

**YEAR BOOK
OF THE

PALMETTO CONFERENCE
OF THE
ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTIST**

MAY, 1982 - MAY, 1983

CONSTITUTION, RULES AND BY-LAWS

ARTICLE 1.

The Conference shall be called The Palmetto Conference of The State Association of South Carolina of The Original Free Will Baptist of The National Association

ARTICLE 2.

The conference shall be composed of the following officers: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer.

ARTICLE 3.

Each Church shall be entitled to three (3) delegates and one additional delegate for every (50) members over one hundred.

ARTICLE 4.

Every Licensed and ordained minister of this conference in good standing is a standing delegate.

ARTICLE 5.

Each church being a member of this conference is asked to send a church report at each conference meeting.

ARTICLE 6.

The ordaining council shall consist of three (3) ordained ministers, they shall elect their own chairman and secretary.

ARTICLE 7.

Each church being a member of this conference is asked to pay a conference fee for minutes and other expenses as follows:

(50) or more members	\$15.00	30 members or more	\$10.00
under 30 members	\$5.00		

ARTICLE 8.

The executive board shall consist of the moderator, clerk, and the treasurer.

ARTICLE 9.

These are to be elected at the close of each annual session by the body.

ARTICLE 10.

The executive board shall take care of all business while the conference is not in session.

ARTICLE 11.

The executive board and all conference boards shall make their reports to the conference at each meeting of their work.

ARTICLE 12.

Any church needing the executive board to come must vote for them to come and be responsible for their expense if the local church has sufficient funds and if not the conference will pay the cost, if funds are sufficient.

ARTICLE 13.

The Palmetto conference shall have three (3) trustees to serve and their successors.

ARTICLE 14.

The Palmetto conference believes and practices congregational church government and assumes no higher authority than in that capacity, the highest authority that this conference has over any church in our fellowship is the power voted by the body to withdraw fellowship from a church.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. The clerk or assistant clerk or senior minister in years may call the conference to order, and take charge in the absence of the moderator and assistant moderator.
2. The conference shall be opened and closed with prayer and devotions, providing a quorum of nine (9) members are present.
3. This body shall decide all questions by majority of the members present.
4. There shall be no conversation by any one, so as to interrupt business while in session.
5. Any person wishing to speak must first rise and address the moderator and be recognized before speaking.
6. No person shall interrupt another while he is speaking.
7. All motions made with a second shall be opened for discussion, but debate may be stopped at any time by a vote of the majority, when a question is called or stop debate is made.
8. No one shall speak on any one subject more than twice (2) only the second time after others have spoken and shall not speak more than ten (10) minutes per time.
9. No one shall absent themselves from the meeting without permission from the moderator.
10. All motions made and lost shall not be recorded in the minutes, however, it is possible to have them recorded if the conference deems it necessary and votes to do so, which requires an Amendment to this article.
11. The moderator shall have the same privilege to speak on any subject as any one else providing the chair is filled.
12. By a two thirds vote the decision of the moderator may be overruled.
13. Visitors may be given a seat in our conference with the right to speak but without the right to vote.
14. No motion shall be discussed without a second.
15. Any one breaking these rules shall be admonished by the moderator.
16. These rules can be changed at any regular meeting by a two-thirds majority vote.
17. The Palmetto Conference will withdraw fellowship from any church or minister in our conference who does not believe and practice Free Will Baptist Doctrine.

RULES GOVERNING MINISTERS OF THIS CONFERENCE

1. The candidate must be a member of a Free Will Baptist Church for a period of one (1) year, or of unusual circumstances which the ordaining council may consider and come before the ordaining council with a letter from his church signed by his Pastor and Clerk or Treasurer as to his faithfulness and record, this letter must state how long he has been a member of this church and whether or not he is a tither of his income.
2. No candidate will be considered for ordination unless he preaches and practices tithing. 1 Corin. 16:2, Matt. 23:23, Mal. 3:8-10.
3. If a candidate has been a member of more than one church in the past year, he must come before the ordaining council with a letter of each church if possible, this matter can be covered by the ordaining council under #1.
4. A candidate must serve under conference license one (1) year before he can be ordained unless, however, he is called to pastor a church and he is recommended by his pastor and church. Then he can be ordained any time.
5. The ordaining council will deal with any minister according to a charge brought against him, however, it must be signed as presented in writing by the accusing persons, or body (church, committee, etc.).
6. Any minister coming to this conference from another denomination must come under the watch care of this conference for a period of one (1) year and the exchanging of ordination papers, if possible.
7. No candidate will be ordained unless his appearance is approved by the ordaining council of this conference, such as 1. dress, 2. hair cuts, 3. personality.
8. Any reproach brought on this conference and other ministers by talk or accusations of any ministers of this conference, shall be investigated by the ordaining council and acted according to evidence.
9. These rules and qualifications must be kept and enforced by the ordaining council of this conference.
10. The Palmetto Conference will no longer license or exchange papers with or ordain any man with two living wives or married to a woman with two living husbands.

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BRIGHTLIGHT FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH - Henry King

UNION GROVE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH - Bobby Carden

TRINITY FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH - Jimmy Shipman

BROOKSIDE MISSION FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH - Troy Wadford

LAKESIDE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH - Reddin Hill

FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, SHELBY, N.C. - Eugene Holcombe

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OFFICERS FOR 1983-1984
PALMETTO CONFERENCE OF THE FREE WILL BAPTIST

MODERATOR.....REV. JOHNNIE BULLMAN

ASSISTANT MODERATOR.....REV. DELMAS BROWN

CLERK.....REV. DON GRAY

ASSISTANT CLERK.....REV. DENNIS LEDFORD

TREASURER.....REV. JIMMY SHIPMAN

ASSISTANT TREASURER.....REV. LARRY BUCHANAN

SONG DIRECTOR.....REV. BO DUNFORD

PIANIST.....SISTER CONNIE CASEY

ORGANIST.....SISTER MARGARET BAKER

COMMITTEES:

ORDAINING COUNCIL.....REV. LLOYD GORE
REV. HENRY KING
REV. BOBBY CARDEN

PROGRAM & NOMINATING COMMITTEE...REV. EUGENE HOLCOMBE
REV. BO DUNFORD
REV. TOMMY PUGH

**The 62nd QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE PALMETTO
CONFERENCE, HELD AT UNION GROVE F.W.B. CHURCH
AUGUST 21, 1982**

- *Opening Song - When We All Get To Heaven
- *Welcome - Host Church Pastor, Rev. Bobby Carden
- *Special Music - Host Church - Songs were: This Is Just What Heaven Means To Me; There's Something Worth Living For
- *Message by Rev. Jesse Savage Jr. - Matt. 16:24 - "Carrying Your Cross"
- *Song - Must Jesus Bear The Cross Alone?
- *Roll Call of Churches & Church Letters
- *Roll Call of Ministers & Dues & Letters
- *Recess for Ladies & Committees to meet
- *Recognition of visitors
- *Move was made to omit reading of Constitution & By-Laws - MSA
- *Treasurer's Report was given. It reads as follows:

Bal. on May 14, 1982	\$135.09
Deposit May 17, 1982	\$381.12
Total	\$516.21

PAID OUT TO:

F.W.B. Children's Home	\$100.00
Rev. R.H. Barnette - Clerk Fees	\$ 50.00
Rev. Bobby Carden - State Meeting	\$33.00
On Trip to National Conference	\$185.00
U.S. Postal Stamps	\$ 3.80
Action Printing for Minutes	\$139.62
Total Paid Out	\$511.42

Total Bal. on August 20, 1982 \$ 4.79

Report was MSA to accept as read.

*Report of Ordaining Council: The Moderator appointed Rev. Odell Holcombe & Robert Barnette to serve on the Ordaining Council to replace Larry Combs & James Wilhide. Opened in prayer by Rev. Henry King. Brother Lloyd Gore came before the Ordaining Council to report that Brother Johnny Wells has gone to the Eastern Conference. The Council recommends that a letter be sent to Johnny Wells requesting his credentials to be returned to this Conference. The Ordaining Council also recommends to the body that any man coming to this Conference for Credentials would have to Preach before the Conference at least three (3) times before going before the Ordaining Council to get his license to Preach. The Ordaining Council recommends that a letter be sent to Rev. Jimmy Bowers; Rev. J.B. Brock; and Rev. C.L. Missildine notifying them to come before the Ordaining Council at the next meeting. These items were

taken one at a time and were MSA.

*Motion was made that the Preachers who were to Preach before the Conference, to do so on Friday Night before the Conference Meeting. MSA.

*Executive Report: The Executive Board recommended our approval on the \$185.00 given to Scott Bullman for the expense on the trip to the National. It was recommended that the Conference pay \$150.00 to the young person who wins out to compete at the National. The Executive Board also recommends that the \$33.00 given to Rev. Bobby Carden for the expense of the State Meeting be approved by the body. These items were taken one at a time and were MSA.

*Reading of Ladies Auxiliary: The Palmetto District Woman's Auxiliary met at Union Grove F.W.B. Church with three (3) Churches present, 13 delegates & visitors. We would like to ask all Pastors to encourage your ladies to come & be with us. Please pray for us. Geraldine Ransom, President. MSA to accept as read.

*Motion was made that the Moderator have the authority to appoint men to help on any committee or council, to assist them when others are not present. MSA.

*Move was made to adjourn!

**THE 63rd QUARTERLY MEETING
UNION GROVE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
DURHAM, N.C.
NOVEMBER 20, 1982**

- *Opening Song - Heavenly Sunlight
- *Opening Prayer - Rev. Don Gray
- *Welcome - Host Church Pastor - Rev. Bobby Carden
- *Response - Rev. Eddie Corn
- *Special Music - Host Church - "Whatever It Takes"; "God's Hand Reached Further Down"; "I Want To Stroll Over Heaven With You"
- *Message - Rev. Reddin Hill; Matt. 16:13-18 - "THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH IN THE WORLD"
- *Song - Amazing Grace
- *Roll Call Churches & Church Letters
- *Roll Call Ministers & Dues
- *Recess for ladies & committees to meet
- *Meeting called to order
- *Recognition of Visitors
- *Move was made to omit reading Constitution Rules & By-Laws. MSA.
- *Treasurer's Report: As of November 19, 1982

Balance On August 20, 1982	\$4.79
Deposit On August 23, 1982	\$220.00
Total	\$224.79
Paid Out To U.S. Postal	\$20.00

Total Balance On November 19, 1982 \$204.79

Move was made to accept Treasurer's Report - MSA

*Promotional Secretary gave a report - MSA

*Report of Ordaining Council is as follows:

- (1) Rev. Don Gray change papers with this conference
- (2) Rev. Lloyd Barnette change papers with this conference
- (3) Rev. Larry Buchanan present Ordination Papers
- (4) Rev. James Lindsey present Ordination Papers
- (5) Rev. Tim Hyatt, Rev. Alan Harry, Rev. Roy Blanton to be licensed to Preach; These taken one at the time - MSA

*Report of Executive Board is as follows: Move was made for Clerk to write Clerk of State Association and commend them for what they did. Motion was made to pay the expense for Ordaining Council for the work they had to do - MSA

*Ladies Auxiliary Report - MSA

*Move was made that Preachers who are coming to this conference for license to Preach would not be required to Preach before the Ordaining Council 3 times

before they receive their license. We will continue to have services on Friday night before the Conference and the Preachers that are coming for license can Preach that night if they want to; but it is not required - MSA

*Move was made to have our next meeting on the 2nd Saturday in February - MSA

*Move was made to give Missionary Carlisle Hannon \$100.00 and receive an offering for him. We received \$53.17.

*Move was made to give Brookside Mission \$50.00 - MSA

*Move was made to adjourn!

**THE 64th QUARTERLY MEETING
UNION GROVE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
DURHAM, N.C.
FEBRUARY 12, 1982**

- *Opening Song - The Solid Rock
- *Opening Prayer - Rev. Alan Harry
- *Welcome - Host Church Pastor
- *Response - Rev. Gardner Blizzard
- *Special Music - I Want To Stroll Over Heaven With You - It'll Be Different.
- *Message - Rev. Don Gray - Matthew 5:6
- *Roll call of Churches & Church letters
- *Roll call of ministers & dues & letters
- *Recess for ladies & committees to meet
- *Song - Victory In Jesus
- *Recognition of visitors
- *Treasurer's Report:

Balance on Nov. 20, 1982	\$204.79
Deposit on Nov. 22, 1982	\$262.00
Total	\$466.79

Paid out TO:

Norwood Gibson	\$100.00
Brookside FWB Mission	\$50.00
FWB Foreign Missions	\$100.00
Total	\$250.00

Balance on February 11, 1983 \$216.79

MSA to accept as read.

*Ordaining Council Report:

- (a) Tommy Pugh to be reinstated
- (b) Gardner Blizzard to be ordained at home Church at his convenience
- (c) Eddie Corn - letter requesting return of license
- (d) R.H. Barnette - letter revoking ordination
- (e) Jeff Barnette - letter requesting that this brother join another Conference or meet with this board at next meeting
- (f) Paul Dunn to be licensed to Preach

THESE WERE MSA

- *Executive Board had no report
- *Reading of November minutes - MSA
- *Report of Ladies Auxiliary -MSA
- *Motion was made to buy a briefcase for Ordaining Council - MSA
- *Move was made for Clerk to put in our program about Friday night service - SA
- *Move was made to give \$100.0 to Children's Home - SA
- *Move was made to adjourn!

**THE 12th ANNUAL SESSION OF THE PALMETTO CONFERENCE
HELD AT UNION GROVE F.W.B. CHURCH
MAY 21, 1983**

- *Opening Song - "Jesus Saves"
- *Prayer
- *Welcome - Host Church Pastor - Rev. Bobby Carden
- *Response - Rev. Delmas Brown
- *Special Music - Jay Simmons
- *Message - Rev. Ed Tyner - II Kings 2:9-14 "Elijah's God and God's Elijah"
- *Motion made to allow the Moderator to adjust the program as needed - SA
- *Motion made for Moderator to appoint two (2) proxies to sit on the Ordaining Council due to the absence of Rev. Larry Combs and Rev. James Wilhide - SA - Rev. Don Gray and Rev. Buddy Hill were appointed
- *Roll call of Churches and Letters
- *Roll call of Ministers and collection of dues
- *Recognition of visitors - visitors present: Jay Simmons, Jack Phillips, Carlton Weatherington, Rocky Tyner, Ed Tyner, and James Rice Jr.
- *Motion made to omit reading by-laws - SA
- *Treasurers Report - MSA:

February Balance	\$216.79
Deposit	\$358.00
Total To Account For	\$574.79

Expenditures:	
F.W.B. Children's Home	\$100.00
State Association	\$91.00
Coggins Florist	\$25.64
Total	\$216.64

Balance on May 20, 1983 \$358.15

- *Report of Ordaining Council:
 - (a) Recommend that Rev. Manuel Aldridge be accepted for transfer from the Lawrence County Conference of F.W.B. in Ohio - (Recommendation approved by The Conference)
 - (b) Rev. Jimmie Bowers and Rev. James Wilhide were absent from Annual Conference - recommend that a letter be sent by the Clerk to determine reason(s) for absence. (recommendation approved by The Conference)
- *Report of Executive Board:
 - First F.W.B. Church of Shelby, N.C. presented a letter requesting to be

received into The Conference - Board recommended approval - Conference approved the recommendation

*Reading of February minutes - approved as read

*Ladies Auxiliary Report: The Ladies Auxiliary met with 5 churches and 1 mission representing 21; members and visitors were present. Collection of food and clothing was made for The Children's Home.

*From The Floor:

Motion made to inform the State Promotional Secretary of all conference activities - SA

Motion made to send flowers for all deceased ministers. Optimum cost - \$25.00 - SA

Motion made to give \$100.00 to The Children's Home - SA

Motion made to give \$100.00 to State Promotional Secretary - SA

Motion made to reserve \$250.00 for conference minutes - SA

*Report of Nominating Committee: (Report accepted)

Moderator: Rev. Bobby Carden

Assistant Moderator: Rev. Delmas Brown

Treasurer: Rev. Jimmy Shipman

Assistant Treasurer: Rev. Larry Buchanan

Clerk: Rev. Don Gray

Assistant Clerk: Rev. Dennis Ledford

Ordaining Council: Rev. Lloyd Gore, Rev. Henry King, Rev. Johnny Bullman

Program & Nominating Committee: Rev. Tommy Pugh, Rev. Eugene Holcombe, Rev. Bo Dunford

Trustees: Rev. Reddin Hill, Rev. Johnny Bullman, Rev. Henry King

Song Leader: Rev. Bo Dunford

Piano Player: Connie Casey

Organ Player: Margaret Baker

*Nominations from the floor:

Moderator: Rev. Johnny Bullman

Ordaining Council: Rev. Bobby Carden to replace Rev. Johnny Bullman

*Election of Officers:

Slate of Nominating Committee was elected except for Moderator (Rev. Johnny Bullman) and Ordaining Council (Rev. Bobby Carden in lieu of Rev. Johnny Bullman)

*Motion to adjourn - SA

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