

THE 16Th
MID-YEAR SESSION
Of
The Original Cape Fear &
Southwestern Free Will Baptist
Annual Conference

Theme:

"Pursuing Our Purpose"

"For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus
unto good works, which God hath before ordained
that we should walk in them." Ephesians 2:10

May 18 And 19, 2018

Convening At

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



From the desk of

Bishop Frederick E. Clarida, Sr.

Greetings to All my Father's Children. We give honor to God for all that He has and is doing in the lives of His people. I pray that since we last met you have been enjoying the blessings of the Lord. Our theme is **"Pursuing Our Purpose", Ephesians 2:10.**

One of the greatest dangers in the church today is not that we do not know our purpose. The greatest danger is perhaps not having a passion for our purpose. It is my desire that as we gather together this weekend that we will allow the Spirit of God to transform our actions and attitudes. The Bible tells us that if the salt has lost its savor then it is good for nothing except to be cast out and trodden under the foot of men. I believe the salt is not only symbolic of our lives, but also the zeal that we show in serving an amazing God.

Every church and every Christian have a purpose and together we the Body of Christ have a tremendous responsibility to be all that God has called us to be. Jesus told the Apostle Peter, that upon this rock I will build My church and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. How excited we should be in knowing that God has promised to sustain the very church that we represent.

Let us be ready to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason concerning the hope that is in us. We need to recognize our place and our potential. The Apostle Paul makes it clear that we were created for a good work. God has invested some of Himself in each of us and knowing this ought to cause each of us to stir up our gift and fulfil our purpose. Pray for your conference leadership and conference family. Pray that God will bless us during our time in Ellerbe.

In His Service,

Bishop Frederick E. Clarida, Sr., Presiding Prelate



From the desk of

Bishop Wayne E. McKoy, Sr.

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, I trust and pray that each of you have been blessed beyond measure since we last gathered together for our Annual Mid-Year Session. All of us at some point and time in our lives have questioned our purpose. Paul helps us to see what is intended for us and what our purpose should be in Ephesians 2:10 “For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.”

During the last twelve months we accomplished a major milestone, celebrating one hundred and fifty years as an annual conference. Many of you have been lifelong members, some for a shorter period and others who may have recently joined, and there is one thing I’m certain of, we can do it better together.

Please join me in celebrating the outstanding leadership and spiritual guidance we have received from President Emeritus Bishop Reginald Hinton, Sr. and the unwavering support of First Lady Janet Hinton. We must now continue moving forward under the leadership of our Presiding Prelate, Bishop Frederick Clarida Sr. Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ (Philippians 1:6)

Please continue to pray for our Presiding Prelate, Bishop Frederick Clarida Sr., that the Lord will be his continual guide as he leads this great Mid-Year session forward. I pray for every pastor, congregation, every speaker and every presenter during this 2018 mid-year session. I pray that you have come expecting a mighty move of God.

Grace Mercy and Peace,

Bishop Wayne E. McKoy, Sr.

THE ORIGINAL CAPE FEAR AND SOUTHWESTERN FREE WILL BAPTIST ANNUAL CONFERENCE

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

Affirmation of Faith

We believe that God is the Father Almighty and that He is maker of Heaven and earth as the Scriptures have 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

**THE ORIGINAL CAPE FEAR & SOUTHWESTERN
FREE WILL BAPTIST ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

MID-YEAR SESSION

**Friday Evening, May 18, 2018
7:30 p.m.**

Order of Service

Praise and Worship

Conference Praise Team

8:00 p.m.

Presiding

Elder Gloria McArthur

Opening Song

Conference Mass Choir

Scripture

Minister Gloria Surles

Prayer

Evangelist Phyllis Little

Song

Conference Mass Choir

Welcome

Elder Odessa Talley

Affirmation of Faith

All

Introduction of the Preacher

Bishop Fred E. Clarida, Sr.

Song

Conference Mass Choir

The Preached Word

Elder Sharon Gainey

Minister - Smith Chapel

Text: _____

Subject: _____

Points to Remember: _____

Altar Call	Elder Sharon Gainey
Conference and Love Offerings	Conference Collectors
Remarks	Bishop Wayne E. McKoy, Sr.
Benediction	Elder Sharon Gainey

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**Saturday Morning
May 19, 2018**

“Pursuing Our Purpose”

Mid-Year Youth Session 2018

Minister Angela Bruton, President YPCL

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8:30 a.m.	Registration of Delegates
8:45 a.m.	<u>Devotion</u> Conference Praise Team
Business Session	Bishop Fred Clarida. Sr. Presiding

- ❖ Open the House for Business
- ❖ Acceptance of Printed Programs
- ❖ Roll Call of Churches
- ❖ Conference Updates
 1. Bishop Hinton Celebration
 2. Silome Project Presentation
 3. Licensure Expectations
 4. National Convention 2018

5. Marriage Conference 2019

“Pursuing Our Purpose”

9:45 a.m.	The Purpose Driven Church Bishop Calvin Davis Vice President Western Assembly Disciples of Christ Church
11: 00 a.m.	Break
11:10 a.m.	Evaluating Our Effectiveness in Ministry Reverend Sheral L. Raines - Pastor Lillington First Baptist Missionary Church – Vice Moderator
12:25 p.m.	Wrap Up
12:30 p.m.	Lunch

BENEFIT PROGRAM FOR SILOME OFWB CHURCH
Saturday Afternoon
1:30 p.m.

Presiding	Elder Kevin Mayhue
Opening Song	Conference Youth Choir
Scripture	Elder Johnny Bruton
Prayer	Elder Alexander Holmes
Song	Conference Youth Choir
Introduction of the Preacher	Bishop Reginald S. Hinton, Sr.
Song	Conference Youth Choir

The Preached Word

Elder Roy Campbell

Text: _____

Subject: _____

Points to Remember: _____

Altar Call

Elder Roy Campbell

Silome Benefit Offering

Conference Collectors

Vote of Thanks

Sister Faye Green

Remarks

Bishop Fred Clarida, Sr.

Benediction

Elder Roy Campbell

BREAK

10 Minutes

Election of Home Mission Officers

Saturday Evening

3:10 p.m.

Conference Youth Praise Team

3:25 p.m.

Greetings – Minister Angela Bruton
President, YPCL

3:30 p.m.

**The Original Cape Fear and
Southwestern Pageant**
Scholarship Committee

4:15 p.m.

Conclude Business

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The Mid-Year Session Budgets and Dues

Churches	\$3.00 per member
Bishops	\$200.00
Pastors	\$100.00

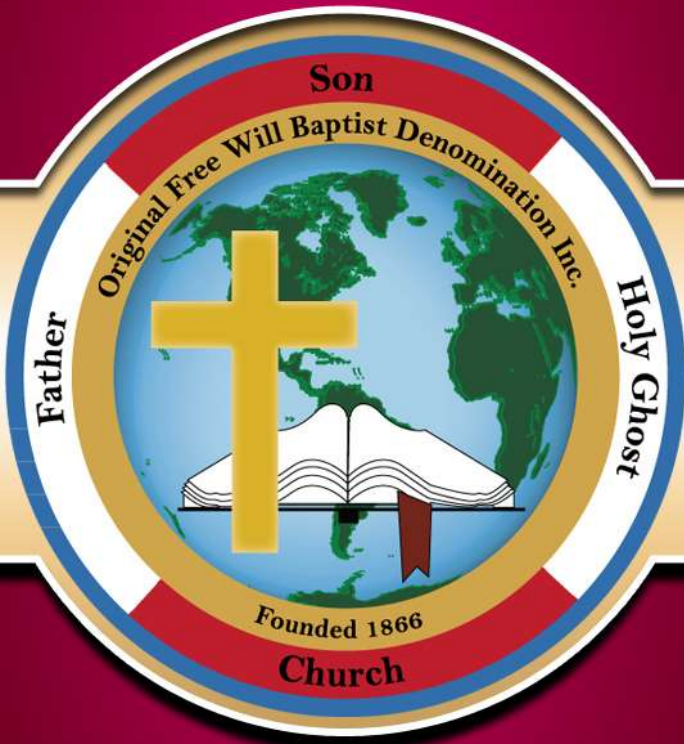
Budgets should be based on church membership on May 1, 2018. All budget amounts should be included in the church packet and turned in at the time the delegates register.

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