

Welcome to
The 149TH Session of
The Original Cape Fear & Southwestern
Free Will Baptist Annual Conference
“PRESSING TOWARDS THE MARK”



**“I press toward the mark
for the prize of the high calling
of God in Christ Jesus.”**

Philippians 3:14

November 9-13, 2016

**The Official Conference Opening Will Be On
Thursday, November 10, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.**

held at
Mount Pisgah Harnett OFWB Church
145 Prospect Church Road
Erwin, North Carolina 28339



Schedule of Services

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| Wednesday Night | Bishop John McDowell, Annual Bishop Cape Fear A UAFWB Conference |
| Thursday Morning..... | Elder Willie J. Hunter, Jr. Pastor, St. Mary's OFWB Church |
| Thursday Afternoon..... | Bishop Arinzor Blue Middle Eastern OFWB Annual Conference |
| Thursday Evening..... | Holy Communion |
| Thursday Night | Rev. Dr. J. Vincent Terry Pastor, Mount Peace Baptist Church |
| Friday Morning..... | Sunday School Session Workshop – Mr. Frank Henderson Frank Henderson Financial |
| Friday Mid-Day | Minister Q. Jamal Johnson Conference Minister of Music |
| Friday Afternoon..... | Workshop – Dr. Danny Ellis Pastor, St. Paul Baptist Church New Beginning Christian Center |
| Friday Night | Pastor Terence McCrimmon Senior Pastor, Oak Ridge Missionary Baptist Church |
| Saturday Morning..... | Elder Kevin Mayhue President, Conference YPCL |
| Saturday Mid-Day | Bishop Frederick E. Clarida, Sr. Vice President, The Original Cape Fear & Southwestern Free Will Baptist Annual Conference |
| Saturday Afternoon..... | Minister Adrena Little Associate Minister, St. Mark OFWB Church Youth Session |
| Sunday Morning..... | Annual Sermon Bishop Reginald S. Hinton, Sr. Presiding Bishop, The Original Cape Fear & Southwestern Free Will Baptist Annual Conference |

*From the Desk of
Bishop Reginald S. Hinton, Sr.*



Giving honor to God our Father, Jesus Christ our Savior and the Holy Spirit our Comforter, it is with great joy that I extend these heartfelt greetings to each of you who will join in with us as we experience another life-changing encounter that we know as the 149th Annual Conference. I am convinced that God has some marvelous things in store for His children as we fellowship with each other.

The theme for this exciting session is, Pressing Towards The Mark. In a season of uncertainty and instability, it is crucial that we remain focused on a persistent pursuit of God's plan for our lives. God desires that His children live in a manner that reflects excellence in spirit as we submit to God's will for our lives. Experience has taught us that we must remain in a constant quest of the things that God has for us, lest we let them slip.

The Apostle Paul provided the scriptural backdrop for our theme as he shared with the Philippian church. This letter was written in the latter part of his life. With so much that had already been accomplished and experienced in his walk with the Lord, Paul remained diligent in his constant quest for the high calling of God that was in Christ Jesus. He would not be content until he grabbed hold of the blessings that God had in store for him. It is my expectation that our time together will infuse us with the same zeal that Paul possessed and that possessed Paul. Come expecting God to impart everything that we need to lay hold on the mark.

Pray for the success of our time together and include the cabinet, preachers, presenters and all who will join us. Pray for Bishop Clarida and me as we lead God's people. Pray for the First Ladies that God would continue to strengthen them. Most importantly, pray that God's presence would saturate our lives and fill us with His power during our time together.

The Lord bless you and keep you in His care.

Bishop Reginald S. Hinton, Sr.

*From the desk of
Bishop Frederick E. Clarida, Sr.*



Greetings to All My Father's Children,

It is with the love of Christ that we greet each of you. It is my most sincere prayer that you have been richly blessed since we last met. Time and life seem to flee as a shadow and here we are again embarking upon another annual conference. Our Presiding Prelate, Bishop Reginald Hinton, has been inspired with the theme "Pressing Towards the Mark."

What a timely theme for such an occasion. If there was ever a time that the Body of Christ ought to have a press in their actions, the time is now.

If there was ever a time that the church ought to be pressing towards the mark the time is now. The world is in turmoil and the only hope is the church. The Bible tells us in John 1:5-6, "In him was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not." Jesus is that light that shineth in us. While we are in this dark world, we have confidence in knowing while darkness may rage as the raging sea, it will never prevail against the light. The Apostle Paul encourages the believers concerning what the focus of one's life ought to be. We are in the world for a Divine purpose and our life should reflect our priority concerning the things of Christ. We should have the attitude of Paul, to do all we can while we can.

As we make plans for annual conference, let us come with expectation that God will meet us there. Thank you in advance for the many sacrifices that you and others will make to ensure that this will be one of our best conferences ever. We need your prayers and support in carrying out the work of the conference as we believe the Lord would have us to do. Support your pastor and their attendance to the conference, pray for Bishop Hinton, myself and all conference officers. God bless you and God keep you is our prayer.

In His Service,

Bishop Fred Clarida, Sr.

Wednesday Night

NOVEMBER 9, 2016

7:30 P.M.

Fellowship Night

Theme for the Week: Pressing Towards The Mark

Praise and Worship Cape Fear A Praise Team
Presiding Elder Vernon Hood
Opening Song Cape Fear A Conference Choir
Scripture Elder Jerry Shaw
Prayer Elder Timothy Thomas
Song Cape Fear A Conference Choir
Introduction of the Preacher..... Elder Thomas Washington
Assistant to the Bishop
Selection..... Cape Fear A Conference Choir
Sermon..... Bishop John McDowell
Annual Bishop, Cape Fear A UAFWB Conference
Altar Prayer
Offerings - Conference and Love Public Collectors
Announcements
Remarks Bishop Reginald S. Hinton, Sr.
Benediction Bishop John McDowell

Official Opening

149th Session

**The Original Cape Fear and Southwestern
Free Will Baptist Annual Conference**

**Pressing Towards The Mark
Philippians 3:14**

Thursday Morning Session

NOVEMBER 10, 2016

Theme for the Week: Pressing Towards The Mark

9:15 A.M.

Registration of Delegates

10:00 A.M.

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| Praise and Worship | Conference Praise Team |
| Presiding..... | Elder Jerry Murray |
| Processional..... | Bishops, Supervisors, District Union Presidents, Pastors, Elders, Ministers, Deacons, Deaconesses, Mothers, Conference Trustees, Conference Officers, Union and Convention Officers |
| Opening Hymn..... | Conference Mass Choir |
| Scripture | Elder John Woods |
| Pray..... | Elder Chester Little |
| Song..... | Conference Mass Choir |
| Affirmation of Faith | (Bishops in Charge) |
| Welcome | The Honorable Barbara McKoy Harnett Cty. Bd. of Commissioners |
| Introduction of the Preacher..... | Elder Jerry Murray |
| Selection..... | Conference Mass Choir |
| Sermon..... | Elder Willie J. Hunter, Jr., Pastor St. Mary's OFWB Church |
| Altar Prayer | |

Opening of the Business Session

Executive Board Assembled Elder Jerry Murray
Opening Remarks Bishop Reginald S. Hinton, Sr.

- A. Break for 10 minutes
- B. Opening the House for Business
- C. Prayer for Guidance
- D. Acceptance of the Printed Programs
- E. Boundaries of the Annual Conference
- F. Roll Call of Executive Board
- G. Roll Call of Pastors and Churches
- H. Roll Call of Ministers
- I. Enrollment of New Ministers -District Union Presidents
- J. Roll Call of Honorary Members with Dues
- K. Enrollment of Honorary Members
- L. Report of the Hospitality Committee
- M. Greetings from General Bishop James E. Tripp, Jr.
- N. Greetings from Visiting Bishops

Offerings - Conference and Love Public Collectors
(Each Person is asked to give \$25.00 in the Official Offering)

Remarks, Table Grace and Dismissal for Lunch

1:00 P.M. Lunch

Thursday Afternoon Session **2:30 P.M.**

Devotion Church Trustees

The Original Free Will Baptist Fellowship Service

Presiding Bishop J. N. Perry
Opening Song Middle Eastern OFWB Conference Choir
Scripture Bishop Allan Smith
Prayer Bishop Thomas Singleton
Song Middle Eastern OFWB Conference Choir
Introduction of the Preacher Bishop J. N. Perry
Selection Middle Eastern OFWB Conference Choir
Sermon Bishop Arinzor Blue
Middle Eastern OFWB Annual Conference

Altar Prayer

Offerings - Conference and Love Public Collectors

Business Session Continues

Executive Board Stationed

Presiding.....Bishop Frederick E. Clarida, Sr.

Roll Call of Delegates with Reports

Supervisors' Reports

Conference Updates

Remarks & DismissalBishop Reginald S. Hinton, Sr.

Fellowship Time

Thursday Evening Session

7:00 P.M.

Communion Service

Bishops in Charge



Thursday Night

7:30 P.M.

Praise and WorshipConference Praise Team

Presiding..... Elder Ernest Dunn

Opening SongMount Peace Baptist Church Choir

Scripture Elder Vickie Woods

PrayerElder David Jones

Song.....Mount Peace Baptist Church Choir

Introduction of the Preacher..... Elder Ernest Dunn

SelectionMount Peace Baptist Church Choir

Sermon.....Rev. Dr. J. Vincent Terry, Pastor
Mount Peace Baptist Church

Altar Prayer

Offerings — Conference and Love Public Collectors

Announcements

Remarks Bishop Frederick E. Clarida, Sr.

BenedictionRev. Dr. J. Vincent Terry

Friday Morning Session

November 11, 2016

9:30 A.M.

Theme for the Week: Pressing Towards The Mark

Praise and Worship

Reading of Previous Days' Minutes Mother Brenda Williams

9:45 A.M.

Sunday School Business Session

Elder John Woods, President

10:30 A.M. – 11:45 A.M.

Workshop

“Building A Financial Legacy”

Introduction of the Presenter Bishop Reginald S. Hinton, Sr.

Presenter Frank Henderson
Frank Henderson Financial

Questions and Answers All

Remarks Bishop Frederick E. Clarida, Sr.
Benediction

Break - 10 minutes

Recognition of Veterans



Mid-Day Service

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| Presiding..... | Elder Reginald S. Hinton, Jr. |
| Opening Hymn..... | Conference Mass Choir |
| Scripture | Elder Wilma Murray |
| Prayer | Elder Gregory Williams |
| Song..... | Conference Mass Choir |
| Introduction of the Preacher..... | Elder Reginald S. Hinton, Jr. |
| Selection..... | Conference Mass Choir |
| Sermon..... | Minister Q. Jamal Johnson Conference Minister of Music |
| Altar Prayer | |
| Offerings — Conference and Love..... | Public Collectors |
| Announcements | |
| Remarks | |
| Table Grace and Dismissal for Lunch..... | Minister Q. Jamal Johnson |
| 1:00 P.M. | Lunch |

Friday Afternoon

2:00 P.M.

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| Devotion | Mission Sisters |
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2:10 P.M.

Business Session Resumes

- PresidingBishop Reginald S. Hinton, Sr.
- A. Conference Trustees Report
- B. Investigation Committee Report
- C. Resolution Committee Report
- D. Scholarship Committee Report
- E. Ordination Committee Report

3:30 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.

Workshop
“Pursuing Spiritual Excellence”

- Introduction of the PresenterBishop Frederick E. Clarida, Sr.
- Presenter Dr. Danny Ellis, Pastor
St. Paul Baptist Church
New Beginning Christian Center
- Questions and Answers All
- Remarks..... Bishop Reginald S. Hinton, Sr.

Refreshments and Fellowship

Friday Night Session

7:00 P.M.

- Praise and WorshipConference Praise Team
- Presiding..... Elder Johnnie Bruton
- Opening Hymn..... Oak Ridge Baptist Church Choir
- Scripture Elder Margaret Wilson
- Prayer Elder Fred Canty
- Song..... Oak Ridge Baptist Church Choir
- Introduction of the Preacher.....Elder Johnnie Bruton
- Spiritual..... Oak Ridge Baptist Church Choir
- Sermon.....Rev. Terence Z. McCrimmon Pastor,
Oak Ridge Baptist Church
- Altar Prayer
- Offerings- Conference and Love Public Collectors
- Ordination Service
- Announcements
- RemarksBishop Reginald S. Hinton, Sr.
- Benediction Pastor Terence Z. McCrimmon

Saturday Morning Session

NOVEMBER 12, 2016

9:00 A.M.

Theme for the Week: Pressing Towards The Mark

Praise & Worship..... Youth Praise Team

*Young People's Christian
League Business Session*

Elder Kevin Mayhue, President

Youth Worship Service

Presiding..... Elder Renee Wilson
Selection..... Conference Youth Mass Choir
Scripture Minister Deveco Campbell
Prayer Minister Angela Bruton
Introduction of the Preacher..... Elder Thaddeus Evans
Selection..... Conference Youth Mass Choir
Sermon..... Elder Kevin Mayhue
President, Conference YPCL

Altar Call

Conference and Love Offerings..... Public Collectors
YPCL Quiz Bowl Minister Q. Jamal Johnson

Break - 10 minutes

Mid-Day Service

Presiding..... Elder Wayne McKoy
Opening Song Conference Mass Choir
Scripture Elder Dorothy McNeill
Prayer Elder George McIver
Song..... Conference Mass Choir
Condolence Report Condolence Committee
Introduction of the Preacher Elder Wayne McKoy
Selection..... Conference Mass Choir

Sermon Bishop Frederick E. Clarida, Sr.
Vice President, The Original Cape Fear &
Southwestern FWB Annual Conference

Altar Prayer

Offerings — Conference and Love.....Public Collectors

Presentations The Hospitality Committee

Announcements, Remarks and Table Grace

Dismissal..... Bishop Frederick E. Clarida, Sr.

Lunch

Saturday Afternoon Session

2:30 P.M.

Youth Encounter.....Conference YPCL

Praise and WorshipConference Praise Team

Presiding..... Elder Thomas McGilveary

Opening Song St. Mark OFWB Church Choir

ScriptureElder Odetta Batts

PrayerElder Odessa Talley

Introduction of the Preacher..... Elder Thomas McGilveary

Selection..... St. Mark OFWB Church Choir

Sermon..... Minister Adrena Little
Associate Minister
St. Mark OFWB Church

Altar Call

Love Offering Public Collectors

Conclusion of the Business Session

Presiding..... Bishop Reginald S. Hinton, Sr.

Executive Board Reassembled

Reading of Previous Day's Minute Minister Angela Smith

Financial Report Finance Committee

Closing of the Business Session

Announcements

Remarks

Benediction Bishop Reginald S. Hinton, Sr.

Sunday Morning
CONCLUSION OF THE 149th SESSION
NOVEMBER 13, 2016

Theme for the Week: Pressing Towards The Mark

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| 10:00 A.M. | Sunday School |
| 11:00 A.M. | Worship Service |
| Praise and Worship | Conference Praise Team |
| Presiding..... | Bishop Frederick E. Clarida, Sr. |
| Opening Hymn..... | Conference Mass Choir |
| Invocation..... | Bishop Frederick E. Clarida, Sr. |
| Selection..... | Conference Mass Choir |
| Scripture | Elder Coleman Elliott |
| Prayer | Elder Robert McArthur |
| Mission Offering..... | Ushers |
| Mission Song..... | Conference Mass Choir |
| Affirmation of Faith | All |
| Welcome | Mother Brenda Williams |
| Announcements | Minister Angela Smith |
| Presentations..... | Bishop Reginald S. Hinton, Sr. Bishop Frederick E. Clarida, Sr. |
| Love Offering | Public Collectors |
| Introduction of the Preacher..... | Bishop Frederick E. Clarida, Sr. |
| Selection..... | Conference Mass Choir |
| Annual Sermonic Proclamation..... | Bishop Reginald S. Hinton, Sr. Presiding Bishop of the Original Cape Fear and Southwestern FWB Annual Conference |
| Altar Prayer | |
| Presentation..... | The Hospitality Committee |
| Closing Remarks | |
| Benediction | Bishop Reginald S. Hinton, Sr. |

**The Bishops and Their Wives Would like to Greet Each Worshipper
Immediately After the Benediction.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Please note that Friday, November 4, 2016 is the annual day of **FASTING AND PRAYER** for the success of the Annual Conference. Your participation is wholeheartedly encouraged.
2. Pastors are encouraged to comply with the Conference ByLaws and Resolutions and to encourage the attendance and participation of their congregation.
3. Members of each church should check and be familiar with the Resolutions and Comments for information desired and comply accordingly. All churches should have their budgets ready prior to the roll call of churches on Thursday morning.
4. The Conference family is encouraged to **BLESS** our Bishops.
5. All Pastors and ministers are to meet with Bishop Hinton and Bishop Clarida in the fellowship Hall on Thursday, November 10, 2016 at 9:30 a.m.

FEES

| <u>Group</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
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| Bishops | \$225.00 |
| Pastors | \$150.00 |
| Elders | \$100.00 |
| Licensees | \$75.00 |
| Honorary | \$75.00 |

CHURCHES:

THE BUDGET FOR EACH CHURCH IS \$20 PER MEMBER. THE ASSESSMENT IS BASED ON THE CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AS OF NOVEMBER 1, 2016.

THE REGISTRATION FEE FOR DELEGATES IS \$25.00.

6. Each church's packet will include a list of its ministers that were on the Conference Roll at the conclusion of the 2015 Annual Conference. Ministers' dues should be included with the church budgets.
7. Conference members are asked to pay \$25.00 in the official offering received during the Opening Session on Thursday, November 10, 2016.

8. For the Opening Session, all Pastors are asked to wear black robes; all other female ministers are asked to wear white robes; all other male ministers are asked to wear black robes. Conference Pastors, Supervisors and Elders should wear a black clergy shirt with a round white collar. All Ministers are to wear black shirts with white tabs or white blouses in addition to your robes. Please wear the same attire on Sunday, November 13, without your robes.
9. The official Conference Colors for November 9 through 13, 2016 are black and white.

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