncheon. We invited all of the churches in Ohio to bring the women's groups leaders for a free meal and time of fellowship. We had approximately 25 women in attendance. We shared ideas and offered encouragement as they lead the women of their churches.

Our annual OWAC fall retreat was held October 14-15 at the Holiday Inn in Mansfield, Ohio. There were 87 ladies in attendance, representing 12 Ohio churches, and 2 out of state churches. We were blessed to have Rebekah Seymour, from "the state up north" and Katie Greenwood, Randall House editor, with us. Katie did a wonderful job of speaking to us on this year's theme, Beautiful Words, based on Psalm 19:14. On Friday, we were reminded of how our words can really effect those around us and how our words should be used to encourage others. Saturday, she focused on our minds, and the meditations of our heart and encouraged us to think on things that are true, honest, just, pure, lovely, of good report, of any virtue, and being of any praise (Philippians 4:8). What a great reminder to stay in God's word so that we may know Him intimately. Congratulations to the following churches for taking home the trophies for 2016: Westerville FWB for the most ladies in attendance, Compassion FWB for best present to member ratio, and Lebanon FWB for the most first time attendees!

On November 5<sup>th</sup> we had our 4<sup>th</sup> annual Fellowship and Fundraiser at Reynoldsburg FWB Church. We had a Purse Auction, with party food and pastries. Official auctioneer Donna Radovich led the auction for us again and we auctioned off 20 purses. We had 30 women in attendance representing 6 different churches throughout Ohio. All the money raised from this event went into OWAC's 2019 National convention fund. We raised \$785 at this event. We were very excited!

On November 12<sup>th</sup> Ohio hosted WNAC's Shine Conference. Shine provides a safe place to tackle cultural messages with biblical truth and practical plans for making good decisions in a difficult world. The conference also provides a separate track for moms and youth leaders. They will examine challenges teens confront and provide helpful resources for discussing these issues with young ladies they influence. The Ohio conference had 25 teen girls and 30 moms/youth leaders, representing 4 different states. Please continue to pray for these events, God is at work in a mighty way.

2016 was a wonderful year for OWAC. God allowed us to play a small part in the big plans He has for His kingdom. We are excited to see that work continue throughout 2017. Since you are reading this in June, the remainder of our events for 2017 includes our Fall Retreat and our Fundraiser and Fellowship event. October 13-14, 2017 at the Holiday Inn and Suites in downtown Mansfield will be our Fall Retreat. Our theme is "The Greatest Gift" and our speaker will be Samaritan's Purse's Izabella McMillion. Our 5<sup>th</sup> annual Fundraiser and Fellowship will be November 5<sup>th</sup> at Harrison FWB Church from 2 pm – 4 pm. We will be having a purse auction again and the theme this year will be "Sundae's on Saturday." More information on these events can be found at our table in Heritage Hall or at [www.ohiofwb.org](http://www.ohiofwb.org) under the OWAC link.

If your church is interested in getting a women's group started at your church or having your current women's group join or learn more about OWAC, please contact me at (614) 560-0710 or [oreta14@hotmail.com](mailto:oreta14@hotmail.com). We would love to come visit with your ladies.

Respectfully submitted  
Sarah Sargent  
OWAC President

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Greetings from the "Freddy Dutton Ministries"! This year begins 14 years of service in full-time evangelism and soul winning for us. God has been so good to us during these past 14 years and we honor Him and give Him the praise for supplying our needs. It is a great honor and privilege to serve and be a part of our Ohio Free Will Baptist Churches.

This year I am celebrating **47 years in the ministry**. Upon returning from my military service in Vietnam 50 years ago this year (1967), I accepted Christ as my personal Savior and was gloriously saved. From that point, my life was gloriously changed, and I have faithfully served our Free Will Baptist Denomination in many different capacities. The Lord has truly been my guide and main focus these 50 years!

This past year the Lord has opened many doors of service! I still have a burning desire to see "Revival" come once again to America! This is the one great hope for our country. "America needs Revival"! We have been privileged and honored to be with 31 churches and many of these churches we visited several different times throughout the year. We have been in approximately 200 meetings and witnessed around 300 altar decisions with many needs being met. To God be the glory and we give Him the praise! The "Freddy Dutton Ministries" supports two Foreign Missionaries and many other benevolent needs throughout the year. In addition to traveling with me, Terry continues to touch thousands of cancer patients and their families through her ministry of weekly volunteering and serving on a Patient Advisory Board at The Ohio State University James Cancer Hospital. There are so many needs met during these weekly visits through the power of prayer and sharing.

Without others that share this burden of evangelism, we could not have accomplished what we have these past 14 years. Thank you so much for your investment in the "Freddy Dutton Ministries", and thank you for your prayers, generosity, and many acts of kindness you show us. Please continue to pray for the "Freddy Dutton Ministries" that others can come to know Christ! We look forward to being with you for services during the upcoming year.

Your friend in the ministry,  
Rev. Freddy W. Dutton  
Evangelist

**Minutes of the 78th Annual Session**  
**of the**  
**Ohio State Association**  
**of**  
**Free Will Baptists**

The 78th session of the Ohio State Association of Free Will Baptists met June 24-25, 2016, at Heritage Free Will Baptist Church, Columbus, Ohio. The theme for the convention was "**A Fresh Look at the Ten Commandments**". Bro. David Chamberlain served as song leader. Sis. Deena Armstrong played the piano.

**Friday Morning**

At 9:30 AM, Clerk Bryon Justice called the meeting to order and introduced the moderator, Rev. Mark Price. Pastor Tim Stout welcomed the convention to Heritage Free Will Baptist Church. The moderator's message to the convention was taken from Matthew 16:13-16, his theme was "**The Question of Our Time.**"

The moderator called for the **General Board Report**. The **General Board** met June 23, 2016, at Heritage Free Will Baptist Church. Motion was made and carried to receive the report and the business items included therein.

The Moderator seated the convention delegates and introduced the various committee members that will be serving in this year's convention. The Moderator then recognized the visiting representatives of the various National Departments and ministries.

Bro. Paul R. Etterling II gave the report of the **Ohio Home Missions Board**. A motion was made and carried to approve these reports and to adopt the proposed budget.

Bro. Jason Luthy gave the **OYC Report** which included a video featuring the winners of the 2016 OYC competitions. A motion was made and carried to accept the report and adopt the proposed budget, along with the amendment note.

Bro. Bill Hayes gave the **Board of Directors Report**. Motion made and carried to receive the report.

Executive Secretary Edwin Hayes gave a report of the **State Office** and its ministries. Motion made and carried to approve this report and to adopt the budget with the submitted budget items and notes. A motion was made and carried to distribute the funds as recommended in the General Board report as follows:

*Based on the Brotherhood Mutual Dividend in 2015, we are proposing that the Ohio State Office give \$7,000 to our State Mission program, \$2,000 for our National North American Mission Growth Conference scheduled for September, and add \$4000 to our National fund for hosting the 2019 National Association.*

**Ohio Women Active for Christ (OWAC) Report** was given by Sis. Sarah Sargent. The theme for OWAC this year was, "I Surrender All." The project for 2016-2017 will be, \$6,500 to be distributed to several ministries. Motion made and carried to receive the report.

The morning business session was adjourned for the worship service.

In the worship service, Rev. Eugene Crouch provided special singing. An offering of \$206.00 was received. Attendance was 127. Rev. Mitch Salyers, Pastor of 1st Chillicothe FWB was introduced to bring the message. The sermon topic was "***The Ten Commandments Introduce God to Man***". Following the message the convention recessed for lunch.

### **Friday Afternoon**

After opening with a congregational song, Bro. Mark Tuggle, Pastor of Centerburg FWB, gave devotional thoughts from Isaiah 6:8.

**National Women Active for Christ (WNAC) Report** was given by Sis. Elizabeth Hodges. Motion was made and carried to receive the report.

### **Miscellaneous Business**

Bro. A.J. Dooley gave a report of the **2015 National Association Meeting**, which was approved. The moderator then appointed delegates to the National Association meeting this year in Kansas City, MO. Those appointed were A. J. Dooley, Mark McCarty, Geri Beal, Linda Combs and Fredia Street.

Bro. Keith Burden gave a report from the **FWB National Executive Office**, which was received.

Bro. Ron Hunter gave a report of **Randall House Publications**, which was received.

Bro. David Williford gave a report on **Welch College**, which was received. Bro Jeff Cockrell, who heads the new Master's Degree program at Welch was introduced, and shared about the program.

Bro. Clint Morgan gave a report on **International Missions**, which was received.

Bro. David Crowe gave the report on **North American Ministries**, which was received. Bro. Tim York gave a report on the work in Buffalo, NY which has ministers to both hearing and deaf people which was received.

Bro. David Brown, gave a report of the **FWB Foundation**, which was received.

Bro. Mike Gladson gave a report on the **FWB Board of Retirement**, which was received.

Bro. Frank Woods gave a report for the **Free Will Baptist Family Ministries** which was received.

Bro. Jason Luthy gave a report on **Trail Life USA**, a Christian Boy Scout alternative, which was received.

The afternoon business session was adjourned until Saturday morning.

### **Friday Evening**

Assistant Moderator Tom Dooley welcomed the congregation and led worship. Bro. David Chamberlain led the congregation in singing. An offering of \$7,261.25 was received. Attendance was 229 with 85 of those attending the OYC service. Special singing was provided by The Shepherd Family, from Canaan FWB. Rev. David Crow, Director of North American Ministries, was introduced to bring the message. The sermon topic was ***"The Ten Commandments Benefit Men."***

Benediction.

### **Saturday Morning**

At 9:30 AM, Rev. Mike Martin, Pastor of Calvary FWB in Ravenna, OH, gave devotional thoughts from Ephesians 4:31-32. The moderator then called for committee reports.

#### **Miscellaneous Reports**

Bro. Jim Marcum gave a report on **Southeastern FWB College** which was received.

**The Resolution Committee** reported no resolutions submitted.

**The Obituary Committee** report was given: Since we last met in June 2015, the fellow believers, listed on the attached list, have gone to be with the Lord. Motion was made and carried to approve the report. A moment of silence was held to remember these.

**The Appreciation Committee** report was given and a motion was made and carried to approve the report.

**The Registration Committee** report was read. Total registration was 244; 57 Ministers, 12 Deacons, 14 Delegates, 76 Visitors, and 85 Youth.

The Clerk then read the 504 Report which will be sent to the National Association Meeting in Kansas City, MO, which was approved. It was noted that the number of conferences is one less this year due to the dissolution of the Southern Ohio conference.

**The Nominating Committee** report was given and acted upon. For offices with term ending in 2017: **Moderator**, Mark Price, elected; **Assistant Moderator**, Tom Dooley, elected; **Clerk**, Bryon Justice, elected; **Assistant Clerk**, Manuel Lopes, elected.

**Executive Committee for 2017**: Charles Crider, Jeremy Luthy, Dan King, and Russell Street, elected.

**General Board for term ending in 2018**: Herman Copley (Northern Ohio), Densil Wright (Trinity), Jamie Fortner (South Central), Dan King (Porter), Aaron Reed (Pine Creek), Bill Pitts (State Line), Blaine Etterling (Cornerstone), and James Webb (North & Western).

For **OYC Board Member** term ending 2023: Mike Sammons, elected.

For **Board of Directors** term ending 2023: Bill Hayes, elected.



For **State Missions Board** term ending 2023: Tim Stout, elected.

The Moderator appointed the **Nominating Committee** for 2017 as follows: Wendell Combs, Chairman, John Wallace and Eugene Crouch.

The Moderator then appointed Bro. Mike Mounts as **Prayer Committee Chairman**. Sis. Sue Moore and Delois Loveless were appointed as **Registration Committee Chairpersons**. All will serve for the 2017 State Association meeting.

A motion made and carried to adjourn from business for the 2016 session.

The Rejoice Team from Welch College, provided special singing. An offering of \$110.00 was received. Attendance was 187 with 45 of those attending the OYC service. Rev. Del Wallace, Pastor of Forest Valley FWB, was introduced to bring the message. The sermon topic was, "***The Ten Commandments Point Men to Christ***".

Benediction.

Bryon J. Justice, Clerk

## Ohio State Association Of Free Will Baptists Obituaries-2016

Gail Wesley Allen  
Sharon Bailey  
Paul Ball  
Jim Bagby  
Sam Barker  
Allen Bates  
Nancy Bartrum  
Ron Bise  
Windell Blanton  
Brent Brooks  
Mary Boyce  
Bing Browning  
Dewey Delmar Carey  
Janet Castle  
Burnas M. Collins  
Emagene Cordle  
Marion "Lester" Cox  
Andy Davis  
Billy R. Dheel  
Elvetta Eberts  
Hilda K. Gamble  
Velda Gardner  
Edith Hall  
Jim Hayes  
Virginia Hayes  
Janet Hutchinson  
Lindsey Jarrell  
Bob Jones  
Charles King  
Albert Leonard  
Russell Lusk  
Ruby Meade  
Sarah Elizabeth Bayes Meade  
Donna Milledge  
Nevel Moore  
Bob Morgan  
John Morrison  
Ruth Neal  
Loretta Pack  
Bob Perry  
Ruth Perry  
Connie Sue Phipps  
Abby Lynn Ruby

Trudy Sandstro  
Edward Scott  
Marge Seevers  
William Stidham  
Robert Stout  
Sue Stout  
Mike Thacker  
Darlene Warner  
Kenny Watson  
Bessie Williams  
John D. Wyatt  
Helen M. Wray

### Ministers

Rev. James R. Angel  
Rev. James Darwin Boyd  
Rev. Clyde Eldridge  
Rev. Sturgell McCarty  
Rev. Ferrell Rood  
Rev. Clarence Tolliver  
Rev. Garry W. VanHoose  
Rev. Ken Walker  
Dr. Jack Williams

### Deacons

Keith Crace  
Marion Lewis  
Butch Trotter

### Missionaries

Dawn Sweeny

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**CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS**

**ARTICLE I**

NAME - This Association shall be called the Ohio State Association of Free Will Baptists and shall be composed of all regularly organized and disciplined Free Will Baptist Quarterly or Yearly Associations as may embody themselves under this constitution.

**ARTICLE II**

PURPOSE - The objective of this Association shall be the bringing together of Free Will Baptists of the State of Ohio in an annual gathering that we may become better acquainted with one another and enact such business as will promote the cause of Christ among Free Will Baptist churches of this Association, and a world wide outreach of souls.

**ARTICLE III**

MEMBERSHIP--

*Section I* - The members of this Association shall consist of one delegate for each local church in a local association and one delegate from each local church within the state, together with all ordained authority and the assistant clerk of this Association.

*Section II* - Any well organized and well regulated local Association in the state by application and conforming to the faith and practice of the original Free Will Baptist denomination, shall be received into this Association by a majority vote of the Association.

**ARTICLE IV**

OFFICERS--

1. The Officers of this Association shall consist of a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, and Assistant Clerk. The Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, and Assistant Clerk shall be elected annually at the close of each session and may succeed themselves as often as this body shall decide.
2. The Officers of this body shall submit, at every session, a report of the work done for this Association.
3. The Moderator shall be the principle executive officer of the Association and he shall sign, with the Clerk or any other people, officers, or agent of the Association, thereunto authorized by the General Board, any deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, or other instruments which the General Board has authorized to be expected except in cases where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the General Board or by this Association, or shall be required by law to be otherwise signed or executed. The duties of the Moderator shall include presiding at the meetings of the State Association, the General Board and the Executive Committee; to call special meetings of the General Board and Executive Committee; and in general, to fulfill whatever responsibilities may be commensurate with his office or delegated to him by the body or General Board.
4. In the absence of the Moderator, or in the event of his death, inability or refusal to act, the Assistant Moderator shall perform the duties of the Moderator, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the Moderator. The Assistant Moderator shall perform such duties as from time to time may be assigned to him be the Moderator or by the General Board.

5. A. The Clerk shall keep an accurate record of all business transactions; shall superintend the printing of the minutes and shall receive an honorarium of an amount agreed upon by this body.

B. The Clerk shall: (a) keep the minutes of the Association and on the General Board meetings in one or more books provided for this purpose; (b) see that all notices are given in accordance with the provisions of these by-laws or as required by law; (c) be custodian of the Association records and of the seal of the Association and see that the seal is affixed to all documents the execution of which on behalf of the Association under its seal is duly authorized; (d) in general, perform all duties incident to the office of Clerk and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the Moderator or by the General Board.

6. In the absence of the clerk, or in the event of his death, inability, or refusal to act, the Assistant Clerk shall perform the duties of the Clerk and when so acting, shall have all the power and be subject to all the restrictions upon the Clerk. The Assistant Clerk shall perform such duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the Clerk or by the General Board.

## ARTICLE V

### BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

1. All standing boards shall be composed of seven members, exclusive of the General Board. Standing boards include the Home Mission Board, Board of Directors, CTS Board and the General Board. No person who is an employee of the State Association may be elected to any standing board of this body.

2. The duties of the various standing boards shall be to plan a program and supervise its operation in their respective fields, and to receive, hold, manage, use or convey any funds and property entrusted to said boards. Each board or agency shall be required to present a projected budget to the State Association when in session. All budgets must be presented to the General Board for recommendation to the association delegates for approval.

3. The Nominating Committee will be appointed by the State Moderator during the General Board Meeting at each year's Association meeting to serve the following year. This is to take effect in the 2012 State Association meeting. The duties of said committee is to recommend one nomination for each office open for election for consideration to the Association.

## ARTICLE VI

### ELECTION

1. The personnel of each of the foregoing, exclusive of the General Board shall be elected as follows: The first named for a term of one year, the second for a term of two years and a third for a term of three years, the fourth for a term of four years, and the fifth for a term of five years, sixth for a term of six years and seventh for a term of seven years and thereafter each shall be elected for a term of seven years.

2. The personnel of the General Board shall be composed of the officers of the State Association; the chairman of all standing boards, the chairman of the Nominating Committee and one member from each local Association to be elected by the State body whose term of office shall be two years and so constituted that the expiration date of the term of office of half of these shall expire one year and the other half the following year. This shall be determined by alphabetical order of the name of the affiliated Association.

3. No person shall fill more than one office at the same time except as he may become a member of the General Board by virtue of being a chairman of the board of which he is an elected member.

4. Any vacancy occurring in the General Board may be filled by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining Board members though less than a quorum of the General Board.

5. All Board members elected to fill a vacancy shall be elected for the unexpired term of his predecessor in office.

6. Any member of the standing board of the State Association who does not put forth any interest in or function on said board for the period of one year, shall have his office declared vacant and a new member be elected by this Association to fill his unexpired term of office.

## ARTICLE VII

### DUTIES

1. The General Board shall have power to act in behalf of, and for the State Association from one regular session to another, and shall have power to elect such officers as may be necessary to carry out the plans and undertakings of the State Association.
2. The Board of Directors shall have the right to employ a Promotional-Secretary who shall serve as Treasurer of the Association and be responsible for handling all monies of the Association except in cases where this responsibility shall be expressly delegated by the General Board or by this Association. The State Promotional Director (Executive Secretary) will serve as our National General Board member and that he would be empowered to name his proxy should circumstances not allow his attending the National Association. In the event any organization within the supervision of this board becomes large enough that it becomes necessary to have separate directors or managers, then this board may be empowered to hire these, and each report to the Board of Directors.
3. The General Board shall have power to fill any regular vacancies that may occur in its own body and shall also have power to fill any irregular vacancies that may occur in any department of work between sessions of the State Association. It shall be the duty of the Board to make written reports of all its work to each session.
4. An Executive Committee, consisting of eight members of the General Board, shall be composed of the Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk of the State Association, Assistant Clerk, and four other members to be elected annually by the State Association whose duty it shall be to act on all matters coming within the scope of the work of the Board when said Board is not in session. It shall also plan and execute the program for the annual sessions of the Ohio State Association.
5. A majority of the number of the General Board members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the General Board.
6. By resolution of the General Board, the Board members shall be paid their expenses including travel expense of the standard mileage fee rate for attendance of special meetings of the General Board and Regular Meetings of Executive Committee.

## ARTICLE VIII

### MEETINGS

1. The session of this Association shall be held on Friday before the fourth Saturday in June, 9:30 a.m. at a location determined by the discretion of the Executive Committee.
2. In the event the necessity arises from war, or pestilence, or any cause which prevents a regular meeting of the State Association, whether such a condition is of a local or general condition, then the General Board shall be privileged to call and act with full authority in all matters pertaining to the general welfare of the State Association, providing whatever transaction passed shall be by two-thirds vote of the members present, and providing that such transactions shall not conflict with the purpose and edicts by the By-Laws of the State Association.
3. All business meetings shall be opened by singing, reading a portion from God's Word, and prayer and shall be closed with prayer.
4. Special meetings of the General Board or the Executive Committee shall be called when necessary by the Moderator, with the written consent of three other members of the Executive Committee. Special meetings of the General Board shall also be called upon the written request of a majority of its members.
5. Notice of any special meeting shall be given at least fifteen days previously thereto by written notice delivered personally or by mail to each board member at his business address.

## ARTICLE IX

### DISPOSITION OF STATE PROPERTY

In the event of the disillusionment of the State Association of Free Will Baptists, the properties maintained by the Board of Directors, namely the Ambassador Bible Bookstore and State Offices properties, be deeded to the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

## ARTICLE X

### AMENDMENTS

1. This Association shall have power to adopt any regulations and by-laws that are consistent with this constitution or usages of the Free Will Baptist denomination.
2. This constitution and by-laws shall not be changed or altered except by two-thirds majority of all members present at a regular session. All proposed amendments shall be in writing and shall be read, then tabled until the next session. The amendment can then be removed from the table, read again and acted upon.

## BY-LAWS

### SECTION I

The Clerk shall call the Association to order and in his absence the Assistant Clerk shall call the Association to order.

### SECTION II

It shall be the duty of each body belonging to the Association to send a letter giving statistics to the body.

### SECTION III

The Association shall sit with open doors except when it goes into a committee as a whole.

### SECTION IV

No person shall nominate more than one person if that person be elected.

### SECTION V

The Moderator shall not allow any conversation except it be in a Christian spirit or when he thinks it will cause discord.

### SECTION VI

Anyone desiring to speak must rise to his feet and address the Moderator.

### SECTION VII

The voting sign shall be at the discretion of the Moderator.

### SECTION VIII

No member shall be allowed to speak more than twice on any subject and not more than five minutes at a time.

### SECTION IX

It shall be the duty of the Moderator to seat the delegates in a convenient place.

SECTION X

The form of financing the State Association shall be \$200 from each local church in a conference and \$2 for each local church sending a local delegate. In addition, an offering received from each church in the state and an offering from each morning and evening service that shall be divided as follows: 50% to the State Mission Board, 40% to the State Office, and 10% to the State CTS Board.

SECTION XI

That all Standing Boards must be in session called by the chairman to make money appropriations.

SECTION XII

That this Association pay the Moderator and Clerk \$100 per year.

SECTION XIII

That this Association be governed by the National Treatise and Robert's Rule of Order.

SECTION XIV

That all ministers be male members only. That no minister can be a member of this Association who has two living wives or whose wife has two living husbands.

SECTION XV

That no conference or the churches, pastors, ministers or delegates associated therewith shall act to affirm, approve or endorse in any way homosexual behavior.

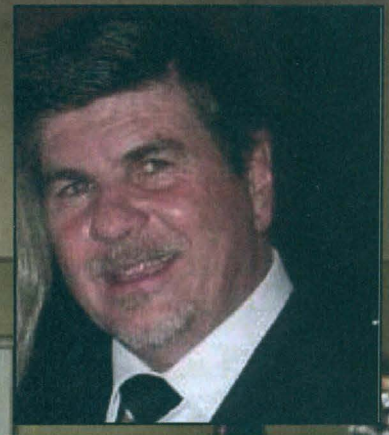


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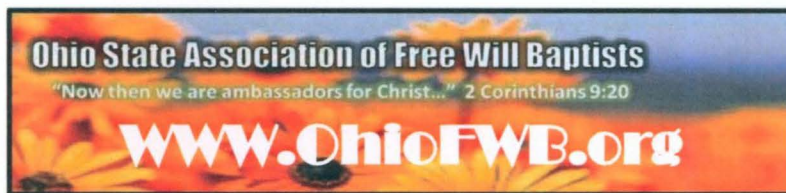
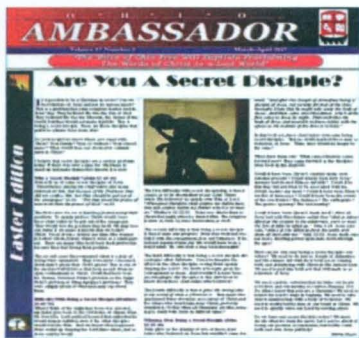
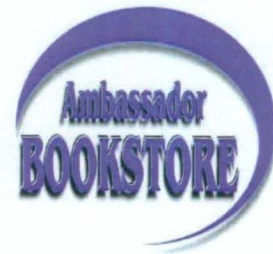


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