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MINISTERS WHO REGISTERED

Birmingham District Association—

Rev. Howard W. Cashatt, 7827 6th Ave. N., Birmingham, Alabama.

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Rev. B. T. Alexander, Pleasant Grove, Alabama; Rev. James D. Bussey, Route 1, Box 267, Hanceville, Alabama; Rev. Jerome Goodwin, Route 3, Box 429-A, Leeds, Alabama; Rev. M. D. Harper, Route 1, Montevallo, Alabama; Rev. Glenn Hood, 1332 McMillan Ave., S.W., Birmingham, Alabama; Rev. A. J. Looper, 54 Twin St., Sylacauga, Alabama; Rev. William L. Pylant, Jr., 617 Calohan Road, Birmingham, Alabama; Rev. Jack L. Rollins, 920 Meehan Ave., Birmingham, Alabama; Rev. W. H. Ryland, 901 Ridge Place, Birmingham, Alabama; Rev. J. D. Wales, 4416 10th Ave. N., Birmingham, Alabama; Rev. J. L. Ward, 1618-A 9th Place West, Birmingham, Alabama; Rev. Jimmy Youngblood, 1216 Turf Drive, Center Point, Alabama.

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Rev. Donald H. Grice, 804 West Pine St., Sylacauga, Alabama; Rev. Walter E. Jones, 2011 2nd Ave., Phenix City, Alabama; Rev. Joe B. Ledlow, 2106 17th Ave., Phenix City, Alabama.

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Liberty No. 1 Association—

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Rev. William W. Bush, Route 1, Box 80, Clayton, Alabama.

Vernon Association—

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Jones Chapel Church—

Rev. James Pauley, Route 2, Florence, Alabama.

Shiloh Church—

Rev. J. L. Lavender, 1707 3rd Ave. N.W., Aliceville, Alabama.

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Jasper Association—

Mr. B. P. Atkinson, Jr., P. O. Box 22, Winfield, Alabama; Mr. Jerry Flippo, Guin, Alabama; Mr. J. W. Garrison, Guin, Alabama; Mr. Garlon Holli-man, Route 4, Box 70-A, Winfield, Alabama; Mr. Billy W. Overton, Route 1, Brilliant, Alabama; Mr. Artis Pugh, Route 2, Guin, Alabama; Mr. Milton Rhudy, Route 2, Guin, Alabama; Mr. J. E. Tittle, Route 2, Carbon Hill, Alabama; Aaron Wright, Fayette, Alabama.

Liberty No. 1 Association—

Mr. Ivan I. Stewart, P. O. Box 116, Perdido, Alabama.

Liberty No. 2 Association—

Mr. Alfred O'Donnell, Box 453, Steele, Alabama; Mr. Johnie R. Wiggins, Route 1 Box 239, Pell City, Alabama.

Mississippi State Line Association—

Mr. Delbert L. Dobbs, Route 2, Guin, Alabama; Mr. James Howell, Hamilton, Alabama.

Progressive Association—

Mr. David Kent, Box 8, Eldridge, Alabama; Mr. Doyle Simmons, W. Blackburn St., Fayette, Alabama; Mr. A. M. Wallace, Fayette, Alabama.

Vernon Association—

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Mt. Moriah Church—

Mr. James L. Lancaster, Route 2, Ethelsville, Alabama.

Shiloh Church—

Mr. Marlin Burkhalter, Route 5, Gordo, Alabama.

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Mrs. H. W. Cashatt, 7827 N. 6th Ave., Birmingham, Alabama; Mrs. Alice Whitten, 326 Starnes Park E., Gadsden, Alabama.

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Florida State Line Association—

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Jasper Association—

Mrs. Ida Lee Aldridge, Route 2, Guin, Alabama; Mrs. Mirtie Atkinson, Route 2, Guin, Alabama; Mrs. Alice Barnes, Graysville, Alabama; Mrs. Helen

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Liberty No. 2 Association—

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North Alabama Association—

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Mississippi State Line Association—

Mrs. Verda Dobbs, Route 2, Hamilton, Alabama.

Progressive Association—

Mrs. Louie Bates, Box 74, Alden, Alabama; Mrs. Ruby Dickinson, 2301 Ave. F, Ensley, Alabama; Mrs. Carol A. Edgil, Sulligent, Alabama; Mrs. Laura Ellis, 504 Greene Ave., Cordova, Alabama; Mr. Roger Flannagin, 1040 Piedmont, Florence, Alabama; Mrs. Ada Flippo, Route 1, Cordova, Alabama; Mrs. Lovie Jagers, P. O. Box F, Townley, Alabama; Mrs. Grace Keheley, 501 E. 22nd St., Jasper, Alabama; Mrs. A. J. Lambert, 2306 Ave. G., Ensley, Alabama; Mrs. W. T. Lowe, Route 3, Box 806, Gardendale, Alabama; Mrs. Della Mann, 2405 13th Ave. E., Jasper, Alabama; Mrs. Steve Nichols, 942 N. Temple Ave., Fayette, Alabama; Mr. Joe Sularin, Cordova, Alabama; Mrs. Ada Tidwell, 2301 Ave. F., Ensley, Alabama; Mrs. A. M. Wallace, Fayette, Alabama.

Vernon Association—

Mrs. Gera Mae Bobo, Route 1, Guin, Alabama; Mrs. Daisy Clearmon, Vernon, Alabama; Mrs. Lonie Faye Franks, P. O. Box 473, Vernon, Alabama; Mrs. E. W. Graves, Vernon, Alabama; Mrs. Sue Hester, Route 2, Vernon, Alabama; Mrs. Lee Mixon, Route 2, Vernon, Alabama; Mr. Clyde Motes,

Box 351, Vernon, Alabama; Mrs. S. Y. Shelton, Route 2, Vernon, Alabama; Mrs. Tillis Walley, Route 2, Vernon, Alabama; Mrs. Mary Weeks, Beaverton, Alabama; Mrs. Lucille Yerby, Route 1, Vernon, Alabama.

Mt. Moriah Church—

Mrs. James L. Lancaster, Route 2, Ethelsville, Alabama.

First Church Reform—

Mrs. Lawrence Carpenter, Reform, Alabama.

Shiloh Church—

Mr. Wilson Connell, Gordo, Alabama.

PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 5, 1970

25th Session of Ministers and Deacons Meeting

The Twenty-fifth session of the Ministers and Deacons Meeting convened with Bro. J. R. Wiggins leading the singing with Sis. Wade Walton at the piano. Bro. John Edwards led in prayer. Bro. Walter D. Keheley brought the morning devotion using Matt. 7:21-23. Prayer by the speaker. Bro. William Atkinson welcomed everyone to the Winfield Church. Bro. James Walden gave the response. Bro. A. J. Lambert brought the Moderators message using Psalms 133:1-3. Bro. and Sis. Wade Walton sang "Nearing the Shore" and "Going Home."

Bro. J. L. Lavender brought the message on "No Peace Without Him" using Matt. 24:1-12 and 1 Thes. 5:1-3. Visiting ministers recognized, Bro. R. P. Ritch, Bro. Bill George and Bro. H. A. Pitts. Bro. W. H. Ryland brought the message on "Peace in Knowing Him" using John 14:26-27; John 16:33; Romans 12:18 and I John 4:13. Prayer by the speaker.

Bro. Wiggins led in singing "Amazing Grace" with Sis. Walton at the piano and Sis. Stewart at the organ. Bro. and Sis. Stewart sang "Must I Go and Empty Handed." Bro. J. D. Wales brought the message on "Peace in Serving Him" using Acts 5:41-42. Prayer by the speaker. We were dismissed for lunch by Bro. Steve Nichols.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 5, 1970

After a wonderful lunch which was enjoyed by all we convened back with Bro. Wiggins leading "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus" with Sis. Walton at the piano and Sis. Stewart at the organ. Bro. Willie Justice led in prayer. Bro. R. P. Ritch brought the devotion using John 14:6. Bro. Ray Ritch sang "Hand Leading Me." Bro. H. A. Pitts led in prayer. Bro. Willie Justice brought the message on "Peace in Dying With Him." using Phil. 1:21-24; Phil. 3:8; Phil. 4:13; 2 Cor. 5:1-6 and 1 Cor. 15:51-57. Prayer by the speaker. Bro. Jerry Edgil brought the message on "Peace in Reigning With Him" using 2 Tim. 4:6-8; Romans 5:1; Isa. 57:21; John 3:18; I John 3:2, and Rev. 22:5. Prayer by the speaker. Bro. James Walden was elected as moderator and Bro. Jerry Edgil was elected as assistant moderator. There was 196 to register for the ministers and deacons meeting. We were dismissed in prayer by Bro. Jerome Goodwin.

THURSDAY NIGHT, NOVEMBER 5, 1970

51st Session of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists— Rev. W. G. Palmer presiding.

We convened with Bro. Wiggins leading "Victory in Jesus" with Sis. Walton at the piano and Sis. Stewart at the organ. Bro. J. B. Ledlow led in prayer. Bro. Wiggins led in singing "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart." Bro. Bill Overton gave the welcome address. Bro. Ken Walker led in prayer for Bro. Thomas and Bro. Barber who is sick. Bro. Jerome Goodwin gave the response. The association was called to order by the clerk, Bro. Ray W. Ritch, who introduced the officers of the association. Bro. Edwards appointed the credential committee. Sis. Ann Silas sang "If I But Ask." Bro. Wiggins led in singing "What A Friend." Bro. and Sis. Stewart sang "Little Is Much."

Bro. Donald Grice brought the keynote message using Heb. 2:6-10; Gen. 2:7 and Eph. 2:1-14. Prayer by the speaker. Bro. Malone Cobb led the offertory prayer. The offering was \$87.57. Bro. Bill Jones dismissed in prayer.

FRIDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 6, 1970

We convened with Bro. Wiggins leading "When We All Get To Heaven" with Sis. Walton at the piano and Sis. Stewart at the organ. Bro. Jimmy Youngblood led in prayer. Bro. Ken Walker brought the morning devotion using Matt. 28:19-20. Prayer by the speaker. Bro. John Edwards brought the moderators message using Acts 4:13. Prayer by the speaker.

Report of the credential committee. (See reports)

Seating of visitors and corresponding delegates.

Appointing of the following committees: Appreciation, Auditing and Nominating.

Report of Foreign Missions by Bro. Bill Jones which was received as information.

National Executive committee report by Bro. Rufus Coffey which was received as information.

Bro. Carl Johnson dismissed in prayer for a short recess.

We convened back with Bro. Wiggins leading "Power In The Blood." Bro. Glen Hood sang "The Old Rugged Cross."

Bro. Reynold Flippo brought the morning message using Acts 22:28; John 8:36; John 3:3; 1 Cor. 7:21-23 and Romans 8:2-8. Prayer by the speaker. We were dismissed in prayer by Bro. Malone Cobb.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 6, 1970

After a wonderful lunch which was enjoyed by all we convened with Bro. Wiggins leading "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" with Sis. Walton at the piano and Bro. Roger Flannagin at the organ. Bro. Ambers Aldridge, Jr. brought the devotion using Titus 2:11-15.

Prayer by the speaker. Bro. Carlton Lambert sang "How Great Thou Art."

Report of the Woman's Auxiliary Convention by Mrs. Maude Fowler.

Report of the Board of Christian Education by Bro. Thurman Murphy.

Report of the Children's Home by Bro. Carlton Lambert.

Report of the Board of Retirement and Insurance by Sis. W. H. Ryland.

Report of the Board of State Missions by Bro. Willie Justice.

There was a brief report about the work in Mobile by Bro. Ken Walker.

Report of National Home Missions by letter which was received as information.

Report of the National Sunday School board by Bro. H. D. Harrison which was received as information.

Report of the Association Clerk by Bro. R. W. Ritch.

Report of the General Board. Item 1 Passed; Item 2 Passed; Item 3 Passed.

We were dismissed in prayer by Bro. Bill George.

FRIDAY NIGHT, NOVEMBER 6, 1970

We convened with Bro. Wiggins leading "Heavenly Sunlight" with Sis. Walton at the piano and Sis. Stewart at the organ. Bro. M. H. Hollis led in prayer. The Kingsman Quartet from Pell City sang "Getting Ready to Leave This World;" "The Next Step;" "It Won't Be Long Till Jesus Comes;" "I Want to Stroll Over Heaven With You" and "Thank God I'm Free." Bro. Steve Johnson sang "How Great Thou Art."

Move and second that the letter from Jones Chapel Church be received.

Report of the Free Will Baptist Bible College by Bro. Picirilli which was received as information. Report of the Food Fund by Bro. W. E. Atkinson. Bro. W. H. Ryland gave the offertory prayer. An offering of \$87.15 was received. Bro. Wiggins led in singing "The Uncloudy Day."

Bro. Picirilli brought the evening message using the 26th Chapter of 2 Chron. Bro. Wiggins led in singing "Lord I'm Coming Home." Bro. Jack Rollins dismissed in prayer.

SATURDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 7, 1970

We convened with Bro. Wiggins leading "Love Lifted Me" with Sis. Walton at the piano and Sis. Stewart at the organ. Bro. Jack Rollins led in prayer. Bro. Clifford Holland brought the devotion using Ex. 4:2-4. Prayer by the speaker.

Report of the National C. T. S. Board by Bro. Fred Green which was received as information.

Report of the Auditing Committee.

Report of the Appreciation Committee.

Report of the Trustees of the Children's Home by Bro. Billy Ray Smith.

Delegates to the National Association. Bro. Ronnie Olson, Bro. David Kent, Bro. Carl Atkinson, Bro. Foster Holcomb, Bro. Ken Vaughn and Bro. Alfred O'Donnell as alternate.

Report of the Registration Committee.

Report of the Nominating Committee.

The next session of the State Association will convene with Pleasant Grove Church near Birmingham. A move and second that each delegate to the state association pay for their own lodging and meals was defeated. Move and second that we give Bro. Picirilli \$75.00 and the remainder of the offerings go to the superintendent of the Children's Home new home.

Bro. Joe Ledlow dismissed the business session.

After a short intermission we convened back with Bro. Wiggins leading "He Lives." Bro. Chester O'Donnell led in prayer.

Bro. H. M. Wilkerson brought the morning message using 1 Thes. 5:1-6; 2 Peter 3:4-9; 2 Peter 2:22; 1 Cor. 11; and Romans 13:11-14.

We were dismissed in prayer by Bro. Walter Jaggers.

REPORTS

APPRECIATION COMMITTEE—We your appreciation committee wish to express our deepest and most sincere appreciation to the host church for their wonderful hospitality, warm fellowship and fabulous meals which have been enjoyed by all. We thank God for His precious spirit that has flowed from breast to breast during this Associational meeting.

Sis. Odessa Ledlow

Sis. Marie Goodwin

Sis. Betty Bishop

AUDITING COMMITTEE—We the Auditing Committee find (1) the Children's Home Financial report, as audited by J. E. Black Public Accountant, Jasper, Alabama to be a complete account of receipts and disbursements for a 12 month period ended September 30, 1970. (2) We have examined the Clerk's records of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists for the period of October 20, 1969 thru October 8, 1970. (3) the records of the Free Will Baptist Board of Christian Education for the 12 month period ended November 1, 1970. (4) the records of Alabama State Mission Board of Free Will Baptists for the 12 month period ended October 31, 1970; and (5) the records of the Free Will Baptist Board of Retirement and Insurance for the 12 month period ended October 31, 1970.

In our opinion the statements of receipts and disbursements are all correct.

Mrs. Ivan Stewart

Mrs. Bobby Kennedy

Mrs. Louie Bates

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE—1. We the Credentials Committee have examined the letters from the following associations and find them in order. Birmingham District; Cahaba River; East Alabama; Florida State Line; Jasper; Liberty No. 1; Liberty No. 2; North Alabama; Progressive; South-eastern; and Vernon. 2. We have examined the letters from the following churches and find them in order; Mt. Moriah Free Will Baptist Church; First Free Will Baptist Church of Reform and Shiloh Free Will Baptist Church. We recommend that they be seated as the associations to which they belong does not belong to the state association.

Thurmon Murphy

O. Z. Johnson

Gerald Baxley

CHILDREN'S HOME TRUSTEES—1. Home in good shape, Bro. Lambert and staff doing a good job. 2. Trustees working together good, associations sending men that are concerned. 3. Harvest Drive coming up shortly—Week of November 15th through 22nd. (A) Last years figures for Alabama Harvest Drive. (1) Cash \$2,522.79. (2) Commodities \$3,500.00. (B) Georgia Harvest

Drive this year just completed. (1) Cash \$3,400.00. (2) Commodities Value \$4,633.16. (C) Challenge people to make this drive better than last year. (D) Trucks available if needed.

Billy R. Smith

GENERAL BOARD REPORT—The General Board met with Bro. Thurman Murphy leading in prayer. Bro. Willie Justice gave a report of the Mission Board. 1. We recommend that each District Association ask each of their churches to help support the church who entertains the state association. 2. We recommend that Bro. F. L. Thomas be replaced on the Mission Board due to ill health. 3. We recommend that the clerk of the state association send Bro. Thomas a letter of appreciation and hope for a speedy recovery.

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION REPORT

The Board of Christian Education submits the following report:

The Alabama State Youth Rally met January 23 and 24, 1970 in the State Room of the Whitely Hotel in Montgomery. Tom Malone, assistant to the Director of Development of Free Will Baptist Bible College, was the guest speaker. Registered attendance exceeded 300.

The Alabama State Teach and Train Rally met in the Blue-Gray Room of the Whitely Hotel June 12 and 13, 1970. Archie Mayhew, missionary to the Ivory Coast, was the guest speaker. He spoke on the theme "Youth . . . In Conflict or Commitment." Twenty three churches were represented with attendance again exceeding 300. The 1971 State Youth Rally will meet January 22 and 23 at the Whitely Hotel in Montgomery. The Teach and Train Rally will meet June 11 and 12, 1971. Extra preparations are being made to insure an excellent youth rally in January. Every pastor and church is urged to participate in the youth program in Alabama and to encourage the young people to attend and participate.

Following is the financial report for the year 1969-70:

Balance brought forward	\$ 366.71
Dues and Offering from Youth Rally	226.71
Dues and Offerings from TnT Rally	607.43
Total cash to be accounted for	\$1,200.85
Total Expenditures	1,026.83
Balance October 31, 1970	\$ 174.02
Expenditures for period:	
Competitive Awards	\$ 225.20
Board Members Travel Expense	\$ 118.98
Promotion	24.00
Tom Malone, Speaker	75.00
Whitely Hotel, Room for Mr. Malone	8.48
Film Rental	29.47
Projector Rental	10.00
Registration Supplies	49.17
Postage	2.80
Carolyn Bowers, Accounting	8.00
Telephone Conference	30.50

Programs	40.23
National Competitive Fees	30.00
Archie Mayhew, Speaker	75.00
Margaret L. Miller, CPA	300.00

Total Expenditures \$1,026.83

Thurmon Murphy, Chairman
James Pittman, Secretary-Treasurer
A. J. Looper
Robert Franks
Ivan Stewart

BREAK DOWN OF COOPERATIVE PLAN

55%	National Association
15%	Children's Home
10%	State Missions
10%	State Retirement and Insurance
10%	Office Fund
100%	Total

EXHIBIT "A"

FREEWILL BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME Eldridge, Alabama

CASH REPORT

October 1, 1969 Through September 30, 1970

	General Fund	Foster Club Fund	Misc. Fund	Reserve Fund	College Fund
BAL. OCT. 1, 1969	874.49	2494.73	313.31	170.55	845.60
ADDITIONS THIS PERIOD:					
Contributions	61357.06	1801.80	931.87		241.71
Transfer of Funds	251.87				
Social Security—Support	8346.30				
Sales and Coupons	5056.94				
Void Checks	36.00				
Interest Earned		100.79			
TOTAL CASH	75922.66	4397.32	1245.18	170.55	1087.31
DISBURSEMENTS THIS PERIOD:					
Salaries and Payroll Taxes	21689.66				
Food Purchased	11511.82				
Clothing Purchased	1326.08				
Office Expense	1620.65				
Hardware and Maintenance	5542.82				
Gas, Oil, Fuel—Vehicles	1705.56				
Maintenance—Vehicles	2240.15				
Heat—Butane, Coal	2494.34				
Electricity	2203.86				
Telephone	901.66				

Medical	943.78				
Household Expenses	3088.26				
Education	2176.97				
Farm Expenses	4980.45				
Gifts and Allowances	321.38	1500.00	740.00		
Insurance	1266.70				
Debt Reduction, Interest	1794.00				
Board Members Expense	1058.20				
Travel	455.66				
Equipment	7380.45				
Refunds	400.88				
Bad Checks—Adjustments	135.00		1.61		
Other Expenses	373.23		184.83		
Transfer of Funds			251.87		
Total Disbursements	75611.56	1500.00	1178.31		
Balances Sept. 30, 1970	311.10	2897.32	66.87	170.55	1087.31

ALABAMA FREE WILL BAPTIST MISSION BOARD YEARLY

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS: NOVEMBER 1, 1969 — OCTOBER 31, 1970

Alabama State Association	\$803.25	Memorial—Empire	60.00
Appelton—Castleberry	70.00	Doyle Miller—Marianna, Fla.	82.50
Belk	60.00	Mt. Zion—Pell City	110.00
Brilliant	68.11	Mt. Pleasant—Brilliant	90.00
Bethel—Phenix City	6.00	Mt. Zion Woman's Auxiliary	10.00
Canaan—Brewton	20.00	Murphy Chapel—Cloverdale	25.00
Cahaba River Association	112.03	Mount Olive—Guin	67.32
Cedrom Grove—Carbon Hill	52.00	National Home Missions	82.00
Cordova	417.55	New Hope—Midland City	44.96
Cowarts Creek—Ashford	288.93	New Oak Grove—Nauvoo	50.00
Mrs. Adgie Mae Dawson		North Alabama Association	50.00
Sylacauga	5.00	Pleasant Hill—Blountsville	6.59
East Birmingham	195.68	Pine Grove—Perdido	49.00
Ensley	93.09	Mr. Charles Poole—Tennessee	12.00
Eldridge	20.00	Mr. Offitt Rogers—Kentucky	30.00
First Church Dothan	185.78	State Line Dist. Woman's Aux.	21.75
First Church Florence	720.58	State Line Association	76.26
First Church Hamilton	183.31	Shady Grove—Phil Campbell	150.21
First Church Northport	54.00	South Highland—Muscle Shoals	129.12
First Church Opelika	33.60	Southeastern Association	27.78
First Church Russellville	95.00	St. James—Phenix City	73.25
First Church Sylacauga	120.00	Sulphur Springs—Samantha	30.00
First Church Vernon	19.49	Semirah Springs—Uriah	20.00
Fairview—Trussville	60.00	Shiloh—Gordo	109.00
Fayette	292.00	Springfield—Vernon	75.15
Forestdale—Birmingham	365.58	Sulligent	100.00
Forestdale Woman's Aux.	36.00	Mr. Hodge Stephenson—	5.00
Free Water—Guin	25.00	Russellville	33.44
Friendship—Pell City	123.60	St. Mark—Phenix City	

Graysville	119.00	Slocomb	26.51
Guiding Light—Pell City	10.00	Johnnie O. Taylor—Headland	50.00
Guin	468.56	Townley	100.19
Gum Springs—Birmingham	55.20	Unity—Sylacauga	68.26
Hanks Memorial—Alton	88.23	Union Grove—Castleberry	42.58
Martha Highfield	38.90	Union Hill—Sterrett	35.25
Jasper Association	37.73	Vernon	35.84
Jones Chapel—Florence	15.00	Wattsville—Pell City	22.45
Leodica—Hanceville	9.00	Winfield	221.83
Luverne	28.00	White Rock—Phenix City	15.77
Liberty No. 1 Association	84.08		
Mount Moriah—Reform	94.57	Total Receipts	\$7,812.86

DISBURSEMENTS

National Home Missions ((Ledlow & Walker Acct.)	3,142.00
Mrs. Bobby Kennedy (Mailing out reports)	161.60
Addressing machine & equipment	483.84
Montgomery Church	216.07
Larry Powell Account	50.00
U. S. Postmaster (Mailing permit & postage)	130.00
Board members travel expense	382.50
Houston Printing Company (Envelopes)	31.50
Rev. Kenneth Walker (Moving and itnerate)	314.84
Faith F.W.B. Church (National Home Missions)	82.00
First F.W.B. Church Dothan ((Postage, stamps, ink, stencils)	60.00
Bank Charge	.32
Total	\$5,054.67
Balance in bank November 1, 1969	\$3,740.25
Money received from Nov. 1, 1969 to Oct. 31, 1970	7,812.86
Total to account for	11,553.11
Paid out from Nov. 1, 1969 to Oct. 31, 1970	5,054.67
Balance in bank November 1, 1970	\$6,498.44

ALABAMA STATE BOARD OF RETIREMENT AND INSURANCE TREASURER REPORT

NOV. 1, 1969 TO OCTOBER 31, 1970

North Birmingham Church	\$ 46.34
East Birmingham Church	174.35
Forestdale Church	271.87
Forestdale Auxiliary	24.00
Fairview, Leeds	60.00
Shady Grove	138.76
Mt. Olive	129.00
Cedrom Grove	36.45
Winfield	111.68
South Highland	46.76
St. James, Phenix City	47.66
Hamilton, First Church	119.19

ASSOCIATIONS														
	Literature	Miscellaneous	Other	Total Local Expenditures	Cooperative Plan	Foreign Missions	National, State & Local Home Missions	Education	Children's Home					
Birmingham District	538.29	757.91		16,826.41		88.23	167.12	88.23	1,421.83					
Cahaba River	4,394.65		2,060.09	91,660.09		2,798.01	1,931.12	100.00	6,631.08					
East Alabama	2,226.39		13,335.72	52,463.64	1,595.59	487.15	157.89	205.64	1,442.55					
Florida State Line	5,722.66		30,676.51	94,780.42	6,807.11	2,528.85	842.73	440.23	783.51					
Jasper	8,393.38		47,521.48	166,089.99		4,196.31	2,130.79	5,739.86	4,946.92					
Liberty No. 1	1,705.21	4,146.96	209.20	33,048.20		217.29	1,601.52	234.22	636.55					
Liberty No. 2	708.40		3,239.38	36,170.49	1,028.63		370.10		767.75					
Mississippi State Line	1,530.74	3,041.98		50,259.51					1,007.99					
North Alabama	988.93		5,554.26	35,886.50	434.15	145.01	585.35		80.00					
Progressive	7,580.94		38,457.59	132,656.50		7,743.28	2,485.52	5,443.03	3,477.01					
Southeastern	2,878.41	5,811.18	957.89	59,114.26	1,160.03	295.23	1,064.68	634.95	670.92					
Vernon	2,370.79		10,315.50	76,805.31		807.17	426.00	462.04	2,560.54					
Jones Chapel Church	180.00	765.95	1,200.00	5,345.95		82.00	15.00	15.00	6.00					
Mt. Moriah Church	120.00	240.00		3,149.00			106.00		490.00					
Shiloh Church	125.36	1,411.48		1,794.44		50.00	100.00		50.00					
Reform Church	382.98			4,119.89			109.00		154.94					
TOTAL	39,847.13	30,941.58	153,527.62	860,170.92	11,024.84	19,438.53	12,092.92	13,363.20	25,127.59					

ASSOCIATIONS	No. of Churches	No. of Members	Ordained Ministers	Licensed Ministers	Ordained Deacons	Sunday Schools	No. of Members	C. T. S.	No. of Members	Woman's Auxiliaries	No. of Members	Paid Pastors	Paid Evangelists	Building & Repair
Birmingham District	12	528	23	22	23	12	517			1	11	7,975.91	964.71	6,589.59
Cahaba River	20	1,566	47	3	90	20	1,448	13	481	16	147	39,751.00	3,475.32	41,979.06
East Alabama	8	1,019	15	6	30	8	544	8	343	6	33	20,685.08	1,301.70	14,914.75
Florida State Line	19	2,421	15	3	65	17	1,077	15	618	6	85	35,606.91	4,000.43	18,773.91
Jasper	28	3,547	32	4	125	26	2,161	13	940	6	145	76,341.46	6,434.82	27,398.85
Liberty No. 1	8	335	14	1	30	8	386	6	232	6	71	13,409.00	1,010.00	12,567.83
Liberty No. 2	8	562	27	1	30	8	598					9,541.40	809.00	21,872.29
Mississippi State Line	19	1,367	17		67	18	861	4	155			24,729.93	2,859.35	18,097.51
North Alabama	6	431	9	1	13	6	300	4	90	4	39	9,131.00	41.00	20,171.63
Progressive	14	1,996	21	3	62	14	1,480	12	611	9	109	54,928.37	4,151.22	27,538.38
Southeastern	16	1,222	10	7	59	16	581	9	280	9	112	23,603.26	2,430.32	23,433.20
Vernon	14	1,641	26		67	14	875	7	254	3	30	25,814.70	2,215.72	36,088.60
Jones Chapel Church	1	38	3		2	1	40			1	12	2,200.00	340.00	700.00
Mt. Moriah Church	1	90	1			1	45	1	20			2,056.00	133.00	600.00
Reform Church	1	65	1		4	1	55	1	45	1	12	1,061.46	90.00	260.00
Shiloh Church	1	153	1		6	1	65					2,300.05	283.00	
TOTAL	176	16,981	262	51	673	171	11,033	93	4,069	68	806	349,135.53	30,539.59	270,985.60

ASSOCIATIONS	Superannuation	Associational Projects	Other	Total Outside Expenditures	Value of Church Property	Value of Parsonage Property	No. of Parsonages
Birmingham District	88.23	278.00		2,131.64	69,200.00		
Cahaba River	1,030.43	1,584.97	2,190.75	16,266.36	579,300.00	50,500.00	5
East Alabama	166.86	271.00	181.50	4,508.28	250,000.00	43,000.00	4
Florida State Line		202.62	1,324.23	12,929.28	374,041.96	41,000.00	4
Jasper	1,024.31	452.13	266.70	18,869.89	573,500.00	73,000.00	6
Liberty No. 1	425.58	309.00	74.00	3,498.16	99,220.00	3,000.00	1
Liberty No. 2		210.00		2,376.40	137,000.00		
Mississippi State Line		276.77		1,284.76	177,665.00		
North Alabama	3.00	34.00		1,281.51	117,000.00	45,000.00	2
Progressive	557.23	557.23	25,609.99	45,873.29	692,500.00	84,000.00	7
Southeastern	92.23	602.90	20.00	4,540.94	268,800.00	27,000.00	2
Vernon		215.00		4,470.75	359,479.00		4
Jones Chapel Church				118.00	10,000.00		
Mt. Moriah Church				596.00	15,000.00		
Reform Church				200.00	12,000.00	12,000.00	1
Shiloh Church				254.94	30,000.00		
TOTAL	3,387.87	4,993.62	29,667.17	119,203.20	3,764,705.96	378,500.00	36

Guin	385.79
Leodecia, Hanceville	9.00
Vernon	55.33
Union Grove, Evergreen	42.58
Florence	158.57
Appleton, Brewton	75.00
Springfield, Vernon	114.02
Atmore, First Church	36.00
Cannan, Atmore	56.00
Graysville	119.00
Graysville Auxiliary	15.00
Cordova	175.64
Unity, Sylacauga	68.26
Pine Grove, Perdido	36.00
Friendship, Flomaton	24.00
Range S. S. Repton	24.00
Alabama State Association	803.25
Davis Chapel	22.99
Hanks Memorial	88.23
Belview, Leeds	15.95
Maple Grove, Madison	100.00
Belk, Fayette	60.00
Mt. Pleasant, Sprott	56.00
North Gadsden	10.52
Liberty No. 1 Association	53.51

Total	\$3,810.70
Interest from Bank	82.18
Brought forward from 1969	2,551.77
Grand Total	6,444.65
Total Paid Out	2,908.60
Balance in Treasury	\$3,536.05

PAID OUT:	
Rev. S. F. Lee	\$ 185.00
Rev. Eugene Brooks	185.00
Rev. J. W. Arnett	185.00
Rev. B. A. Hale	185.00
Rev. Amon Edge	185.00
Rev. A. L. Warren	185.00
Mrs. M. E. Carpenter	185.00
Mrs. Maude Quick	185.00
Mrs. Ruby Nobles	185.00
Mrs. R. H. Howard	185.00
Mrs. C. R. Allen	185.00
Mrs. Rufus Hyman	185.00
Mrs. Annie Franks	185.00
Miss Brenda Moyers	95.00

Tithe to National Board	389.30
Bank Charges	8.80
Office Expense	10.50

Total Paid Out \$2,908.60

CLERK'S — RECEIVED GENERAL FUND

Brought Forward	\$ 356.81
Associational fees	940.00
Ministers and Deacons Fees	161.00
Food fund	431.86
Money from Laymans breakfast	22.00
Offering at state association	200.94

Total Received \$2,112.61

PAID OUT GENERAL FUND

Officers of State Association	\$ 276.00
Mr. Fred Green	22.00
Montgomery Church	300.94
Florence Church (Food Fund)	402.88
National Association Fees	85.00
Rev. Billy R. Smith (Supt. Home)	100.00
Houston Printing	420.00
Rev. William Atkinson (Food Fund)	176.86

Total Paid Out \$1,783.68

Balance in General Fund \$ 328.93

RECEIVED COOPERATIVE PLAN

New Prospect Church	\$ 112.06
Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Wiggins	179.00
Friendship Church	896.09
Florida State Line Association	5,028.28
Southeastern Association	78.62
East Side Church	871.93
Decatur Church	301.49
Opelika Church	636.39
St. Marks Church	60.00
Holmes Church	134.78

Total Received \$8,298.64

PAID OUT COOPERATIVE PLAN

National Association	\$4,417.86
Foreign Missions	222.57
National Home Missions	43.57
Children's Home	1,204.89
State Missions	803.25
Retirement and Insurance	803.25

Office Fund 803.25

Total Paid Out \$8,298.64

RECIEVED OFFICE FUND

Brought Forward	\$ 480.65
Cooperative Plan	803.25
Cash Refund	38.15

Total Received \$1,322.05

PAID OUT OFFICE FUND

Postage	\$ 35.73
Instant Copies	41.59
Atlas Printing Company	42.40
Houston Printing Company	88.20
Telephone	47.71
Travel Expense of Executive Committee	194.56
P. C. White Truck Line	4.60
Supplies	5.00
Bank Charge	1.53

Total \$ 461.32

Balance \$ 860.73

FOOD FUND

Jasper Association	\$ 304.10
State Association	352.87
New Hope—Hamilton	10.00
Shiloh Church—Gordo	10.00
Liberty No. 1—Association	24.00
Lillian Reathford	5.00
Mrs. Z. W. Dobbs—Hamilton	5.00
Russellville Church	10.00
Townly Church	5.00
White Rock Church, Phenix City	10.00
Graysville Church	10.00
Mt. Pleasant Church	10.00
Hanks Memorial Church	20.00
Oak Grove Church, Gardendale	20.00
East Birmingham Church	25.00
Eldridge Church	5.00
Vernon	10.00
Mt. Willing Church, Guin	10.00
St. James Church, Phenix City	15.00
Fayette Church	25.00

Total \$ 885.97

REGISTRATION—

The following registered for the state association: Ministers 82; Deacons 38; Delegates 95; Visitors 208. For a total of 423.

Mrs. Martha Raye Mitchell
Miss Marilyn Trimm
Mrs. Natha Dean Crowe
Mrs. Leatrice Overton

ALABAMA STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

THEME: "Fruitful Unto Every Good Work."

FRIDAY MORNING, JUNE 13, 1970

The Alabama State Woman's Auxiliary Convention convened with First Free Will Baptist Church, Montgomery, Alabama.

Opening Song: "The Nail Scared Hand."

Prayer: President Mrs. Mary Edna Cook.

Appoint Credential Committee: Mrs. Fowler, Mrs. Kennedy and Mrs. Davis.

Devotion: Mrs. Charles Craddock.

Song: "I'll Go Where You Want Me To Go."

Credential Committee Report: We the Credentials Committee make the following report: We have examined the seven districts letters and dues and find them all in order.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Maude Fowler, Chairman
Mrs. Bobby Kennedy
Mrs. Wilma Davis

President recognized the following:

District Presidents — 5

State Officers — 4

Ministers — 6

An elderly member — Mrs. Davis.

The president explained the change in the slate of officers proposed by the National Convention. After the discussion a vote was taken. 22 in favor of the change and 3 in favor of the old way.

Appointment of Committees.

Minutes read and approved.

Treasurers Report given.

Brought forward \$ 279.78

Dues 567.00

State Project (Decatur Missions) 394.00

Offering at Convention 15.32

Total \$1,256.10

Expenditures:

Alabama State W. A. C. speaker \$ 100.00

State Project 500.00

Dues to National W. A. Convention 433.50
State Minutes Dues 15.00

Total \$1,048.50

Income \$1,256.10

Expenditures \$1,048.50

June 13, 1970 \$ 207.60

Report from the Children's Home by Bro. Lambert.

Prayer: Mrs. Maude Fowler.

Offering.

Specials in Song: Bro. Carlton Lambert—"Wayfaring Tramp" and "The Ninety and Nine." Bro. and Sis. Ivan Stewart—"Wherever He Leads I'll Go."

Dismissed for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Song: "The Call For Reapers."

Prayer: Mrs. Bobby Howell.

Special Music: Mrs. Earnest Baird.

Message: Mrs. Archie Mayhew — 1 Peter 1:23.

Prayer: Mrs. Cook.

Report of Committees—

Finance Committee:

We the Finance Committee submit the following: Per Capita dues received \$505.00; State Project for Merks account \$329.40; Offering at Convention \$35.15; for a total of \$869.55. (1) We recommend that we give \$75.00 to Mrs. Archie Mayhew. (2) We recommend that we add \$70.60 to the State Project of \$329.40 and bring it up to \$400.00. (3) We recommend that we pay \$15.00 for printing of minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Geraldine Cox

Mrs. W. H. Ryland

Mrs. Aletha Deese

Registration Committee:

State Officers 5

Delegates 31

Visitors 64

Ministers 9

Total 109

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Ida Mae Hawkins

Mrs. Ann Kamykoviski

Mrs. Judy Sample

Nomination Committee:

We the Nomination Committee make the following nominations: Presi-

dent: Mrs. Charles Craddock; Vice President: Mrs. Jerome Goodwin; Secretary-Treasurer: Mrs. Geraldine Cox; Field Worker: Mrs. Ruby Roper.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Annette Tomlinson
Mrs. Ruby Roper
Mrs. Charles Craddock

Executive Committee:

We resolve: (1) That we have as our State Project the Montgomery Church Building Fund and that our goal be \$100.00 from each district to be brought to the convention. (2) We wish to offer a vote of thanks to the Host Church for their wonderful hospitality shown each year to the convention.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Mary Edna Cook
Mrs. Maude Fowler
Mrs. Geraldine Cox
Mrs. William Atkinson
Mrs. Jerome Goodwin

Delegates to National Convention: Mrs. William Atkinson.

Installation of officers: Mrs. Cook.

Standard of Achievement Chart explained.

Dismissal Prayer: Bro. Charles Craddock.

President: Mrs. Mary Edna Cook
Secretary: Mrs. Maude Fowler

1970-1971 OFFICERS

President: Mrs. Charles Craddock, 511 Madison Ave., Dothan, Ala. 36301
Vice President: Mrs. Jerome Goodwin, Route 2, Box 429-A, Trussville, Ala.
Sec. & Treas.: Mrs. Geraldine Cox, Route 4, Box 157, Dothan, Ala. 36301
Field Worker: Mrs. Ruby Roper, P. O. Box 83, Eldridge, Alabama 35554

**CONSTITUTION OF THE ALABAMA STATE ASSOCIATION
OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS**

ARTICLE I — NAME

Section 1 — This body shall be known as the "Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists."

Section 2 — Seal — This Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists and its constituents adopt the Treatise of the National Association of Free Will Baptists in faith and practice.

ARTICLE II — OFFICERS AND BOARDS

Section 1 — The officers of the State Association shall be a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk-Treasurer, Assistant Clerk, General Board and Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall be elected from the General Board. (The General Board shall meet on Thursday afternoon of the Ministers and Deacons Meeting). These officers being elected every two years with election coming on even years. Other officers being appointed as the Moderator may need or desire and shall serve at the direction of the Moderator.

Section 2 — The Moderator shall have charge of all the business sessions of the State Association. It shall be his duty to see that all business is carried on in a Christ like manner and a way pleasing to God. The Moderator is the chairman of the General Board and the Executive Committee. The Moderator is an ex-officio member of all boards. The Moderator shall have the power to call the executive committee into session when needed.

Section 3 — The Assistant Moderator shall serve the moderator during the sitting of the State Association. If the moderator is unable to attend the State meeting then the assistant moderator shall serve as moderator.

Section 4 — The Clerk shall call the session to order and introduce the officers. The clerk shall keep a record of all business transacted during the sitting of the State Association. He shall prepare the minutes for publication and see that the minutes are printed. The clerk shall keep a record of all finances that come in and from where. He shall keep a record of all disbursements made and report same to the State Association. The clerk shall serve as secretary of the executive committee and keep a record of their meetings.

Section 5 — The Assistant Clerk shall assist the clerk in keeping a record of the business during the State Association. In the absence of the clerk the assistant clerk shall assume the duties of the clerk until the body meets to elect a clerk.

Section 6 — The Executive Committee shall be composed of five (5) members elected from the General board. The Executive Committee is the official body of the State Association when not in session. The executive committee shall transact any business that may arise when the State Association is not in session. The executive committee along with the moderator, clerk and moderator of the ministers and deacons meeting shall plan the program for the State Association each year. If no one asks for the State Association then the executive committee shall find a place for the State Association to meet.

Section 7 — There shall not be less than seven (7) members on the Board of Trustees of the Children's Home. Each District Association shall have the privilege to recommend one man to serve as a member of said board. No more than one man shall serve from the same district. If any local association fails to belong to the State Association but two or more of their churches belong that they be allowed a trustee.

The adjoining States of Florida, Georgia, and Mississippi shall have the privilege of recommending not less than one nor more than two members each to serve on this board.

These members of said board shall be elected by the Alabama State Association.

Section 8 — The General Board shall be composed of one member from each District Association. If any local association fails to belong but two (2) or more of their churches belong that they be allowed a board member.

Section 9 — The Board of Retirement and Insurance shall consist of five (5) members with 1-5 year terms with one term expiring each year.

Section 10 — The Mission Board shall consist of seven (7) members with 1-7 year terms with one term expiring each year.

Section 11 — The Board of Christian Education shall consist of five (5) members with 1-5 year terms with one term expiring each year.

Section 12 — The expiration dates of all board members are to be printed in the minutes.

ARTICLE III — MEMBERSHIP

Section 1 — This Association shall be composed of all active ordained ministers and deacons who are members of an Association or Church, which is a member of this body and duly elected or appointed delegates of each District Association or Church. One delegate for each church of each association which is a member of this body.

Section 2 — No local church may be a member of this body unless the association to which it belongs refuse to represent in the State body. Then the church may report independently by letter and dues with one delegate.

ARTICLE IV — FINANCE

Section 1 — Each District Association shall send the sum of five (5) dollars per church affiliated with that Association.

Section 2 — Each minister and deacon shall pay the sum of one (1) dollar registration fee to help carry on the expenses of the State Association.

Section 3 — The fee of each local church representing independently shall be the sum of five (5) dollars.

Section 4 — The clerk shall be paid one hundred thirty six (136.00) dollars, Assistant clerk twenty five (25.00) dollars, Moderator fifty (50.00) dollars, and Assistant moderator twenty (20.00) dollars.

Section 5 — Board members shall be paid eight (8) cents per mile traveling expense plus lodging and food to special called meetings. All other expenditures not specified shall be made at the direction of the body.

ARTICLE V — DISCIPLINE

Section 1 — The local church is an independent body, so far as relates to its government, the transaction of its business, the choice of its officers and the discipline of its members.

Section 2 — The State Association shall have the right to settle any question of discipline, doctrine or practice that may properly come before it from any bodies composing the State Association. Said appeal having been properly signed by the constituent body or bodies and its decisions shall be final.

Section 3 — All appeals coming before the State Association may be settled in either of the following ways: (1) by the State Association sitting in a committee as a whole; (2) by a special committee appointed by the executive committee whose report shall be voted on without discussion.

ARTICLE VI — MEETINGS

Section 1 — The State Association of Free Will Baptists shall hold its regular meetings annually, place of meeting to be decided by a vote of the body. The time of meetings to be on Thursday night before the second Sunday in November of each year, and to remain in session until its work is completed.

ARTICLE VII — AMENDMENTS

Section 1 — This Constitution may be amended or altered at any regular session of the State Association by a two-Thirds vote of members present;

provided proposed amendment be presented in writing to the body and shall lie on the table at least from morning session till evening session, or from evening session till session prior to adoption and shall during that time be read at least twice in open session.

BY-LAWS

1. The Clerk or the Assistant Clerk or in their absence, the senior minister in years shall call the Association into conference if a quorum is present, the Moderator, or in his absence, the Assistant Moderator, shall take charge; and if neither of them is present the senior minister in years shall act as moderator.

2. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to enroll the delegates to the Association who shall present themselves with proper evidence of their rights to seat therein, and those enrolled by the Clerk shall compose the Association. in case of questionable representation, however, the case under question shall be referred to the Credentials Committee.

3. It shall be the duty of everybody belonging to this Association to send a letter to every annual session of this Association. Reporting in the same its spiritual condition, benevolent work and its statistics. Anybody belonging to this session may be dismissed from the Association by a two-thirds vote of all members present.

4. That we receive the letters and seat the delegates on the strength of the Credentials Committee report, and omit public reading of the letters. All letters be mailed with the entrance fee to the State Association Clerk by the first of November.

5. Each meeting shall be opened by reading a portion of the Bible and with prayer and shall be closed with prayer.

6. By a two-thirds vote of all members present a ruling of the Moderator can be overruled.

7. This Association may correspond by messenger or otherwise with other religious bodies.

8. This Association shall sit with open doors except when it shall go into a committee of the whole.

9. Any person not a member of this Association may be allowed to take part in its discussion by obtaining permission of the Moderator.

10. It shall be the duty of all members of this Association to be present at the time appointed for each meeting and anyone wishing to retire shall first obtain leave from the Moderator.

11. No member shall absent himself from the Association during its meeting without first obtaining permission from the Moderator.

12. No person shall be allowed to nominate more than one member of any committee provided the person nominated be elected. No more than one member from any one association shall serve on any board.

13. The Moderator shall not allow discussions when not carried on in a Christian spirit or when he thinks it will cause discord or division.

14. Anyone desiring to speak shall arise to his feet and address the Moderator by the appellation "Brother Moderator," but shall not speak further until recognized by the Moderator.

15. The "Yeas and Nays," may be counted on any question by request of one-fifth of the members present.

16. No member of this Association shall be allowed to speak more than ten minutes nor twice on the same subject without permission from the Moderator.

17. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to seat the delegates in a body in a designated section of the assembly room at the beginning of each business session.

18. The Moderator be given the power to appoint Delegates from those attending the National Association to fill the State quota.

19. No District Association, Quarterly Meeting or Local Church shall become a member of this body without having adopted the Treatise of the National Association of Free Will Baptists in faith and practice.

20. These By-Laws may be altered or amended at any regular session of this Association by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

CONSTITUTION OF THE MINISTERS AND DEACONS MEETING OF ALABAMA FREE WILL BAPTISTS

PREAMBLE: In order to promote fellowship, better understanding, greater cooperation and greater vision among the Ministers and Deacons of Alabama, we do ordain this Constitution:

1. NAME—This shall be known as the Alabama Ministers and Deacons Meeting.

2. We adopt the Treatise of Faith and Practice of the National Association of Free Will Baptists as our standard.

3. The officers of the Ministers' and Deacons' Meeting shall be a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Secretary and Assistant Secretary and any other officer we may need.

4. These officers shall be elected by nomination and acclamation at the regular session on even years. Except the Secretary and Assistant Secretary. The Secretary of the State Association and the Assistant Secretary shall serve the Ministers and Deacons Meeting.

5. This meeting shall be composed of all ordained Ministers and Deacons in good standing in Alabama and adjoining States who wish to represent.

6.—FINANCE—Each Minister and Deacon shall pay one (1.00) dollar registration fee to help pay for the record being printed in the minutes.

7. The Secretary shall be paid five (5.00) dollars for preserving the record of each meeting. The Moderator shall be paid thirty (30.00) dollars, Assistant Moderator ten (10.00) dollars for service rendered.

8. DISCIPLINE—The Ministers and Deacons Meeting is not a court to try, nor air out the faults of preachers and deacons. If they are in good standing with the State Association they are with the Ministers and Deacons Meeting. This is to be a meeting of fellowship and inspiration and brotherly love.

9. All elected officers shall serve two years. All appointed officers and committees one year.

10. The Ministers and Deacons Meeting shall meet on Thursday morning before the 2nd Sunday in November of each year at the meeting place of the State Association.

11. This Constitution may be altered at any regular meeting by a two-thirds vote of Ministers and Deacons present.

BY-LAWS OF ALABAMA MINISTERS' AND DEACONS' MEETING

1. The Clerk or Assistant Clerk or the senior minister in years may call the meeting to order and shall have charge until the Moderator assumes his place.

2. It shall be the duty of the clerk to enroll all the ministers and deacons present who are in good standing. If there are questionable characters they shall be referred to an appointed credential committee for advice but not for trial. They may be seated if found worthy, if not they are referred to their home church and association.

3. Each meeting shall be opened with Scripture reading and prayer.

4. By a two-third vote any decision of the moderator may be overruled.

5. This meeting shall sit with open doors unless it goes into a committee as a whole.

6. Any person, not a member of the body shall be allowed to take part in discussions, with the moderators permission, but shall have no vote.

7. All members of the body are expected to be present throughout the session unless excused by the moderator.

8. No person shall be allowed to nominate more than one officer or committeeman if his nomination is elected.

9. The Moderator must not allow any discussion to be carried on in an unchristian spirit.

10. The person who desires to speak must first arise and address the Moderator and when recognized shall proceed.

11. The vote on any question must be counted upon request of one-fifth of members present.

12. No member shall be allowed to speak more than ten minutes, nor twice on the same subject unless given permission by the Moderator.

13. These By-Laws may be amended at any session by a two-thirds vote.

CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God, by faith in Christ, and adopted the Word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this solemn covenant.

We promise, by His grace to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid all appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world, from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages, and to "provide things honest in the sight of all men."

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of the scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship, and by self-denial, faith, and good works endeavor to "grow in grace and the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship, and the observance of the ordinances of the Gospel; nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor, and all its benevolent work.

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness, and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to "keep the unity of the Spirit" in the bonds of peace. To be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and as far as we are able, promote the success of the church and of the Gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principle sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme; counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society, constantly praying and toiling that the Kingdom of God may come, and His will be done as it is in Heaven.

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprises, the support of missions, the success of Sunday schools, and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of the world. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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