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THE EIGHTY-NINTH SESSION

of the

ALABAMA STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS WEDNESDAY NIGHT, NOVEMBER 5, 2008

The Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists convened at First Free Will Baptist Church in Dothan, Alabama, on Wednesday evening, November 5, 2008.

The service was opened with the congregation singing "He Keeps Me Singing" and "Bless the Lord, O My Soul" led by Bro. Chad Donoho. Rev. Rick Taylor led in prayer.

Rev. Steve Trail, pastor of the host church, welcomed the State Association to the Dothan church.

Rev. Danny Williams, State Clerk, called the association to order, and introduced the officers, Moderator Wayne McDaniel, Assistant Moderator Jerry Smith, and Assistant Clerk Rodney Yerby.

Promotional Director, Rick Cash, introduced a missions video recognizing 50 years of FWB ministry in Brazil and Ivory Coast. Retired missionaries Dave and Pat Franks and Jimmy and Janie Aldridge were honored with plaques and gifts from the State Association.

A live video report was given by Mike and Cathy Corley from Central Asia. Moderator McDaniel introduced the evening speaker, Rev. Joe Godfrey, the Executive Director of ALCAP.

Bro. McDaniel then called on Rev. Mickey Crane to lead an offertory prayer. An offering of \$242.88 was received. Rev. Steve Trail sang "He Washed My Feet."

Bro. Chad Donoho led the congregation in a worship sequence singing "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus", "Through it All", and "It is Well With My Soul."

The First FWB Dothan Choir sang "Worship at the Throne" with the congregation joining in "Glory to the Son of God."

Rev. Godfrey preached from Acts 9:32-43, "The Invisible behind the Visible". He closed the sermon in prayer. An altar call was extended while the congregation sang "Take My Life and Let It Be."

The Clerk made the announcements and read the Moderator's committee appointments.

Moderator McDaniel made the following appointments:

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Rev. Mickey Crane (Walker County Association)

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Rev. William Smith, Executive Secretary of the Georgia State Association of FWB's, led the closing prayer.

GENERAL BOARD MEETING THURSDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 6, 2008

The General Board met on Thursday morning, November 6, 2008. The Moderator, Rev. Wayne McDaniel, called the meeting to order and read Romans 12:1-21. He then led in prayer.

The Clerk, Rev. Danny Williams, called the roll of the General Board members. There were 11 members of the General Board present, representing 7 District Associations and 4 standing boards. The Clerk presented the Executive Committee report to the General Board. There was a motion and second to accept the report and consider it item by item. The motion carried. The Executive Committee presented the following items:

- The Executive Committee recommends the approval of the Executive Fund budget (page 10 - Digest of Reports), the Promotional Office budget (page 10 - Digest of Reports), and the Alabama Acts 1:8 Budget (page 12 - Digest of Reports).
- The Executive Committee recommends that Ricky Cox serve as Master's Men State Senator for the Alabama FWB State Association.
- The Executive Committee recommends the 2009 State Association meet at the Madison Free Will Baptist Church in Madison, AL.
- 4. The Executive Committee recommends the present Historical Committee continue to serve another year with the goal and for the purpose of establishing a permanent Alabama Historical Committee.

The Executive Committee recommends the following Constitutional change be made for the FWB Children's Home Board.

Article Six: Standing Boards

Section 1 - Children's Home Board

A. A seven member Board of Directors will be responsible for the operation of the Home. They will meet four times a year or as often as necessary to carry out business. Members will serve one to seven year terms with one term expiring each year.

B. An Advisory Board will meet annually with the Board of Trustees for the October meeting. They will review reports, the audit, and the budget. 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. Any local Alabama association not belonging to the State association is allowed to have one board member. One-half of these members shall be elected each year. Members from the first seven associations listed alphabetically shall be elected on odd-numbered years. Members of this board representing associations from the second group, plus those from other adjoining states, shall be elected on even-numbered years. The adjoining states of Florida, Georgia and Mississippi shall have the privilege of recommending no more than two members each to serve on this board.

The Executive Committee recommends the following Constitutional change.

> Article Six: Standing Boards Section 5 – Terms of Service

- A. Standing board members may not serve more than two consecutive terms.
- B. Standing board members are to be nominated by the nominating committee and elected by the Alabama State Association.
- The Executive Committee recommends a fund be started for the building of a FWB State Office facility on the property of the FWB Children's Home in Eldridge, AL.
- The Executive Committee recommends the office of "Promotional Director" be changed to "Executive Director of State Ministries". (This will require Constitutional changes in Article 4: Sections 1, 2, 4E; Article 5, Section 5; and By-law 1.)
- The Executive Committee recommends Danny Thompson be nominated for the Executive Committee to replace Phil Kimbrough. (2009)

There was a motion and second to recommend item #1 to the State Association. The motion carried.

There was a motion and second to recommend item #2 to the State Association. The motion carried.

There was a motion and second to recommend item #3 to the State Association. The motion carried.

There was a motion and second to recommend item #4 to the State Association. The motion carried.

Rev. Rick Cash gave the Promotional Director's report. There was a motion and second to accept the report. The motion carried.

Bro. Rodney Yerby gave the State Christian Education Board Report. There was a motion and second to accept the report as information. The motion carried.

Rev. Mike Beckon gave the Pastors' & Workers' Conference Board report.

There was a motion and second to accept the report as information. The motion carried.

Rev. Tim Baumgarten gave the Alabama Free Will Baptist Mission Board Report. There was a motion and second to accept the report and refer the budget. The motion carried.

Bro. Waymon Fields gave the Children's Home report. There was a motion and second to accept the report as information. The motion carried.

Bro. Rodney Yerby of the Executive Committee gave a report of the committee's examination of the recent conflicts at the Children's Home. There was a motion and second to accept the report as information. The motion carried.

The General Board resumed addressing items from the Executive Committee report:

There was a motion and second to recommend item #5 to the State Association. The motion carried.

There was a motion and second to recommend item #6 to the State Association. The motion carried.

There was a motion and second to recommend item #7 to the State Association. The motion carried.

There was a motion and second to recommend item #8 to the State Association. The motion carried.

There was a motion and second to recommend item #9 to the State Association. The motion carried.

There was a motion and second to recommend Jerry White be nominated for the Pastor's and Worker's Conference Board replacing James Carrington. (2011)

The clerk presented the Nominating Committee report. There was a motion and second to accept the report and recommend the nominations. The motion carried.

There was a motion and second to adjourn. The motion carried.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT FOR 2008

Officers - (Terms to Expire 2010)

Moderator - Replacing Wayne McDaniel

Assistant Moderator – Replacing Jerry Smith
Clerk – Replacing Danny Williams

Assistant Clerk - Replacing Rodney Yerby

Alabama FWB Missions - (Term to Expire 2015)
Replacing Danny Williams

Board of Christian Education

Replacing Raymond Rivers (Term to expire 2013) Replacing Rodney Yerby (Term to expire 2011) Jerry Smith Rodney Yerby Danny Williams

Wayne McDaniel

Danny Williams

Derek Altom Rick Taylor

Pastors' & V	Vorkers Conference Board	
	Replacing Mike Cox (Term to expire 2013)	Mike Cox
	Replacing James Carrington (Term to expire 2011)	Jerry White
Executive C	ommittee - (Term to Expire 2009)	
	Replacing Phil Kimbrough	Danny Thompson
Children's F	Iome Advisory Board - (Terms to Expire 2010)	So I am de gran marine i magnetario de
	Replacing Gary Miller (North Alabama)	Gary Miller
	Replacing Roy Helms (Progressive)	Roy Helms
	Replacing Ralph Baker (Southeastern)	Ralph Baker
	Replacing John Reed (Vernon)	John Reed
	Replacing Clyde Hood (Walker County)	Clyde Hood
	Replacing James Elmore (Florida)	James Elmore
	Replacing Keith Cole (Florida)	
	Replacing Steve Dowless (Georgia)	Steve Dowless
	Replacing Charles Sumner (Georgia)	Charles Sumner
	Replacing Danny Short (Mississippi)	Norman Nowell
	Replacing Terry Booker (Mississippi)	Terry Booker
Children's H	ome Board of Directors	
	(2009)	John Reed
	(2010)	Waymon Fields
	(2011)	Rodney Yerby
	(2012)	Melissa Williamson
	(2013)	Mark McCraney
	(2014)	Shiloh Hackett
	(2015)	Jason Miller

STATE ASSOCIATION MEETING THURSDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 6, 2008

Bro. Waymon Fields opened the service by leading the congregation in singing "Faith is the Victory". Rev. Shiloh Hackett led the congregation in prayer.

Rev. Jerry Smith introduced Rev. Lamar Cox, pastor of Belk Free Will Baptist Church, who is the speaker for the morning. Bro. Cox preached on "Memories of Enoch" from Genesis 5:21-24, Hebrews 11:5-6, and Jude 14-15.

Rev. Steve Trail gave the Credential's Committee Report. There was a motion and second to receive the report and seat the delegates. The motion carried.

Assistant Moderator Smith recognized Dr. Joe Godfrey, who gave the ALCAP report.

Rev. Mike Beckon gave the Pastors' & Workers' Conference Board report. There was a motion and second to accept the report as information. The motion carried.

After a short break, Rev. Smith reconvened the session. A live video report was given by Matthew Turnbough from Spain.

Bro. Jeremy Robinson led the congregation in singing "His Name is Wonderful", "All Hail the Power", and "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing."

Rev. Smith led an offertory prayer. An offering of \$159.00 was received.

Assistant Moderator Smith introduced the morning speaker, Rev. Joe God-frey.

Ed and Odessa Ledlow sang special music, "He Came to Me."

Rev. Godfrey preached a message from Judges 14:12-20, "The Rest of the

Story about Gambling." He closed the message in prayer.

Bro. Smith called on Rev. Steve Trail to give directions for lunch, and to ask the blessing on the food.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 6, 2008

Bro. Matt Hallman led the congregation in singing "Victory in Jesus."

Moderator McDaniel introduced Rev. Mike Cox, Pastor of the Forestdale FWB Church, who preached a sermon entitled "Signs of the Times" from II Timothy 4:1-8. Bro. Cox closed the message with prayer.

Bro. McDaniel called on the clerk to present the report of the General Board recommendations. There was a motion and second to receive the report and consider it item by item. The motion carried.

There was a motion and second to adopt item #2 (Master's Men Senator).

The motion carried.

There was a motion and second to adopt item #3 (2009 State Meeting location). The motion carried.

There was a motion and second to adopt item #4 (Historical Committee). The motion carried.

There was a motion and second to adopt item #6 (State Office Fund). The motion carried.

There was a motion and second to adopt item #1 (2009 State Budgets). The motion carried.

There was a motion and second to lay item #5 (Constitutional Changes) on the table until tomorrow.

The Promotional Director, Rev. Rick Cash, gave the Promotional Office report. There was a motion and second to receive the report. The motion carried.

Sis. Carolyn Hendrix gave the Alabama Women Active for Christ report. There was a motion and second to receive the report as information. The motion carried.

Bro. Waymon Fields gave the FWB Children's Home report. There was a motion and second to receive the report. The motion carried.

Bro. Chad Donoho gave the Christian Education Board report. There was a motion and second to receive the report. The motion carried.

Rev. Tim Baumgarten gave the Alabama Missions Board Report.

There was a motion and second to receive the report. The motion carried.

Moderator McDaniel adjourned the business session until Friday morning.

THURSDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 6, 2008

Bro. Chad Donoho led the congregation in singing "Sweet By and By", "When We All Get to Heaven", and "When We See Christ." Bro. Grady Palmer led in prayer.

A video call from Uruguay missionaries Jaimie and Tammy Lancaster was received.

After a prayer was led by Bro. James Walden, an Acts 1:8 offering was received.

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The Mass Choir sang "Soon We Will See" medley, followed by the congregation singing "What a Day That Will Be" and "The King is Coming."

A quartet comprised of Waymon Fields, Chad Donoho, Mark McCraney, and Jeremy Robinson sang "Redemption Draweth Nigh."

Rev. Joe Godfrey preached from I Samuel 22:22-23, "Victorious Christian Life." An invitational hymn, "I Will Serve Thee" was sung.

Bro. Rick Cash announced the Acts 1:8 missions offering totaled \$16,853.00, Moderator McDaniel called on Rev. Burbel Alexander to close the session in prayer.

FRIDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 7, 2008

The morning session opened with the congregation singing "At Calvary" led by Bro. Waymon Fields.

Rev. Wayne McDaniel preached the Moderator's Message from Ruth 1:1-6, "Bread in the House." Bro. McDaniel led in prayer.

Rev. Mike Cox gave the Auditing Committee report. There was a motion and second to receive the report. The motion carried.

Rev. Danny Thompson gave the Resolutions Committee Report. There was a motion and second to receive the report and vote item by item. The motion carried.

There was a motion and second to adopt resolution #1 (Early Childhood). The motion carried.

There was a motion and second to adopt resolution #2 (Traditional Marriage). The motion carried.

There was a motion and second to adopt resolution #3 (Host of Association). The motion carried. The body rose in thanks for the hospitality of the Dothan First FWB Church.

General Board item #5 was read. There was a motion and second to remove from the table the Constitutional changes. The motion carried.

There was a motion and second to approve Constitutional Change #1 (Article 6, Section 1- Children's Home Board). The motion carried.

There was a motion and second to elect the seven nominees for the Children's Home Board of Directors. The motion carried.

There was a motion and second to approve Constitutional Change #2 (Article 6, Section 5- Terms of Service). The motion carried.

There was a motion and second to approve Constitutional Change #3 (Article 4, Sections 1, 2, 4E; Article 5, Section 5, and Bylaw 1 – Executive Director of State Ministries). The motion carried.

The Nominating Committee report was given (see page 15-16). Bro. McDaniel asked for other nominations for each office in the report. There was none. There was a motion and second to elect all the nominees by acclamation. The motion carried.

The clerk read the moderator's appointments for the Nominating Committee for 2009:

Rev. Jerry Williams, Chairman - Jasper Association

Bro. Royce Grissom - Cahaba River Association

Rev. Donald Grice - East Alabama Association

Rev. James Walden - Vernon Association

Bro. James South - Mt. Moriah Association

Rev. Keith Burden, Executive Secretary, gave a report from the Free Will Baptist Executive Office.

Rev. Barry Simpson gave a report from Free Will Baptist International Missions.

After a break, reports from the National Departments continued.

Rev. Tim York gave a report from Master's Men.

Bro. David Brown gave a report from the Free Will Baptist Foundation.

Bro. Eric Pushman gave a report from Randall House Publications.

Rev. David Williford gave a report from Free Will Baptist Bible College.

Rev. Ray Lewis gave a report from the Board of Retirement and Insurance.

There was a motion and second to receive all the National reports as information. The motion carried.

Delegates to the National Association of Free Will Baptists were appointed:

Sis. Carolyn Hendrix

Sis. Elwanda Oakes

Bro. Ron McCraney

Sis. Shirley Grice

Sis. Janie Aldridge

Bro. Matt Hallman led the congregation in singing "Because He Lives" and "He Lives."

Bro. McDaniel introduced the morning speaker, Rev. Timothy York, Jr., Pastor of the Decatur FWB Church.

Bro. Derek Altom sang "Jesus Loves Me."

Bro. York preached a message from John 21:1-17, "More Than These." There was a time of prayer around the altar after the message.

There was a motion and second to adjourn. The motion carried.

Rev. Barry Simpson closed the meeting in prayer.

Registration statistics for the 2008 session were as follows:

Ministers- 72

Deacons- 15

Delegates- 39

Visitors- 119

Total-245

Madison Free Will Baptist Church of Madison, Alabama will be the location of the State Association Meeting held in November 4-6, 2009.

REPORTS

AUDITING COMMITTEE

We, your Audit Committee report as follows: We have reviewed audits of the following: Alabama Free Will Baptist Promotional Office, Free Will Baptist Children's Home, Alabama Free Will Baptist Board of Missions. All audits were clean and in proper form with one error. The Promotional Office report on page 11 of the Digest of Reports was missing one figure under Disbursements: Cahaba River Association, Dues Overpaid. It was said to be about \$135 and was said not to affect the balance. We also reviewed the bank statements and ledger of the Alabama Board of Christian Education and found them to balance. We reviewed the check book of the Mid South Pastors' and Workers' Conference and balanced it to the bank statements.

Rev. Mike Cox, Chairman

Rev. Jason Miller

Sis. Carolyn Michaels

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

The Credentials Committee submits the following report: There are thirteen associations listed in the Alabama State Association. All of these have reported except the East Alabama Association, who is in the process of sending their letter and fees.

Rev. Steve Trail, Chairman

Rev. Shiloh Hackett

Bro. James South

ALABAMA COMING TOGETHER FOR THE SAVIOR

Alabama Acts 1:8 2009 Proposed Budget - \$550,000

Alabama Missionaries and Project Workers serving under the Free Will Baptist International Missions Board, the Alabama State Home Missions Board, and the Promotional Office are included in this budget for 2009.

Mike Corley - Central Asia	25.1%	\$139,305
Russian Ministry	1.9%	\$10,545
Jaimie Lancaster - Uruguay	13.3%	\$73,815
Matthew Turnbough - Spain	7.7%	\$42,735
Jimmy Hunter- Bulgaria	1.1%	\$6,105
Dale McCoy - Prattville	10.9%	\$60,495
Tim Riggs - Mobile	10.4%	\$57,720
Mobile Building	8.1%	\$44,955
New Project	1.6%	\$8,880
Promotional Office	14.1%	\$78,255
Administrative Expense State Office	2.9%	\$16,095
National Support Services	2.9%	\$16,095
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It may be necessary for the Committee to adjust the approved percentages due to shortages or surplus in missionary accounts.

ALABAMA STATE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION Financial Records 9/1/07 - 8/31/08

Beginning Balance .		\$ 4,158.34
Income	Competition Fees Savings Interest Competition Offerings	\$ 4,455.00 \$ 3.02 \$ 392.11
	Cooperative Giving Total	\$ 3,508.52 \$ 8,358.65
Disburs	ements	
	Supplies, postage & misc NYC entry fees Competition Expenses Bank charges Total	\$ 520.68 \$ 2,065.00 \$ 3,106.22 \$ 68.00 \$ 5,759.90 \$ 6,757.09
Ending Balance		\$ 0,737.09

PASTORS' AND WORKERS' CONFERENCE FINANCIAL RECORD: 9/1/07 - 8/31/08

\$ 3 093 97

Beginning Balance 9/1/07	\$ 3,093.97
Deposits:	
9/10/07	\$ 1,874.01
1/18/08	\$ 881.59
2/21/08	\$ 209.00
Total Deposits	\$ 2,964.60
Disbursements:	
142 VOID	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *
143 Postal	\$ 32.80
144 Mt. Olive (reimbursement plane tickets	\$ 431.50
145 Webster's Market (fruit baskets)	\$ 48.60
146 Brother David Miller (speaking & travel)	\$1,150.00
147 Brother Fred Warner (speaking & travel)	\$1,120.00
148 Brother Glen Johnson (speaking)	\$ 600.00
149 Mt. Olive (reimbursement hotel)	\$ 124.20
Total Disbursements:	\$3,507.10
Balance 8/31/08	\$2,551.47

Free Will Baptist Children's Home Statement of Financial Position August 31, 2008

Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$694,070.06
Accounts Receivable	848.74
Note Receivable	58,453.35
Interest Receivable	1,348.50
Inventories	12,511.51
Prepaid expenses	10,931.23
Due from Children Fund	41,511.14
Construction in Progress	4,864.26
Property and equipment (net)	955,563.12
Total assets	\$1,780,101.91
Liabilities and Net A	ssets

Liabilities:	
Payroll taxes payable	\$4,480.18
Accounts payable	54,089.17
Due to General Fund	41.511.14
Total liabilities	\$100,080.49
Net assets:	
Unrestricted	\$1,346,051.40
Temporarily restricted	333,970.02
Total net assets	\$1,680,021.42
Total liabilities and net assets	\$1,780,101.91

Free Will Baptist Children's Home Statement of Activities

Year Ended August 31, 2008

Teal Elided August 31, 2006	
Changes in unrestricted net assets	
Donations to general fund	\$771,860.78
Donated items	10,863.71
Interest and dividend	10,214.70
Unrealized gain (loss) on securities	(7,904.61)
Miscellaneous	1,453.28
Gain (loss) on sale of assets	152.35
Total Revenue	\$786,640.21
Expenses	
Supporting services	
Administration	\$525,977.18
Development	27,504.34
Plant and operations	176,495.54
Total supporting expense	\$729,977.06
Program expenses	
Childcare	\$48,808.45
Total program expenses	\$48,808.45
Increase (decrease) in unrestricted net assets	\$7,854.70
Changes in temporarily restricted net assets	
Donations to restricted funds	\$49,933.84
Interest	293.71
Total Revenue	\$50,227.55

Free Will Baptist Children's Home **Statement of Cash Flows** Year Ended August 31, 2008

Operating activities	
Change in net assets	\$13,780.28
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to	
net cash provided by operating activities:	
Depreciation	\$61,398.70
Accounts Receivable	\$2,227.73
Interest Receivable (\$358.85)	
Inventories	\$648.30
Prepaid expenses	\$754.09
Payroll taxes payable	\$2,988.01
Accounts Payable	\$40,526.70
Net cash used by operating activities	\$121,964.96
Investing activities	
Note receivable	\$10,102.20
Property and equipment (net)	<u>(\$10,974.74)</u>
Net cash used in investing activities	(\$872.54)
Net increase(decrease)in cash & cash equivalents	\$121,092.42
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	\$572,977.64
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$694,070.06

\$44,301.97

\$5,925.58

\$13,780.28

\$1,666,241,14

\$1,680,021.42

Program expenses - released from restrictions

Increase (decrease) in net assets

Net assets at the end of the year

Net assets at the beginning of year

Increase (decrease) in temporarily restricted net assets

Expenses

Alabama FWB Mission Board 2009 PROPOSED BUDGET

Alabama FWB Mission Board Statement of Activities

Missionary Funds:		
Prattville		Revenue and Other Support
Missionary Maintenance	\$54,240.00	Contributions
(Salary, Housing, Retirement, Insurance, Printing, Travel)		Contributions Income
Intern	\$3,000.00	Restricted 73,063.32
Total Prattville	\$57,240.00	Unrestricted 10,636.68
	CONTRACTOR NO. 1 NOVO CONTRACTOR	Interest Income
Mobile		Total Revenue and Other Support 84,165.35
Missionary Maintenance	\$54,240.00	
(Salary, Housing, Retirment, Insurance, Printing, Travel)		Expense
Building	\$45,000.00	Administration 530.00
Total Mobile	\$104,240.00	Contract Labor 1,500.00
		Equipment Rental 2,105.85
	\$156,480.00	Interest Expense 31,442.86
		Missionary Expense 2,868.39
Administrative Funds:		Office Expense 14.45
Accounting	300.00	Postage and Delivery 250.71
Postage	200.00	Printing and Reproduction 2,058.04
Salary	600.00	Accounting 250.00
Supplies & Printing	3,200.00	Program Expense 2,734.84
Telephone	150.00	Building Repairs 23,000.00
Travel/Board Expense	2,000.00	Telephone 25.43
Miscellaneous	100.00	Travel 1,861.85
Total Administrative Expense	\$6,550.00	Utilities 2,059.01
Total Budget	\$163,030.00	Total Disbursements 70,701.43

Total Revenues over Expenses

13,463.92

For Fiscal Year Ended August 31, 2008

Alabama FWB Mission Board Statement of Cash Flows

For Fiscal Year Ended August 31, 2008

Cash flows from operating activities	13,463.92
Adjustments to reconcile Net Income to net	
cash provided by operations:	
Accrued Interest	<u>-882.05</u>
Net cash used in operating activities	12,581.87
Cash flows from investing activities	
Bay City FWB Church	-350,000.00
Real Estate - Semmes/Mobile	-248,657.07
Net cash provided by Investing Activities	-598,657.07
Financing Activities	
Church Extension Loan Fun	343,498.42
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Net cash provided by Financing Activities	321,781.85
Net cash decrease for period	-264,293.35
Cash:	
August 31, 2007	283,111.45
August 31, 2008	18,818.10

Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists Executive Fund Budget 2009

Income: Dues to State Association from Districts (137@\$135 ea.)	\$18,495.00 1,000.00
Offerings received at State Meeting	\$19,495.00
Total	\$19,493.00
Expenditures:	13,700.00
National Association Dues (137 Churches @ \$100)	13,700.00
Officers' Honorariums:	
Clerk: \$250, Assistant Clerk: \$50	175.00
Moderator: \$125, Assistant Moderator: \$50.00	475.00
Guest Speakers' Honorariums & Expense	1,400.00
Executive Committee Expense	645.00
State Association Minutes - printing & postage	1,500.00
State Association Williams - printing & postage	600.00
Programs for State Association	575.00
Equipment	600.00
Insurance	
Total	\$19,495.00

Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists Promotional Office Budget 2009

A	500.00
Audit	1,200.00
Equipment	9,000.00
Mileage & Expense	1,000.00
Office Supplies	1,000.00
Postage & Fees	6,500.00
Printing & Mailing (Digest)	52,940.00
Salary	5,250.00
Salary/Social Security	1,300.00
Telephone	\$78,690.00
Total	\$70,070.00

Alabama FWB	State Association
Statement	of Activities
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\$89,627.89

Revenues and Other Support	For the Fiscal Year Ended August 31, 2008
Contributions Income	
Restricted	784,294,28
Unrestricted	436,667.01

Revenues and Other Support	ided August 31, 2008	
Contributions Income		
Restricted	784,294.28	
Unrestricted	436,667.01	
Interest Income		1,220,961.29
Total Revenues and Other Support		691.26
Disbursements		1,221,652.55
Advertising		
ALCAP		4200
AWAC		6,044.16
Bank Service Charges		1,531.83
Bible College Support		6.00
Southeastern Bible College Gateway FWB College	16,024.93	
Free Will Baptist Bible College	50.00	
Cahaba River Assoc Dues Overpaid	39.142.40	55,217.33
Children's Home		5.587.5.108.50
Christian Education		101,349.23
CLA	3 804 60	1,973.64
Conference Expense	2,894.50	the second of the second
Director Salary		394.14
Bonus	1,200.00	
Hospitalization	1,680.00	
Housing	11,084.00	
Retirement	3,300.00	
Salary	33,398.00	
Social Security Dues and Subscriptions	3,937.50	54,599.50
Equipment		13,700.00
FWB Executive Offices		399.94
Gideon's		4,636.71
Honorarium		120.00
Internet Service		1,600.00
Insurance		610.90
Jasper Retired Ministers		541.00
Miscellaneous		1,225.00
Missions		119.50
AL State Home Missions	18,429.01	
FWB Foreign Missions	367,429.28	
FWB Home Missions	312,471.72	
Independent Missions	28.114.49	
Total Missions	2211117	726 444 50
National Association Office Staff		726,444.50 10,608.38
Office Supplies		12,054.41
P&W Conference		1,373.74
Pastor's Retirement		2,920.36
Postage & Delivery		2,729.29
Printing & Reproduction		3,472.43
Professional Fees (Accounting/Legal)		6,345.33
Program Expense		400.00
Russian Trip		1,340.65
Special Projects		60,000.00
Special Projects-Gifts		31,946.50
Telephone		650.00
Travel	12,297.94	900.00
Trinity Camp	10,071.77	45 610 70
Vision Project		45,619.70
Total Disbursements		49,438.41 1,215,505.02
Change in No. 4		1,213,303.02
Change in Promotional Fada		6,147.53
Change in Promotional Endowment Net Assets, August 31, 2007		(42.56)
51, 2007		83.522.92
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Alabama Cooperative Giving

State Ministries	60%
Alabama State Ministries	16%
AWAC	32%
Pastor's Retirement	33%
Children's Home	18%
Pastors' & Workers'	1%
C. Ed. Board	
National Ministries	40%

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

1) Whereas, the Psalmist declares that children are the "heritage of the Lord, and the fruit of the womb is his reward," being a special gift from God (Psalm 127:3),

Whereas, Jesus understood the special status of children when he said, to "suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of God" (Matthew 19:14), and

Whereas, Free Will Baptist stand with parents as they bring up their children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, and

Whereas Free Will Baptist churches of Alabama have for many years provided weekday early childhood programs that have offered parents the option to enroll their children in quality, early childhood Christian education programs, and

Whereas these churches have endeavored to help families that needed or desired weekday Christian early childhood training for their young children:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we commend these churches and the teachers that tirelessly minister to these children, and

Be it further resolved that Alabama Free Will Baptists commend Governor Bob Riley and the members of the Alabama Legislature for their efforts to improve early education services for at-risk children in Alabama, and

Be it further resolved that Alabama Free Will Baptists call upon Governor Bob Riley and the Alabama Legislature to support policy that would not adversely impact Free Will Baptists Christian education ministries and including weekday pre-kindergarten ministries.

2) Whereas God created a distinction of the sexes, "So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him, male and female created he them" (Genesis 1:27), and

Whereas God instituted marriage between a male and a female, "Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh (Genesis 2:24), and

Whereas Free Will Baptist have long held that traditional marriage is the union of a natural born man to a natural born woman, and

Whereas Free Will Baptist believe that children should be taught the biblical concept of traditional marriage, and

Whereas legislation to promote homosexual lifestyles and agenda are facing many legislative bodies:

Net Assets, August 31, 2008

Now, therefore, be it resolved that Alabama Free Will Baptist churches commit to preach and teach the biblical sanctity of traditional marriage, and

Be it further resolved that Alabama Free Will Baptists commend Governor Bob Riley and the Alabama Legislature for their efforts in preserving traditional marriage in Alabama, and

Be it further resolved that Alabama Free Will Baptists call upon Governor Bob Riley and the Alabama Legislature to support legislation that preserves the sanctity of traditional marriage in the state of Alabama.

3) Be it resolved that we give the First Free Will Baptist Church of Dothan a rising vote of thanks for their outstanding job of hosting the Alabama State Association meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Rev. Danny Thompson, Chrmn Rev. Mickey Crane Bro. Ken Michaels

ALABAMA WOMEN ACTIVE FOR CHRIST

The Alabama Free Will Baptist Women Active for Christ met April 26, 2008 for their annual convention at the First Free Will Baptist Church, Dothan, Alabama. Judy Trail, Pastor's wife, welcomed the 101 delegates, members, and visitors in attendance. Ann Kennedy served as song leader. Cathy Corley, Missionary to Central Asia, gave an inspiring devotion entitled "Abandoned to the Call of God". AWAC presented her with \$465 for a Women's Conference in the area where she ministers. Carolyn Hendrix, State President, called the meeting to order. Jane Brazil, Vice President, gave the credentials report. Elwanda Oakes, Secretary, gave her report and seated the delegates.

Bro. Roger Bennett gave a report on the Children's Home. Committee Chairmen gave their reports after meeting on Friday night, April 25 at the Dothan Church. Everyone was encouraged to take part in Emphasis Month for the WNAC.

The 2007 LAMP offering was divided between Jamie and Tammy Lancaster, Missionaries to Uruguay and ACTS 1:8. Each received \$837.50. The 2008 LAMP will go to Tim Riggs and the Mobile work. It was also decided to give \$500 from AWAC to Joy of Christmas and \$500 to the Jimmy and Janie Aldridge Scholarship Fund.

Wendy Shuemake honored Lucille Wheeler of the Vernon WAC and Marjorie Smith of the State Line WAC in the Obituary Report. It was stated that these two dear workers for the Lord would be sincerely missed. She also reminded us of the military women and men who have lost their lives serving our country.

Jean McCraney gave a testimony about her trip for the Joy of Christmas in Central Asia. She is planning to go again this year. Janie Aldridge then gave a presentation about the "Celebration in Africa" that she and Bro. Jimmy Aldridge were able to attend. They enjoyed a wonderful time of reunion and fellowship.

Georgia Jeffreys, Red Bay, Alabama is this year's recipient of the Jimmy and Janie Aldridge Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000. She is a Free Will Baptist Bible College Freshman. Committee Members are Allecia Phenicie, Chairman, Annette Tomlison, Mary Yerby, and Paulette Boyd. The deadline each year for the scholarship is June 30th.

Gifts to the Missionary Provision Closet this year totaled approximately \$1,424.43. Each district WAC contributes items during the year and brings them to our State Meeting. They are then taken to the Provision Closet in Nashville.

The Stateline WAC had their annual cookout in August. They were able to give \$14,200 for ACTS 1:8. They are to be congratulated for their hard work and dedication to this project.

Rev. Tim and Angie Riggs, Missionaries to Mobile, were our guest speakers for the meeting. They each told about their work at the new church in Mobile and how God has blessed the work there. Bro. Tim then preached about our service for the Lord.

AWAC would like to invite all attending the State Meeting at Dothan to attend the Mission Banquet on Thursday evening. Jimmy and Kelly Hunter were appointed during the National Association in July, 2008 as professional servants for a two-year term in Bulgaria. Jimmy Hunter will be our guest speaker.

Carolyn Hendrix AWAC President

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

THE ALABAMA STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS, Inc. **PREAMBLE**

From experience we, the members of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists, being regularly baptized upon a profession of faith in Jesus Christ and realizing the necessity of a bond of union and fellowship among us; to preserve and maintain correspondence and coordination with us; to unify the work of the various churches and local associations composing the Alabama State Association; and to devise and execute measures for the extension of the Kingdom of God in cooperation with the various churches and local associations of the Alabama State Association, or that may be hereafter represented therein, so therefore ordain this Constitution for our better denominational government.

ARTICLE ONE-NAME AND PURPOSE

SECTION 1-NAME

This association of believers shall be known as the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists, Inc.

SECTION 2-PURPOSE

The Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, and educational purposes within th meaning of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Revenue Law), including, but not limited to, for such purposes, the establishing and maintaining of religious worship, the building, maintaining and operating of churches, parsonages, schools, chapels, radio stations, television stations, rescue missions, print shops, day-care centers, camps, and nursing homes.

ARTICLE TWO-STATEMENT OF FAITH AND **COVENANT**

SECTION 1-STATEMENT OF FAITH

(A) The Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists has adopted the Statement of Faith that is recorded in the Treatise of the Faith and Practices of the National Association of Free Will Baptists, Inc.

(B) The Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists has adopted the Church Covenant that is recorded in the Treatise of the Faith and Practices of the National Association of Free Will Baptist, Inc.

SECTION 2-AUTHORITY OF STATEMENT OF FAITH

The statement of faith does not exhaust the extent of our faith. The Bible itself is the sole and final source of all that we believe. We do believe, however, that the foregoing statement of faith accurately represents the teaching of the Bible, and therefore, is binding upon all members of the Alabama State Association of Free

Will Baptists.

ARTICLE THREE-MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1-COMPOSITION

(A) 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 the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists, and duly elected or appointed delegates of each District Association or Church.

(B) One delegate for each church of each association which is a member of the Alabama State Association.

(C) No local church may be a member of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists unless the association to which it belongs refuses to represent to the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists. Then the church may report independently by letter and dues with one delegate.

ARTICLE FOUR-OFFICERS AND BOARDS

SECTION 1-OFFICERS OF THE ALABAMA STATE ASSOCIATION

The officers of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists shall be a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Executive Director, Executive Committee and the General Board.

SECTION 2-DESIGNATION OF CORPORATE OFFICERS

As an accommodation to legal relationships outside the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists the Executive Director shall serve as president of the corporation; the Clerk shall serve as secretary of the corporation; the Executive Director shall employ a treasurer for the corporation; and the State Moderator shall serve as vice president of the corporation.

SECTION 3-OTHER OFFICERS

The Moderator may appoint other officers when needed or desired and they shall serve according to the guidance of the Moderator.

SECTION 4-TERMS OF OFFICE

(A) Moderator: the Moderator shall not serve more than two consecutive twoyear terms. The election of this office shall occur on even numbered years.

(B) Assistant Moderator: the Assistant Moderator shall not serve more than two consecutive two year terms. The election of this office shall occur on even numbered years.

(C) Clerk: the Clerk shall not serve more than four consecutive two-year terms. The election of this office shall occur on even numbered years.

(D) Assistant Clerk: the Assistant Clerk shall not serve more than four consecutive two-year terms. The election of this office shall occur on even numbered years.

(E) Executive Director: The Executive Committee of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists shall be responsible for the employment of the Executive Director and shall arrange such working contractual agreements with the Executive Director as are deemed necessary. The Executive Director shall be employed for an indefinite term. If either the Executive Committee of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists or the Executive Director desires to terminate the contractual agreement, a sixty (60) days notice prior to the date of termination must be given.

(F) Executive Committee

- (1) The Executive Committee shall be composed of the Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, and two (2) members elected from the General Board and three (3) members elected at large.
- (2) In odd numbered years the Nominating Committee shall nominate five
- (5) Executive Committee members to be elected by the meeting of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists.

(G) The General Board

- (1) The General Board is composed of one representative elected by a District Association or local church of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists and the Chairman of each standing Board.
- (2) The district association or local church may have a proxy for a General Board member who is unable to attend the meeting of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists.
- (3) A District Association that is not a member of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists but has two (2) or more churches that are members may have a General Board member.

ARTICLE FIVE-DUTIES OF OFFICERS

SECTION 1-MODERATOR

- (A) The Moderator shall preside over the business sessions of the meeting of the State Association of Free Will Baptists.
- (B) The Moderator shall maintain order and endeavor to promote a Christ-like spirit during the business session.
- (C) The Moderator shall serve as the Chairman of the Executive Committee.
- (D) The Moderator shall convene the Executive Committee when necessary.

SECTION 2-ASSISTANT MODERATOR

- (A) The Assistant Moderator shall assist the Moderator during all business sessions.
- (B) The Assistant Moderator shall preside as Moderator in the absence of the elected Moderator.

SECTION 3-CLERK

- (A) The clerk shall call the meeting of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists into official session and introduce the officers.
- (B) The clerk shall record all business transacted during the meeting of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists.
- (C) The clerk shall prepare the minutes for publication and distribution to local associations.
- (D) The clerk shall serve as the secretary for the Executive Committee and keep minutes of the committee's meetings.

- (E) The Clerk shall be authorized to sign checks on behalf of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists.
- (F) The Clerk shall be bonded.

SECTION 4-ASSISTANT CLERK

- (A) The Assistant clerk shall assist the clerk in the recording of the business transacted by the meeting of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists.
- (B) The Assistant clerk shall assume the duties of the clerk in the absence of the elected clerk.

SECTION 5-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF STATE MINISTRIES

- (A) The Executive Director shall administer the affairs of the State Executive Office and carry out the responsibilities delegated to him by the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists and the State Executive Committee.
- (B) The Executive Director shall fulfill all the duties commensurate with the office and present such plans and/or procedures that would be effective in the furtherance of the Great Commission.
- (C) The Executive Director shall assist in coordinating the work of the various boards of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists.
- (D) The Executive Director shall be an ex-officio member of all standing boards.
- (E) The Executive Director shall present a written report of his work quarterly to the State Executive Committee concerning his promotional activities and financial reports.
- (F) The Executive Director shall report annually to the meeting of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists a written description of his work and an audited financial statement of all monies received and disbursed.
- (G) The Executive Director shall be bonded.
- (H) The Executive Director shall employ and terminate a treasurer and other employees of the State Office with the approval of the State Executive Committee.

SECTION 6-TREASURER

- (A) The Treasurer shall receipt and disburse funds of donor designations and budgets adopted by the meeting of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists.
- (B) The Treasurer shall be bonded.

SECTION 7-THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- (A) The State Executive Committee shall plan the program for the meeting of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists each year.
- (B) The State Executive Committee shall accept invitations to host the meeting of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists or shall make appropriate arrangements for the meeting.
- (C) The State Executive Committee shall recommend the adoption of budgets to the General Board. It shall recommend items of business that require the approval

of the meeting of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists.

- (D) The State Executive Committee shall make recommendations regarding the disbursement and allocations of the ACTS 1:8 mission program.
- (E) The Executive committee shall act in behalf of the State Association when the State Association is not in session.

SECTION 8-THE GENERAL BOARD

- (A) The General Board shall meet during the meeting of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists as scheduled in the program of State Association meeting.
- (B) The General Board shall hear reports of various boards and committees and approve budgets to be presented to the meeting of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists.

ARTICLE SIX-STANDING BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

SECTION 1-CHILDREN'S HOME BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND ADVISORY BOARD

- (A) A seven member Board of Directors will be responsible for the operation of the Home. They will meet four times a year or as often as necessary to carry out business. Members will serve one to seven year terms with one term expiring each year.
- (B) An Advisory Board will meet annually with the Board of Trustees for the October meeting. They will review reports, the audit, and the budget. 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. Any local Alabama association not belonging to the State association is allowed to have one board member. One-half of these members shall be elected each year. Members from the first seven associations listed alphabetically shall be elected on odd-numbered years. Members of this board representing associations from the second group, plus those from other adjoining states, shall be elected on even-numbered years. The adjoining states of Florida, Georgia and Mississippi shall have the privilege of recommending no more than two members each to serve on this board.

SECTION 2-ALABAMA FREE WILL BAPTIST MISSION BOARD

- (A) The Alabama Free Will Baptist Mission Board shall consist of seven (7) members with one to seven year terms with one term expiring each year.
- (B) This Board shall coordinate all Home Mission works within the State of Alabama.

SECTION 3-BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

- (A) The Alabama Board of Christian Education shall consist of five (5) members with one to five year terms with one term expiring each year.
- (B) This Board shall coordinate various children and youth programs sponsored by the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists.

SECTION 4 TASTOR'S AND VORKER'S CONFERENCE BOARD

- (A) The Pastor's and Worker's Constrence Board shall consist of five (5) members with one to five year terms was one expiring each year.
- (B) This Board shall coordinate information instructional and inspirational programs for the edification of Pastors, Teachers, Christian workers.

SECTION 5- TERMS OF SERVICE

- (A) Standing board members may not serve more than two consecutive terms.
- (B) Standing board members are to be nominated by the nominating committee and elected by the Alabama State Association.

ARTICLE SEVEN-FINANCE

SECTION 1-REPRESENTATION FEES

- (A) Each District Association shall remit the required representation fees per church affiliated with the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists.
- (B) Each local church representing independently shall remit the required representation fees to the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists.

SECTION 2-HONORARIUMS

- (A) The Constitutional Officers shall be compensated annually as determined by the State Association.
- (B) Guest speakers will be compensated with an honorarium, mileage, lodging and meals as determined by the Executive Committee.

SECTION 3-REIMBURSEMENTS

- (A) Board members shall be reimbursed for actual expenses of meals and lodging when called for a special meeting.
- (B) Automobile mileage shall be paid not to exceed the amount allowable by the Internal Revenue Service.

SECTION 4-AUDITS

(A) The State Office and any Board that receives and disburses ten thousand (\$10,000) dollars or more annually, must have an independent audit.

ARTICLE EIGHT-DISCIPLINE

SECTION 1-THE LOCAL CHURCH

(A) The local church is an independent body, so far as it 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

- (A) The Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists shall have the right to settle any question of discipline, doctrine, or practice that may properly come before it from any bodies composing the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists.
- (B) The decision of Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists shall be

final.

SECTION 3-PROCEDURES FOR SETTLING APPEALS

- (A) All appeals coming before the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists may be settled by the following steps
 - (1) By a special committee appointed by the Executive Committee.
 - (2) And if necessary by the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists sitting in a committee as a whole.
- (B) The Scripture (Matthew 18:15-17) procedure for disagreements among believers should be followed in settling disputes among Christians.

ARTICLE NINE-MEETINGS

SECTION 1-PLACE, DATE AND TIME

- (A) The Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists shall hold its regular meetings annually, place of meeting to be decided by a vote of the Body.
- (B) The time of meetings to be on Wednesday night before the second Sunday in November of each year, and end at noon on Friday.

ARTICLE TEN-TAX-EXEMPT PROVISIONS

SECTION 1-PRIVATE INUREMENT

No part of the net earnings of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, officers, employees or other private persons, except that the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for the services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purpose set forth in Article I, Section 2 hereof.

SECTION 2-POLITICAL INVOLVEMENT

No substantial part of the activities of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists shall be the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation. The Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

SECTION 3-DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the Alabama Association of Free Will Baptists, the State Executive Committee shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all the liabilities of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists, dispose of all of the assets of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists to such organization or organizations formed and operated exclusively for religious purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), as the Executive Committee shall determine. Assets may be distributed only to organizations which agree with the Free Will Baptist statement of Faith

SECTION 1-CONSTITUTION

This Constitution may be revised or amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting at any regular Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists meeting, provided that said revision or amendment has been submitted in writing and shall lie on the table at least from morning session till afternoon session, or from evening session prior to adoption.

SECTION 2-BYLAWS

These Bylaws may be revised or amended by a majority vote of the members present and voting at any regular Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists meeting, provided that said revision or amendment has been submitted in writing and shall lie on the table at least from morning session till afternoon session, or from evening session prior to adoption.

BY-LAWS

- 1. The Executive Director shall serve as Moderator should the elected Moderator and elected Assistant Moderator not be present for the meeting of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists.
- 2. The Moderator shall appoint a Clerk should the elected Clerk and elected Assistant Clerk not be present for the meeting of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists.
- 3. The Clerk shall record the names of all Delegates to the meeting of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists, as submitted upon an official report.
- 4. A local church or district association is to send the prescribed report form to the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists annually.
- 5. A local church or district association not in compliance with the Constitution and By-Laws of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptist may be dismissed by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of all delegates present.
- 6. The Credential Committee shall make a recommendation to accept the annual reports of churches and associations and to seat the delegates. A public reading of these reports is not necessary.
- 7. Annual reports and representations fees should be mailed to the Clerk by the first of November.
- 8. Each session of the annual meeting shall be opened and closed with the reading of Scripture and Prayer.
- 9. The Moderator may be over-ruled by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of all delegates present.
- 10. The Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists may correspond with other religious bodies.
- 11. A person not a member of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists may speak to an issue by obtaining permission from the Moderator.
- 12. A person may nominate only one member of any committee.
- 13. No more than two members 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 the required term.

- 14. The Moderator shall not allow discussion that is not conveyed in a Christian spirit or if the discussion will lead to discord or division.
- 15. The Moderator will recognize a person who desires to speak on an issue that addresses the chair with the appellation, "Brother Moderator". The person may not speak until given permission granted by the Moderator.
- 16. The "yeas" and "nays" may be counted on any question by request of one fifth (1/5) of the delegates present.
- 17. A person may speak no more than ten minutes or twice on the same subject unless given permission by the Moderator.
- 18. The Moderator at the beginning of the business session may designate an area for the voting delegation to be seated.
- 19. The Moderator shall appoint Delegates to the meeting of the National Association to fill the state quota.
- 20. A local church or district association shall not be allowed to join the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists that has not adopted the Treatise of the National Association of Free Will Baptist, Inc.
- 21. An Association/Church requesting membership must submit the following documents to the Clerk or Moderator of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists.
 - (1) A formal letter requesting membership into the Alabama State. Association of Free Will Baptists.
 - a. The letter should include a purpose statement of the said Association/Church.
 - b. The letter should be signed by the Moderator/Pastor, Clerk, or other officers representing the Association/Church.
 - c. The letter should verify that the Association/Church has adopted the Bible, the Free Will Baptists Treatise and Church Covenant as its guide for faith and practice.
 - (2) The letter and documentation should be submitted three months prior to the meeting of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists.
 - (3) The Executive Committee of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists should meet with an official delegation of the Association/Church requesting membership prior to the meeting of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists.
 - (4) The Credential committee of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists shall examine the reporting form and review the dues submitted.
 - (5) The Credential committee will make a recommendation to receive the Association/Church into full membership of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists,
 - (6) The Moderator will extend the right hand of fellowship to the District Moderator/Pastor during the meeting of the Alabama

State Association of Free Will Baptists.

22. Racial Nondiscrimination

The Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists shall have a racially nondiscriminatory policy and therefore shall not discriminate against members, applicants, and others on the basis of race, color, or national or ethnic origin.

23. Limitation of Activities

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Bylaws, the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purpose stated in Article I, Section 2.

24. Designated Contribution

From time to time the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists, in the exercise of its religious, educational, and charitable purposes, may establish various funds to accomplish specific goals. No fiduciary obligations shall be created by any designated contribution made to the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists other than to use the contribution for the general furtherance of any of the purposes stated in Article I, Section 2.

25. The expiration date of all board members and officers are to be printed in the minutes.

CONSTITUTION OF THE ALABAMA FREE WILL BAPTIST MISSION BOARD

In order to promote missions and establish Free Will Baptist Churches, we, the Alabama Free Will Baptist Mission Board, having been elected by the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptist, do set forth and ordain this Constitution:

ARTICLE 1 - NAME

This board shall be known as the Alabama Free Will Baptist Mission Board.

ARTICLE 2 - MEMBERSHIP

This board shall consist of members duly elected by the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists.

ARTICLE 3 - OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of the Board shall consist of a Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and a Secretary - Treasurer elected annually by the Board.

Section 2. The Executive Committee shall consist of the elected officers of the Board and shall represent the Board when the Board is not in session.

ARTICLE 4 - FINANCE

Section 1. The Board shall prepare a budget of its proposed financial expenditures at the beginning of each associational year and shall present same for approval of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists along with an audit made by an independent certified public accountant.

Section 2. The Board shall be reimbursed, as allotted by the I.R.S., for travel and actual cost for lodging, and food. All other expenditures not specified shall be made at the direction of the Board.

ARTICLE 5 - MEETINGS

Section 1. The Board shall hold regular meetings on the Monday following the 2nd Sunday in April and the Monday following the 2nd Sunday in September or when the Chairman shall deem it necessary to call a special meeting.

Section 2. Five (5) members shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE 6 - AMENDMENTS

This constitution may be altered or amended at any meeting of the Board by 2/3 vote of the members.

BY - LAWS

- 1. The General location of a new work is selected by the Board.
- (A.) The missionary prospect must meet the set of guidelines and doctrinal criteria as set forth by the Board before being considered as a missionary candidate.
 - (B.) The Missionary is directly responsible to the Board.

- (a.) A progress report is to be made to each Board member on a monthly basis.
- (b.) The Missionary is to abide by the contract set forth by the Board.
- 3. (A.) All money (except general expenses) is turned back to the Board during the development stage. The Board assumes the responsibility of making payments of the loans and the missionary's salary until such time as the church grows to a self-sustaining state.

(B.) The Mission Board is responsible for development and promotion of the financial plan for the project.

- 4. (A.) The Mission Board shall cooperate with the missionary in the selection of property for the church with the Board having the final approval after a close examination of finances and zoning ordinances.
 - (B.) All deeds and loans are secured in the name of the Board.(C.) The policy of the Board is to deed the property to the church once the church reaches a self-sustaining level as determined by the Board.
 - (D.) The Board shall approve the building design and involve itself in this phase of the church to make sure that the plans are adequate to meet the needs for the foreseeable future and that the building will be an asset to the community and to the denomination.
- The Mission Board shall require that each church established by the Alabama State Home Mission Board shall include in its constitution and By-Laws the following:

A. Dissolution Clause:

Should a condition arise at any time in the future when, for any reason, the church work cannot continue, making it necessary for the church to disband, the church shall either (1) transfer ownership of the church property, buildings, equipment, funds and assets to the Mission Board of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists, affiliated with the National Association of Free Will Baptists, or (2) shall repay the Alabama State Mission Board and the National Home Missions Board all funds which have been paid in salaries, expenses, property, buildings, and equipment by the Alabama State Missions Board and the National Home Missions for the establishment of the Free Will Baptist church under this contract. Should the church within five (5) years of its organizational date become self-supporting and choose to sever its affiliation with the National Association of Free Will Baptists, the church shall pay back to the Alabama State Mission Board and the National Home Missions Board all funds paid by the Alabama State Mission Board and the National Home Missions Board in salaries, expenses, property, buildings, and equipment as repayment for the funds expended in the establishment of the Free Will Baptist church under this contract.

B. Amendments:

This Constitution and By-Laws may be amended, or changed, by a 2/3 vote of membership present and voting at any regular business meeting

of the Board, provided the proposed change has been announced (2) two weeks prior to the meeting.

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God, by faith in Jesus 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 study of the Scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship, and by selfdenial, faith, and good works endeavor to grow in grace and in 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 on earth 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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