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MINISTERS WHO REGISTERED

Birmingham District Association—Rev. H. W. Cashatt, 7827 6th Ave. N., Birmingham, Alabama; Rev. Hubert Graham, 324 19th Court Circle N.E., Birmingham, Alabama; Rev. Ira L. Hanks, 324 Lullaby Lane, Birmingham, Alabama; Rev. Joe Martin, Route 1, Jasper, Alabama.

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Liberty No. 1—Rev. W. G. Palmer, Route 1, Box 287, Castleberry, Alabama.

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North Alabama Association—Rev. Floyd C. Barber, P. O. Box 75, Madison, Alabama; Rev. J. M. Cobb, 809 Westwood Drive, Decatur, Alabama; Rev. A. J. Looper, Route 3, Box 71, Hartselle, Alabama.

Progressive Association—Rev. Louie Bates, Box 12, Graysville, Alabama; Rev. Levy Corey, Route 1, Box 65A, Russellville, Alabama; Rev. Hughes Ellis, 504 Green Ave., Cordova, Alabama; Rev. Dwight Fletcher, P. O. Box 493, Leighton, Alabama; Rev. Earl M. Hawkins, 402 E. 19th St., Jasper, Alabama; Rev. Walter D. Jagers, Box F, Townley, Alabama; Rev. Danny K. Keen, Route 1, Box 92, Samantha, Alabama; Rev. A. J. Lambert, 2306 Ave. G., Ensley, Alabama; Rev. Carlton Lambert, Box 8, Eldridge, Alabama; Rev. Tom Malone, 165 Chaparral Dr., Florence, Alabama; Rev. Glenn Monday, 501 E. 22nd St., Jasper, Alabama; Rev. Thurman Murphy, 2317 18th Ave., Northport, Alabama; Rev. Steve Nichols, 942 N. Temple Ave., Fayette, Alabama; Rev. Roy Pearson, P. O. Box 532, Sulligent, Alabama; Rev. W. H. Ryland, 901 Ridge Place, Birmingham, Alabama; Rev. E. T. Sargent Route 1, Box 9, Cordova, Alabama.

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DEACONS WHO REGISTERED

Birmingham District Association—Mr. Joe Banks, P. O. Box 175, Sipsey, Alabama; Mr. A. H. Barnett, Alton, Alabama.

Cahaba River Association—Mr. Leon Crawley, 33 Park Road, Pleasant Grove, Alabama; Mr. W. I. Faulkner, 4712 Ave. Q, Central Park, Birmingham, Alabama; Mr. Alfred C. Gamble, 4140 51st Ave. N., Birmingham, Alabama; Mr. Lecil Gardner, 1808 Pritchett Ave., Birmingham, Alabama; Mr. Cecil Hodgins, Route 1, Chelsea, Alabama; Mr. Steve W. Johnson, 5229 Bankhead Highway, Adamsville, Alabama; Mr. Wilburn Jordan, 1037 11th Street, Pleasant Grove, Alabama; Mr. Claude E. McGinnis, 1108 4th Way, Pleasant Grove, Alabama; Mr. L. D. Perkins, Route 2, Box 978C, Adamsville, Alabama; Mr. Zell Randolph, 6621 Tensaw Ct., Fairfield, Alabama; Mr. Fred Reed, Route 8, Box 1264, Birmingham, Alabama; Mr. E. O. Shelnut, 913 N. 48th St., Birmingham, Alabama; Mr. Frank Tomlinson, Route 3, Box 465, Leeds, Alabama.

East Alabama Association—Mr. H. W. Grice, Route 1, Box 507XL, Sylacauga, Alabama.

Florida State Line Association—Mr. S. O. Fowler, Route 3, Dothan, Alabama; Mr. Bobby Kennedy, Route 1, Ashford, Alabama; Mr. Lewis Mallory, Dothan, Alabama.

Jasper Association—Mr. Merlie Atkison, Route 2, Guin, Alabama.

Liberty No. 1 Association—Mr. Grady Collins, Century, Florida; Mr. Ivan I. Stewart, P. O. Box 116, Perdido, Alabama.

Liberty No. 2 Association—Mr. Johnie R. Wiggins, Route 1, Box 239, Pell City, Alabama.

North Alabama Association—Mr. Coleman Holmes, Route 3, Hartselle, Alabama; Mr. Paul Jones, Route 2, Falkville, Alabama; Mr. Glenn Stowe, 303 Longhorn St., Hartselle, Alabama.

Progressive Association—Mr. David Kent, Box 8, Eldridge, Alabama; Mr. W. A. Rawls, 1728 27th St., Ensley, Alabama; Mr. Dan Sargent, Route 1, Box 21, Cordova, Alabama; Mr. A. M. Wallace, Fayette, Alabama.

Vernon Association—Mr. Bobby J. Sargent, Route 3, Box 210, Cottondale, Alabama; Mr. W. L. Turner, Vernon, Alabama.

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Birmingham District Association—Mrs. A. H. Barnett, Alton, Alabama; Mr. Coleman Burton, Route 1, Box 246A, Jasper, Alabama.

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Jasper Association—Mrs. Ida Lee Aldridge, Brilliant, Alabama; Mrs. Dixie Atkinson, P. O. Box 724, Winfield, Alabama; Mrs. Pearl Barnes, Box 263, Graysville, Alabama; Mrs. Helen Bochell, Route 2, Carbon Hill, Alabama; Mrs. Lela Crowe, Route 1 Box 40, Brilliant, Alabama; Mrs. Helen E. Tittle, Route 2, Box 80A, Carbon Hill, Alabama; Mrs. Wina Walden, Box 553, Guin, Alabama.

Liberty No. 1 Association—Mrs. L. E. Bell, Route 4 Box 96, Brewton, Alabama; Mr. Hester Cooper, Route 2 Box 176, Castleberry, Alabama; Mr. James H. Henry, Route 4 Box 88, Brewton, Alabama; Miss Mamie L. Palmer, Route 1, Castleberry, Alabama; Mrs. W. G. Palmer, Route 1, Castleberry, Alabama; Mrs. Ivan Stewart, P. O. Box 116, Perdido, Alabama.

Mississippi State Line Association—Mrs. C. R. Templeton, Route 3, Hamilton, Alabama; Mrs. Verda Dobbs Route 2, Hamilton, Alabama.

North Alabama Association—Mrs. Floyd C. Barber, Box 75, Madison, Alabama; Miss Tabema Barber, Box 75, Madison, Alabama; Mrs. Joyce Holmes, Route 3, Hartselle, Alabama.

Progressive Association—Mrs. Louie Bates, Box 12, Graysville, Alabama; Mrs. Ruby Dickinson, 1728 27th St., Ensley, Alabama; Mrs. R. M. Edgil, Townley, Alabama; Mrs. Edwin Dwight Fletcher, Box 493, Leighton, Alabama; Mrs. Chester Hill, 100 Ave. W, Pratt City, Birmingham, Alabama; Miss Jan Jones, Route 1, Samantha, Alabama; Mrs. Jane Keen, Route 1, Samantha, Alabama; Mrs. A. J. Lambert, 2306 Ave. G, Ensley, Alabama; Mr. W. T. Lowe, Route 3 Box 806, Gardendale, Alabama; Mrs. W. T. Lowe, Route 3 Box 806, Gardendale, Alabama; Mrs. Della Mann, 2405 13th Ave. E, Jasper, Alabama; Mrs. Cheryl Nichols, 942 N. Temple Ave., Fayette, Alabama; Mrs. Erma Pearson, P. O. Box 532, Sulligent, Alabama; Mrs. Dan Sargent, Route 1, Cordova, Alabama; Mr. Joe Sularin, Cordova, Alabama; Mrs. Ada Tidwell,

2301 Ave. F, Ensley, Alabama; Mrs. S. E. Townley, 125 Waverly Ave., Birmingham, Alabama; Mrs. A. M. Wallace, Fayette, Alabama.

Vernon Association—Mrs. Gera Mae Bobo, Route 1, Guin, Alabama; Mrs. Lonie Faye Franks, P. O. Box 473, Vernon, Alabama; Mrs. E. W. Graves, Vernon, Alabama; Mr. Clyde Motes, Box 351, Vernon, Alabama; Mrs. S. Y. Shelton, Route 2, Vernon, Alabama; Mrs. Mary Weeks, Beaverton, Alabama.

Shiloh Church—Mr. Wilson Connell, Gordo, Alabama.

Mt. Moriah Church—Mr. Daniel Turnipseed, Route 2, Ethelsville, Ala.

First Church, Reform—Mrs. Lawrence Carpenter, Reform, Alabama.

PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 11, 1971

26th Session of Ministers and Deacons Meeting

The Twenty-Sixth session of the Ministers and Deacons Meeting opened with Bro. Jerry Edgil leading "At Calvary" with Sis. Lambert at the piano. Bro. Malone Cobb led in prayer. Bro. A. J. Looper brought the devotion using Eph. 5:14-17. Prayer by the speaker. Bro. B. B. Alexander gave the welcome address. Response by Bro. H. W. Grice. Bro. James Walden brought the Moderators message using 1 Cor. 9:19-23. Prayer by the speaker. Bro. and Sis. Ivan Stewart sang "Until You've Known the Love of God." Bro. Fletcher led in singing "All Hail the Power" with Sis. Stewart at the piano.

Bro. William Atkinson brought the message on "Is There Not a Cause for the Local Church" using Eph. 4:4-16; Matt. 16:18.

Bro. A. J. Lambert brought the message on "Is There Not a Cause for the Children's Home" using James 1:27; 1 John 3:17; Ex. 22:22-23; Matt. 10:42; Matt. 19:3-14. Prayer by the speaker. Bro. Fletcher led in singing "Victory in Jesus." Bro. Carlton Lambert sang "Blessed Assurance."

Bro. Tom Malone brought the message on "Is There Not a Cause for Christian Education" using 1 Sam. 17:29; Deut. 6:4-9; Deut. 11:18-28; 2 Tim. 3:15; Acts 2:42-47; 2 Tim. 2:2; Matt. 28:19-20. Prayer by the speaker. We were dismissed by Bro. Ryland.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 11, 1971

We convened by singing "I Will Sing the Wondrous Story." Prayer by Bro. Walter Jagers. Bro. Fletcher led in singing "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus." Bro. R. P. Ritch brought the devotion using Psalms 133:1. Bro. Malcom Fry sang "He Looked Beyond My Faults and Saw My Needs."

Bro. Ken Walker brought the message on "Is There Not a Cause for Home Missions" using 1 Sam. 17:8-11; 26-28; 1 Cor. 13:12. Prayer by the speaker. Bro. Robert Franks brought the message on "Is There Not a Cause for Foreign Missions" using 2 Cor. 10:16. Prayer by the speaker. We were dismissed in prayer by Bro. John Edwards.

THURSDAY NIGHT, NOVEMBER 11, 1971

We convened with Bro. Fletcher leading "He Lives" with Sis. Stewart at the piano. Prayer by Bro. Paul Kettermann. Bro. Fletcher led "Praise Him Praise Him." Bro. B. T. Alexander gave the welcome address. Response by Bro. Ambers Aldridge using Acts 15:25. Association called to order by Bro. Ray Ritch. Appointment of Credential Committee. The Johnson Brothers sang "We've Come This Far by Faith," "I Sure Do Love The Lord," "That Day Is Almost Here." "The Old Rugged Cross Made the Difference," "Jesus Is Coming Soon," and "He Did It All For Me." Bro. J. R. Wiggins gave the offertory prayer. The Johnson Brothers sang "I Know" while the offering was received. Offering was \$60.62. Bro. J. M. Dutton brought the keynote message using Psalms 8:1-6. Prayer by the speaker. We were dismissed in prayer by Bro. Malone Cobb.

FRIDAY MORNING NOVEMBER 12, 1971

We convened by singing "Heavenly Sunlight." Prayer by Bro. W. G. Palmer. Bro. Fletcher led in singing "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart." Bro. E. R. Mayo brought the morning devotion using Luke 5:27-29. Prayer by the speaker. Bro. Grice brought the moderators message using 1 John 5:4-6. Visitors were welcomed. Report of the Credential Committee was accepted. Delegates seated. Southern Union Association was accepted into the State Association. Bro. Hughes Ellis was elected as moderator of the State Association. Committees were appointed.

Report of Foreign Missions by Bro. Henry Van Kluyve which was received as information. Report of National Executive Department by Bro. Eugene Workman which was received as information.

Report of National C.T.S. Board by Bro. Malcolm Fry which was received as information. Bro. M. H. Hollis dismissed us for a short intermission.

We convened back with Bro. Fletcher leading "To God Be The Glory" with Sis. Stewart at the piano. Bro. Steve Nichols sang "Fill My Cup Lord." Bro. Malcolm Fry sang "I Have Been Born Again."

Bro. Walter Jones brought the morning message using Ex. 30:29; 1 Chro. 29:5. Prayer by Bro. Scott. Bro. Fletcher led "Pass Me Not" as the invitation was given. Prayer by Bro. Billy R. Smith. We were dismissed for lunch by Bro. B. B. Alexander.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 12, 1971

We convened with Bro. Fletcher leading "Amazing Grace" with Sis. Stewart at the piano. Bro. Carlton Lambert led in prayer. Bro. Wade Walton brought the devotion using 1 John 4:11-17.

Report of Woman's Auxiliary Convention by Sis. Ruby Roper.

Report of F.W.B. Bible College by Bro. Paul Kettermann which was received as information.

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

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

Report of State Missions by Bro. E. R. Mayo and Bro. Ken Walker.

Report of National Home Missions by Bro. E. B. Ledlow which was received as information.

Report of National Sunday School Board by Bro. N. R. Smith which was received as information.

After a short intermission we resumed by singing "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms." Prayer by Bro. Bobby Sargent.

Report of General Board. Item 1 Tabled; Item 2 Carried; Item 3 Carried; Item 4 Carried. We were dismissed in prayer by Bro. Jack Rollins.

FRIDAY NIGHT, NOVEMBER 12, 1971

We convened with Bro. Fletcher leading "When We All Get To Heaven" with Sis. Stewart at the piano. Bro. Jerome Goodwin led in prayer. Bro. Fletcher led in singing "Kneel at the Cross." Bro. Jack Rollins sang "Heaven Came Down." Bro. and Sis. Ledlow sang "Leading Me." Bro. Jack Rollins led the offertory prayer. Sis. Stewart played while the offering was received. Offering was \$44.15. Bro. and Sis. Stewart sang "Love Like the Love of God." Bro. Fletcher led in singing "He Brought Me Out." Bro. Henry VanKluyve brought the evening message using Luke 23:26; Acts 2:23-36; 1 Cor. 1:17; Gal. 6:14. Bro. Fletcher sang "The Old Rugged Cross" as an invitation. Bro. Calloway dismissed in prayer.

SATURDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 13, 1971

We convened with Bro. Fletcher leading "He Keeps Me Singing" with Sis. Stewart at the piano. Bro. James Pickett led in prayer. Bro. Fletcher led in singing "Rock of Ages." Bro. Hughes Ellis brought the morning devotion using Gen. 17:1. Prayer by the speaker.

Report of the Sunday School and C.T.S. by Bro. Thurman Murphy.

Report of Auditing Committee by Bro. A. J. Lambert.

Report of Appreciation Committee by Bro. W. H. Ryland.

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

Report of Association Clerk by Bro. Ray Ritch.

Report of Nominating Committee by Bro. E. R. Mayo.

Name delegates to National Association. Sis. Jack Rollins, Sis. Rachel Barber, Bro. W. T. Lowe, Sis. A. J. Lambert and Sis. James Pickett: Alternates Sis. Donald Grice, Sis. Carol Edgil, Sis. Robert Franks, Sis. B. T. Alexander, and Sis. B. B. Alexander. Appoint a committee to have a state newspaper: Bro. Thurman Murphy, Bro. Jerry Edgil and Bro. James Pittman.

Appoint a committee to investigate title 6 of civil rights as it concerns the Children's Home. Bro. E. R. Mayo, Bro. William Atkinson, Bro. Walter Jagers, Bro. James Walden and Bro. M. H. Hollis.

Next session will be with St. James Church in Phenix City. Bro. Floyd Barber dismissed us for a short intermission.

We convened back with Bro. Fletcher leading "More About Jesus." Move and second to receive a special offering for the Children's Home. Offering was \$67.02. Move and second to adjourn the business session. Bro. Fletcher was \$67.02. Move and second to adjourn the business session. Bro. Fletcher

led in singing "Jesus Saves," "Rescue The Perishing," "To God Be The Glory." Bro. Carlton Lamber sang "How Great Thou Art." Bro. Billy R. Smith brought the morning message using 2 Peter 3:1-14; Acts 1:8; Rev. 20:17. Prayer by the speaker. We were dismissed in prayer by Bro. W. H. Ryland.

REPORTS

APPRECIATION COMMITTEE

We your appreciation committee, on behalf of everyone present, wish to express our appreciation and sincere thanks to the Pleasant Grove Church for the splendid manner in which they have entertained the entire state body during this entire session. For the long and hard efforts in preparing such wonderful meals. For every effort in making everything so enjoyable for us. We give you a rising vote of thanks.

To the entire staff of officers for planning such a wonderful convention program.

To each speaker and those who participated in the program and the wonderful messages that so lifted our souls. Our appreciation to each of you and may God richly bless you.

Respectfully submitted,
Bro. W. H. Ryland
Sis. Dixie Atkinson
Sis. Barbara Fletcher

AUDITING COMMITTEE

We the Auditing Committee have examined and checked the following five Alabama Free Will Baptists financial reports: 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, 1971. 2. The Clerk's records and bank statements for the period of October 8, 1970 through November 2, 1971. 3. The Board of Christian Education records for the 12 month period ended November 1, 1971. 4. The Alabama State Home Missions Board records of receipts and disbursements for the 12 month period ended October 31, 1971. 5. The records of Retirement and Insurance for the 12 month period ended October 31, 1971. In our opinion the statements of receipts and disbursements are all correct.

Bro. A. J. Lambert
Sis. Ivan Stewart
Sis. Louie Bates

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

We your Credential Committee have examined the letters and find them in good order from the following associations: Birmingham District, Cahaba River, East Alabama, Florida State Line, Jasper, Liberty No. 1, Liberty No. 2, North Alabama, Progressive, Southeastern and Vernon.

Local churches; Mt. Moriah, Shiloh and Reform.

We have examined a petitionary letter from Southern Union Association

located in South Alabama and North West Florida consisting of six churches, 250 church members and six ordained ministers. We therefore recommend that this Association be accepted into this body and their delegates be seated.

CHILDREN'S HOME TRUSTEES

1. State of Home and Staff good.
2. Fire at home worked out to good of home. The entire wing cost us only \$2,446.37 above insurance payments.
3. At present former superintendents quarters being remodeled into office space.
4. Harvest drive November 21-27.
5. Address-O-Graph machine given to home valued at \$2,000.00.

Whereas the Board of Trustees of Free Will Baptist Children's Home has been assured in writing from the Alabama State Department of Pensions and Security that if at any time the institution determines that it cannot live within the terms of the Civil Rights Agreement the institution can rescind its statement of compliance by notifying the Department; And whereas the Board of Trustees feels that the purpose and objects of the Home as stated in the Certificate of Incorporation (May 28, 1947) have been faithfully persued and to a satisfactory degree achieved: And whereas the Board of Trustees feels that the Children's Home is a worthwhile mission of the church and worthy of the support of our people; And whereas the Board of Trustees is concerned that the perpetual existance of the Home shall not be unnecessarily placed in jeopardy;

Therefore be it resolved and moved that this matter be tabled and a committee appointed to investigate further into the matter and report back to the body at the next regular session.

GENERAL BOARD

1. Move and second that the General Board recommend to the State Association that we uphold the Board of Trustees decision to be in compliance with Title 6 of Civil Rights Act.
2. Move and second that the offerings on Thursday and Friday night be divided between Home Missions, Foreign Missions and the Bible College.
3. Move and second that we recommend to the State Association to approve Bro. Billy R. Smith as distributor of Free Will Baptist literature in the state.
4. Move and second that we recommend that a committee of three be appointed to looking into putting out a monthly newspaper.

CLERK'S — RECEIVED GENERAL FUND

Brought Forward	\$ 328.93
Ministers and Deacons Fees	191.00
Offering at State Association	174.72
Associational Fees	865.00
Food Fund	565.70
Total Received	\$2,125.35

PAID OUT GENERAL FUND

Officers of State Association	\$ 276.00
Rev. William Atkinson (Food Fund)	176.01
Dr. Robert Picirilli	75.00
Children's Home	99.72
Houston Printing Company	412.24
National Association (Fees)	85.00
Total Paid Out	\$1,123.97
Balance in General Fund	\$1,001.38

RECEIVED COOPERATIVE PLAN

Holmes Church	\$ 224.84
St. Marks Church	60.00
Opelika Church	686.14
East Side Church, Tuscaloosa	1,273.00
Southeastern Association	84.13
Florida State Line Association	5,504.69
New Prospect Church	171.28
White Rock Church	600.00
Friendship Church	271.28
Total Received	\$8,875.36

PAID OUT COOPERATIVE PLAN

National Association	\$4,860.82
Children's Home	1,363.17
State Retirement and Insurance	884.35
State Missions	884.35
Office Fund	882.67
Total Paid Out	\$8,875.36

RECEIVED OFFICE FUND

Brought Forward	\$ 860.73
Cooperative Plan	882.67
Total Received	\$1,743.40

PAID OUT OFFICE FUND

Children's Home	\$ 25.00
Sunday School Department	11.84
Mrs. Nella Walker (Photo)	5.00
Houston Printing Company	73.93
Rev. John Edwards (Tape Recorder)	200.00
Hand Supply (Tapes)	45.30
Birmingham Typewriter	477.00
South Central Bell	35.55

Post Office	34.06
Rev. Donald Grice	9.76
Rev. James Walden	13.28
Rev. Hughes Ellis	6.56
Bonanza	25.32
Bank Charge	1.35

Total Paid Out	\$ 964.91
Balance in Office Fund	\$ 778.49

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED

Dr. Gaines Keith, M.D.	\$ 750.00
Dr. Jerry Files, Dentist	100.00
Dr. Aubrey Sewell, M.D.	50.00
Total	\$ 900.00

FARM

Garden Vegetables	\$ 500.00
Corn (660 bu. at \$1.00 per bu.)	660.00
Frozen and Canned Foods	100.00
Milk .1,095 gal. at 75c per gal.)	821.25
Pork Sales	923.59
Hay (1,100 bales at 70c per bale)	770.00
Beef (For table - 3,601 lbs. at 60c per lb.)	2,160.00
Beef Sales	709.50
Gross Profit	\$6,644.94
Less Expense	4,106.01
Net Profit	\$2,538.93

ASSETS

1. Property and Buildings — Nineteen and one-half acres of land in Eldridge, North of Highway 78, with three main buildings thereon; one two-story building; one stone and frame building and the Superintendent's Home. There are also some other structures on this property; one corn crib; one dairy barn; one equipment shed; one hog parlor, but they are included in the farm assessment. Two (200) hundred acres of land south of Eldridge. Eighty (80) acres under fence with forty (40) acres having been cleared and sowed in permanent pasture grass; one pond consisting of one and a half acres under water; one pond consisting of two acres under water; seven acres in cultivation. The rest of the two hundred acre tract is in woods. Eighty (80) acres of mineral rights in Red Mill Community.

The replacement of the above has been assessed at	\$245,000.00
2. Furnishings in the two-story brick building in Eldridge, Ala.	20,500.00
3. Farm equipment, barns, crop, livestock	24,000.00
4. Laundry building and equipment	7,000.00

5. Filtering System for water	3,000.00
Total	<u>\$299,500.00</u>

EXHIBIT "A"

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME Eldridge, Alabama

CASH REPORT — GENERAL FUND

October 1, 1970 Through September 30, 1971

BEGINNING BALANCE OCTOBER 1, 1970		\$ 311.10
ADDITIONS THIS PERIOD		
Contributions	\$73482.57	
Social Security and Support Payments	8139.45	
Sales and Coupon Redemption	2100.27	
Bank Error	938.00	
Checks Voided Prior Year Expense	120.00	84780.29
TOTAL CASH		<u>\$85091.39</u>
EXPENDITURES THIS PERIOD		
Salaries and Payroll Tax	24018.71	
Food Costs	11393.54	
Clothing	1970.15	
Office Expense	2260.22	
Hardware and Maintenance	5723.33	
Gas and Oil	1767.91	
Butane Gas. Coal	2771.53	
Pest Control	145.00	
Electricity	2604.30	
Telephone	1204.95	
Medical	3891.54	
Vehicle Maintenance	1928.66	
Household and Laundry	5230.20	
Education	2774.31	
Gifts	435.02	
Farm Costs	4106.01	
Bank Error Correction	938.00	
Travel	160.50	
Debt Payments (First Federal, Jasper, Ala.)	1100.00	
Insurance	1685.00	
Board Members Expenses	1268.80	
Equipment Additions	6168.80	
Refund	107.63	
Property Tax	201.56	
Other Expenses	561.95	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		<u>\$84417.62</u>
ENDING BALANCE SEPTEMBER 30, 1971		<u>\$ 673.77</u>

EXHIBIT "B"

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME Eldridge, Alabama

CASH REPORTS — OTHER FUNDS

October 1, 1970 through September 30, 1971

	Miscellaneous Fund	College Fund	Foster Club Fund	Reserve Fund
BALANCES OCTOBER 1, 1970	66.87	1087.31	2897.32	170.55
ADD: Fire Insurance Proceeds	17712.30	108.00	1268.65	
Contributions	3356.85			
Camp Contributions	381.76			
Other Receipts	30.00			
Interest Earned		21.01	133.34	
TOTAL CASH	21547.87	1216.32	4299.31	170.55
DEDUCT: Expenditures				
Fire Damages, Furniture, etc.	20158.76			
Camp Costs	640.00			
Other Expenditures	61.60			
Childrens Allowances			900.00	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	20860.37		900.00	
BALANCES SEPT. 30, 1971	687.50	1216.32	3399.31	170.55

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Board of Christian Education makes the following report:

The Alabama State Youth Rally met January 22 and 23, 1971 in the Blue-Gray Room of the Whitely Hotel in Montgomery. The Conquerers, three students from the Bible College, were the featured speakers. Many considered this the best Youth Rally we have had. Registered attendance was 304.

The State Teach and Train Rally met at the First Free Will Baptist Church in Northport June 11 and 12, 1971. Jerry Edgil, pastor of the East Side Free Will Baptist Church in Tuscaloosa, was the speaker. Participation in the C.T.S. competition was low. We certainly trust that many more of our churches and associations will participate in the competitive activities this year. Attendance at the TnT Rally also exceeded 300.

The 1972 State Youth Rally will meet January 21 and 22. The TnT Rally will meet June 9 and 10. The location of these meetings will be announced when the programs are mailed.

On September 25, 1971 the Board of Christian Education sponsored a walk-a-thon for the purpose of creating a student loan fund at Free Will Baptist Bible College for Alabama students. To date the amount of money turned in for this project is \$4,691.91. This is short of our goal of \$5,000.00 by \$309.09. The First American National Bank in Nashville will loan the Bible College \$4.00 for every \$1.00 they have on deposit with the bank. This means that by depositing \$5,000.00 we will have created a student loan fund of \$20,000.00 for students from Alabama who attend the Bible College. This

ASSOCIATIONS	Buildings & Repair	Literature	Miscellaneous	Other	Total Local Expenditures	Cooperative Plan	Foreign Missions	National, State & Local Home Missions	Education
Birmingham District	10,047.10	96,975	3,693		24,430.41		100.72	100.72	100.72
Cahaba River	28,269.67	5,448.31		3,370.15	87,577.85		3,094.60	3,557.55	3,148.65
East Alabama	14,187.15	2,947.53	2,579.29	10,471.90	53,332.09	1,739.88	575.94	491.86	205.44
Florida State Line	95,415.14	7,433.09	17,104.72		125,380.42	7,713.29	205.11	1,370.03	937.44
Jasper	1,635.55	8,866.35	53,936.11		193,194.98		4,537.33	2,768.28	3,234.06
Liberty No. 1	13,822.38	1,808.28	5,423.96	1,029.17	37,539.33		374.64	2,612.99	269.66
Liberty No. 2	30,995.7	55,009		3,273.87	19,697.11	387.28	45.00	238.35	138.09
Miss. State Line	20,812.11	4,029.36	3,058.67		47,410.15				
North Alabama	50,448.01	1,060.1		7,817.46	28,952.87		261.87	785.59	160.91
Progressive	55,941.92	6,996.83	40,682.41		161,471.61		5,096.86	4,271.22	3,097.91
Southeastern	22,776.58	2,315.2		1,619.1	65,453.78	44.71	315.89	375.90	525.43
Southern Union									
Vernon	20,187.11	2,266.92	2,245.32		77,887.00		1,647.28	881.04	934.41
Mt. Moriah Church		332.03	220.00		2,081.00			231.00	
Reform Church	500.00				1,602.03			50.00	
Shiloh Church		56,199.95		353.00	4,691.4				
TOTAL	270,103.88	46,034.55	157,240.62	27,629.16	934,059.71	10,257.99	16,255.24	17,734.53	12,809.13

ASSOCIATIONS	Paid Pastors	No. of Members	Woman's Auxiliaries	No. of Members	C. T. S.	No. of Members	Sunday Schools	Ordained Deacons	Licensed Ministers	Ordained Ministers	No. of Members	No. of Churches
Birmingham District	8,594.19	6	1			344	10	26	18	19	604	10
Cahaba River	47,007.47	144	16	566	21	1,457	21	85	1	51	1,701	21
East Alabama	21,470.08	72	6	346	8	615	8	30	4	21	1,019	8
Florida State Line	38,368.39	85	6	526	15	1,177	19	63	1	16	2,410	19
Jasper	70,880.76	107	6	1,144	14	2,492	27	120	7	40	3,732	29
Liberty No. 1	14,760.00	68	6	234	6	374	8	26	1	13	372	8
Liberty No. 2	7,684.96			77	3	365	8	30		24	474	8
Mississippi State Line	29,124.31					885	18	69		24	1,424	18
North Alabama	8,636.00	52	4	112	4	354	5	22	4	6	503	5
Progressive	63,122.37	161	9	440	15	1,701	15	64	5	27	2,379	15
Southeastern	36,098.36	130	9	270	14	655	14	64	9	11	1,206	14
Southern Union									1	6	250	6
Vernon	36,922.10	16	3	279	7	908	14	74		24	1,669	14
Mt. Moriah Church	1,660.00			20	1	40	1	4			89	1
Reform Church	680.00	9	1	30	1	45	1	5			58	1
Shiloh Church	2,400.00					63	1	6		1	150	1
TOTAL	396,408.99	850	69	4,034	109	11,475	170	688	51	283	18,040	178

36,642.51

ASSOCIATIONS									
Birmingham District	1,911.02	100.72	678.00	45.00	3,036.90	57,500.00			
Cahaba River	6,499.32	1,160.47	506.33		17,966.92	575,924.11	62,500.00		6
East Alabama	1,715.64	156.73	246.00		5,640.08	255,000.00	43,000.00		4
Florida State Line	812.61		230.00		11,379.78	519,650.00	46,500.00		4
Jasper	5,812.46	1,349.33	413.50		18,649.85	610,750.00	75,000.00		6
Liberty No. 1	706.99	251.96	133.00		4,413.24	120,500.00	3,000.00		1
Liberty No. 2	802.88		70.00		1,681.60	68,000.00	4,000.00		1
Mississippi State Line	1,292.62			90.00	1,382.62	188,765.00			
North Alabama	391.02	135.02	100.00		1,689.52	171,300.00	42,000.00		2
Progressive	3,993.77	400.47	421.70	171.75	17,453.68	720,900.00	101,000.00		8
Southeastern	962.70	26.66			2,623.92	304,000.00	27,000.00		3
Southern Union									
Vernon	2,591.80	244.76	270.00		6,569.29	381,589.00			4
Mt. Moriah Church	512.00				743.00	25,000.00			
Reform Church	95.00				145.00	12,000.00	12,000.00		1
Shiloh Church	357.70				357.70	30,000.00			
TOTAL	28,457.53	3,826.12	3,068.53	1,525.23	93,733.10	4,040,878.11	416,000.00		40

money will be available for loan on a low interest (probably 4%) long term basis beginning with the 1972-73 school term. The loan and the precured for securing it will be further described in the Bible College Catalogue.

The following is the financial report for the year 1970-71:

Balance brought forward	\$174.02
Receipts:	
Dues and Offerings from the Youth Rally	242.44
Dues and Offerings from TnT Rally	284.88
Total Receipts	\$527.32
Total Cash to be accounted for	\$701.34
Expenditures:	
Rally Speakers	165.00
Rooms for Speakers	15.90
Registration Supplies	6.86
Board Members travel expenses	46.04
Programs and Mailing	102.35
Contestant fees for the National	26.00
Awards	111.10
Total Expenditures	\$473.25
Balance as of November 1, 1971	\$228.09

Thurmon Murphy, Chairman
James Pittman, Treasurer
Jerome Goodwin
Ivan Stewart
Robert Franks

REPORT OF BOARD OF RETIREMENT AND INSURANCE TREASURER — NOVEMBER 1971

RECEIVED:

Forestdale Church	\$ 289.88	St. James, Phenix City	22.00
Forestdale Auxiliary	24.00	Ensley Church	38.35
Unity Church, Sylacauga	117.50	Davis Chapel Church, Sterrett	18.00
Shady Grove, Adamsville	215.01	Belk Church, Fayette	60.00
Vernon Church	114.20	Laodecia Church, Hanceville	18.00
Mt. Olive, Guin	138.83	Canaan Church, Atmore	20.00
Winfield Church	133.60	Maple Grove, Madison	100.00
Fairview, Leeds	60.00	Pleasant Grove, Ashville	2.66
East Birmingham Church	179.76	Mt. Pleasant, Marion	63.00
Guin Church	650.27	Liberty No. 1 Assn.	225.96
Florence Church	216.97	Ala. State Assn.	884.35
Hamilton Church	98.07	Interest from Bank	128.92
N. B'ham (Now Fultondale)	82.72		
Cedrom Grove, Carbon Hill	59.80	Total	\$4,434.35
Belview Church, Leeds	16.70	Brought forward Nov. 1, 1970	3,536.05
Friendship Church, Flomaton	6.00		
Cordova Church	192.29	Grand Total	\$7,970.40
Graysville Church	137.00	Total Paid Out	2,872.68
Graysville Auxiliary	20.00		
Hanks Memorial Church	100.71	Balance in Treasury	\$5,097.72

PAID OUT:		Mrs. R. H. Howard	185.00
Rev. S. F. Lee	\$ 185.00	Mrs. C. R. Allen	185.00
Rev. Eugene Brooks	185.00	Mrs. Rufus Hyman	185.00
Rev. J. W. Arnett	185.00	Mrs. Annie Franks	185.00
Rev. B. A. Hale	185.00	Bank Charges	12.28
Rev. Amon Edge	185.00	Office Expense	12.00
Rev. A. L. Warren	185.00	Tithe to Nat. Board	443.40
Mrs. M. E. Carpenter	185.00		
Mrs. Maude Quick	185.00	Total Paid Out	\$2,872.68
Mrs. Ruby Nobles	185.00	—Verla Ryland, Sec. & Treas.	

YEARLY TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS: November 1, 1970 - October 31, 1971

Alabama State Association	\$884.35	Gum Springs, Winfield	190.00
Appleton - Castleberry	37.00	Guiding Light	15.00
Ala. State Womans' Auxiliary	347.00	Guin	739.01
Atmore First FWB Church	140.00	Guin Woman's Auxiliary	5.00
Brilliant	100.00	Wattsville	120.00
Belk	60.00	Winfield	310.44
Canaan-Brewton	33.14	Graysville	103.00
Cave Springs - Moulton	29.37	Hanks Memorial	100.71
Cedar Creek	120.09	Leighton	33.00
Corinth, Ashford	43.25	Mr. & Mrs. Roy Hodgins	100.00
Cordova	1059.25	Howard Grove	49.37
Cowarts Creek, Ashford	180.51	Hamilton	173.82
Cahaba River Assn.	45.00	Jasper Association	39.90
Bobby Davis	15.00	Jr. Church, Marianna, Fla.	5.00
Mrs. Lizzie Davis	1.00	David Kent	10.00
East Birmingham	224.67	Laodicia	27.00
East Side	75.75	Liberty No. 1 Assn.	355.07
Eldridge	120.00	Liberty	35.40
Ensley	32.90	Memorial	60.00
Fayette Womans Auxiliary	3.05	Mt. Moriah	243.42
First Church, Dothan	56.42	Mt. Olive, Guin	248.57
First Church, Decatur	50.00	Mt. Zion, Pell City	65.00
First Church, Russellville	102.00	Mt. Pleasant	235.00
First Church, Sylacauga	120.00	Mt. Harmony	35.00
First Church, Aliceville	4106.00	New Zion Woman's Aux.	10.00
Fairview	110.00	Pine Grove, Perdido	55.00
Fairview Woman's Auxiliary	5.00	Pleasant Grove, Ashville	21.36
Friendship, Pell City	80.00	Progressive Association	52.00
Friendship Woman's Auxiliary	19.02	Offitt Rogers	30.00
W. Lee Franks	5.00	Grace W. Reynolds	32.00
Edwin D. Fletcher	20.00	Range, Perdido	40.00
Forestdale Woman's Auxiliary	36.00	Shady Grove Auxiliary	15.00
Forestdale	357.08	St. James	73.50
First Church, Florence	867.89	Semirah Springs	26.26
Youth Camp	83.25	South Highland	148.32
Mrs. Erving Fort	20.00	Springfield	45.25

State Line District Aux.	95.05	Unity	117.70
State Line Assn.	37.41	Vernon	114.20
Hodge Stephensons	50.00	West Fla. Assoc.	10.00
St. Mark	105.00	Kenneth Walker	4.68
Shiloh	100.00	White Rock	54.82
Townley	27.50	TOTAL	\$14,177.75
Union Grove	25.00		

DISBURSEMENTS

National Home Missions	\$ 9,000.00
Board members travel expense	667.13
Mailing out reports	178.80
Envelopes	187.18
Mailing permits, postage and stamps	191.00
Supplies	163.39
Mimeograph and Copy Machines	100.00
Montgomery Church	347.00
TOTAL	\$10,834.50

BALANCE SHEET

Balance in Bank November 1, 1970	\$ 6,498.44
Money received from Nov. 1, 1970 to Oct. 31, 1971	14,177.75
Total to account for	20,676.19
Disbursements from Nov. 1, 1970 to Oct. 31, 1971	10,834.50
Balance in Bank November 1, 1971	\$ 9,841.69*
*\$7,000.00 transferred to savings account, \$2841.69 in checking account.	

STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

Theme: "Ministering Unto Christ"

FRIDAY MORNING, JUNE 11, 1971

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

Opening song: "Send the Light"

Prayer: Rev. A. J. Lambert.

Appoint Credentials Committee.

Devotion: Mrs. Mary Edna Cook.

Group singing.

Credential Committee Report. MSC

We the Credential Committee have examined the letters and dues and have found them in order and recommend the seating of the delegates from the following districts: State Line, East Alabama, Jasper, Progressive, South-eastern, and Cahaba River. Let's all stress in our local and district auxiliaries

to fill out the forms completely and send in by or before deadline date.

Respectfully submitted,
Ruby Roper
Wilma Davis
Alice Gamble

Minutes read and accepted.

Treasurer's Report: MSC

Balance brought forward	\$ 207.60
Dues	505.00
State Project (Dan Merkh's Acct.)	329.40
Offering	35.15

Total \$1,077.15

Expenditures

National Dues	\$ 381.00
State Speaker (Mrs. Mayhew)	75.00
State Project	400.00
State Minutes	15.00

Total \$ 871.00

Income \$1,077.15

Expenditures \$ 871.00

\$ 206.15

Bank Error 6.27

Total Balance \$ 212.42

Appointing of Committees.

Information Time.

Song: "Count Your Blessings"

Prayer: Mrs. Aileen Craddock

Offering.

Message: Rev. Tommy Hughes — Romans 13:11-12.

Dismissed for Lunch: Mrs. A. J. Lambert.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Song: "At Calvary"

Prayer: Mrs. Ruby Roper

Devotion: Mrs. Ruby Roper — Galatians 6:1-9

Prayer: Rev. A. J. Lambert

Report of Committees:

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

We the Finance Committee submit the following:

Per Capita dues received	\$498.00
State Project: Montgomery Church Building Fund	347.00
Offering at Convention	21.22

Total \$866.22

We recommend the following:

1. We pay the Speaker (Rev. Hughes) \$100.00
2. We pay \$15.00 for printing of minutes
3. We give the \$347.00 for State Project
4. We give the Children's Home \$50.00 for repair of wing damaged due to fire. MSC

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Geraldine Cox
Mrs. Billie Rollins
Mrs. Annette Tomlinson

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

We recommend the following:

1. We strongly urge each district president to accept the responsibility of seeing that their district sends in their project money which is \$100.00 and the project designation be made at the convention pending the need at the time.
2. That a notice, if not program, be sent out to districts a month in advance.
3. That the past president serve as a member of the executive committee for 2 years.
4. A vote be taken of whether we split from the TnT Rally or continue as is. 16 in favor of change. None opposed. MSC

Respectfully submitted,
Ruby Roper
Marie Goodwin
Mary Edna Cook
Aileen Craddock
Geraldine Cox

REGISTRATION COMMITTEE:

We the Registration Committee make the following report:

Delegates	12
Officers	4
Ministers	3
Visitors	16
	—
	35

Respectfully submitted.
Mrs. Merle Dyer

MSC for all Auxiliary members to vote on place and time of next convention. Invitations were given from:

Pell City, Mt. Zion	2
Forestdale	13
Dothan	4

The next State Woman's Auxiliary Convention will be at Forestdale on the 1st Saturday in May.

MSC for host church to always be in charge of registration.

Each district will be informed of change.

Delegates to National: Mrs. A. J. Lambert, Mrs. Wilma Davis, Mrs. Billie Rollins, Faye Vaughn, Mrs. Jerome Goodwin, Cheryl Nichols, Mrs. A. M. Wallace and Mary Edna Cook.

Everyone stood as a vote of thanks to host church for their warm hospitality shown to us.

Dismissal Prayer: Mary Edna Cook

Mrs. Aileen Craddock, Pres.

Mrs. Geraldine Cox, Sec. & Treas.

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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