

**MINUTES**  
**OF THE**  
**SIXTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION**  
**OF THE**  
**Antioch Association of**  
**Freewill Baptists**

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**HELD WITH ST. JOE CHURCH**  
**Pope County, Arkansas**

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**Next Session Will Be Held With**  
**DUBLIN CHURCH, LOGAN COUNTY, ARKANSAS**  
**Beginning on Thursday Night Before the Second Sunday**  
**in September, 1960**

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**ELDER BOBBY JOE CHRONISTER ..... Moderator**  
**Moreland, Arkansas**

**ELDER HENRY HILL ..... Assistant Moderator**  
**Route 2, Atkins, Ark.**

**BRO. E. O. WRIGHT ..... Clerk and Treasurer**  
**Atkins, Arkansas**

**BRO. MONROE DAVIS ..... Assistant Clerk**  
**Route 3, Atkins, Arkansas**

# MINUTES OF ANTIOCH ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

Sixty-eighth Annual Session Which Met in Regular Session with St. Joe Church, September 10-11-12-13, 1959

Members of Executive Board, Eld. T. J. Robertson, Eld. R. G. Webb, Eld. W. S. Isbell, Eld. Ellis Warren, Eld. Henry Hill, with Moderator and Clerk

## THURSDAY NIGHT SESSION

Assembled with singing led by Bro. Monroe Davis, Eld. L. D. Virden, Sis. Ollie Teague, Sis. Mary Ruth Wright, Eld. Vester Harris, Sis. Louise Wright, Sis. Bobbie Teague, Sis. Linda Dixon, Eld. T. J. Robertson, Bro. E. O. Wright. Opened by moderator, Eld. Bobby Joe Chronister. Prayer by all ministers and deacons, led by Eld. T. J. Robertson. Song by Bro. Monroe Davis. Devotional service led by Eld. Joe Venable. Introductory sermon by Eld. Rayburn Teague. Script. lesson, Nehemiah 2:2-5. Text: The Opposition and Accomplishment of Good Work. Song, Bro. Monroe Davis. Handshake. Dismissed by Eld. Ellis Warren to meet at 9:30 Friday.

## FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

Assembled with singing led by Assistant Moderator, Eld. Henry Hill and Sis. Goldie Maxwell.

Opened by moderator, Eld. Bobby Joe Chronister.

Scripture Lesson, 1st Cor. 1-6.

Prayer by Eld. Willard C. Day.

Letters from the churches of the Antioch Association were called for and read and messengers invited to seat.

HARMONY—Bro. David Weir, Bro. L. D. Carlile, Sis. Sylvia Carlile.

UNION GROVE—Sis. Chloedene Travis. Sis. Ruby Eakes, Sis. Maude Gipson.

HOT SPRINGS—Rep. by letter.

RUSSELLVILLE—Sis. Mag Freeman, Sis. Dorothy Henderson, Sis. Sallie Alread.

OAK GROVE—Bro. R. G. Hayes, Sis. Edith Burris, Sis. Virginia Hayes.

WELCOME HOME—Sis. Arizona Crouch, Sis. Arvena Cook.

ST. JOE—Bro. Bill Duvall, Sis. Lila Davis, Sis. Hazel Allen.

RED OAK—Bro. Otis Henry, Bro. Ovalle Tilley.

HOLMAN—By Letter.

SLATY CROSSING—Sis. Lucy Guerian, Sis. Lola Faye Crawford.

MT. HOME—Sis. Rosa Willis, Sis. Susie Hutchins.

HICKORY GROVE—Sis. Edith Teel, Sis. Melissa Robinson, Sis. Lylia Gean Hallum.

CHERRY HILL—Sis. Grace Taylor, Sis. Dora Lee Brown.

PINE RIDGE—Bro. and Sis. Huel Dixon.

WALNUT GROVE—Bro. Lonzo Beavers, Sis. Bernice Beavers and Sis. Nola Coffman.

JERUSALEM—By Letter.

KENWOOD—Bro. Loy Smith and Wife and Bro. Gus Isom.

MORRILTON—Bro. Normal Taylor.

MT. VERNON—Sis. Floy Ennis, Sis. Betty Powers, Bro. Jack Powers.

LITTLE ROCK—Bro. Jewell Baker, Sis. Virginia Roberts.

MAPLE SPRINGS—Sis. Violet Williams.

MORELAND—Sis. Tommy Mackey.

DUBLIN—Sis. Mollie Plank, Sis. Emma Wagers, Sis. Bertha Whitbey.

NEW LIBERTY—Bro. Burt Blair, Sis. Ola Blair, Sis. Bessie Jetton.

PHOENIX—Bro. Arnold Patton, Sis. Erma Patton, Sis. Nooma Freeman.

SOUTH MT.—By letter.

HECTOR—Sis. Vada Kimbell, Sis. Bell Langford.

SWEET HOME—Bro. Elmer Polk, Sis. Regenia Duvall, Bro. Brown Burnett.

The right hand of Christian fellowship was extended to all Christians.

HONORARY MEMBERS present—Sis. Mary Moore, Sis. Rose McGee, Sis. Mary Coffman, Sis. Maggie Freeman, Sis. Mary Farnum, Bro. A. C. Farnum.

The Association further organized by electing the following officers: Eld. Bobby Joe Chronister re-elected moderator, Eld. Henry Hill re-elected assistant moderator, Bro. E. O. Wright, re-elected clerk & treasurer. Bro. Monroe Davis was elected assistant clerk.

DIVINE SERVICE—Bro. Otto McGuire, Bro. Bert Blair and Bro. Horrace Condley.

RESOLUTIONS—Eld. J. D. Kinder, Eld. Willard C. Day, Eld. J. A. Latham.

FINANCE—Bro. L. D. Carlyle, Bro. Riley Ennis, Sis. Myra Hill.

TEMPERANCE—Bro. Charley Compton, Eld. Lowell Tanner, Eld. T. J. Robertson.

SABBATH SCHOOLS—Bro. David Weir, Bro. Roy McCuin, Sis. Bertha Buchanan.

OBITUARY—Sis. Clytie Coffman, Sis. Lucy Geurian, and Bro. Anderson Vassaur.

NON-REP. UNION OF CHURCHES—Sis. Grace Taylor, Eld. W. S. Isbell, Eld. J. M. Crouch.

The moderator appointed a committee to get names of pastors last year and this year for minutes. Committee: Eld. Paul Jones Eld. Joseph Hubbard, Eld. Homer Eakin.

Song by Eld. E. L. Hill.

The Committee on Divine Service announced that Eld. E. L. Hill would fill the stand at 11.

Dismissed by Eld. J. D. Kinder for five-minute intermission.

Assembled with singing led by Eld. Homer Eakin, Bro. Hogan Hanks and Bro. Willie Lewis.

Prayer by Eld. Paul Jones.

Preaching by Eld. E. L. Hill. Scripture lesson: Isaiah 58: 1-6. Text: Cry Aloud and Spare Not.

Handshake.

Dismissed by Eld. A. J. Latham.

#### FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Assembled with singing led by Bro. Monroe Davis, Eld. A. J. Latham, Bro. Roy McCuin.

Scripture Lesson, St. Matt. 11:28-30, read by Eld. Bob Sanders.

Prayer by Eld. Fate Mize.

Reading of rules of order by chair.

Resolution No. 1—

Resolved that Article 8 of Order of Business read as follows: Reading of rules of order by chair or clerk.

By motion made and carried that Eld. J. D. Kinder and E. O. Wright still remain a committee to rent the mimeograph machine.

Song by Bro. Hogan Hanks.

Talk by Eld. Willard C. Day in behalf of Sunday School literature.

The Committee for Examination made a report and was received by the body.

Song by Bro. Monroe Davis.

Resolution No. 2—

Be it resolved that the Divine Service Committee hereafter be called the Pulpit Committee.

Nominations were in order for one member of the Examining Council for Ordination, Eld. J. D. Kinder being replaced by Eld. Henry Hill.

Motion made and carried that the names of the Executive Committee be printed near the front of the minutes.

Motion made and carried to elect delegates to State Association: Sis. Goldie Maxwell, Sis. Deloris Richardson, Sis. Myra Hill, Sis. Nona Kinder, Sis. Olgie

Wright. As alternates, Sis. Bertha Buchanan, Sis. Betty McKinney, Sis. Jessie Robertson, Sis. Helen Ewing, Sis. Ada Hill.

Committee on Divine Service announced that Eld. J. D. Kinder fill the stand at night and Eld. Lowell Tanner conduct devotional service.

Dismissed by Eld. C. U. Kinder.

### FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION

Assembled with singing led by different leaders. A special song by Eld. Henry and Sis. Myra Hill.

Prayer by Eld. T. J. Robertson and Eld. L. C. Virden.

Devotional service conducted by Eld. Lowell Tanner.

Song, Amazing Grace.

Preaching by Eld. J. D. Kinder. Scripture Lesson, James 1:13-15. Text: Daniel 3:25.

Dismissed by Eld. Bob Rackley to meet at 9 o'clock a.m.

### SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Assembled with singing led by Sis. Sylvia Carlyle and Bro. Jack Powers. Scripture lesson, Acts 1:15-21, read by Eld. J. D. Coffman.

Prayer by Eld. Coffman.

Visiting members—Bro. and Sis. Heaton, Bro. and Sis. Hogan Hanks, Eld. Bernie Stahl from Arkansas Association, Eld. Johnny Denham of North Little Rock.

Motion made and carried that a committee be appointed to investigate the Oklahoma Sunday School Literature. — Eld. Ellis Warren, Eld. J. D. Coffman, Eld. R. G. Webb, Eld. W. S. Isbell, Eld. J. D. Kinder.

Dismissed for intermission by Eld. Robert Ashmore.

Assembled with singing led by Sis. Mary Ruth Wright, Eld. Johnny Denham, Eld. Bernie Stahl, Bro. Gus Isom.

Prayer by Eld. T. J. Robertson.

Report of Obituary Committee—

We your Committee find the following brothers and sisters have departed this life since our last Association. Though we are grieved, our loss is Heaven's gain.

HARMONY—Bro. Boss Harris, Sis. Ellen Roberts.

UNION GROVE—Sis. Lottie Ferguson.

RUSSELLVILLE—Bro. John Partain, Bro. Henry Campbell, Sis. Ella Jane Skidmore.

ST. JOE—Sis. Mollie Venable, Eld. W. F. McGee.

WELCOME HOME—Sis. Sarah Condley, Sis. Annie Latham.

OAK GROVE—Bro. George Roland, Sis. Ida Johnson.

RED OAK—Bro. Jess Harris.

SLATY CROSSING—Bro. Joe Hefley.

JERUSALEM—Eld. M. A. Thompson.

WALNUT GROVE—Bro. George Churchill.

PINE RIDGE—Sis. Lillie Walters.

MAPLE SPRINGS—Sis. Amye Miller, Bro. Theodore Gideon.

DUBLIN—Bro. Dennis Burris.

CHERRY HILL—Bro. Tom Cry, Bro. Rankin Windle.

PHOENIX—Bro. Tom Duvall, Bro. W. R. Hendrix.

HOLMAN—Sis. Bertha Harrison, Bro. Seath Pearson.

MT. HOME—Bro. L. L. Voss.

UNION CHURCH—Sis. Martha Church.

Bro. E. O. Wright assisted the committee.

Elder J. D. Kinder spoke in memory of Bro. Boss Harris, Sis. Ellen Roberts, and Bro. Joe Hefley.

Eld. R. G. Webb spoke in memory of Sis. Sarah Condley, Bro. Jess Harris and Eld. M. A. Thompson.

Eld. E. L. Hill spoke in memory of Eld. W. F. McGee, Sis. Annie Latham, and Sis. Lillie Walters.

Eld. Homer Eakin spoke in memory of Bro. George Roland, Bro. Tom Duvall and Bro. W. R. Hendrix.



Eld. Lowell Tanner spoke in memory of L. L. Voss.  
 Eld. Henry Hill spoke in memory of Sis. Lottie Ferguson.  
 Eld. Rayburn Teague spoke in memory of Sis. Mollie Venable.  
 Eld. Robert Ashmore spoke in memory of Sis. Bertha Harrison.  
 Eld. Fate Mize spoke in memory of Bro. Seath Pearson.  
 Eld. A. J. Lathum spoke in memory of Sis. Amye Miller and Bro. Theodore Gideon.  
 Eld. J. D. Coffman spoke in memory of Sis. Martha Church.  
 Eld. Melvin Snow spoke in memory of Bro. Dennis Burris.  
 Eld. Joseph Hubbard spoke in memory of Bro. Tom Cry and Bro. Rankin Windle.  
 Eld. C. U. Kinder spoke in memory of Bro. George Churchill.  
 Eld. W. S. Isbell spoke in memory of Bro. John Partain, Sis. Ella Jane Skidmore, Sis. Ida Johnson, Sis. Cora Ann Phillips and Bro. James Henry.  
 Eld. Willard C. Day spoke in memory of Bro. Henry Campbell.  
 Songs, "Precious Memories" and "Everybody Will Be Happy".  
 Handshake.  
 Dismissed by Eld. Johnny Burris.

### SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Assembled with singing led by Eld. Joseph Hubbard and Eld. Bernie Stahl.  
 Scripture Lesson: Acts 7:54; 5:9, read by Eld. J. C. Kinder.  
 Prayer by Eld. W. E. Coffman.  
 Resolution No. 3—  
 Be it resolved that we elected one minister to preach the memorial sermon each year.  
 Eld. Willard C. Day was selected to preach the memorial sermon next year; Eld. R. G. Webb as alternate.  
 Report of Committee to Examine Sunday School Literature. They find it orthodox. Motion made to retain the committee.  
 Report of Committees—  
 Sabbath School.  
 Temperance.  
 Finance.  
 Non-Rep and Union of Churches.  
 The Moderator declared nominations were in order for home for next Association and Dublin Church, Logan County, was selected to meet in September, 1960.  
 Eld. T. J. Robertson was selected to preach the introductory sermon.  
 The Committee on Divine Service announced that Eld. Geno Johnson conduct devotional and Eld. Willard C. Day fill the stand at night.  
 Motion made and carried to adjourn to meet with Dublin Church in September, 1960. Dismissed by Eld. L. C. Virden.  
 Eld. J. A. Venable graced the table at noon Friday, Eld. C. U. Kinder graced the table Friday night, Eld. W. S. Isbell graced the table Saturday noon, Eld. T. J. Robertson graced the table Saturday night.

### SATURDAY NIGHT SESSION

Assembled with singing led by different leaders at which a good song service was enjoyed. We were favored with a solo by Sis. Rheda Ashmore and a duet by Eld. Henry and Sis. Myra Hill.  
 Prayer by Eld. J. A. Venable.  
 Solo by Eld. Johnny Denham.  
 Devotional service conducted by Eld. Geno Johnson.  
 Preaching by Eld. Willard C. Day. Scripture Lesson, Rev. 5:1-8. Text: "Pictures from Life's Other Side."  
 Dismissed by Eld. Lytle Hallum.

### Resolution of Thanks

We, the ministers, deacons, delegates and visitors do offer our thanks of appreciation to the St. Joe Free Will Baptist Church and the people of its com-

community for providing the facilities of their church for the Association, for the wonderful meals served and for real fellowship of Christian worship.

### **SUNDAY MORNING SESSION**

Assembled with singing led by different leaders. Scripture lesson, 1st Psalm, read by Bro. William Burris.

Prayer read by Eld. Bobby Joe Chronister. Scripture Lesson, St. John 17: 13-23. Text: Our Source of Authority in Christianity. Dismissed by Eld. Loy Smith.

Eld. Bobby Joe Chronister, Moderator  
Bro. E. O. Wright, Clerk & Treasurer.

## **REPORT OF COMMITTEES**

### **SABBATH SCHOOL**

We, your Committee on Sabbath Schools, find all churches now having Sunday School. We urge each and every member to put forth a greater effort to support Sunday Schools and we recommend the use of Oklahoma Literature.  
—Committee.

### **COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE**

We, your Committee on Temperance, make the following report: Temperance has all ways been a challenge to Christian living. As to alcohol, it means complete abstinence in any form. We feel it is not the skid-row people that are leading young people into drink, but the so-called modern drinkers. We also recommend that our members be temperate in all things. We also urge the influence of all churches be used to help stamp out all intemperance.  
—Committee.

### **FINANCE**

We, your Committee on Finance, have collected from the different churches for Antioch minutes \$100.00 and for State Funds \$60.00. Total \$160.00.

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### **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.

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

2. We agree faithfully to discharge our obligation in reference to the study of the scriptures, secret prayer devotion and religious worship and by self denial, faith and good works endeavor to grow in grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

3. We will not forget the assembling of ourselves together for Church Conference, public worship, and the observance of the Gospel, nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the Church, of its poor and benevolent work.

4. We agree to accept Christian admonitions 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.

5. We will everywhere hold Christian principals sacred and Christian obligations and enterprise supreme, counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society, constantly praying and telling that God's will may be done for us as in Heaven.

6. To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprise, the support of missions, the success of Sunday School 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.

## CONSTITUTION

From a long series of experiences we, the Churches of Jesus Christ, being regularly baptized upon the profession of our faith in Christ, are convinced of the necessity of a combination of churches to perpetuate a union and a communion among us, and to preserve and maintain a correspondence with each other, we therefore propose to keep orders and rules of our Association, according to the following plan or form of government:

1. This Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches of our Union, and each church is entitled to three messengers. All ordained ministers, deacons, their wives and church clerks of our faith and order in the bounds of the Antioch Association shall be members, when present. In the event of the failure of part or all of the elected delegation to report by 1:30 p.m. Saturday that said vacancy be filled, providing some official of delegate from said church recommend others for said vacancies.

2. Letters from the different churches shall be prepared, read to and approved by each church conference assembled, signed by moderator and clerk before presentation to the Association. Also to express their number in fellowship, the number received by experience, letter, recommendation or restoration, dismissed, excluded, and that have died since the last Association. Also the Moderator, amount paid the pastor.

3. The members thus chosen and convened, to be denominated the Antioch Association of Free Will Baptists, being composed of the churches of parts of Pope, Johnson, Yell, Logan, Conway, Perry, Searcy and Pulaski counties, the Association to have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor to have any ecclesiastical power over church, reserving the right of withdrawing from any church acting disorderly.

4. The Association shall have a moderator, assistant moderator, clerk, and assistant clerk, to be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

5. New churches may be admitted into the Association by letter or by delegates, if found to be orthodox in the faith of the Free Will Baptists, the Moderator giving the right hand of fellowship.

6. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, unless withdrawn by the members making it.

7. The Association is to endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes of this Association in proportion to the number of members in each church, the distribution being made at the discretion of the Association, and that all churches with Sunday School attendance of 50 or more pay \$5.00 and those with 49 or less pay \$3.00 to Antioch Association funds.

8. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a regular file of the Minutes, and that we pay our Clerk \$10 for his services, and urge that the Minutes be printed and mailed within 60 days after the Association, and that we urge each minister furnish a written report of his year's work, and especially those having care of churches.

9. The Minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if needed, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association adjourns.

10. The Association shall have a fund for her support, which shall be supplied by voluntary contributions of the different churches, whose duty it shall be to send it by the hands of the messengers, which money sent shall be deposited in the hands of the treasurer for that purpose, and he shall be accountable to the Association for all money received by him until paid out as they may direct.



11. The Association, in case of failure of any church to attend, may inquire into the cause.

12. It is the duty of the Association to see after the union of the churches.

13. It is the sense of this Association that if a minister takes a letter from a church of this Association and neglect or refuse to place it in some church for a period of one year, his name shall be dropped from the roll of ministers, his credentials revoked, and this Association will not recognize any work that may come under his hands as a presbytery after such time and it shall be the duty of the Clerk after such steps have been taken by the Association, to notify the Clerk of the county in which said minister may live, or have his credentials recorded, of the action of this Association toward such minister. Any such minister who wishes to be reinstated by this Association, can do so by uniting himself with some church of this Association, and from the beginning of his membership his credentials shall be in full force, and his work recognized without again coming under the hands of a Presbytery of Elders.

14. This Association shall maintain a committee of five, to be elected by the body, which shall be known as the Examining Council for Ordination.

Those who are to be ordained must—

(1) Must be set apart, and have an endorsement for ordination by the church of which they are a member.

(2) Must have the endorsement of the ordaining council, or a majority vote of a legally called meeting of the council.

(3) Lack of endorsement by either of the above authorities will hold up any ordination.

(4) No one can serve on the committee unless he fully believes in this plan of this work.

(5) This committee shall report to this body, while in session, the misconduct or disregard of any rule, ordinance, set forth and practiced by the Antioch Association, the said party shall be dealt with accordingly.

15. Amendments to this plan of government may be made at any time when a majority may deem it necessary.

## ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. GOD—We believe in one true and living Triune God; composed of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, equal in divine essence, Purpose, Power and Glory. St. John 1:1; 1 Cor. 8-6; 1 John 5:7; St. John 10:30.

2. CHRIST—We believe that Jesus Christ is the divine Son of God. Was with the Father and the Holy Spirit at the time of the Creation, left the Courts of Heaven and came to this earth. Took upon Himself the form of humanity, sin accepted, by being born of the Virgin Mary, manifested His power, was crucified, placed in Joseph's new tomb, arose from the dead the third day, completing the great plan of salvation, walked and talked with His disciples, publicly ascended up to Heaven, and that He will descend again to gather His jewels home. Isaiah 9:6; St. John 1:14; Luke 1:26-28; Math. 14:13-21; Mark 16:9-19; Luke 24; 50-53; Acts 1:9-12; Mark 15:22-41.

3. HOLY SPIRIT—We believe that the Holy Spirit visited true believers in all ages and especially since the ascension of the Son back to the Father, and His coming on the day of Pentecost. Has taken up His office work among all nations of people as a Divine Reprover, Comforter, and Guide. Judges 6:34, 11-29; St. John 16:8-14; Isaiah 63:10-12; Eph. 4:30; Acts 8:17-20.

4. THE BIBLE—We believe the Bible which is composed of the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments was given by Inspiration of God, is our waybid from earth to heaven, and only infallible rule of faith and practice. II Peter 1:19-21; II Tim. 3:14-17; Daniel 10:21; Acts 1:16-17; Matt. 21:42.

5. THE FALL OF MAN—We believe that God created Man good, gave him a just law by which he should be governed, with promises of reward for faithfulness and with penalties and punishment for disobedience. Gave man power of free moral agency to choose the right and reject the wrong. But our first parents heeded the voice of the great enemy of Souls, voluntarily transgressed the law of God, fell with all their posterity, under the just penalty of the same, and were unable of their own power to extricate or save themselves from the great dilemma into which they had fallen. God gave to them the hope

Adopted 1955-56  
27th Anniversary



CHURCHES	MODERATOR THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR MODERATOR	CLERK AND POST OFFICE	Received	Dismissed	Died	Resident Members	Non-resident	S. S. Attendance	No. Offic., Teach.	Minute Fund	Paid Pastors	Paid Other Ministers	Value of Church Property	Days of Meeting	Membership
Harmony	J. D. Kinder	J. D. Kinder	Lee Johnson, 1222 N. Boston, Russellville	17	3	3	137	50	120	10	\$ 8.00	\$2555.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 7000.00	FT	187
Union Grove	Henry Hill	Henry Hill	Thelma English, Atkins, Rt. 2	4	1	1	100	72	75	9	8.00	2170.00	125.00	5000.00	FT	172
Hot Springs	Jimmy Richardson	Jimmy Richardson	Bill Johnson, 33 Hansford, Hot Springs	8			153	18	70	9	6.00	2340.00	150.00	16000.00	FT	161
Russellville	Willard C. Day	Willard C. Day	Bertha Buchanan, 1122 N El Paso, Russellville	9	4	3	126	34	140	13	8.00	3937.50	125.00	20000.00	FT	160
Oak Grove	Ellis Warren	Ellis Warren	Mary Johnston, Russellville, Rt. 4	14	2	2	40	88	45	8	6.00	260.00	152.50	5000.00	1-3	128
Welcome Home	W. E. Coffman	Robert Ashmore	L. E. Bone, Hector	12	2	2	62	55	80	6	7.00	288.00	104.00	5000.00	1-3	117
St. Joe	Rayburn Teague	Rayburn Teague	Marlyn Reynolds, Atkins, Rt. 3	1	2	2	40	70	72	6	6.00	192.00	52.00	5000.00	1-3	110
Red Oak	J. M. Crouch	Ovalee Tilley	Myrtle Colson, Marshall	2	1	1	50	57	60	6	5.00	205.87	40.00			107
Holman	Robert Ashmore	J. C. Kinder	Mary Pitts, Lamar		2	2	73	33	45	8	6.00	336.50	80.00	6000.00	1-3	106
Slaty Crossing	Bobby J. Chronister	Genoe Johnson	Mrs. Claude Crawford, 809 N 4th, Dardanelle	3		1	63	40	70	7	7.50	495.00	125.00	5000.00		103
Mt. Home	Lowell Tanner	Lowell Tanner	Andria Chronister, Lamar, Rt. 2		1	1	49	39	92	9	8.00	720.00	153.54	7000.00	FT	88
Hickory Grove	Lyltle Hallum	W. E. Coffman	Syble Hubbard, 703 Conway St., Morrilton	11	1		44	28	40	6	5.00	1285.00	90.00	4000.00	FT	72
Cherry Hill	Joseph Hubbard	Joseph Hubbard	Dollie Brown, Perryville, Rt. 1	1		2	27	40	68	6	5.50	458.07	100.25		2-4	68
Pine Ridge	Rayburn Teague	C. U. Kinder	Clara Standridge, Atkins, Rt. 1		1	1	28	30	35	6	6.00	152.00	49.98	3000.00	2-4	58
Walnut Grove	C. U. Kinder	W. E. Coffman	Nola Coffman, Hector, Rt. 1		1	1	12	42	26	4	6.50	73.50		3500.00	2	54
Jerusalem	Loy Smith	Loy Smith	Cora Adams, Jerusalem, Box 82		3	1			45	7		116.27	110.01	3000.00	1-3	53
Kenwood	Loy Smith	A. J. Lathum	Hazel Douthit, Atkins, Rt. 2		1		37	16	31	9	3.00		150.00	3000.00	FT	53
Morrilton	R. G. Webb	R. G. Webb	Evelyn Singleton, 404 Roosevelt Cir, Morrilton	6			41	2	70	4	5.00	626.35	92.65	5500.00	FT	43
Mt. Vernon	Vester Harris	Loy Smith	Ruth Burris, Russellville, Rt. 4		1						5.50	138.00	67.50	1600.00	2-4	42
Little Rock	Johnny Burris	Johnny Burris	Dovis Barnes, North Little Rock, Rt. 6, Bx. 38	11	1				35	3	6.00	695.65	70.99	10000.00	FT	42
Maple Springs	Bob Sanders	Genoe Johnson	Lois Gideon, Russellville, Rt. 2		2	2			45	7	5.50	277.60	93.00	2500.00	2-4	42
Moreland	Bobby J. Chronister	Bobby J. Chronister	Cassie Duvall, Russellville, Rt. 4		3		30	11	45	7	5.50	526.75	80.00	4000.00		41
Dublin	Melvin Snow	Melvin Snow	Ewell Henderson, Scranton			1	26	11	40	7	6.00	120.50	67.50	3500.00	4	37
New Liberty	Robert Ashmore	Robert Ashmore	Prue Jones, New Blaine	2			26	6	25	8	6.00	392.50			2-4	32
Phoenix	Homer Eakin	D. A. Vaughn	Nola Bruce, Dover, Rt. 3	2		2	16	12	45	5	5.50	112.24	68.00		1-3	28
South Mt.	Paul Jones	Everett Farnum	Mae Treat, Marshall				20	7	40	6	5.00	135.25	12.00	6000.00	2-4	27
Hector	T. J. Robertson	T. J. Robertson	Clytie Coffman, Hector				13	7	20	5	6.00	86.29	55.62	7500.00	2-4	20
Sweet Home	C. U. Kinder	A. J. Lathum	Flora Polk, Atkins, Rt. 3													
Waynes				102	32		1208		1476			20,096.72	1,739.69	107,100.00		2090

CHURCHES HAVING LEAGUE: Harmony, Union Grove, Hot Springs, Russellville, Welcome Home, Mt. Home, Hickory Grove, Kenwood, Morrilton, Sweet Home.

CHURCHES HAVING PRAYER MEETING: Harmony, Hot Springs, Russellville, Oak Grove, Welcome Home, Mt. Home, Hickory Grove, Morrilton, Mt. Vernon,

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of salvation through the coming of Christ. Gen. 1:27; 3:15; 2:16,17; Rom. 11:11-35; Psalms 37-24; Rom. 5:18.

6. **REDEMPTION, SALVATION, ADOPTION** — We believe that Jesus Christ by His birth, death, burial and resurrection, and ascension, paid the purchase price of the redemption of the whole human race, arranged a pardon for all who come to Him under Gospel terms; and a law of adoption into the Kingdom of Heaven, and an eternal inheritance into the glorified Kingdom above. Heb. 9:12; Gal. 3:13; 4:4-6; Titus 2:14; 1-4; St. John 3:16; Isa. 45:22.

7. **CONDITION OF SALVATION**—We believe that all persons dying in infancy and all idiots are saved by the atoning merits of the Son of God without any act upon their part; that persons coming to the years of accountability, transgressing the law of God, must upon their part exercise faith in Jesus Christ through repentance toward God, at the completion of which pardon takes place in the mind of the Father and by the Holy Spirit they pass through an ordeal of regeneration, are washed in the blood of the lamb and are planted in the Kingdom of Christ, John 3rd chapter; Matt. 19:13-22; II Cor. 7:10; Luke 18: 16-17; St. John 4:11-16; Psalms 98:3.

8. **SALVATION FREE**—We believe that God desires the salvation of all; Christ died for all; the gospel invites all; the Holy Spirit strives with all and whomsoever will may come and be saved upon the terms of the gospel. I Peter: 9-13, 25; 2:9-24; Rev. 22:17.

9. **BAPTISM**—We believe that Christian baptism is the immersion of believers in water, in the name of the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit, in which is represented the burial and resurrection of Christ; also represents our death to sin, and only those who have come under the presbytery of elders are qualified to administer the same. Matt. 3: 14-15-16; I Peter 3:21; St. John 3:23; Acts 10:47; Matt. 28:19.

10. **COMMUNION AND FEET WASHING** — We believe that the Lord's Supper and the washing of feet are ordinances of the gospel of Christ; the Lord's Supper was instituted by our Savior to commemorate his broken body and shed blood for the sins of the world, and to show our remembrance of Him till He comes. All Christians have a right to the Lord's Supper and should be invited: "let a man examine himself and so let him eat."

The washing of feet was instituted by our Lord at the same time that the supper was instituted as an act of humility to show our love for each other and both ordinances should be perpetuated by all Christians until His second coming. Luke 22:19-20; I Cor. 11:20-29; St. John 13:1-18; Matt. 26:26-29.

11. **THE SABBATH**—We believe that the Christian Sabbath (Lord's Day) should be observed as a day of rest for worship of God; we should abstain from all sinful amusements and secular employments, works of mercy and piety excepted. Exodus 20:11; Exodus 31:12-18; Deut. 5:12-15; Ezek. 20:12; Matt. 28:1; Luke 23:56; Acts 13:42-48; Mark 2:27; 1st Cor. 16:1-2; Rev. 1:10.

12. **CALL TO THE MINISTRY**—We believe in a divine call of the ministry; that God in His goodness and power of grace, impresses His ministers with the burden of lost souls, to the extent that the call becomes irresistible with personal contentment; that when they yield to the call and exercise their native gifts according to the scriptures with a full reliance upon Him He accompanied them in the person of the Holy Spirit to guide them in the way of truth and to bless their labors according to His purpose. Jonah 1:1; Jer. 1:5; Mark 3: 14; Acts 1:22-26; Matt. 28:19.

13. **THE INVISIBLE CHURCH**—We believe that the Invisible or Spiritual Church is the redeemed in the aggregate, is the family of God, is composed of all true Christians of every congregation from righteous able to the restitution of all things, from every kindred, nation, tongue and people. Ephes. 3:16-21; Heb. 12:22-23; I Peter 2:5; Ephes. 2:20-22; Acts 2:47; Matt. 16:18.

14. **THE VISIBLE CHURCH**—We believe that a visible Church of Christ is the congregation of faithful men and women, having obtained fellowship with the Lord and with each other, agreeing to keep up a good discipline and doctrine according to the rules of the gospel. II Thes. 1:1; Acts 16:5; 3rd John 1:10; Matt. 18:17; Acts 20:28; Rev. 1:4-11-20.

15. **PERSEVERANCE**—We believe that all true believers in Christ should persevere in divine grace, and in the knowledge of the truth and that God's grace is sufficient to help them to overcome all the obstacles of life and that all



of the combined forces of the great enemy of souls on earth and in Hell (or in his eternal abode) are not able to pluck them from His hand so long as they walk in the path of duty; but those who sidestep and willfully refuse or neglect to perform their duty, they would backslide and if persistently continued, would be eternally lost. II Cor. 9:10; II Peter 1:4-8; I Peter 2:2; Rom. 8:35-39; Apostasy; II Peter 1:8-9; I Cor. 10:1-31; Heb. 12:15-17; I John 5:16; Heb. 6:16; I Tim. 4:1-2; Heb. 3:12; St. John 15:1-7; Matt. 12:31-32.

16. **CHRIST THE HEAD OF THE CHURCH**—We believe that Christ is the great head of the Church, and that the government of the local church is with the body. Col. 1:18-19; Matt. 16:18; Heb. 12:23; Matt. 21:42; Ephes. 1:22; Acts 16:4-5.

17. **SANCTIFICATION**—Sanctification is a work of God's grace, by which the soul is cleansed from all sin and wholly consecrated to Christ. It takes place in the regeneration. The Christian can and should abide in this state to the end of life, constantly growing in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. I Cor. 6:11; II Thes. 2:13; Heb. 12:14; Phil. 3:21; II Thes. 5:19-23; St. John 17:17-19; II Tim. 2:20-21.

18. **THE SOUL**—We believe that the soul is endless, hence does not die with the body, but immediately after death enters into a conscious state of happiness or misery according to spiritual character here possessed. Phil. 1:23; Luke 23:43; Rev. 6:9; Luke 16:19-25; Matt. 10:28.

19. **THE RESURRECTION**—We believe in the resurrection of the dead, both of righteous and wicked. When the resurrection shall take place, the soul and body shall be reunited, the righteous shall be received into everlasting happiness to reign with God forever; but the wicked shall go away into everlasting punishment. Matt. 28:6; St. John 5:28-29; I Cor. 15:51-58.

20. **JUDGMENT**—We believe that there will be a general, universal judgment, when all men shall be judged according to their works whether they be good or bad, and that immediately thereafter the wicked shall enter into everlasting punishment and the righteous into eternal happiness. II Thes. 1:4-9; Rev. 14:13; Acts 17:31; Luke 16:23; Rev. 21:8; II Cor. 5:10; Matt. 12:36-37; Rev. 20:12-13.

## **CHURCH DISCIPLINE**

When seven or more Christians wish to be united into a Free Will Baptist Church organic body, a committee of three or more, composed of one ordained minister, one deacon, and one layman, with others, who are members of churches within the bounds of the Association wherein said church is being organized, by authority here invested, shall examine the applicants, as to the faith and doctrine of the Free Will Baptists and if found to be orthodox, will proceed as follows:

(1) The Bible is presented as the only rule of faith and practice.

(2) The Church Covenant is read.

(3) A prayer of consecration is offered.

(4) The hand of consecration is given.

(5) The church then proceeds to elect its officers: A clerk, a treasurer, a pastor, and two deacons. Other deacons may be elected and ordained as the church grows or when a vacancy occurs.

**Pastor**—The pastor is to be elected for the period of one year, by a majority vote of members present at a regular or stated meeting. His time will expire at the setting of each annual Association. He is to be moderator at all church meetings when present and exercises all rights as far as his office provides.

**Clerk and Treasurer**—The clerk and treasurer are to be elected in the same way and at the same time as the moderator. They are to keep a record of all business proceedings of the church, roll of membership, minutes of conference meetings, and all funds collected and paid out by the membership.

**Deacons**—Special care should be taken by the church in the selection of deacons. I Tim. 8-13 gives some of the qualifications pertaining to deacons that should be heeded. They are elected by a majority vote of the church and ordained by office by a presbytery of three, one of which should be a minister. They serve their church during their lifetime unless relieved by the church for some grievance or disorderly act.



Duties of Deacons—They are to assist at baptizings, the Lord's Supper, and Feet Washing, conduct religious meetings, moderate church when the conference by a majority vote grants the request, support of the church in its benevolence, look after the spiritual interest of the church in general.

Members Received—Applicants are received into the church by a majority vote of members present in a church conference if they acknowledge their sins forgiven and believe in Jesus Christ.

Members Dismissed—Members may receive letter only when in good standing with the church; and cease to be members of the church when the conference by a majority vote grants the request and authorizes the clerk to write a letter signed by the moderator and clerk. Request for letters of dismissal should be made at a conference meeting or in writing through the church clerk, stating the cause for the request.

Members dismissed, dropped, excluded or severed in any other way from the church, it should be for legal and just cause and done in church conference by a majority vote of members present at a regular meeting.

Church may be disbanded for the same rules under which they were organized, when they cease to function properly as churches; failing to hold a conference meeting for the period of one year and by consent of the majority of members living near the church at one time.

Quarterly meetings and annual Associations are organized and disbanded by the same rules of authority as the local church; except when a majority of the churches vote to unite with another quarterly meeting or Association.

#### MINISTERS DIARY

E. L. Hill, Atkins  
Hershel Burris, Russellville, Rt. 4  
Auvaugh Vaughn, Moreland  
G. Z. Claybourn  
W. E. Coffman, Hector, Rt. 1  
T. J. Robertson, Dover, Rt. 3  
J. E. Phillips, Oklahoma  
John Parks, Morrilton, Rt. 1  
J. M. Crouch, Atkins, Rt. 2  
Paul Jones, Marshall, Rt. 4  
Will Crouch, Hector  
Everett G. Farnum, Little Rock, Rt. 2  
Fate Mize, Marshall, Rt. 1  
Homer Eakin, Russellville, Rt. 4  
R. L. McVey, Atkins, Rt. 2  
W. S. Isbell, 605 E. 'G' St., Russellville  
R. L. Taylor, Hector  
J. A. Venable, Dumas, Rt. 1  
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Russellville  
R. G. Webb, Atkins.  
C. U. Kinder, Atkins  
P. C. Denton, Scranton  
A. J. Lathum, Russellville, Rt. 2  
J. D. Coffman, Hector

Ellis Warren, Russellville, Rt. 4  
Lytle Hallum, Casa, Rt. 1  
Melvin Snow, Scranton  
W. A. Crouch, Hector  
Bob Sanders, Atkins  
Bobby J. Chronister, Moreland  
Loy Smith, Atkins, R. 2  
Rayburn Teague, Atkins, Rt. 3  
Joseph Hubbard, Casa, Rt. 1  
Henry Hill, Atkins, R. 2  
Robert Ashmore, Russellville  
Willard C. Day, 115 S. El Paso,  
Russellville  
Lowell Tanner, Russellville, Rt. 1  
Charles Kohn, Casa, Rt. 1  
John M. Burris, Atkins  
Vester Harris, Atkins Rt. 3  
Francis Fochee, Atkins, Rt. 2  
Jimmy Richardson, 203½ Boyles St.,  
Hot Springs  
Geno Johnson, Russellville, Rt. 4  
L. D. Virden, Russellville, Rt. 4  
J. C. Kinder, Russellville, Rt. 4  
E. M. Madison, Donaldson, R. 1  
Travis Miller, Lamar, Rt. 1

#### RULES OF ORDER

1. At every sitting of the Association, business shall be opened and concluded with a prayer.
2. Those who speak shall rise, address the Moderator, and personal reflection shall be avoided.
3. All motions made and seconded shall be open for discussion, but debate may be shut off at any time by a majority of the members of the Association.
4. If any proposition or motion under debate contains two or more provisions, vote shall be taken separately.

5. Motion made and lost shall not be recorded on the Minutes, unless so ordered at the time.

6. No one shall speak more than once on the same subject without special leave from the body.

7. All questions shall be decided by a majority of the members present.

8. No member shall absent himself without leave of the Moderator.

9. At the future sessions of the Association arrangements shall be made, so as to insure two sermons, or other devotional exercises which shall be equivalent thereto; and the chair shall announce just before adjournment who shall fill the stand at the next meeting.

10. Alterations may be made in these rules at any regular meeting of the Association.

### **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Introductory sermon.

2. Association called to order by Moderator, in his absence, the Assistant Moderator, or Clerk.

3. Letters from the churches of this Association called for, read, and messengers invited to seats.

4. Right hand of fellowship.

5. Call for letters from newly-organized churches.

6. Corresponding Associations.

7. Election of permanent officers.

8. Reading of Rules of Order by the chair or clerk.

9. Appointment of the following committees: (a) Resolution; (b) Finance; (c) Pulpit Committee; (d) Temperance; (e) Sabbath Schools; (f) Obituary; (g) Non-represented and Union of Churches.

10. Report of committee appointed at last Association and other unfinished business.

11. Report of new committees.

12. New business.