





Standing As One

ANNUAL REPORTS FOR 2018

June 21-22, 2019

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



Berlin Grande Hotel 4787 Township Rd 366 Berlin, OH 44610

> Our speaker Ana Batts

from Nashville, TN

Ohio Women Active for Christ Fall Retreat

September 13th and 14th Friday 4 pm - Saturday 12 pm

Retreat Cost \$85 per person w/ 4 people in a room \$100 per person w/ 3 people in a room \$120 per person w/ 2 people in room \$185 with 1 person in room

NOT staying at Berlin Grande \$30 for one day. \$50 for both days Full Payment & Registration due August 5th

"Be still, and know that I am God..." Psalms 46:10



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Ohio State Association of Free Will Baptists <u>PROGRAM</u> June 21-22, 2019

	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
9:35 AM	Moderator's Message
9:50 AM	Report of the General BoardSeating of the Delegates
9:55 AM	Appointment of Committees: * <u>Resolution</u> * <u>Obituary</u> * <u>Appreciation</u> 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 State Mission Board Report of the Ohio Youth Conference (CTS) Board
10:40 AM	Report of the Board of Directors
10.40 AM	Report of the Promotional Secretary
11:00 AM	Worship in Giving
11.00 /11	Ministry in Songs: Mike & Sandy Mounts
11:15 AM	Message: Rev. Mike Martin, Pastor of Calvary FWB, "Standing As One-Loving the Same Lord"
Noon	Adjourn for Lunch
noon	
	Friday Afternoon
1:15 PM	Devotion: Rev. Aaron Justice
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
	2018 National Convention Report
	Appointment of Delegates to National Association of FWB
1:55 PM	Report of the National Executive Department
2:10 PM	Report of Randall House Publications
2:15 PM	Report of Welch College
2:20 PM	Report of the International Mission Department
2:25 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
6:45 PM	Rejoice from Welch College Singing
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: Undivided
7:40 PM	Message: Rev. Tim York, Moderator of National Assoc. of FWB, "Standing As One <i>-Believing the Same Word"</i> Adjourn
	Saturday Morning
9:00 AM	Prayer Session Meets
9:30 AM	Devotion: Rev. Kyle Chadwick
9:45 AM	Miscellaneous Reports
10:00 AM	Reports from the Committees: * <u>Resolution</u> * <u>Obituary</u> * <u>Appreciation</u> * <u>Registration</u>
10:35 AM	Reading the State Letter
10:40 AM	Report from the Nominating Committee
10140 AN	Election of Officers
	Appointment of Prayer & Registration Committee Chairpersons and Nominating Committee for 2020
11:00 AM	Worship in Giving
	Ministry in Songs: Bryon Justice
11:15 AM	Message: Rev. Mark Bailey, Pastor of the Mansfield FWB, "Standing As On <i>e-Serving on the Same Team"</i>
Noon	Adjournment
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Church Fees News

The Church fees for 2020 will go up by \$25.00 and will total \$225.00.

The breakdown for the fees is as follows:

\$175.00 for the National Association

\$ 25.00 for the Ohio State Association

\$ 25.00 to be put in a Savings CD to host future National Association

\$225.00 Total Fee

I was informed by the National Executive Office is that <u>our Association is</u> responsible to pay fees for all Churches who are in the National Directory.

(We send the list of our Churches who will appear in the directory in October and they are distributed to the churches in the spring. If a church appears in that directory, and then leaves the association before the next year's National Association meeting, we are still responsible for paying for the fees.)

Moderator: Mark Price Assistant Moderator: Tom Dooley Clerk: Bryon Justice Assistant Clerk: Manuel Lopes Music Director: Jacob Lute Pianist: Tobiane Stout

OFFICES FOR ELECTION:

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	Assistant Moderator	2020
	Clerk	2020
	Assistant Clerk	2020

#### **GENERAL BOARD:**

Little Miami	2021
Lawrence	2021
Jackson	2021
Great Lakes	2021
FranklinFranklin	2021
Cuyahoga-Lorain	2021
Central Ohio	2021
Tri-State	2021
Northeastern	2021
Capital City	2021
Trinity	2020
North & Western	2020

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS:**

 2020
 2020

2026

2026

2026

#### OTHER BOARDS: ______Board of Directors...... CTS Board.... State Missions Board...

#### OTHERS:

***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!** 

2020 Ohio State Association Meeting June 26-27th Heritage FWB Church, Columbus, Ohio *ji* 

# Meet our Speakers



Calvary FWB Pastor Rev. **Mike Martin** will be bringing the Friday morning message from the theme <u>"Standing As One"</u>. The Friday morning message is on the subject, "Loving the Same Lord".

Pastor Mike has been the bi-vocational pastor at Calvary in Ravenna for 18 years. Mike likes to say that he was "Free Will Baptist before he knew what a Free Will Baptist was!" He learned about Free Will Baptists from his first FWB pastor/mentor, the late Harvey J. Marlow, who transitioned Calvary to Free Will Baptist in 1987. Mike is also the general manager at a small machine shop in Macedonia where he has worked full time for 21 years. Through the great sacrifice and support of his family, while pastoring and working, he took full-time online classes through Welch College and graduated with an associate's degree in pastoral ministry.

Mike has been married to his high school sweetheart, Renee, for 20 years. They have three children, Kaylee, Michael and Evan.





National Association Moderator Dr. **Tim York** is scheduled to preach on the subject, "*Believing the Same Word*".

Rev. Tim York began serving as pastor of Grove FWB Church in Smyrna, TN, in June 2010. York has been a Field Representative for the FWB Foundation since 2016. He graduated with a B.S. degree and a Masters of Divinity from Liberty University. He is currently finishing a Doctorate of Ministries from Liberty. York also studied at Welch College, Tri-State Bible College (South Point, OH), Bethel Bible Institute (Paintsville, KY) and Emmanuel Baptist University where he received his Doctorate in Theology. Tim is a former high school Bible teacher for Lighthouse Christian School in Antioch, TN, and is currently an adjunct professor at Welch College in Gallatin, TN.

Tim and his wife Phyllis (Fannin), have three children: Timothy, Anna and Andy. Timothy and his wife, Amanda, are missionaries to Buffalo, New York. They have two sons, Bryson and Haddon. Anna is the receptionist at the National Offices of Free Will Baptists and is married to Levi Fox. Andy is a co-pastor at the Grove Free Will Baptist Church. Tim is currently the moderator of the National Association of Free Will Baptists, elected in 2003.

Rev. Mark Bailey, pastor of the Mansfield FWB Church will then preach the final message, "Serving on the Same Team".

Brother Mark was saved in 1978 and announced his call to the ministry in 1983. He began his first pastorate in 1984 at the Faith Free Will Baptist Church in Logan, Ohio and is the current pastor of the Mansfield Free Will Baptist Church.

Brother Bailey has served the Ohio Association on the OYC Board and as Assistant Clerk. He is currently the Clerk of the Cuyahoga-Lorain Conference.

He and his wife Susan have been married for 39 years and have two wonderful children, Brittany and Marcus as well as three granddaughters.

# THE OHIO STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

We as the Ohio State Missions Board continue to celebrate God's blessings and faithfulness. Travis McKenzie continues to see new faces every week in our church plant in Ashland, Ohio. God continues to bring new people alongside of Travis to help with the work. We believe God is at work and we give Him all the glory!

Your State Home Mission Board is aware of the great responsibility we have in church planting. We believe that church planters must be called by God. We also believe they must be qualified for the enormous task of planting a church. An important part of determining whether someone is qualified is through the assessment process. 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.

We are working hard on the evaluation as well as the development of potential church planters. North American Ministries continues to be a tremendous help and blessing in this process. We take seriously the stewardship of church planters, their families, and church planting resources.

We covet your prayers and financial support in order to plant more churches in the future. Every church in our state should be obeying the Great Commission. The Ohio Home Missions Board is a vehicle that can help churches be obedient in planting churches in our state where the gospel message is needed.

To those churches and pastors who stand by us with your prayers, encouragement, and financial support, we say thank you. Church planting creates challenges for us as we strive to be good stewards of the resources the Lord has provided. For those who have yet to partner with us in church planting, we pray that God will challenge you to join us as we labor together to advance the Kingdom of God.

Blessings,

Mike Gladson, Board Chairman of the Ohio Missions Board

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

The Ohio Home Missions Board

#### THE OHIO STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

#### MISSION BOARD JUNE 2018 - JUNE 2019

<b>Rev. Jerry Sargent</b> 1397 Terry Dr. Reynoldsburg, OH 43068	<b>Term:</b> Church: Home: E-mail:	<b>2019</b> (614) 861-2004 (614) 626-2078 <u>sarsnoopy@yahoo.com</u>
Rev. Paul R. Etterling II (Secretary/Treasurer)	<b>Term:</b>	2020
532 Allview Ct.	Mobile:	(614) 578-8716
Westerville, OH 43081	E-mail:	westervillechurch@sbcglobal.net
<b>Rev. Mike Gladson (Chairman)</b>	<b>Term:</b>	<b>2021</b>
1609 Wedgwood Way	Church:	(330) 601-6498
Wooster, OH 44691	E-mail:	pastormike@canaanfwb.org
Rev. Bill Crank	<b>Term:</b>	<b>2022</b>
1602 Walker Lake Rd	Church:	(419) 747-4134
Mansfield OH 44906	E-mail:	<u>dbcmin@bellsouth.net</u>
Rev. Tim Stout Heritage FWB Church 575 Obetz Rd. Columbus, OH 43207	<b>Term:</b> Church: E-mail:	2023 (614) 492-0989 pastortim@heritagefwb.com
Rev. Wendell Combs New Hope FWB Church PO Box 2039 Chillicothe OH 45601	<b>Term:</b> Church: E-mail:	2024 (740) 772-5200 wendellfc@roadrunner.com
Rev. Kenny Cordell	<b>Term:</b>	2025
1658 E SR 36	Church:	(937) 652-1196
Urbana OH 43078	E-mail:	ellen_cordell@yahoo.com

#### Ohio Home Missionary

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

Mobile: (419) 566-8487 E-mail: <u>tmckenzie126@gmail.com</u>

#### 2018 RECEIPTS

Total	Receipts
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State Associations (3)	\$ 665.72
Church (81)	\$ 49,117.98
Local Conferences (10)	\$ 1,525.58
Local WAC (1)	\$ 75.00
Individual (3)	\$ 950.00
Sub Total	\$ 52,334.28
CELF Interest	\$ 3,898.91
CELF Interest State Association Gift	\$ 3,898.91 \$ 8,000.00

State Associations Ohio State Association Ohio WAC Ohio Youth Conference

Local WAC Reynoldsburg WAC

#### Local Conferences

Central Ohio Cornerstone Cuyahoga-Lorain Franklin Jackson Lawrence County North & Western Pine Creek Porter Trinity

#### Churches

Ambassador First Clyde Antioch **First Springfield** Beatty Forest Valley **Bethesda Chapel** Gahanna Bloom Galion Unity **Bucyrus** Garden City Canaan Harrison Canaan Land Heritage Carey **High Street Christian Fellowship** Hillview Cleveland Lebanon Coalton Lighthouse Columbus Lima Compassion Lockbourne Cornerstone Mansfield Dailyville Marysville Dogwood Ridge McArthur Eastside McGuffey Eifort Mount Calvary Faith - Cleveland Mount Hope First Chilicothe Neville

**New Beginnings** New Beginnings - Mansfield New Hope New Road Newark North Oak Hill Old Kyger Pine Grove Pleasant Hill Porter Puritan Redeemer Reynoldsburg Rittman Community Rosedale Samantha Sciotodale **Shelby First** South Charleston Springfield

**Stoney Ridge** Swauger Valley **Tick Ridge** Troy Turkey Union United Unity Urbana Victory Wakefield Wellington Westerville Westside White Oaks Williams Road Woodland Chapel Woodstock

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

# 2018 RECEIPTS INCOME BY ACCOUNT

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	JuL	Aug	Sep	oct	Nov	Dec	TOTAL
40010 · General Fund	736.68	612.47	612.47 175.00	707.92	1,265.73	394.54	636.57	938.96	400.01	918.20	679.16	716.01	716.01 8,181.25
40020 · Cooperative Giving	2,375.08	2,375.08 2,419.57 1,458.78	1,458.78	2,595.42	2,231.52	1,367.52	1,367.52 1,919.38	1,666.42	1,911.32	1,666.42 1,911.32 1,796.45	1	1,593.08	1,959.66 1,593.08 <b>23,294.20</b>
40030 · CELF Interest	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.75	0.00	1,335.45	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0:00	2,563.46	3,902.66
Total General Fund Revenue	ral Fund Revenue 3,111.76 3,032.04 1,633.78	3,032.04	1,633.78	3,307.09	3,497.25	3,097.51 2,555.95	2,555.95	2,605.38	2,311.33	2,714.65	2,638.82	4,872.55	35,378.11

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534.33	0.00	0.00	519.93	1,054.26 1,905.50
385.00	0.00	75.90	877.29 1,308.11	1,769.01
394.85	350.00	0.00	877.29	1,622.14
465.50	1,704.65	0.00	8,965.55	11,135.70 1,622.14 1,769.01
188.00	850.00	00.0	1,297.41	1,684.03 2,335.41
797.19	150.00	00.0	736.84	1,684.03
465.85	300.00	0.00	454.37	1,220.22
359.00	50.00	0.00	1,279.26 1,087.65	1,776.76 1,496.65
497.50	0.00	0.00		
40201 · As Needed Revenue	40202 · State Ministry Offering	40203 · State Missions Offering	40230 · McKenzie, Travis	Total Mission Accounts Revenue

 64,233.19
 4,178.09 4,374.39 3,365.59 4,620.15 4,274.62 6,092.15 64,233.19
 4,274.62
 4,620.15
 3,365.59
 4,374.39
 4,178.09
14,233.21
 991.12 5,832.66
 4,991.12
 2,854.00
 4,528.69
 4,888.52
 Total Income

NOTE: Income is comprised of Together Way Receipts, Church Extension Loan Interest, and special gift to the Travis McKenzie Account from the Ohio Association of Free Will Baptists.

Orthogram		2018			2019		2020	
Category	A	pproved		Spent	Approved		F	roposed
50001 Accounting							\$	150.00
50002 Bank Charges							\$	0.00
50003 Meals	\$	500.00	\$	238.39	\$	500.00	\$	400.00
50004 Travel	\$	3,000.00	\$	1237.20	\$	3,000.00	\$	3,000.00
50006 Office Supplies	\$	125.00	\$	0.00	\$	125.00	\$	125.00
50007 Office Equipment	\$	225.00	\$	166.59	\$	500.00	\$	500.00
50008 Postage	\$	25.00	\$	0.00	\$	25.00	\$	25.00
50009 Phone							\$	0.00
50010 Ohio Men's Retreat	\$	125.00	\$	0.00	\$	125.00	\$	125.00
50011 Wages / Insurance	\$	60,000.00	\$	2,400.00	\$	60,000.00	\$	5,000.00
50012 Miscellaneous	\$	5,000.00	\$	1,664.48	\$	5,000.00	\$	5,000.00
50099 Missionary Needs							\$6	60,000.00
Total	\$	69,000.00	\$	6,148.42	\$	69,275.00	\$6	54,325.00

#### OHIO ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST HOME MISSION BOARD 2020 PROPOSED BUDGET

NOTES:

(1) Any short fall between income and expenditures will be covered by using a portion of the current Home Mission Board bank balance.

#### **BALANCE SHEET**

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2018

Assets	
Current Assets	
Savings	\$ 129,691.67
Checking	\$ 84,449.25
Total Current Assets	\$ 214,140.92
Liabilities	\$ 0
Net Worth	
Assets	\$ 214,140.92
Liabilities	\$ 0.00
Total Net Worth	\$ 214,140.92



M. J. LOWE'S INCOME TAX SERVICE 3213 South High Street



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May 28, 2019

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, 2018 through December 31, 2018. 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 inconformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Springes

Jénnifer Springer MJ Lowe Tax Service

#### June 1, 2019

Brothers and Sisters in Christ of the state of Ohio:

Greetings from the Ohio Youth Conference. The OYC Board would like to thank you for your continued support through your prayers, participation, and giving. We cannot 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 is 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 financially so we can continue these programs.

Last year, we once again hosted Friday evening youth worship services, overnight activates and a Saturday morning session. Neil Gilliland did an excellent job speaking in both sessions. 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 13, 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 Cincinnati. 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 Vertical III Conference CTS Ministry Expo.

As a reminder, OYC can be found on Facebook and Instagram. 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.

Please continue to support the OYC through your prayers, participation, and giving. We are here to serve you. 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,

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Jason Luthy, OYC Chairman



orto youth conference Board Members: Marcus Bailey Mike Ellis Aaron Justice Derreck Lute Mark McCarty Deanna Price, Treasurer Jason Luthy, Chairman (513)608-5234 ohioyouthconference @gmail.com FINANCIAL REPORT FROM JANUARY 1, 2018 - DECEMBER 31, 2018

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Balance as of 12/31/2017	\$19,336.55	онто уоитн [°] солғаласа Board Members: Marcus Bailey
Receipts:		Mike Ellis
Coop giving for 2018	\$6,710.33	Aaron Justice
Competition Fees for 2018	\$125.00	Derreck Lute
Return at Walmart	\$15.00	Mark McCarty
		Deanna Price,
Total Receipts	\$6,850.33	Treasurer
_		Jason Luthy,
Expenses:		Chairman
October meeting – mileage	\$152.90	(513)608-5234
Firebox - Vertical Three	\$39.00	ohioyouthconference
All Access Days	\$350.00	@gmail.com
FiveRR - logos for Facebook	\$43.00	
Check #842 – cashed after returned to checkbook	\$50.00	
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State Competition	\$480.98 \$2 ( 0.70	
Hotel	\$348.78	
Certified mail to NYC	\$7.20 \$125.00	
NYC Entry fees	\$125.00	
College Scholarships	\$2,000.00	
Dakoda Addington \$1,000.00		
Ashley Sammons \$1,000.00		
State Meeting	\$2,957.14	
State Meeting Friday Night offering @ State Meeting	\$2,957.14 \$100.00	
Neil Gilliland – honorarium & hotel	\$850.00	
Buckeye Video Game Truck	\$1,340.00	
Plates, Pizza, Pop, Doughnuts, Gift Cards Milk & Juice	\$667.14	
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Total Expenses	\$6,073.02	
Balance as of 12/31/2018	\$20,113.86	

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Board Members: Marcus Bailey Mike Ellis Aaron Justice

Derreck Lute Mark McCarty Deanna Price, Treasurer Jason Luthy, Chairman

#### Proposed 2020 Ohio Youth Conference Budget

		2020 Proposed		2019 Approved		2018 Approved	2018 Spent
Board Travel Expenses		\$ 1,200		\$ 1,200		\$ 1,200	\$ 501.68
(Travel/Meals/Competition Hotels)							
				¢ 0 500		\$ 3,500	\$ 2,350.00
OYC Giving		\$ 3,500		\$ 3,500		\$ 3,000	ф2,330.00
FWB College Scholarship	\$ 2,000						
FWB College Visit Fees	\$ 500						
T&P Scholarship	\$ 1,000						
State Competition:		\$ 1,250		\$ 2,600		\$ 2,000	\$ 96.20
Supplies	\$ 200						
Food	\$ 300		1.0.5				
Judges' Gratuity	\$ 600		13.57				
Medals	\$ 150						
		* 0.750		¢ 0.750		\$ 3,850	\$ 2,957.14
State Meeting		\$ 3,750		\$ 3,750		- <b>⊅ 3,030</b>	φ <b>2</b> ,707.14
State Offering	\$ 100						
Babysitting	\$ 200						
Giveaways	\$ 100						
Speaker	\$ 850						
Special Activities	\$ 2,500						
NYC Registration Fees		\$ 250		\$ 800		\$ 800	\$ 125.00
OYC Mailings/Promotion		\$ 50		\$ 50		\$ 50	\$ 43.00
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2020 Prop	osed Budget:	\$ 10,000	=	\$11,900		\$ 11,400	\$6,073.02
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2020 Anticip	ated Income:	\$ 7,000	_ (1) _			2018 Income	\$ 6.850.33

#### Notes:

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(1) Any short fall between income and expenditures

will be made up by using a portion of the current OYC bank balance.

2018 Vertical III CTS Ministry Expo Winner: Congratulations to Brianna Montoya (Troy) for placing 1st in 7.30 – Mixed Media at the 2018 CTS Ministry Expo with a PERFECT score!

2019 Ohio Youth Conference Ministry Expo Winners: Memorization:

A.01 - Hunter Wellman (Westerville) - 98.65

A.03 - Ella Luthy (Ambassador) - 99.1

B.04 – Nate Luthy (Ambassador) – 95.2

B.05 – Ana Luthy (Ambassador) – 95.35

C.09 – Haley Wellman (Westerville) – 99.8

#### Group Memorization:

C.09g – Haley Wellman/Kailey Kuhnheim (Westerville) – 92.55 D.11g – Porter Youth (Fiona McKee/Isaac Osborne) – 89.6

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Vocal Solo:

1.10 A - Aslyn Mounts (Westerville) - 97.55

1.10 B – Ana Luthy (Ambassador) – 98.42

1.30 C – Fiona McKee (Porter) – 98.28

1.30 C – Hailey Wellman (Westerville) – 98.93

Vocal Ensemble:

2.20 C - ONE Sound - Westerville - 98.67 (Emily Sammons, Halley Wellman, Kailey Kuhnheim)

2.30 D – ONE Sound – Westerville – 96.97 (Akeem Lamin, Joel Etterling, Haley Wellman, Kailey Kuhnheim)

Sign Language – Group:

6.12 A -- Hunter Wellman/Aslyn Mounts (Westerville) - 90.47

Christian Literature Recitation: 6.20 C – Charli Rawe(Troy)d – 99.0

Puppetry – Recorded: Hands in Service (Sciotodale) – 96.83 (Kelci Hickey, Caleb O'Bryan, Victoria Reed, Chloe Reed)

Painting: 7.10 C – Charli Rawe (Troy) – 98.2

Drawing: 7.20 C - Joel Etterling (Westerville) - 95.48

Mixed Media: 7.30 B – Brianna Montoya (Troy) – 100

Photography – Single Kelci Hickey (Sciotodale) – 95.75





ohio youth conference Board Members: Marcus Bailey Mike Ellis Aaron Justice Derreck Lute Mark McCarty Deanna Price, Treasurer Jason Luthy, Chairman (513)608-5234 ohioyouthconference @gmail.com We have no Ohio student participating in Truth and Peace this year, but we want to remind everyone about this great opportunity and the Zachary Yoho Truth and Peace Scholarship.

The Zachary Yoho Truth and Peace Scholarship The Ohio Youth Conference is pleased to offer Ohio Truth and Peacers The Zachary Yoho Truth and Peace Scholarship, in which we will deposit \$250 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 were the Truth & Peace student put their training into practice as the staff of Vertical III.

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.



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#### Executive Committee Report June 20, 2019

The Executive Committee met October 13, 2018, at the State Office, Reynoldsburg, Ohio, to plan the State Association meeting for June 21-22, 2019.

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

The Moderator offered a devotion from Psalm 23.

#### Items of Business:

Item #1 After prayer and discussion the committee agreed that the theme for the 2019 State Association meeting will be, "Standing As One". Speakers for messages and devotions, as well as musicians and singers, were selected.

Item #2 The National Executive Department is to be given extra time (15 minutes) during the 2019 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 return to the Heritage Free Will Baptist Church for the 2020 State Association meeting.

Item #4 Discussion was held concerning Ohio hosting the 2019 National Association in Cincinnati.

Item #5 Discussion was held concerning the yearly Home Missions offering in March and promoting it in the Ambassador.

Item #6 The moderator presented the possibility of having a shared-site, inclusive meeting of all Ohio boards in the future. Further discussion is to be held.

In April 2019 Bro. Edwin discovered several items which are in the current edition of the Constitution and Bylaws but were not included in the Proposed Ohio Bylaws which were to be sent to the General Board at the June 2019 meeting. After receiving confirmation from the NCLL that these items needed to be included in the Proposed Revision, Moderator Mark Price presented the Executive Committee with a newly revised Proposed Ohio Bylaws. An email vote was taken and unanimously passed to present the newly revised Proposed Ohio Bylaws to the General Board.

The Committee then adjourned until next session.

Bryon Justice, Clerk

## **2019 Board of Directors Report**

#### **Ohio State Association of Free Will Baptists**

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

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 are also thankful for Bro. Paul Keener, Sister Sue Keener, Sister Linda Hayes, Sister Ruth Ann Castle who serve as staff. Bro. Paul continues to promote our denominations D6 literature which is produced by Randall House. Continue to pray for Bro. Edwin and our State Office staff.

Being a pastor gets more difficult by the day. We are thankful that we have an Executive Secretary who has been in the pastorate and knows how trying it can be. We encourage our pastors to contact Bro. Edwin for pastoral and/or spiritual counseling. He is there for our pastors. Let's take advantage of this valuable resource.

**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. Once again, 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 recommending that the money received from the Brotherhood Mutual commission be distributed as follows: <u>\$8,000 to the account of Ohio missionary Travis McKenzle who is</u> <u>pastor of the Compassion FWB Church in Ashland, Ohio; \$2,500 to the Ohio Men's Retreat account; \$2,500 to the Ohio Women Active for Christ; \$7,000 be saved for the purchase of a new state car in 2020.</u> The board also reviewed the expenses for the booth we will be displaying at the 2019 National Convention in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Once again, thank you for your support. We are very blessed to be able to serve and minister to our state association. Pray God's continued blessings on Brother Edwin, the staff, and churches which we serve. 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 or function of the State Office.

God bless you and continue to pray for the State office.

Sincerely Yours and HIS

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Bill Hayes, Chairman, Board Of Directors

Mike Mounts, Asst. Chairman Peter Dunn, Member Mitch Salyers, Secretary Chris Oiler, Member Eugene Crouch, Member John Wallace, Member

# Promotional Secretary's Report-2018

At the end of 2018 I completed 25 years of service as Ohio Executive Secretary. The Lord has truly been faithful. He blessed us with a good year in 2018.

#### Preaching

I appreciated the opportunity to preach in 42 church appointments, seven conferences, in three church revivals, one conference revival and one regional men's meeting. I taught the lesson on the subject, <u>"Why I Am</u> <u>a Free Will Baptist"</u> in four churches. I taught eight Wednesday evening classes and the regular Sunday School lesson five times. I taught a regional Pastors/Wives Conference. I attended a total of 18 conferences, the Ohio Executive Committee meeting, a meeting with Moderator and Clerk on the new State By-Laws, the International Mission WMO Dinner, the National Association in Little Rock, Ak, the D6 Conference in Greensboro, NC, 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 2018 for the State Office was very good! The Ambassador Magazine had an income of \$15,126.50 which is up by \$724.85 over 2017, the State Office General Fund giving was \$17,272.50 which is up by \$3,340.71 over 2017 and Co-op giving was \$155,829.10 which up by \$6,556.55 over 2017. Total income for the Ohio Together Way Plan received in 2018 was \$541,617.58. This was more than 2017 receipts by \$4,686.95.

Our giving to the National Departments was down very slightly in 2018. This breakdown is as follows: Ohio gave \$190,896.79 to National Home Missions and \$136,271.12 to International Missions. Gifts to the Executive Office totaled \$23,001.04 and \$21,271.01 went to Welch College. Ohio churches gave a total of \$384,956.21 to National Ministries which is \$1,123.27 less than in 2017. In addition to this, Ohio gave to the \$63,289.88 to the FWB Family Ministries of Tennessee.

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

# State Office 15%

Ambassador Magazine 2%

State Missions 8.84%

State CTS 1.04%

Ohio State Ministries Total 26.88% of all gifts given <u>Ohio State Ministries</u> 26.88% of all gifts <u>Special Ministries</u> 4.92% of all gifts <u>National Ministries</u> 58.5% of all gifts <u>Children's Homes/Other</u>

9.6 % of all gifts



<u>The Together Way Giving Plan</u> allows our churches to funnel all their state and national outside giving through the State Office. 119 churches, conferences or ministries have given through the State Office in 2018.

We promoted the twenty-first annual <u>State Ministries Offering</u>. We received <u>\$7,109.30</u> from at least 57 churches or conferences.



Our State Association <u>did</u> receive two commissions from <u>Brotherhood Mutual</u> from their Partnership Program. One commission totaled <u>\$15,000.00</u>. This commission is for advertising for them. We received an additional commission of <u>\$15,000.00</u> based on a formula of premiums verses our churches' losses.

Because of receiving the commission in 2018, we are proposing that we give  $\underline{\$\$,000.00}$  to Travis McKenzie's account,  $\underline{\$2,500.00}$  to the Ohio Men's Retreat to not have large increase in the price for those in the dorms in 2019 and  $\underline{\$2,500.00}$  for the Ohio Women Active for Christ. In addition we would put back  $\underline{\$7,000.00}$  for the purchase of at State Car that is scheduled to be replaced in 2020.

#### **Men's Retreat**

We had our annual Men's Retreat in 2019. We had former Southeastern FWB College President Jim Marcum and Southeastern College Dean Dan Baer as speakers. Both these ministers are originally from Ohio. We had a wonderful time in the Lord in both the main services and in the individual services in the dorms. He has truly continued to bless this ministry.

<u>I would encourage you to pray for this ministry</u> as we have had a decline in our attendance the last several years. This has also created pressure on our retreat finances.

#### The 2020 retreat is scheduled for January 23-25th at the Heartland Conference Center in Marengo, Ohio.

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



#### **Ambassador Magazine**

We completed our 58th year in 2018 in publishing the *Ambassador*. The magazine had an income of <u>\$15,126.50</u>.

The magazine expense total of \$11,989.40 includes <u>only the printing, clip art</u> <u>and shipping the magazine</u>. It does not includes supplies (*paper and shipping labels.*) It also does not include any of the labor for (*layout, proofreading and shipping and mailing of the magazine.*)

#### **Pastor & Church Assistance**

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



#### **Ohio Email Updates**

We operate an *Ohio Update Email List* to send out information and prayer requests. If you would like to receive *Ohio Updates*, send an email to <u>ehayes@ambassadorbible.com</u> 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 would like to sign up, you can visit the registration desk and pick up your application.

#### We have 13 pastors signed up for the plan.

Two checks were sent to the pastor's accounts in 2018.

*In January we sent a check for \$1,664.44 for 16 pastors.

*In July we sent a check for \$1,908.38 for 16 pastors.



#### Web Page

We maintain our state website with current state ministry information, announcements, our history, beliefs, events calander, my schedule, forms and links to our National, OYC, Ohio Missions and OWAC Pages. You can also find us on <u>Facebook</u>. Because of Bro. Paul's surgeries, we did not make much progress in redesigning the

site to make it compatible with cell phones. This is still in the plans for the future.

#### 2019 National

We are hosting the 2019 National Association of Free Will Baptists in Cincinnati. We used \$25.00 from each church's fees in 2018 and deposited \$3,200.00 for this account. That account now stands at <u>\$46,357.82</u>. After the State Meeting we plan on sending the National Executive Office \$40,000.00 and use approximately \$6,000.00 for the National Committee Travel Expenses and the National Booth Expense and Gifts. We also will have funds from the Church fees this year to add to the National Fund. Any funds left over will remain in the National Fund for hosting in the future.



We are grateful for our <u>National Steering Committee</u>: Associate-Paul Keener, Moderator-Mark Price, Ushering-Tom Dooley, Prayer-Mike Mounts, Hospitality-Sandy Mounts, Vertical III Advisor-Jason Luthy Impact Cincinnati-Jeremy Luthy and WNAC-Sarah Sargent.

#### **Randall House Commission**

Our office represents Randall House Publications to our churches and conferences. We receive a quarterly commission based on Ohio FWB literature sales. In 2018 we received **\$10,118.38** in commissions from Randall House based on our churches literature purchases for the year.

When you use D6 material, you will be using the best literature on the market and you will be supporting your own Ohio State Association!

#### **Ambassador Bookstore**

The bookstore sales were down again. Our receipts for 2018 were \$5,032.61 and our product cost was \$2.921.30.



Our actual sales for 2018 were <u>\$5,265.15</u> compared with <u>\$6,677.48</u> in 2017.

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

#### The Ohlo State Office and Ambassador Bookstore will be <u>CLOSED</u> the following dates: July 19-28th and will reopen Monday, July 29th December 24th-January 1st and will reopen Thursday, January 2nd

#### **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." A 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 the Brotherhood Commissions in 2018 of which \$20,000.00 was not in the budget, we recommend that the Ohio State Association give the Travis McKenzie Account \$8,000.00, \$2,500.00 for the Ohio Men's Retreat so we would not have to raise the price as much for those in the dorms in 2019, \$2,500.00 to the Ohio Women Active for Christ and to set aside \$7,000.00 to purchase a State Car in 2020.

3. We will be sending the National Association <u>\$40,000.00</u> to host the 2019 National Meeting in Cincinnati. In addition we have mileage expenses for the Steering Committee and expenses for the Ohio Booth (*Gifts, Giveaways, Banners, Pins, Lanyards, TV & Stand, Table Runners, Candy and Booth Charges*) to host the 2019 National Association. These expenses will be paid from the National Fund. The expenses should total less than <u>\$6,000.00</u>. Any funds left over will be placed in the National Fund to host a future National Meeting.

#### **Our Staff**

We thank our staff, Ambassador Bookstore Manager Paul Keener, Bookkeeper Ruth Ann Castle, Ambassador Magazine Proofreader Linda Hayes, Ambassador Magazine Distribution Sue Keener and volunteer Glen McGinnis. They all do a wonderful job for our association.

#### Conclusion

We send our heart felt thank to those churches who support the Ohio State Office ministry and our Ohio State Ministries. Your people and churches will be blessed 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.

"Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord," II Peter 1:2

Edwin Hayes, Executive Secretary



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Phone (614)491-6280 • Fax (614)491-4554

May 14, 2019

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

Dear Sirs:

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We have reviewed the accompanying balance sheets of the Ohio State Association of Free Will Baptists as of December 31, 2018 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, 2018, 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,

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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, 2018, 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.

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	CO-0P	OHIO MISS	NATL MIN	OHIO YOUTH	SPEC MIN.	STATE OFFICE	AMBASSADOR	•
CHECKING ACCT			1	1	T	1		\$ 122,248.7
SAVINGS ACCT	T	1	1	1	T	T	Ι.	\$ 6,239.0
NATIONAL FUND	1	1	1	1	T	1	1.	\$ 43,030.7
PAYROLLACCT	1			1	1	1	1	\$ 4,596.23
CHURCH EXTLOAN FUND				1	1	1	1	\$ 269,330.0
AMOUNT CARRIED 12/31/17	1	1	1		†		1	\$ 445,444.8
INCOME	\$ 155,829.10	\$ 28,960.43	\$ 161,125.23	\$ 2,035.93	\$ 32,358.51	\$ 145,181.88	\$ 13,126.50	\$ 541,617.5
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TOTAL	+				+	+	<b>{</b>	\$ 1,432,507.24
Business Expenses-Disbursements		<u> </u>			+	\$	<b></b>	ł
Wages			<u> </u>	•	+	\$ \$6,271.01	<del> </del>	Į
Federal Taxes		<u> </u>	<b></b>			\$ 24,211.52	<u> </u>	ł
State Taxes	<u></u>			<b></b>		\$ 2,211.03		Į
City Taxes	<u></u>	<u> </u>		ļ	<u></u>	\$ 3,469.24	<u> </u>	ļ
Workers Comp						\$ 132.00		
Insurance				1		\$ 2,044.50		l
Retirement				1		\$ 5,600.00		
Housing Allowance					T	\$ 12,999.84		
Travel-Ex Sec		1	1		Γ	\$ 3,286.67		
Travel-BD	1	1	1	1	1	\$ 773.91	1	
Travel -Employees	1	1	1	1	t	\$ 894.73	1	l
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Special Ministries	†	<u> </u>	<del>†</del>	1	\$ 32,358.51	\$ .	t	t
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Automobile Repairs	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	╉──────	<del> </del>	\$ 1,275.35	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Gasoline	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	\$ 1,867.34		
Bookstore Product	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		<b></b>		\$ 2,921.30		
Credit Card Settlement	Į	<u> </u>	┦────	Į	<u> </u>	\$ 14.84	Į	
Sales Tax		<u> </u>		Į	Ļ	\$ 153.13		
Condo Fees		<u> </u>			<u> </u>	\$ 1,756.57		
Property Taxes	ļ	ļ	ļ		<u> </u>	\$ 3,720.07		
Copier						\$ 602.78		
Employee expense				L	·	\$ 160.00		
Operating Supplies				·		\$ 169.28		
Office supplies				l	L	\$ 1,426.44		L
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Postage						\$ 2,818.70		[
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olf Tournament								
xpense Totals	\$ 74,796.55	\$ 28,960.43	\$ 162,125.23	\$ 2,035.93	\$ 32,358.51	\$ 196,396.40	\$ 11,989.40	\$ 508,682.45
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RANSFERS					<b>I</b>			
ransferred to National Acct						\$ 3,288.51		\$ 3,223.51
019 National Expense						\$ 129.98		\$ 129.98
urchased Fixtures						5 1,320.94		\$ 1,320.94
ransferred Interest to Savings						\$ 13.35		\$ 13.35

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increase in Payroll Acct										5	641.38		\$	641.38
National Church Growth Conference										\$	•		\$	
TOTAL EXP+TRANSFERS	\$	74,796,55	\$	36,960,43	\$	162,125.23	5	2,035.93	\$ 34,858.51	\$	203,290,56	\$ 11,989.40	\$	\$26,056.61
REMAINING FUNDS	_ \$	B1,032,55	5	(8,000.00)	_		\$		\$ (2,500.00)	\$	(58,108.68)	\$ 3,137.10	\$	15,560.97
BALANCE IN CHECKING					-					-			5	137,810.57
BALANCE IN PAYROLL													\$	5,237.61
BALANCE IN SAVINGS													\$	6,251.54
BALANCE IN NATL FUND													\$	46,319.24
BALANCE IN LONG TERM INVST													\$	269,330.08
TOTAL BALANCE AS OF 12/31/18													5	454,349.04

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## State Office Income 2020 Budget

Randall Curriculum Sales	\$ 10,200.00
Brotherhood Commission	\$ 10,000.00
Church Fees	\$ 29,025.00
General Fund Gifts	\$ 17,000.00
Interest from NHM CELF Acct.	\$ 11,200.00
Ohio Bible Institute	\$ 25.00
Service Income	\$ 8,750.00
State Ministry Offering	\$ 2,850.00
Ohio Men's Retreat	\$ 33,000.00
Bookstore Sales	\$ 5,000.00
Misc Income	\$ 1,255.00

## **Total Income**

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# \$ 128,305.00

#### Ohio State Association of Free Will Baptists Proposed Budget-2020

	COOP	OH MISSON	NATL MINISTRIES	OH. YOUTH	SPEC MINIS	ST. OFFICE	AMBASSADOR TOTAL
INCOME \$	156,000.00	\$ 34,000.00	\$ 162,000.00	\$ 2,200.00		\$ 128,305.00	
BUSINESS EXPENSES		• • •		• -•	• • • • • • • • •	•	
WAGES						\$ 57,496.00	
FEDERAL TAXES						\$ 24,500.00	
STATE TAXES						\$ 2,300.00	A second second
CITY TAXES						\$ 3,150.00	
WORKERS COMPENSATION						\$ 140.00	
						\$ 2,050.00	
INSURANCE							
RETIREMENT						\$ 6,600.00 \$ 2,274.62	
REVIVALS						\$ 3,374.63	2 (1) (1) (1) (1) (1)
HOUSING ALLOWANCE						\$ 16,000.00	
TRAVEL-EXEC, SECRETARY						\$ 3,200.00	
TRAVEL-BRD. OF DIRECTORS						\$ 800.00	
TRAVEL-EXEC. COMMITTEE						\$ 850.00	
TRAVEL-BOOKSTORE MGR						\$ 2,550.00	
AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE						\$ 925.00	A
AUTOMOBILE REPAIRS						\$ 1,000.00	
GASOLINE						\$ 1,900.00	
PROFESSIONAL FEES						\$ 2,520.00	
STATE ASSOCIATION EXPENS	E					\$ 2,500.00	
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE						\$ 900.00	
RETREAT						\$ 31,000.00	
GOLF TOURNEY							
MISCELLANEOUS						\$ 950.00	
PROPERTY TAXES	•					\$ 3,800.00	
CONDO FEES						\$ 2,000.00	
UTILITIES (ELECTRIC & GAS)						\$ 1,250.00	
COPIER						\$ 670.00	
PHONE						\$ 1,000.00	
INTERNET PROVIDER						\$ 650.00	
POSTAGE METER						. ,	
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-OF \$	23,400.00						
ST. HME MISSION DESIGNATE	D	\$ 34,000.00					
OHIO YOUTH COOP \$	4,680.00						
OHIO YOUTH DESIGNATED				\$ 2,200.00			
NATIONAL CO-OP \$	46,800.00						
NATL MINIST DESIGNATED			\$ 162,000.00				
NATIONAL FEE						\$ 22,575.00	
NATIONAL HOST FUND						\$ 3,325.00	
MINISTER'S RETIREMENT						\$ 3,600.00	
AMBASSADOR							\$ 12,000.00
CREDIT CARD SETTLEMENT						\$ 150.00	•
SALES TAX						\$ 155.00	
BOOKSTORE PRODUCT						\$ 3,000.00	
	74 880 00	\$ 34 000 00	\$ 162,000.00	\$ 2 200 00	\$ 32 400 00	\$ 211,530.63	\$ 12,000.00 \$ 529,010.63
REMAINING FUNDS \$	81,120.00	• ·	\$ -	\$ -	\$-	\$ (83,225.63)	\$ 3,000.00 \$ 894.37

#### Ohio Association of Free Will Baptist and Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2018

#### ASSETS

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Payroll Account	\$5,237.61
State Office Checking Account	\$137,810.57
Savings CD	\$6,251.54
National Home Missions Investment Note	\$269,330.08
National Fund	\$46,319.24
Cash register Change	\$150.00
Building/Land	\$109,179.18
Retreat Deposit	\$3,816.10
Accounts Receivable	\$473.97
Store Inventory	\$4,448.11

#### **Total Cash Assets**

 N-2
 Fixtures & Equipment
 \$50,389.49

 Accumulated Depreciation Fixtures & Equipment
 (\$45,244.09)

 Fixtures & Equipment Net
 \$5,145.40

 N-3
 State Vehicle
 \$24,017.40

 Accumulated Depreciation State Vehicle
 (\$20,413.92)

 State Vehicle Net
 \$3,603.48

#### **Total Fixed Assets**

#### TOTAL ASSETS

#### LIABILITIES

Unpaid Accounts (Store)

#### **Total Liabilities**

Net Worth

\$0.00

\$0.00

\$8,748.88

\$583,016.40

#### \$591,765.28

#### TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET WORTH

\$591,765.28

\$591,765.28

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Prepared by MJ Lowe Income Tax Service Inc. May 2019

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

ASSETS	2018	2017	2016
Church Supply Checking & savings Acct	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
State Office Checking & Savings Acct	\$137,810.57	\$122,248.74	\$107,934.59
Savings CD	\$6,251.54	\$6,239.05	\$6,226.58
Payroll acct	\$5,237.61	\$4,596.23	\$4,064.58
Petty cash	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
Accounts Receivable	\$473.97	\$271.45	\$538.12
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	\$3,816.10	\$3,509.80	\$4,320.26
Store Inventory	\$4,448.11	\$5,822.54	\$5,744.84
National Fund	\$46,319.24	\$43,030.73	\$34,329.73
Total Cash Assets	\$583,016.40	\$564,377.80	\$541,817.96
Fixtures & Equipment	\$50,389.49	\$50,460.51	\$51,406.35
Accum Depreciated Fixtures & Equipment	(\$45,244.09)	(\$46,177.13)	(\$45,642.58)
Fixtures & Equipment Net	\$5,145.40	\$4,283.38	\$5,763.77
State Vehicle	\$24,017.40	\$24,017.40	\$24,017.40
Accumulated Depreciation State Vehicle	(\$20,413.92)	(\$15,610.44)	(\$10,806.96)
State Vehicle Net	\$3,603.48	\$8,406.96	\$13,210.44
Total Fixed Assets	\$8,748.88	\$12,690.34	\$18,974.21
TOTAL ASSETS	\$591,765.28	\$577,068.14	\$560,792.17
LIABILITIES			
State Vehicle	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Accounts payable	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Unpaid Accounts (Store)	\$0.00	\$146.79	\$391.95
Remainder of 20th Ann Gift	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Mortgage-Bullding	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Llabilities	\$0.00	\$146.79	\$391.95
Net Worth	\$591,765.28	\$576,921.35	\$560,400.22
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET WORTH	\$591,765.28	\$577,068.14	\$560,792.17

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# Thanks go to the following 62 churches and 10 conferences who gave support to the State Office in 2018. The gifts came in through the <u>Co-op plan</u>, or the <u>State Office General Lund</u>.

**Churches** 

Ambassador Antioch Beatty Bethesda Chapel Calvary-Ravenna Canaan Canaan Land Cleveland Coalton **Columbus First** Community-West Jefferson Compassion Cornerstone-Mansfield Dailyville Dean Road Eastside Eifort Faith-Cleveland First Chillicothe **First Springfield** Forest Valley Gahanna Good Hope Harrison Heritage Hillview Lighthouse, Elsmere, KY Mansfield McArthur Mount Calvary Neville Newark New Beginnings-Mansfield New Hope-Chillicothe New Hope-Lucasville New Road North Oak Hill

Old Kyger Pine Grove Pleasant Hill Porter Puritan Redeemer Reynoldsburg & Ladies Auxiliary Rosedale Samantha Shelby First South Charleston Southwest Springfield Swauger Valley **Tick Ridge** Turkey Creek Union Unity Urbana Victory Westerville Williams Road Woodland Chapel Woodstock Conferences Capital City Central Ohio Cornerstone Cuyahoga-Lorain Franklin Jackson Lawrence North & Western Pine Creek Trinity Note: If we have overlooked your church or conference by mistake, please let me know and I will correct it.

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**Churches** 

Antioch Beatty **Beech Grove** Bethesda Chapel Black Oak Bloom Bucyrus Calvary-Ravenna Carey Charity Christian Fellowship Christ's Church-AZ Coalton Community-Somerset Community-West Jefferson Cornerstone-Mansfield Dean Road Dogwood Ridge Eifort Faith-Cleveland First Clvde **First Dayton** Frederick Gahanna Grace-Cleveland Good Hope Harrison Heritage Hillsboro Hillview Lima Lockbourne Mansfield Marysville McGuffey Mount Calvary Mount Sterling Newark New Hope-Chillicothe Northridge Oak Hill

Old Bethel Old Kyger Pine Creek Pine Grove Porter **Rittman Community** Scioto Sciotodale Shelby First South Charleston Springfield **Summit Station** Symmes Valley **Tick Ridge** Union & SS Classes Wakefield Westside

#### **Conferences & Ministries**

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

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#### 2018 OWAC State Report for the Ohio Association of Free Will Baptist

Ohio Women Active for Christ

President

Sarah Sargent

Vice President

**Donna Springer** 

Secretary

Jessica Musetti

Treasurer

Jeannie Sargent

**State Representative** 

Paula Davis

Member at Large

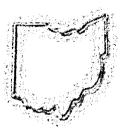
Gerri Beal

Sherry Brazzell

Frances Etterling

**Cecelia Lundy** 

Melissa Sammons



In 2018, we had a membership of 110 made up of thirteen churches.



June 21st at Heritage FWB 41 women in attendance

Missy McKenzie, NAM missionary at Compassion Church in Ashland Ohio, spoke on "When Plans Change." As a body we voted on a state project for 2019 of \$4000.



Southern Ohio: April 28th at Porter FWB 40 women in attendance representing 8 different churches

Northern Ohio: May 20th at Rittman Community FWB 56 women in attendance representing 10 different churches



August 11th at Reynoldsburg FWB 15 young girls in attendance representing 4 different churches

The girls heard from Ana Batts of Nashville about being in the world but not of the world. She also spoke on what the fruit of the spirit should look like in your daily life.

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# October 12th-13th at Grand Berlin Hotel

85 women in attendance representing 15 different churches

Kellie Penn, IM missionary to International students at the University of Illinois, shared her powerful testimony with the ladies on Friday night. Saturday she spoke on "Throw Kindness Around Like Confetti" and used her experience as a professional photographer to elaborate on our theme "Capture the Moment" and theme verse James 4:14. Our retreat trophies went to Canaan FWB for most attendees, Samantha FWB for most first time attendees and Lebanon for best present to member ratio.



# November 3rd at Canaan FWB

30 women in attendance representing 5 churches

Our purse and dessert auction was a hit again. During the event we raised over \$1285. Everything raised was added to OWAC's 2019 National fund.

September 13th -14th, Fall Retreat... in AMISH COUNTRY...Grand Berlin Hotel Our speaker will be Shine Team member, Ana Batts.



# Fundraiser & Fellowship , November 2nd at Hillview FWB Church from 2-4 pm

We will be having a purse and dessert auction along with an ice cream social.

# FREDDY DUTTON MINISTRIES INC. "Holding Forth The Word of Life"

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Greetings from the "Freddy Dutton Ministries"! This year begins 16 years of serving in full-time Evangelism and Soul Winning! Our full-time evangelistic ministry was organized and began in "2003". At that time, we had no financial support, no appointments, but a great burning desire to touch our generation with the gospel of Jesus Christ! We literally stepped out on total faith and trust in the Lord. As we have faithfully honored and served the Lord in this calling, we can truly say that God is so faithful as He continues to care for us in such a powerful and miraculous way!

During these 16 years, we have been blessed to see approximately 5,400 powerful altar decisions, had the privilege of being with approximately 150 churches and driven over half a million safe miles. We have such "precious memories" of the wonderful times of sharing with our pastors and churches here in Ohio.

After returning from the Vietnam War, I accepted Christ as my personal Savior on November 19, 1967! Since that day my life has never been the same! Coming up next year, I will be celebrating 50 years of service in my calling into the ministry of the Lord! I have faithfully served in this calling these soon to be 50 years. During the early years of ministry, I traveled and worked in evangelism. I faithfully served as pastor for Free Will Baptist Churches for 30 years; the Mansfield FWB Church in Mansfield, Ohio; the First FWB Church of Garland, Texas, and the Westside FWB Church in Columbus, Ohio, and the last 16 years serving in full-time evangelism and soul winning. Also, during these nearly 50 years, I have served the FWB Denomination in various capacities from being Conference Moderator, serving on Ordaining Councils, General Board for Ohio Churches and other positions within the denomination. I also served on the Ohio Home Missions Board for several years. I can truly say that with Terry always being with me serving and using her God given gifts and talents to assist me in all things, "we have been faithful, and I have been faithful to my calling"! We will always continue to minister to the needy, the broken and down trodden and also encourage our young ministers. It has become more and more difficult to preach the way I know that God is pleased with. Whenever possible, I want to still preach!

As I reported to you last year, during the entire year of 2018, I was becoming ill and not managing traveling very well, but continued trying to go and preach. Last November I was officially diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease. It has been established by several physicians and neurologists that this has occurred from the exposure to the chemical Agent Orange that was sprayed to kill all foliage when I was in Vietnam. I served in Army Aviation on helicopters and we would fly into this chemical as it was being sprayed.

"America needs Revival" and I continue to pray that we can see this happen in our lifetime! Terry and I are forever grateful and thankful for your investment in the "Freddy Dutton Ministry"! We thank God for you and pray for you on a regular basis. Also, sometime this fall, we are planning a celebration of our "50 Years" in the ministry. We want everyone to come to this celebration. So, when we get the date established, please mark your calendars to be with us on this special day. Please pray for us as we seek for answers for our future! Our prayers are always with our dear, dear FWB friends and loved ones across the state of Ohio. "We love you and thank God for your love in return to us!

#### Minutes of the 80th Annual Session of the Ohio State Association of Free Will Baptists

The 80th session of the Ohio State Association of Free Will Baptists met June 22-23, 2018, at Heritage Free Will Baptist Church, Columbus, Ohio. The theme for the convention was <u>"Fear Not"</u>. Bro. Tom Dooley served as song leader. Sis. Tobianne Stout served as pianist.

#### **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 Hebrews 10:19-22, his theme was "Boldness and Full Assurance Through Christ".

The Moderator called for the **General Board Report**. The **General Board** met June 21, 2018, 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. Roland Luthy gave the report of the <u>Ohio Home Missions Board</u>. Bro. Travis McKenzie gave an update report on the work in Ashland, OH. A motion was made and carried to approve the report along with the proposed budget. A motion was made and carried to adopt the proposed updated constitution.

Bro. Jason Luthy gave the <u>OYC Report</u> which included a video featuring the winners of the 2018 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. Motion was made and carried to adopt the proposed updated constitution.

Executive Secretary Edwin Hayes gave a report of the <u>State Office</u> and its ministries. Motion made and carried to approve this report and to adopt the budget with the submitted budget items and notes, and fund distribution proposal.

Motion was made and carried to adopt the proposed changes in the Ohio State Association constitution and bylaws. Motion was made and carried to table the final vote until the 2019 session.

Bro. Don Matchett, Director of Church Relations, gave a report on <u>International Missions</u>, which was received. Included in the report were updates by Nathan Snow, Missionary to Japan, and Steve Torrison, Missionary to Uruguay.

The morning business session was adjourned for the worship service.

In the worship service, Bro. Mark Bailey provided special singing. An offering of \$313.00 was received. Attendance was 110. Rev. Wendell Combs, Pastor of New Hope FWB Church was introduced to bring the message. The sermon topic was **"God is Leading You"**. Following the message the convention recessed for lunch.

#### Friday Afternoon

After opening with a congregational song, Bro. Jerry Newman, gave devotional thoughts from Ecclesiastes and Psalms.

Ohio Women Active for Christ (OWAC) Report was given by Sis. Sarah Sargent. The theme for OWAC this year was, "When Plans Change." The project for 2018-2019 will be, \$4,000.00 to be distributed to several ministries. Motion made and carried to receive the report.

National Women Active for Christ (WNAC) Report was given by Sis. Phyllis York, Motion was made and carried to receive the report.

#### Miscellaneous Business

Bro. A.J. Dooley gave a report of the 2017 National Association Meeting, which was received.

The moderator then appointed delegates to the National Association meeting this year in Louisville, KY. Those appointed were Manuel Lopes, A.J. Dooley, Jeannie Sargent, Marsha McCarty, and Mark McCarty.

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

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

Bro. David Wiliford gave a report on Weich College, which was received. Dr. Jeff Cockrell. who heads the Master's Degree program at Welch was introduced, and shared about the program. Bro. Jim McComas gave the report on North American Ministries, which was received.

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

A video report on the FWB Board of Retirement was shown as a matter of information.

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

received.

Bro. Tim Throckmorton gave a report from the Family Research Council which was received. The afternoon business session was adjourned until Saturday morning.

#### **Friday Evening**

Assistant Moderator Tom Dooley welcomed the congregation and led worship. An offering of \$6,649.30 was received. Attendance was 225 with 115 of those attending the OYC service. Special singing was provided by Rev. Jim McComas, Director of Church Revitalization. Rev. McComas then brought the message. The sermon topic was "God is Fighting For You." Benediction.

#### Saturday Morning

At 9:30 AM, Bro. Bert Alsept, of the South Charleston FWB, gave devotional thoughts from Psalm 23. The Moderator then called for committee reports.

#### Miscellaneous Reports

Bro. Josh Hampton, Home Missionary to Mizzoula, Montana, gave a report which was received.

The Resolution Committee submitted no resolutions.

The Obituary Committee report was given: Since we last met in June 2017, 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 254; 46 Ministers, 13 Deacons, 18 Delegates, 62 Visitors, and 115 Youth.

The Clerk then read the **504 Report** which will be sent to the National Association Meeting in Little Rock, AR, which was approved.

The Nominating Committee report was given and acted upon. For offices with term ending in 2019: Moderator, Mark Price, elected; Assistant Moderator, Tom Dooley, elected; Clerk, Bryon Justice, elected; Assistant Clerk, Manuel Lopes, elected.

The Moderator appointed the **Nominating Committee** for 2018-2019 as follows: Dan King, Chairman, Bill Chadwick and Charlie Crider.

<u>Executive Committee for 2018 - 2019</u>: Charles Crider, Jeremy Luthy, Dan King, and Russell Street, elected.

<u>General Board for term ending in 2020</u>: : Bruce Copley (Northern Ohio); Densil Wright (Trinity); Jamie Fortner (South Central); Dan King (Porter); Aaron Reed (Pine Creek); Matt Surry (State Line); Blaine Etterling (Cornerstone); James Webb (North & Western)

For OYC Board Member term ending 2023: Derrick Lute to fulfill the remaining term of Mike Sammons, elected. Aaron Justice to fill open term ending in 2025, elected.

For Board of Directors term ending 2025: Mitch Salyers, elected.

For State Missions Board term ending 2022: Bill Crank to fill the unexpired term of Roger Daniel, elected. Kenny Cordell to fill open position expiring in 2025, elected.

The Moderator then appointed Bro. Mike Martin as <u>Prayer Committee Chairman</u>. Sis. Jeannie Sargent was appointed as <u>Registration Committee Chairperson</u>. Both will serve for the 2019 State Association meeting.

A motion made and carried to adjourn from business for the 2018 session.

Bro. Zack Conkel, provided special singing. An offering of \$147.00 was received. The total State Ministry Offering was \$7,109.30. Attendance was 134 with 46 of those attending the OYC service. Rev. Robert Prichard, Pastor of the Cleveland FWB Church, was introduced to bring the message. The sermon topic was, "God is Protecting You". Benediction.

Bryon J. Justice, Clerk

#### Ohio State Association Of Free Will Baptists Obituaries-2018

Bernice Collins Adkins Ernestine Wallen Aldridge Petra "Petie" Alsept Marsha K. Beitel Arnold Beverly Donna Blaine James H. Blair Gary Blake Lorine Blankenship Danny Bouts Shirley Brown Raymond Brown Jeff Bryant Betty Chamberlin Golden Clay George Colbert Louella Conley Thomas Gary Cordle Joyce Cottrill Molly Maxine Donaldson Bernice Eckart-Lowe Frederica Endicott Vernal Fairchild Hoy "Eddie" Fisher Alice Fisk Shirley Guinsler Ollie May Hall Russell Harper Larry Helber Jim Henderson Hazel W. Hicks Donna S. Jones Mitchell Ross LeMaster Hattie Litteral Delois Loveless Roger Lyons Lou Martin Barbara McGraw Bobbi McGraw Carl McVicker James Miller Ronald Lee Morris Rober Murnahan Imogene Pack **Donna Patton** Margaret Pearl Eulas Phillips Bill Rapp Gayle Rapp Kathryn Rapp

Teddy Louise Ryan Brooksie Salyers Elmer Sebastian Jr. Marvetta Sebastian Phyllis Shirley Dianna Short Ishmael "Ish" Skaggs Georgia E. Slone Ella Ree Smith Augusta Stanley Howard Stepp Arnold Strausbaugh Harold Stout Lewis Taylor Warden "Jack" Turner Gene Uhrig Ruby Vance Gary Eugene Walton J. Carol Waskey Buell Wellman Junie F. Wilcox Carol Workman Ray Workman Kristin Renee Young

#### Ministers

Rev. Glen Bobst Rev. Robert Bryant Rev. Keith Burt Rev. Emil Cartee Rev. Kimble Copley Rev. Lewis Copley Rev. Lewis Copley Rev. Elmer Huff Rev. Jack Lassiter Rev. Jack Lassiter Rev. Mark Leonard Rev. Lovell May Rev. Paul Parsons Rev. Gordon Sebastian Rev. James Thacker Rev. Paul Thompson

#### Deacons

Louis T. Lambert Sr. William Meadows Darrell Floyd Slack Earl Sparks

Missionaries Rev. Jimmy Aldridge Pat Daniel Rev. Vergel Maness Rev. Tom McCullough Janet Shrewsberry

# OHIO STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

7554 Slate Ridge Blvd. Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068

# CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS

(2017 UPDATE)

#### OHIO ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS 7554 Slate Ridge Blvd Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068

#### **CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS**

#### **ARTICLE I**

<u>NAME</u> - 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

<u>PURPOSE</u> - 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 1 - 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**

#### <u>SECTION I</u>

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

#### <u>SECTION II</u>

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.

#### SECTION XVI

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)

## Ohio State Association New Bylaws Notes

- 1. Updates our Bylaws legally.
- 2. <u>Records and Clarifies our Beliefs</u> on marriage, human sexuality, family roles, abortion, euthanasia, love, lawsuits and protection of children. (Page 44-45)
- 3. <u>Covers the Association Legally Concerning Designated Contributions</u>-This is when a missionary or ministry is no longer active that a donor has sent a gift through our Association that we will not be held liable. *(It is our practice at the Ohio State Office that if a donor sends in an offering through our office and we know that the missionary or ministry is not active, to contact the church and ask them where they want us to send the donation.)* (Page 51)
- 4. <u>Removes Roberts Rules of Order</u>-This is to protect us from being sued by someone who would claim that we didn't follow all the Roberts Rules of Order "to the tee" in our business sessions.
- 5. <u>Clarifies the Tax Exempt Provisions</u>-This lays out what we can and cannot do as a 501c3 Tax Exempt Organization. (Page 51)
- 6. <u>Limits the Association's Liability</u>-This says that the Ohio Association will not be responsible for the individual actions of our member conferences, churches or individual members. (Page 52)
- Adds Arbitration Procedures-This is a commitment for our Association, Conferences and Churches to the Bible not to take each other to court, but to allow the issue to be solved by arbitration. (Page 10) The National Center for Life and Liberty cost for mediation/ arbitration would be in the range of \$175.00 per hour. (Page 52)

The attached Proposed Bylaws have several additions from the ones you received earlier. This is because we went over the new Bylaws that <u>we saw a few items</u> that were not included that were in the old Constitution and Bylaws. The <u>updates are in red</u>.

# OHIO STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

7554 Slate Ridge Blvd. Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068

**BYLAWS** 

(2019 UPDATE)

#### OHIO ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS 7554 Slate Ridge Blvd Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068

#### **BYLAWS**

#### **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 local Associations as may embody themselves under these bylaws.

#### **ARTICLE II. Purpose**

The purposes of this State Association of churches are to assist in the establishment and maintenance of voluntary Associations of autonomous Free Will Baptist churches in fulfilling their ecclesiastical mission; to foster and promote involvement in the state and The National Association of Free Will Baptist churches; and to encourage cooperative support, conduct meetings, and create fellowship among regional associations of Free Will Baptist churches to further the cause of Christ. This organization operates as an association of churches exclusively for charitable, religious, and educational purposes according to the Bible as interpreted by Free Will Baptist doctrine.

#### **ARTICLE III. Statement of Faith**

<u>Section A.</u> Incorporation by Reference. This State Association's statement of faith incorporates by reference parts II and III of A Treatise of the Faith and Practices of the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

<u>Section B. Additional Faith Provisions.</u> In addition to the beliefs incorporated by reference in Article III Section A of these bylaws, this State Association also adopts, as part of its statement of faith, the following positions:

- 1. Marriage and Human Sexuality
  - a. We believe that the term "marriage" has only one legitimate meaning, and that is marriage sanctioned by God, which joins one man and one woman in a single covenantal union as delineated by Scripture. Marriage ceremonies performed in any facility owned, leased, or rented by this Association will be only those ceremonies sanctioned by God, joining one man with one woman as their genders were determined at birth. Whenever there is a conflict between the Association's position and any new legal standard for marriage, the Association's statement of faith, doctrines, and biblical positions will govern. (Gen. 2:24; Eph. 5:22-23; Mark 10:6-9; I Cor. 7:1-9)
  - b. We believe that God has commanded that no intimate sexual activity be engaged in outside of marriage as defined in (a) above. We believe that any other type of sexual activity, identity, or expression that lies outside of this definition of marriage, including those that are becoming more accepted in the culture and the courts, are contradictory to God's natural design and purpose for sexual activity. (Gen. 2:24; Gen. 19:5; Lev. 18:1-30; Rom. 1: 26-29; 1 Cor. 5:1; 6:9-10; 1 Thess.

4:1-8; Heb. 13:4)

- c. 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)
- 2. Family Roles. We believe that men and women are spiritually equal in position before God but that God has ordained distinct and separate spiritual functions for men and women in the home and the church. The husband is to be the leader of the home and men are to be the leaders (all ministers and deacons) of the church. (Galatians 3:28; Colossians 3:18; 1 Timothy 2:8¬15; 3:4, 5, 12). This Association will only accept for membership those entities (churches, local associations) where all ministers affiliated with the entities are males, and no church may become a member of this Association if it has any ministers who have two living wives or whose wife has two living husbands.
- 3. Abortion. We believe that human life begins at conception and that the unborn child is a living human being. Abortion is murder and constitutes the unjustified, unexcused taking of unborn human life. (Job 3:16; Ps. 51:5; 139:13-16; Isa. 44:24; 49:1, 5; Jer. 1:5; 20:15-18; Luke 1:36, 44)
- 4. Euthanasia. We believe that an act or omission that, of itself or by intention, facilitates premature death is assuming a decision that is to be reserved for God. We do not believe that discontinuing medical procedures that are extraordinary or disproportionate to the expected outcome is euthanasia. (Ex. 20:13; 23:7; Matt. 5:21; Acts 17:28)
- 5. Love. We believe that we should demonstrate love for others, not only toward fellow believers but also toward those who are not believers, those who oppose us, and those who engage in sinful actions. We are to deal graciously, gently, patiently, and humbly with those who oppose us. God forbids the stirring up of strife, the taking of revenge, or the threat or use of violence as a means of resolving personal conflict or obtaining personal justice. Although God commands us to abhor sinful actions, we are to love and pray for any person who engages in such actions. (Lev. 19:18; Matt. 5:44-48; Luke 6:31; John 13:34-35; Rom. 12:9-10; 17-21; 13:8-10; Phil. 2:2-4; 2 Tim. 2:24-26; Titus 3:2; I Peter 3:8-9; 1 John 3:17-18)
- 6. Lawsuits within the Church. We believe that Christians are prohibited from bringing civil lawsuits within the Church. We do believe, however, that a Christian may seek compensation for injuries from another Christian's insurance company as long as the claim is pursued without malice or slander. (1 Cor. 6:1-8; Eph. 4:31-32)
- 7. Protection of Children. We believe that children are a heritage from the Lord and must be absolutely protected within the body of Christ from any form of abuse or molestation. This Association has zero tolerance for any person, whether paid staff, volunteer, member of an affiliated church, or visitor, who abuses or molests a child. (Ps. 127:3-5; Matt. 18:6; Matt. 19:14; Mark 10:14)

<u>Section C. Authority of the Statement of Faith.</u> The statement of faith of Article III, including those provisions incorporated by reference, does not exhaust the extent of our

faith. The Bible itself is the sole and final source of all that we believe. We do believe, however, that the foregoing statement of faith and this document accurately represents the teaching of the Bible and, therefore, is binding upon all board and committee members, officers, local Associations, member churches, delegates, staff, and volunteers. All literature, whether print or electronic, used in the State Association shall be in complete agreement with the statement of faith. All activities permitted or performed in any facilities owned, rented, or leased by this state Association or engaged in by any staff member of the state Association (volunteer or paid) and all decisions of the administration of the state Association shall not conflict with the statement of faith.

#### **ARTICLE IV. Membership**

<u>Section A.</u> Composition. This Association shall be comprised as follows: Local Associations shall send the number of delegates equal to the number of member churches within their Association; along with one delegate from each Local Church within the state, together with all ordained authority and the Officers of this Association.

#### Section B. Requirements for Membership

- 1. A properly organized local association may request membership in the State Association by submitting to the Clerk or Moderator of the State Association a formal letter requesting membership three months prior to the annual meeting of the State Association. The letter must include the following information and be accompanied by the annual reporting form and annual dues:
  - a. a purpose statement of the local association;
  - b. a statement that the local association has adopted the Bible and the document, A Treatise of the Faith and Practice of the National Association of Free Will Baptists, Inc., as its guide for faith and practice—a local association is not permitted to join this State Association that has not adopted the Treatise;
  - c. a statement that the local association is in agreement with the State Association's evangelistic enterprise; and
  - d. a signature of the Moderator or other officers representing the local Association.
- 2. The Executive Committee of the State Association should meet with an official delegation of the local association requesting membership prior to the annual meeting of the State Association.
- 3. The Executive Committee of the State Association will examine the reporting form and the dues submitted and make a recommendation to receive the local association into full membership of the State Association.
- 4. The Moderator shall, at the annual State Association meeting, welcome the local association moderator as a new member.

#### Section C. Duties of Members

1. It shall be the duty of each local association belonging to this Association to send the required annual fees along with a report of statistics and benevolent work to the annual State Association meeting on a form provided annually by the State Association.

Any local association that does not send in the proper form and the appropriate fees shall not be seated with its delegates until the matter has been resolved to the satisfaction of the Executive Committee. Failure to complete and return this form

2. for two successive annual meetings of the State Association may be the basis for dismissal from the State Association.

#### **ARTICLE V. Officers**

<u>Section A. Composition.</u> The officers of this Association shall consist of a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, and Assistant Clerk.

<u>Section B. Election and Terms of Office.</u> 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 the body of delegates shall decide.

#### Section C. Duties of Officers

- 1. Generally. The officers of this body shall submit, at every session, a report of the work done for this Association.
- 2. The Moderator shall:
  - a. be the principle executive officer of the Association;
  - b. sign, with the Clerk or any other people, officers, or agents of the Association as authorized by the General Board, any deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, or other instruments which the General Board has authorized except in cases where the signing and execution thereof shall otherwise be expressly delegated by the General Board or by this Association, or shall be required by law to be otherwise signed or executed;
  - c. preside at the meetings of the State Association, the General Board, and the Executive Committee;
  - d. call special meetings of the General Board and Executive Committee with the consent of three other members;
  - e. receive an honorarium in an amount agreed upon by the body; and
  - f. fulfill whatever responsibilities may be commensurate with his office or delegated to him by the body or General Board.
- 3. The Assistant Moderator shall:
  - a. perform the duties of the Moderator in the absence of the Moderator or in the event of his death or inability or refusal to act;
  - b. when acting as Moderator, have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the Moderator; and
  - c. perform such duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the Moderator or by the General Board.
- 4. The Clerk shall:
  - a. keep an accurate record of all business transactions by keeping the minutes of the Association and the General Board meetings in one or more books provided for this purpose;
  - b. superintend the printing of the minutes;
  - c. see that all notices are given in accordance with the provisions of these bylaws or as required by law;
  - d. 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;
  - e. 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; and

- f. receive an honorarium of an amount agreed upon by this body.
- 5. The Assistant Clerk shall:
  - a. perform the duties of the Clerk in the absence of the Clerk, or in the event of his death or inability or refusal to act;
  - b. when acting as Clerk, have all the power and be subject to all the restrictions upon the Clerk; and
  - c. perform such duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the Clerk or by the General Board.

#### **ARTICLE VI. Boards and Committees**

<u>Section A. Standing Boards.</u> All standing boards shall be composed of seven members, and shall be elected for seven-year terms (with the exception of the General Board, see Article VII). Standing boards include the Home Mission Board, Board of Directors, CTS Board, and the General Board. Standing Board members shall be elected for 7-year terms.

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.

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.

No person who is an employee of the State Association may be elected to any standing board of this body.

<u>Section B. Duties of Standing Boards.</u> 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.

<u>Section C: Nominating Committee.</u> The Nominating Committee (comprised of three [3] persons) will be appointed by the State Moderator during the Saturday morning Business Session at each year's Association meeting to serve the following year. The duty of said committee is to recommend one nomination for each standing board, Executive Committee, and General Officers open for election for consideration to the Association.

<u>Section D. Executive Committee.</u> An Executive Committee, consisting of eight members of the General Board (described in Article VII), shall be composed of the officers of this Association (Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk of the State Association, and Assistant Clerk), and four other members to be elected annually by the delegates to the State Association, whose duty it shall be to act on all matters coming within the scope of the work of the General 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.

<u>Section E. Authority of Committees.</u> Committees, whether standing or special, have no authority to act on behalf of the Association. Their primary function is to research and recommend. Committees shall make available upon request all records and materials to the

Moderator and the General Board, who shall have the right to overrule any plans or decisions made by the committee. Each committee shall have a secretary that keeps minutes of each meeting and shall timely submit the minutes to the Clerk of the Association to be filed with Association records.

#### **ARTICLE VII. The General Board**

<u>Section A. Composition.</u> The General Board shall be composed of the officers of the State Association (Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, and Assistant Clerk); 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.

<u>Section B.</u> Terms of Office. Each Local Association General Board member's 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.

Section C. Powers and Duties of the General Board. The General Board shall have power to:

- 1. act in behalf of and for the State Association from one regular session to another;
- 2. call special meetings of the General Board when necessary by the Moderator, with the written consent of three other members of the Executive Committee, also call special meetings of the General Board upon the written request of a majority of its members;
- 3. elect such officers as may be necessary to carry out the plans and undertakings of the State Association; and
- 4. make written reports of all its work to each annual session.

<u>Section D. Meetings of the General Board.</u> 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.

<u>Section E. Expense Reimbursements.</u> By resolution of the General Board, the Board members shall be reimbursed their reasonable and necessary expenses, including travel expenses reimbursed at the standard IRS mileage rate, for attendance of special meetings of the General Board and regular meetings of Executive Committee.

#### Section F. Elections

- 1. Except as otherwise provided in these bylaws, The General Board shall fill any regular vacancies that may occur in its own body as well as any irregular vacancies that may occur in any department of work between sessions of the State Association.
- 2. 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.
- 3. All Board members elected to fill a vacancy shall be elected for the unexpired term of his predecessor in office.

Any member of the General 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

4. office declared vacant and a new member be elected by the General Board to fill his unexpired term of office.

#### **ARTICLE VIII.** Meetings of the General Board and the State Association

#### Section A. Meeting Requirements

- 1. State Association Meetings
  - a. Time/Date/Location
    - i. The session of this Association shall be held on Friday before the fourth Saturday in June, at 9:30 a.m., at a location to be determined by the Executive Committee.
    - ii. 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, the General Board shall call and act with full authority in all matters pertaining to the general welfare of the State Association, provide whatever transaction passed shall be by two-thirds vote of the members present, and provided that such transactions shall not conflict with the purpose and edicts by the bylaws of the State Association.

- b. Notice. The State Association **Moderator**/Clerk shall mail each individual **church** a notice of all meetings of the State Association meetings, including annual and any special meetings, at least one month in advance of the meeting, or in the event of a special meeting, as soon as is practically possible.
- c. Quorum. A quorum consists of those who attend the meeting, provided it is either a stated meeting or one that has been properly called.
- 2. Meetings of the General Board
  - a. Time/Date/Location
    - i. Regular meetings.
    - ii. Special Meetings.
  - b. Notice.
    - i. Regular meetings.
    - ii. Special Meetings. 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.
  - c. Quorum. A quorum consists of those who attend the meeting, provided it is either a stated meeting or one that has been properly called.

#### Section B. Procedures of the Annual State Association Meeting

- 1. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to seat the delegates in a convenient place.
- 2. All business meetings shall be opened by singing, reading a portion from God's Word, and prayer.
- 3. The Clerk shall call the Association to order.
- 4. The Moderator shall not allow any conversation except it be in a Christian spirit; the Moderator has discretion to end conversations that he thinks will cause discord.
- 5. Anyone desiring to speak must rise to his feet and address the Moderator.

- 6. The voting sign shall be at the discretion of the Moderator.
- 7. No member shall be allowed to speak more than twice on any subject and not more than five minutes at a time.
- 8. The Association shall sit with open doors except when it goes into a committee as a whole.
- 9. No person shall nominate more than one person if that person be elected.
- 10. The form of financing the State Association shall be \$225 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.

#### **ARTICLE IX. Designated Contributions**

From time to time the Association, in the exercise of its religious, educational, and charitable purposes, may establish various funds to accomplish specific goals. If the Association receives a designated contribution for these funds or for any other designated purpose, the Association will attempt to honor the designation; however, all designated contributions shall be deemed advisory rather than legally mandatory in nature-and shall remain subject to the exclusive control and discretion of the General Board. No fiduciary obligation shall be created by any designated contribution made to the Association other than to use the contribution for the general furtherance of any of the purposes stated in Article II.

#### **ARTICLE X. Tax Exempt Provisions**

<u>Section A.</u> Private Inurement. No part of the net earnings of the Association shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its members, officers, board members, or other private persons except that the Association shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth above in Article II.

<u>Section B. Political Involvement</u>. No substantial part of the activities of the Association shall be the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and to the extent prohibited by law, the Association shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

<u>Section C. Limitation of Activities.</u> Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the Association shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or (b) by an organization contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code.

<u>Section D. Dissolution.</u> Upon the dissolution of the corporation, no part of the corporation's earnings or assets shall inure to the benefit of any of its members and shall be distributed to the National Association of Free Will Baptists. In the event that the NAFWB ceases to exist, the corporation's earnings or assets shall go to another organization of like faith and

practice that is organized for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of IRC 501(c)(3) at the time of the distribution. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said court shall determine, that are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

<u>Section E. Nondiscrimination Policy.</u> This Association shall not discriminate against member churches, regional associations or conferences, officers, delegates, board members, or others on the basis of race, color, or national and ethnic origin. As a religious institution, however, this organization reserves the right to deny membership or employment or to terminate the membership or employment of persons whose lifestyle, words, actions, or otherwise do not align with the Association's incorporated Treatise of Faith and Practice, additional articles of faith, code of conduct, or other policies of this organization.

#### Article XI. Limitation of Liability and Binding Arbitration

<u>Section A. Limitation of Liability.</u> This Association is not responsible for the actions of local member churches or regional associations or conferences that constitute the members of this Association nor for the actions of members or attendees of such local churches, regional associations, or conferences.

<u>Section B.</u> Submission to Arbitration. Delegates to this Association, officers, board members, and members of the local churches, regional associations, or conferences that constitute the membership of this Association agree to submit to binding arbitration any legal matters that arise between the member churches, regional associations, or conventions and this Association or between the individuals within the member churches, regional associations, or conventions and this Association that cannot otherwise be resolved, and they expressly waive any and all rights in law and equity to bring any civil disagreement before a court of law, except that judgment upon the award rendered by the arbitrator may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof.

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

<u>Section D.</u> Arbitration Procedures. The procedures for arbitration shall be as adopted by the General Board.

#### **ARTICLE XII.** Amendments

These bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the member delegates present and voting at a state Association meeting provided the amendment(s) is/are presented, at a minimum, on the day prior to the vote.

#### **ADOPTION**

These bylaws were adopted by a majority vote of the member delegates present and voting at a duly called meeting of the state Association in which a quorum was present.

These bylaws supersede any other bylaws of the state Association.

Date

**State Association Clerk** 



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