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PROCEEDINGS

THE FORTY-SIXTH SESSION of the MINISTERS' and DEACONS' Meeting THURSDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 7, 1991

The Forty-sixth session of the Ministers' and Deacons' meeting met at Madison Free Will Baptist Church, Madison, Alabama. Prior to the 9:30 am meeting, Sis. Kathy Mizell at the organ and Sis. Loretta Champion at the piano rendered several musical specials.

Bro. Neal Champion directed "That Glad Reunion Day". Prayer by Rev. Duane Taylor. Welcome by Rev. Richard Hendrix. Another song, "He Set Me Free" was led by Bro. Neal Champion.

Rev. Tim Trimble, who presided over the Ministers' and Deacons' meeting, requested groups of fours to gather around the altar or anywhere possible for special prayer.

Bro. Neal Champion led in singing "My Jesus, I Love Thee".

A special "He's Been There" was sung by Sis. Loretta Champion and Bro. Neal Champion.

Rev. Ron Woodard brought the 10:10 morning message, "We Should Look To The Cross" from Habakkak 1:1-4 and 2:4. Prayer by speaker. Other scriptures read were Matthew 16:2-3 and Habakkak 3:17. Prayer by speaker.

After a short intermission, Sis. Kathy Mizell at the organ and Sis. Loretta Champion at the piano played "Victory In Jesus". Bro. Neal Champion directed two songs, "I Want To Know More About My Lord" and "I Am Resolved".

Sis. Fredrick, missionary to Haiti, led in prayer.

Bro. Terry Austin, US Army Chaplain from Fayetteville, NC and who was in the Dessert Storm, led the congregation in the responsive reading from the book of Psalms 91, which is "The Soldier's Psalms". All stood and took part.

An offering for speakers, amount of \$143.30, was received, while Sis. Loretta Champion rendered a piano solo. Bro. Neal Champion led a chorus "My Desire". Rev. Tim Trimble sang a special "No More Night".

Rev. Dennis Haygood brought the 11:10 message from I Corinthians 1:18, "Preaching Of The Cross". Other scriptures used were Matthew 27:24, I Peter 18-19, Psalms 49:7-8 and I John 1:7. Prayer by speaker. An invitation was extended by singing "Softly and Tenderly" with Rev. Ron Woodard at the altar to greet ones who came forward.

Dismissed for lunch.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 7, 1991

We convened with Bro. Neal Champion directing "Set My Soul Afire" and "I Will Serve Thee". Bro. and Sis. Neal Champion sang a

special "That'll Be The Day".

Rev. Richard Hendrix, host pastor, brought the afternoon message from Luke 24:49, Acts 1:4 and 8, Acts 2:1-4, Acts 2:12-13, Acts 2:47 based on "That God Gets The Glory".

All pastors and deacons gathered around the altar as the pianist and organist played "Breathe On Me". Prayer by Rev. James Walden. Bro. Neal Champion led the song "My Savior First of All".

BUSINESS SESSION: There were none.

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Tim Trimble until night services.

REGISTERED: Ministers 65; Deacons 16; Delegates 41 and Visitors 115; a Total of 273.

THURSDAY NIGHT, NOVEMBER 7, 1991

Prior to the services, Sis. Carolyn Hendrix at the piano and Sis. Kathy Corley at the organ rendered several musical specials.

Bro. Rodney Yerby led the evening song service with "Where The Spirit of The Lord Is" and "Sweet, Sweet Spirit" Prayer by Rev. Jack Rollins. Bro. Rodney Yerby led another congregational song "The Comforter Has Come".

Rev. Richard Hendrix gave a cordial welcome to everyone and expressed his appreciation for the church being our mission church.

Rev. Jack Rollins from Birmingham (Forestsdale Church) gave the response.

The Seventy-second Session of the Alabama State Association was called to order by Bro. Ivan Stewart, clerk. Bro. Stewart introduced the officers: Dr. John A. Edwards, moderator; Rev. Jack Rollins, assistant moderator and Rev. Jim McNeil, treasurer.

Dr. John Edwards appointed the Credential Committee: Rev. Ray Ritch, chairman; Rev. Louie Bates and Rev. Fred Hawkins.

He also asked Sis. Shirley Kennedy to come forward to give her testimony of her illness since March and how the Lord had healed her.

An offering of \$108.50 was received, which the host church

played special music.

Bro. Rodney Yerby led another congregational song "Old-Time Power". A special "Sweet Bye and Bye" was sung by the host church choir. Bro. Rodney Yerby directed a congregational song "Breathe On Me". A special "We Shall All Be Changed" was sung by the host church quartet.

Rev. Levy Corey, Superintendent of FWB Children's Home, brought the Keynote Message from Exodus 14:10-15 "Obedience Unto God". Prayer by speaker.

An invitation song "I Surrender All" was sung. Prayer by Rev. Dennis Reeves.

Appreciation was shown to the North Alabama Association for their help with refreshments.

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Thomas Kirkland.

FRIDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 8, 1991

We convened at 9 am with Bro. Rodney Yerby leading the song service, "Praise Him, Praise Him" with Sis. Odessa Ledlow at the piano and Sis. Kathy Corley at the organ. Prayer by Bro. Paul Jones. Two more congregational songs, "How Great Thou Art" and "Jesus Is All The World To Me" was sung plus along with a chorus "God Is So Good".

Rev. Jack Rollins presided prior to the Scripture Reading and prayer by Bro. Ken Lollar using scripture from I Peter 4:7-11.

Dr. John Edwards, moderator, brought the moderator's message "On Giving", taking text from I Kings 17:8-16. Prayer by speaker.

Credential Committee report was read by Rev. Ray Ritch, all in order. Bro. Ivan Stewart, clerk, read each church letter for church delegates to be seated. Dr. John Edwards recognized visitors and appointed Appreciating, Auditing and Nominating Committees.

Bro. Gene Waddell gave the Foreign Mission report, which was received as information. Report of the National Executive office was given by Dr. Melvin Worthington, which was received as information. Report of the State Board of Christian Education by Rev. Milton Fields was received.

After a short intermission Bro. Rodney Yerby directed "In My Heart There Rings A Melody" and "Heavenly Sunlight". Bro. Tony Latham sang a special "The Greatest Love Story Today", followed by an applause.

Rev. David A. Joslin, promotional man from Arkansas, brought the Morning Message on "What Is Assurance" using I John 5:13. Other scripture used were Isaiah 32:17, I Thessalonians 1:5, John 20:20, I John 5:12, Romans 5:2 and Isaiah 65:24.

An invitation song "Blessed Assurance" was sung.

We were dismissed in prayer by Rev. Tom Malone for lunch until 1:30 pm.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 8, 1991

We convened with Bro. Rodney Yerby directing a congregational song "We'll Work Til Jesus Comes". Prayer by Bro. Waymon Fields. Bro. Rodney Yerby led another song "I Will Serve Thee". Prayer by Bro. Ed Ledlow.

Report of the Woman's Auxiliary Convention by Sis. Paulette Scott, report accepted.

Report of FWB Bible College by Rev. Tom Malone, which was received as information.

Report of the Children's Home by Rev. Levy Corey. Report of the National Sunday School and Church Training by Bro. Bill Brown, which was received as information.

Report of State Missions by Rev. Donnie Hussey. Report of Pastors and Workers Conference by Rev. Jerry White, which was received as information.

Report of Associational Treasurer by Rev. Jim McNeil.

Report of the General Board was read by Bro. Ivan Stewart, clerk.

Item (1) Invitation to go to First FWB Church in Dothan for 1992 session; Item (2) A. Rev. David Joslin gave some information on having a Promotional man for the State of Alabama, which he also gave information on Co-op program. Had a Question and Answer period, B. Motion and second that the Executive Committee do an extensive research on a Promotional Plan for the State and report back at next year's State Association. C. Executive Committee be compensated for their services, such as expenses, gas, mileage, etc. Item (3) OFFERINGS - Motion and second that offerings to go to Rev. David Joslin to help cover expenses coming from Arkansas to give information on the Promotional Plan. Passed. Item (4) Motion and second to raise \$15,000.00 for the Madison Free Will Baptist Church. Passed.

A total of \$6,150.00 were made in pledges for the Madison church

plus additional offerings to come in later.

Rev. Dennis Haywood brought before the floor to change ARTICLE 4 - FINANCE - Section 1 and 2 be amended to read \$100.00.

Move that the state dues be divided on the following basis:

State General Fund 32%

31% Alabama Missions General Fund

Pastor's and Worker's Conference

Children's Home 7%

Christian Education Board

Move that the state Mission Board institute a state wide program to enlist each church to budget a minimum of \$100.00 per month to Alabama missions.

Delegates to the National Association are (1) Paul Nichols, (2) Shirley Kennedy (3) Dell Whittaker (4) Elwanda Oakes and (5) Joe Grimsley. Alternate delegate is Gwen Stewart.

Report of the Auditing Committee was given by Sis. Gwen Stewart.

Deceased ministers were recognized by a Standing vote of silent prayer for the deceased.

Report of the Nominating Committee.

FRIDAY NIGHT, NOVEMBER 8, 1991

The 7 o'clock service convened with Bro. Rodney Yerby directing the song service "Joy Unspeakable". Prayer by Rev. Dennis Reeves. Two other songs "What A Friend We Have In Jesus" and "Just A Little Talk With Jesus" were directed.

Rev. Roger Lucas sang a special "Come Morning" ended with an applause.

Bro. Rodney Yerby directed another congregational song "Heaven Came Down" with Sis. Carolyn Hendrix and Sis. Kathy Corley at the piano and organ.

Rev. Jack Rollins, assistant moderator, presided.

Appreciation Committee was given by Sis. Rhetta Butler, with arising vote of thanks.

Prior to the offering of \$154.20, Bro. Waymon Fields prayed the

offeratory prayer. A piano solo was rendered by Sis. Carolyn Hendrix.

Bro. Rodney Yerby directed another congregational song, "Since

Jesus Came Into My Heart".

A trio from the host church sang "I Will Glory In The Cross".

Bro. Rodney Yerby directed the congregation in two more songs, "Just A Closer Walk With Thee" and "Bind Us Together".

A special prior to the message by Rev. Mike Rogers sang "Ship

Ahoy" ended with a great applause.

Dr. John Edwards, moderator, recognized two of our missionaries,

Bro. and Sis. Dave Franks, Jr.

Rev. Tom Malone, President of FWB College, Nashville, TN, brought a powerful evening message from I Timothy 4:12, I Timothy 4:16 on "How To Save Yourself". Other scriptures used were I Timothy 4:6, Pslams 79:29. Prayer by speaker. An invitation was extended by singing "Have Thine Own Way" led by Bro. Rodney Yerby.

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Jim McNeil.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1991

Prior to the session Sis. Carolyn Hendrix played several piano solos. Bro. Rodney Yerby directed the song service "This Is My Father's World" and "To God Be The Glory".

A special "How Wonderful Thou Art" was sung by Bro. Rodney

Yerby.

Rev. J.D. Norris, pastor at Florence FWB Church, brought the Morning Message, "The Burden of the Word" from Malachi 1:1-2A. Prayer by speaker. Other scriptures used were Isaiah 40:3, Malachi 1:6-8, Malachi 2:17, Malachi 3:1 and John 1:23. Prayer by speaker.

Report as information - the total that registered were Ministers 78; Deacons 21; Delegates 46 and Visitors 131, making a total of 276.

BUSINESS SESSION: (1) ARTICLE 4 - FINANCE - Section 1 and 2 to be amended to \$100.00. Raise dues from \$30.00 to \$100.00. NOT CARRIED. (2) ARTICLE 6 - MEETINGS - Section 1 — The State Association of Free Will Baptist 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 close out on Friday night.

Appreciation was given to the Madison Church, Home Mission Board and other boards for their faithful work. Also for all officers.

Finished out with trio from Tabernacle Free Will Baptist singing "I'm Ready To Go".

Dismissed.

REPORTS

APPRECIATION COMMITTEE

We, the Appreciation Committee, are grateful to Rev. Richard Hendrix, the Madison FWB Church and the North Alabama District churches for the hospitality shown us during the 1991 State Associational Meeting.

We want to thank the officers and musicians, song leader and all

those who participated in the services for a job well done.

We give the Lord the praise for all that has been accomplished in this associational meeting; as Paul said in Philippians 1:3, "I thank my God upon every remembrance of you."

We recommend you join us in giving them a rising vote of

"Thanks".

Respectfully submitted, Rhetta Butler Barbara Kirkland Odessa Ledlow

AUDITING COMMITTEE

We, your Auditing Committee, have looked over and examined reports from material by the Alabama Association of Free Will Baptist for the year 1990-1991.

Children's Home:

From August 31, 1990 to August 31, 1991, audited by Michael Terry Comer.

Pastors' and Workers' Conference:

From September 1, 1990 to August 31, 1991, audited by Jimmy Wade Fuller.

Home Mission Board:

From September 1, 1990 to August 31, 1991, audited by James R. Morrison.

Christian Education:

From November 9, 1990 to October 31, 1991, balanced with bank statement.

Treasurer's Report:

From August 31, 1990 to August 31, 1991, audited by McDaniel and Associates, P.C.

Gwen Stewart Shirley Kennedy Polly Roberson

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

We, the Credential Committee, have examined the letters of the 14 associations and find all to be in order. We recommend that they be accepted and the delegates seated.

Rev. Ray W. Ritch

ALABAMA STATE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION October 31, 1991

This	October 31, 1991 \$ 803.80
Total deposits.	1/9/90
Deposits:	Gifts \$ 705.06 Fees 1,035.00 Offering 23.11 Refund \$1,934.17
Disbursements:	Board
TOTAL	\$2,253.49

We especially wish to thank the following:

Pleasant Grove, Alabama State Mission Board, Mt. Moriah Christian Board, Mt. Zion, Macedonia CTS, Mt. Moriah, Forestdale (Competition host church), Red Bay

These churches and organizations provide regular support to continue the work of the Board of Christian Education.

GENERAL BOARD REPORT:

The General Board met on Thursday afternoon, November 7, at 3:40 pm, following Ministers' and Deacons' Meeting in the main auditorium of Madison Church.

Bro. Ivan Stewart, clerk, called the General Board roll. FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS WERE MADE:

Invitation to go to First Free Will Baptist Church, Dothan, AL next November 5 and 6, 1992.

State had Rev. David Joslin from Arkansas, which is a Promotional Man, to give information on Co-op program and having a Promotional Man for the State of Alabama. Had a Question and Answer period. Motion and second that the Executive Committee do an extensive research on a promotional plan for the state and report back at next year's State Association. Executive Committee to be compensated for their services, such as expenses, gas mileage, etc..

 OFFERINGS — Motion and second that offerings to go to Rev. David Joslin to help cover expenses coming from Arkansas to give information on the Promotional Plan.

4. Motion and second to raise \$15,000 for the Madison Free Will

Baptist Church.

Dismissed from the General Board Meeting by Rev. Richard Cordell.

EXHIBIT "A"

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME

Eldridge, Alabama

General Fund - Operating Account

September 1, 1990 through August 31, 1991

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BEGINNING BALANCE September	1,	1990	\$	37,527.38
Additions This Period:	\$	311,695.60 6,712.04		
Social Security & Support Payme	1100	1,824.30		
Sales and Coupon Redemptions		863.05		
Interest Income		1,853.83		
Refunds Insurance		325.92		
Special Ministry Friends		3,018.98	_	326,293.72
TOTAL CASH				363,821.10
Dowind:				
EXPENDITURES This Period:	\$	139,738.39		
Salaries and Taxes	Ψ	37,049.95		
Food Costs		5,067.19		
Clothing		8,032.43		
Medical		9,929.31		
Household Expenses		5,665.29		
Education		34,987.14		
Utilities Laundry and Janitorial		3,289.22		
Vehicle Maintenance		7,294.49		
Hardware and Maintenance		12,446.36		
Office Expense		6,025.23		
Promotional		14,015.89		
Farm Expense		2,555.40		
Insurance		34,569.32		
Board Member Expense		2,513.68		
Miscellaneous		1,539.54		
Moving Expense		307.03		
Recreation Expense		2,509.65		
Kitchen Supplies		1,158.34		
Conference Expense		1,306.80		
Gas and Oil		16,564.43		
Postage		9,435.04		
Gifts		2,128.16		
Supplies		35.00)	
Social Worker Expenses		148.40)	
Donations		98.00		
Travel Expense		757.15		
Accounting		500.00)	
Accounting				

Rent 479.02 Returned Check 500.00

360,645.85

ENDING BALANCE August 31, 1991

\$ 3,175.25

EXHIBIT "B" FREE WILL BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME

Eldridge, Alabama

General Fund - Savings Accounts

September 1, 1990 through August 31, 1991

EXHIBIT "C"

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME

Eldridge, Alabama

Cash Reports Other Funds

September 1, 1990 through August 31, 1991

			H	FUND		
		Misc.	_ C	ollege	Fo	ster Club
BEGINNING BALANCE	\$	3,080.18	\$	454.27	\$	996.30
Add: Contributions Interest Earned Refunds Timber Sales Sales				25.35		3,330.87 70.65
TOTAL CASH	\$	3080.18	\$	479.62	\$_	4,397.82
Deduct: Promotional Allowances Salaries Household Office Expense Travel Expense	\$				\$	3,700.00
Automobile/Veh Recreation Miscellaneous	icle	14.41				
Repairs		234.27				
New Equipment		2,062.44				
Food Education		374.44 182.26				
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	\$	2,867.82	\$_	<u> </u>	\$	3,700.00
ENDING BALANCE	\$	212.36	\$	479.62	\$	697.82

ALABAMA FREE WILL BAPTIST BOARD OF MISSIONS & CHURCH EXTENSION November 8, 1991

Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists Madison Free Will Baptist Church Madison, Alabama

The Alabama Free Will Baptist Board of Missions and Church Extension has been very busy since we met at the State Association in Forestdale last year. We had our regular meetings in April and September and were also required to have several special meetings during the year. We were honored to be a part of the All-Board's Conference held here in Madison during September. The purpose of this special meeting was to discuss the financial needs of all our state programs. The Executive Board, Children's Home, Mission Board, Pastor's and Workers Conference Board, and the Board of Christian Education all were represented at the meeting. We express our appreciation to our State Moderator, Dr. John Edwards, in calling for and leading us in this meeting.

We are thrilled that the Madison Free Will Baptist Church is hosting the State Association this year. Isn't it a beautiful facility? Bro. Richard Hendrix is doing a tremendous job in leading this congregation. Their building and land payment is over \$3,000.00 each month. The church had to go to a local bank and borrow an additional \$15,000.00 to pave a larger parking area, put in sidewalks, and also make some building repairs to meet the state codes for their daycare. MADISON FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH IS NOT READY TO GO SELF-SUPPORTING. THEY NEED OUR SUPPORT NOW AS MUCH AS EVER. Will your church give a special offering? Please

help them pay the \$15,000.00 loan off.

The 1992 Walk-A-Thon for Alabama Missions is scheduled for the month of April. The overall missions program for Alabama Free Will Baptists needs a strong year financially. Madison Church will receive 60% of the money received, 20% will go toward New Work, and the other 20% will go to the Alabama Missions General Fund. The theme for this year's Walk-A-Thon is "New Vision - Walk for Alabama Missions." We will be giving out caps and shirts again this year. The shirts will be white with crimson lettering, and the caps will be crimson with white lettering. You MUST raise at LEAST \$35.00 to receive a cap or shirt. If you raise \$70.00 or more you can have both. The church that raises \$1,000.00 or more will receive a nice plaque and their pastor will receive a nice crimson jacket. It will have Free Will Baptist on the front and have "PASTOR" on the back. We need every church to get involved.

We reported last year that we would be starting a new work. This has not materialized due to the fact that the finances are just not there to consider such a move. We certainly do not want to do anything that would hinder the Madison work. We have a man that is ready to begin a new work. It is our desire that something can be done at this state meeting that will bring us closer to a starting date.

It is a joy to serve you. This board is always open for your suggestions. Please feel free to call on any of us at any time.

Respectfully submitted,
Donnie E. Hussey
Chairman
Duane Taylor

Co-Chairman

Roger Lucas

Secretary-Treasurer E.B. Ledlow

Bobby Ned Peters Tim Trimble Phil Kimbrough

ALABAMA FREE WILL BAPTIST ... TUSCALOOSA, ALABAMA
BOARD MISSIONS & CHURCH EXTENSIONS

FUND BALANCES AUGUST 31, 1991

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF PICKENS COUNTY:

Balance 9/1/90
Add: Receipts \$ 40,229.35
Less: Disbursements 66,391.63 \$ 26,162.28

BALANCE 8/31/91 \$ -0 -

ALABAMA MENTAL HEALTH CREDIT UNION:

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7,814.00
7,814.00

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Balance 9/1/90	\$	26.77	Φ	O
Add: Receipts Less: Disbursements	φ	- 0 -		26.77
BALANCE 8/31/91			\$	26.77

ALABAMA FREE WILL BAPTIST . . . TUSCALOOSA, ALABAMA BOARD MISSIONS & CHURCH EXTENSIONS

BOARD MISSION	S &	CHURCH EXT	ENSIO	NS
Statement of Receipts & Dish	urs	ements	9/1/9	90 - 8/31/91
TOTAL RECEIPTS:				
Contributions	\$	135,119.43		
Interest Income		658.77		
Transfer	_	1,736.11	\$	137,514.31
OPERATING EXPENSE:				
Missions: Digest	\$	1,326.86		
Hendrix -				
Huntsville		30,201.27		
Trimble		233.61		
Haiti		767.21		
Childrens Home		5,270.36		
Foreign		32,309.74		
Home		32,102.47		
Advance		802.00		
Bible College		1,466.50		
Quarters		2,198.27		
Others		3,659.18		
Walk-A-Thon		9,695.88		
Service Charge		6.00		
T-Loan		1,033.48		
Land & Building		19,844.85		
Salary		9,150.00		
Accounting		200.00		
Travel		2,137.82		
Telephone		1,404.24		
Office Supplies		1,350.55		
Miscellaneous		179.45		
Repairs		237.09		
Promotions		138.99		1 = = 00 = 00

120.00

1991 - 1992 BUDGET PROPOSAL

NEW WORKS: Salary Land and Rent	\$	24,000.00 30,000.00		
Total for New Works	\$	54,000.00	\$	54,000.00
MADISON: Salary & Mileage Building Pymts. Health Insurance Miscellaneous		26,400.00 38,650.00 3,120.00 1,500.00		00.050.00
Total for Madison	\$	69,670.00	\$	69,670.00
WALK-A-THON: Designated Gifts		20,000.00	•	00 000 00
Total for Walk-A-Thon	\$	20,000.00	\$	20,000.00
GENERAL FUND: Salary Phone Travel Promotion Accounting Equipment	\$	9,360.00 1,200.00 2,500.00 2,000.00 200.00 2,000.00		15 000 00
Total for General Fund	\$	17,260.00	\$	17,260.00
Grand Total for All of the Al	ove		\$	160,930.00
Total Needed Monthly to Me			\$	13,410.83

Respectfully Submitted, Rev. Donnie Hussey Chairman

155,835.82

(18, 321.51)

EXCESS OF EXPENDITURES OVER REVENUE

Dues

MID-SOUTH FWB PASTORS' & WORKERS' CONFERENCE REV. JERRY R. WHITE 504 GREEN AVENUE CORDOVA, ALABAMA 35550 PHONE 205-483-6272

TREASURER'S REPORT SEPTEMBER 1, 1990 TO AUGUST 31, 1991

Paid In \$ 3	603.05
Total \$ 3	759.48
Paid Out	528.64
Ending Balance \$	230.84
EXPENSES:	
Check Returned	50.00
U.S. Postal Service	25.00
Cash and Carry Printers	181.90
U.S. Postal Service	171.47
Clifford Holland (Air fare for Bro. Gordon Sebastian).	438.00
	250.00
	125.00
American Express	34.59
	578.00
	207.00
Honorariums 1	00.000
	342.68
	125.00
TOTAL EXPENSE \$ 3.	528.64
PAID IN:	
Market and the second of the s	100.81
Progressive Association	300.00
South Highland FWB Church	200.00
	100.00
	100.00
Liberty No. 1 Association	50.00
	100.00
	100.00
Macedonia FWB Church	50.00
	100.00
Forestdale FWB Church	75.00
	100.00 225.00

	500.00
Jasper Association	150.00
Winfield FWB Church	85.00
Cordova FWB Church	100.00
Chady Grove FWB Church	100.00
Free Will FWB Church	
Davis Chapel FWB Church	15.00
First FWB Church, Russellville	100.00
Centerpoint FWB Church	50.00
First FWB Church, Jasper	100.00
Offering (Cash)	77.47
Offering (Cash)	170.62
Offering (Cash)	50.00
Huntsville FWB Church	25.00
James South	33.00
Offering (Cash)	63.00
Refund on Speakers Meals	100.00
State Line Association	
Cedar Creek FWB Church	100.00
First FWB Church, Fayette	100.00
Unity FWB Church	50.00
Econ-Lodge, Refund on over charge of room	33.15
	\$3603.05
TOTAL	φουσο.σο
	\$230.84
BALANCE AS OF AUGUST 31, 1991	φ200.04

TREASURER'S REPORT

ALABAMA STATE GENERAL FUND September 1, 1990 through August 31, 1991

Deptember 1, 1		
Balance brought forward		1,055.11 7,028.64
PAID OUT Bank Charge (checks)	5.73 1,266.55	
National Association of Free Will Baptists (dues)	1,720.00 425.00	
Hudson Office Supply (name badges)	117.70	
McDaniel and Associates (auditing books)	50.00	
Court Square Jewelers (plaque for Rev. Ray Ritch) Postage	49.42 16.64	

ALCAP Foreign Mission Department	
Total Balance left in General Fund as of Augus	t 31, 1991 \$ 4,352.47 3,208.03
DESIGNATED GIVING - from September	er 1, 1990 - August 31, 1991
Florida State Line Association \$	
First FWB Church of Sylacauga	251.34
Alabama State Woman's Auxiliary .	30.00
Ivan and Gwen Stewart Alabama FWB Board of	100.00
Missions and Church Extension . Alabama State	75.11
Association offering	368.86
District Associations	5,160.00
Total\$	7,028.64
MONEY LEFT IN ACCOUNTS	
Alabama State General Fund\$	3,208.03
Alabama State Home Missions	115.93
Alabama State Board	
of Christian Education	115.93
Alabama State Children's Home	115.93
ALCAP	175.46
Total	

ALABAMA STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

Along with WNAC the ASWAC theme for 1991 was, "Until He Comes"; and until Jesus comes we have eight districts and one local in the Alabama State Woman's Auxiliary Convention. These comprise of a total of 41 local auxiliaries with a total of 424 members. This is down 24 members from last year.

The 1991 ASWAC annual meeting was held at the Huntsville FWB Church. Mrs. Laura Thigpen was our guest speaker and I wish every FWB lady in Alabama could've heard her as she spoke to us from her

study of the New Age Movement.

We had a great retreat in September. It was held at the Alabama 4-H Center near Columbiana. We had a total of 71 ladies to register and Mrs. Lorene Miley was our guest speaker. We were all brought nearer to the Lord as she spoke to us using the subject of "Tabernacle Prayer." I would encourage you to attend the Bi-Annual WNAC Retreat in September 1992 at Ridgecrest, N.C., near Ashville. Then the ASWAC will plan another retreat for September 1993.

This past year Alabama ladies gave \$452.00 in the October Offering which was divided between the Franks, Jr. and McFall accounts. \$1,527.00 was given to the Larry Reynolds for their Land Fund. \$829.00 was given for our State Project which went to the Madison work for help with their parking lot. \$340.00 was given to the Eunice Edwards Fund which is a fund given in honor of Eunice Edwards to be used for church buildings abroad.

ASWAC ladies also gave several thousand dollars through WNAC

for Foreign and Home Missions and other FWB ministries.

We are discontinuing the October and State Project Offerings and will concentrate on the LAMP offering and other WNAC special offerings such as Pre-Thanksgiving and Pre-Easter offerings. Let me encourage you to give generously to the LAMP offering this next year as it will go to the Dave Franks, Jr. account to help get them on the field in Uruguay.

Please serve the Lord, ladies through ASWAC. If you do not have an auxiliary, please organize one. If you have an auxiliary but do not belong to ASWAC, please join us! Our next annual meeting will be

May 2, 1992 at the Cordova FWB Church.

If I can ever help you, please call or write to me and one of our executive committee or myself will help you in any way that we can.

The Missions Banquet was held in the Madison Fellowship Hall. The guest missionary speaker was Bro. Morrison Fuller, retired missionary to Equador, S.A., where he and his wife served for 37 years with the Missionary Alliance Church. He served there when the five missionaries were killed by Indians in 1956 and helped to rescue their bodies.

There were 125 or so to attend the banquet and the missionary offering was \$417.00 which was given to the Franks, Jr. account.

Paulette Scott President ASWAC

CONSTITUTION OF THE ALABAMA STATE ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE 1 - NAME

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

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 2 - OFFICERS AND BOARDS

Section 1 — The officers of the State Association shall be a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Treasurer, 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 Minister's and Deacon's Meeting. These officers being elected every two years with the 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 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 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 Treasurer shall keep a record of all finances that come in and from where. He shall keep a record of all disbursements made and report the same to the State Association.

Section 7 — The Executive Committee shall be composed of the Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and five (5) members elected from the General Board. The Executive Committee, along with the Moderator of the Minister's and Deacon's 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 8 — 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 9 — The General Board shall be composed of one member from each District

Association and the chairman of each standing board. If any local association fails to belong but two (2) or more of their churches belong that they be allowed a board member.

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 3 - 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 refuses to represent it in the State Body. Then the church may report independently by letter and dues with one delegate.

ARTICLE 4 - FINANCE

Section 1 — Each District Association shall send the sum of thirty (30) dollars per church affiliated with that Association.

Section 2 — The fee of each local church representing independently shall be the sum of thirty (30) dollars.

Section 3 — The Clerk shall be paid one hundred fifty (150) dollars, Treasurer one hundred fifty (150) dollars, Assistant Clerk twenty five (25) dollars, Moderator fifty (50) dollars, and Assistant Moderator twenty (20) dollars.

Section 4 — When special board meetings are called members shall be paid actual expense for meals and lodging. Automobile mileage shall be paid not to exceed the amount allowable by the Internal Revenue Service.

ARTICLE 5 - 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 6 - MEETINGS

Section 1 — The State Association of Free Will Baptist 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 close out on Friday night.

ARTICLE 7 - 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

 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.

 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 entrance fee to the State Association Clerk by the first of November.

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

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

provided the person nominated be elected. No more than one member from any one association shall serve on the same board. However a board member moving into another association already having a board member may complete their term.

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 MINISTER'S & DEACON'S MEETING

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 Minister's and Deacon's Meeting.

- We adopt the Treatise of Faith and Practice of the National Association of Free Will Baptists as our standard.
- 3. The officers of the Minister's and Deacon's 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 shall serve the Minister's and Deacon's Meeting.
- This meeting shall be composed of all ordained ministers and deacons in good standing in Alabama and adjoining states who wish to represent.
- FINANCE. The Secretary shall be paid fifteen (15) dollars for preserving the record
 of each meeting. The Moderator shall be paid thirty (30) dollars, Assistant Moderator ten
 (10) dollars for service rendered.
- 7. DISCIPLINE The Minister's and Deacon's 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 Minister's and Deacon's Meeting. This is to be a meeting of fellowship and inspiration and brotherly love.
- 8. All elected officers shall serve two years. All appointed officers and committees one year.
- 9. The Minister's and Deacon's Meeting shall meet on Thursday morning before the second Sunday in November of each year at the meeting place of the State Association.
- This Constitution may be altered at any regular meeting by a two-thirds vote of Ministers and Deacons present.

BY-LAWS

- 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-thirds 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.
- Any person not a member of the Body shall be allowed to take part in discussions, with the Moderator's 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 committee man 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 sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages, and to "provide things honest in the

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 tures, 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 Savior Jesus Christ."

works endeavor to "grow in grace and the knowledge of our Edit and the conferences, pub-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.

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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 in society.

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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