

THE NINTH MID-YEAR SESSION OF THE ORIGINAL CAPE FEAR & SOUTHWESTERN FREE WILL BAPTIST ANNUAL CONFERENCE

May 17 and 18, 2013



Theme: "EMBRACING EXCELLENCE"

"Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord;" Romans 12:11

Convening at

Sidney Grove Church of Deliverance 401 McIntyre Road Ellerbe, North Carolina 28338 Bishop Arlester Simpson, Pastor

Bishop Reginald S. Hinton Bishop Frederick E. Clarida Sister Brenda Williams Deaconess Angela Smith Sister Barbara Harrison Deacon Walter Massey Sister Phyllis Johnson Bishop Henry McLean President
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From the desk of Bishop Reginald S. Hinton

Giving honor to our great God, it is with the joy of the Lord that I greet my brothers and sisters as we embark upon another Mid-Year Session. God continues to bless His children in countless ways and we celebrate Him for His provision.

We are excited about the assembling again at Sidney Grove Church of Deliverance where Bishop Simpson and his wonderful

congregation have been gracious hosts over the years. We are also thrilled about the theme of this year's Mid-Year Session, *Embracing Excellence*, and the blessings that will be the result of the program that the Lord has orchestrated for us. Our Conference theme is *Excellence Without Excuse* and it is my conviction that it is more than a nice saying to add to our programs. It is a reflection of our collective commitment to represent our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in a manner that is commensurate with the grace that He has given.

We are very pleased to have our Vice President, Bishop Frederick E. Clarida, Sr. and Elder Kevin B. Henry as our presenters during this session. Bishop Clarida will focus on Excellent Worship as we consider the finer points of an outstanding worship experience in the house of the Lord. Elder Henry will deal with gift-based ministry, addressing the importance of allowing our spiritual gifts to be the basis for effective service in the body of Christ. We are also excited about having our first Youth Session during the Mid-Year, with our YPCL President, Elder Kevin Mayhue leading the effort.

Please make every effort to be with us to help make this Ninth Session the very best ever. Continue to pray for Bishop Clarida, First Lady Dora Clarida, our Executive Board, conference leaders, pastors and our sister churches. Please keep my wife and me in your prayers. We look forward to seeing you in Ellerbe!!

Bishop Reginald S. Hinton, Presiding Prelate

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From the Desk of

Bishop Frederick E. Clarida, Sr.

Greetings to All of My Father's Children.
It is with the love of Jesus that we greet each of you. We pray that as you read this message you are experiencing the richest blessings of our Great God. We are excited about the approaching of another mid-year session. Our focus is **Embracing Excellence**. The Apostle Paul encourages his fellow

believers saying, "Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord;" Romans 12:11. We are admonished to not only be our best but to also give our best in the service of the Lord. In Colossians 3:23, he also writes "and whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men." The God that we serve is excellent in all of His ways and therefore as the offspring of God, we too should honor Him by being the very best that we can through the enabling power of the Holy Spirit.

Our conference theme is "Excellence Without Excuse." Being excellent is more than a notion, it is more than just a concept or a good sounding phrase, but it is the result of commitment to ministry and the calling whereby we have been called. I thank God that Jesus has removed the barriers that would hinder us from being the best in Him that we can possibly be, and not only that, but He has given us all that we need to be excellent in ministry. Our commitment to ministry is best seen at the local church level. We have the wonderful opportunity to serve those that are like minded; we have the opportunity to perfect the gift that is within each of us for the benefit of the entire body.

As we gather together in Ellerbe for this ninth mid-year session, let us come with an excellent spirit, expecting our excellent God to do excellent things in the lives of His people. Pray for our president, Bishop Hinton and his family, as he leads us to the place that God has shown him. Pray for the conference governing board and all its auxiliaries, pray for my family, and let us believe God that He will meet us in Ellerbe, as we Embrace Excellence in ministry.

Until we meet, God bless you and God keep you is our prayer.

Bishop Trederick E. Clarida, Sr., Vice President

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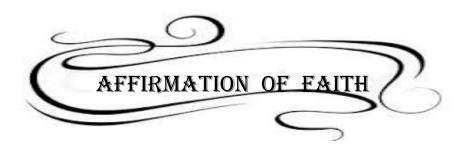
VISION

We are a Christian conference sharing fundamental beliefs with a focus on maximizing our collective impact in the world for the Kingdom of God.

MISSION

It is our mission to:

- Support member churches in advancing the cause of Christ
- Promote adherence to the sound biblical beliefs of Original Free Will Baptists
- Train, license and ordain ministers within our conference
- Assist member churches in leadership development
- Support vibrant Christian fellowship
- Utilize our collective strengths for the Kingdom of God



We believe that God is the Father Almighty and that He is the maker of Heaven and earth as the scriptures has said.

We believe in Jesus, that He is the Christ and is the only begotten Son of the Father.

He is the way, the truth, and the life. He was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried.

On the third day, He rose from the dead, and declared victory over the grave, death and hell. He has gone back to the Father to prepare a place for us in His Kingdom.

He will come back as He promised to judge the world and to deliver the righteous.

We believe in the Holy Ghost, the Christian Church, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and eternal life for all true believers.

Amen.

Prayer	Elder Robert McArthur	THE ORIGINAL CAPE FEAR & SOUTHWESTERN FREE WILL BAPTIST ANNUAL CONFERENCE MID-YEAR SESSION Friday Evening, May 17, 2013 7:30 p.m.	
Song	Conference Mass Choir		
Introduction of the Preacher	Bishop Reginald S. Hinton		
Song	Conference Mass Choir		
The Preached Word	Elder Thomas McGilveary	-	
Text:	_	Orde	r of Service
Subject:		Praise and Worship	Oakley Grove OFWB Church
-		8:00 p.m.	
Points to Remember:		Presiding	Elder Chester Little
		Opening Song	St. Mary's OFWB Church Choir
		Scripture	Minister Fred Canty
		Prayer	Elder Reginald S. Hinton, Jr.
Altar Call	Elder Thomas McGilveary	Song	St. Mary's OFWB Church Choir
Love Offering	Conference Collectors	Welcome	Minister Adrenna Little
Vote of Thomas	Elder Dorothy Rhue	Introduction of the Preacher	Bishop Frederick E. Clarida, Sr.
Vote of Thanks		Song	St. Mary's OFWB Church Choir
Announcements	Sister Brenda Williams	The Preached Word	Elder Willie Hunter, Jr.
Remarks	Bishop Reginald S. Hinton		Pastor, St. Mary's OFWB Church
Benediction	Elder Thomas McGilveary	Text:	
		Subject:	
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The Mid-Year Ses	sion Budgets and Dues		
Churches	\$3.00 per member	Altar Call	Elder Willie Hunter, Jr.

Conference and Love Offerings

Remarks

Benediction

Conference Collectors

Elder Willie Hunter, Jr.

Bishop Frederick E. Clarida, Sr.

Bishops \$200.00
Pastors \$100.00

Budgets should be based on church membership on May 1, 2013. All budget amounts should be included in the church packet and turned in at the time the delegates register.

Saturday Morning May 18, 2013

Embracing Excellence

Mid-Year Youth Session 2013

Focus: WWJTxt? - What Would Jesus Text?

- Open the House for Business
- ❖ Acceptance of Printed Programs
- Roll Call of Churches
- Conference Update
 - 1. Home Mission Convention
 - 2. The Gathering
 - 3. General Conference
 - 4. Elections
 - 5. Website Update

Embracing Excellence

"Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength, and my redeemer." Psalm 19:14		9:45 a.m. Excellent Worship	Bishop Frederick E. Clarida, Sr.	
		11: 00 a.m.	Break	
8:45 a.m. Praise & Worship	New Hill Youth Praise Team	11:10 a.m. Gift-Based Ministry	Elder Kevin Henry	
Scripture	Lillington Grove Youth	12:25 p.m.	Wrap Up	
Prayer	St. Luke #1 Youth	12:30 p.m.	Lunch	
(WWJText)Brother Xavier Franklin Piney Grove, YPCL President		+++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++		
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(WWJPost)	Sister Christy Douglas Mt. Pisgah Harnett, Youth Leader	1:30 p.m.	Conference Youth Praise Team	
Summary		1:40 p.m.	Greetings -Elder Kevin Mayhue President, YPCL	
Conference YPCL President Piney Grove, Youth Advisor		1:50 p.m.	The Original Cape Fear and Southwestern Pageant	
Remarks/Comments/Questions-Teen Discussion			Scholarship Committee	
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8:30 a.m.	Registration of Delegates	+++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++	+++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++	
8:45 a.m.	<u>Devotion</u> Trustees of Conference Churches		lay Evening 30 p.m.	
Business Session	Bishop Reginald S. Hinton Presiding	Presiding	Elder John Woods	
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		Scripture	Elder Marie Stokes	