

**MINUTES**  
**OF THE**  
**SEVENTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION**  
**OF THE**  
**Antioch Association of**  
**Free Will Baptists**

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**HELD WITH UNION GROVE CHURCH**  
**POPE COUNTY, ARKANSAS**  
**SEPTEMBER 10-11-12-13, 1964**

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Next Session Will Be Held With  
**HICKORY GROVE CHURCH**  
**PERRY COUNTY, ARKANSAS**

Beginning On Thursday Night Before the Second Sunday  
in September, 1965

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**ELD. R. G. WEBB** ..... Moderator  
Atkins, Ark.

**ELD. J. D. KINDER** ..... Assistant Moderator  
Russellville, Ark.

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

**BRO. MONROE DAVIS** ..... Assistant Clerk  
Atkins, Ark.

# MINUTES OF ANTIOCH ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

Seventy-Third Annual Session Which Met in Regular Session  
With Union Grove Church — September 10-11-12-13, 1964

Members of Executive Board: Eld. Bobby J. Chronister, Eld. Rayburn Teague, Eld. Thomas Brashear, Eld. Tommy Day, Eld. R. G. Webb, with Moderator and Clerk.

## THURSDAY NIGHT SESSION

Opened with singing led by Eld. Tommy Day, Bro. Dalton Johnson, Eld. Rayburn Teague, Bro. Les Coffman, Bro. J. A. Davis, Eld. D. L. Wright, Eld. Homer Eakin, and Eld. John Taylor.

Opened by moderator, Eld. J. D. Kinder. Scripture lesson, 130 Psalm. United prayer by all ministers and deacons.

Devotional service conducted by Eld. L. D. Carlile.

Eld. R. G. Webb brought the introductory sermon. Scripture lesson, St. John 9. Text, "Take A Stand For Christ."

Dismissed by Eld. Loy Smith to meet at 9 o'clock.

## FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

Assembled with singing led by Eld. Tommy Day.

Prayer by Eld. T. J. Robertson.

Song by Eld. Eugene Hubbard.

Song by Eld. William Burris.

Opened by moderator, Eld. J. D. Kinder.

Letters from the churches called for, read and messengers invited to seats.

UNION GROVE—Bro. Delma McVey, Sis. Maude Gibson, Sis. Gladys Snyder.

HARMONY—Bro. Lee Johnson, Sis. Mitchell, Sis. Thelma Johnson, Sis. Rea Darter.

WELCOME HOME—Bro. Truman Coffman.

RED OAK—By letter.

HOLMAN—Sis. Jewel Freeman, Sis. Louise Wilkins, Sis. Janet Crotts.

ST. JOE—Sis. Cora Davis, Bro. Ross Teets, Sis. Ross Teets.

SLATY CROSSING—Sis. Mary Dorothy Hallum, Bro. Ray Hallum.

PINE RIDGE—Bro. Frank Burris, Bro. Huel Dixon, Bro. Will Miller.

OAK GROVE—Bro. Chalmer Duvall, Sis. Ethel Kinder, Sis. Edith Burris.

WOODLAWN—Sis. Pearl Duvall, Sis. Violet Williams, Sis. Shirley Johnson.

HICKORY GROVE—Sis. Ruby Lee Robinson, Bro. Hershel Robinson, Sis. Margaret Ward.

MT. HOME—Sis. Hanie Jones, Sis. Ruth Taylor, Sis. Mildred Rynders.

MORRILTON—Sis. Sarah Brannon, Bro. Dean Brannon, Sis. Maxine Crosby.

MORELAND—Sis. Cassie Duvall, Sis. Joyce Bradshaw, Sis. Sallie Pitts.

JERUSALEM—Bro. L. G. Henderson, Sis. Elsie Henderson, Bro. Leo Adams.

KENWOOD—By letter.

SWEET HOME—Sis. Flora Polk, Bro. Brown Burnett, Bro. Jim McNutt.

MT. VERNON—Sis. Wilma Burris, Sis. Nealie Burris, Sis. Clara Henderson.

LITTLE ROCK—Sis. Ruby Burroughs, Sis. Edith Burks.

SOUTH MT.—Sis. Erma Dean Kelley, Sis. Peggy Kelley.

MAPLE SPRINGS—Sis. Emma Bowden, Sis. Lucy Bowden, Bro. Bill Bowden.

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

DUBLIN—Bro. and Sis. Jackson, Bro. and Sis. Junior Henderson.

WAYTON—Bro. Ivery Taylor, Bro. Remmel Taylor, Bro. Sherman Taylor.

HECTOR—Sis. Belle Langford, Sis. Pearl Waterfield, Sis. Clytie Coffman.

DARDANELLE—Bro. Arthur Foster, Sis. Nettie Foster, Bro. Seth Farnam.

SMITH SPRINGS—Bro. Dean McCoy, Sis. Billie Alvey.

CLARKSVILLE—Sis. Rosa Willis, Sis. Maggie Phillips, Bro. Ray Hutchins.

NEW LIBERTY—Sis. Prue Jones, Sis. Bessie Jelton, Bro. Bob Johnson.

WALNUT GROVE—By letter.

BEN HUR—Sis. Virgie Gregory, Sis. Nancy Standridge, Sis. Ann Rudder.

NOGO—By letter.

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

Song led by Eld. Henry Hill.

A petitionary letter from Clarksville church was received with its delegates in full fellowship.

The moderator appointed a pulpit committee of Bro. Roy McCuin, Bro. Newt Hice and Bro. Ivory Taylor.

The committee reported that Eld. Bobby Joe Chronister would fill the stand at 11 o'clock.

Visiting ministers introduced were Eld. C. E. Black from Missouri and Eld. John Parks and wife of Morrilton.

The Association further organized by electing the following officers: Eld. R. G. Webb, moderator; Eld. J. D. Kinder, assistant moderator; Bro. E. O. Wright, clerk; and Bro. Monroe Davis, assistant clerk.

Preaching by Eld. Bobby Joe Chronister.

Prayer by Eld. Paul Jones.

Scripture lesson, Acts 2:42-47; text, "The Great Church."

Handshake.

Dismissed by Eld. William Burris to meet at 1:30 p.m.

#### FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Assembled with singing led by Eld. Rayburn Teague and Eld. Stanford Trigg.

Devotional led by Eld. L. D. Carlile by reading the 46th Psalm.

Prayer by all deacons present.

Seating tardy delegates.

Rules of order read by clerk.

The moderator and assistant moderator appointed the following committees:

RESOLUTION—Eld. D. L. Wright, Eld. Paul Jones, Eld. Homer Eakin, Eld. Eugene Hubbard and Eld. Tommy Day.

PULPIT ADDITIONS—Sis. Pearl Duvall and Bro. Bonner Tyler.

TEMPERANCE—Sis. Prue Jones, Eld. T. J. Robertson and Eld. Loy Smith.

SABBATH SCHOOL—Sis. Lila Davis, Eld. Lowell Tanner and Bro. Huel Dixon.

OBITUARY—Sis. Sylvia McCuin, Sis. Mary Ruth Wright, and Sis. Syble Teague.

NON-REPRESENTED AND UNION OF CHURCHES—Eld. Dolphus Johnson, Sis. Ada Webb and Sis. Bernice Hallum.

**FINANCE**—Bro. E. O. Wright, Bro. Horace Conley, Bro. John Harris and Bro. Loyd Standridge.

Honorary members—Sis. Gertie Crow, Sis. Emma Wages, Sis. Daisy Fawbus, Sis. Lizzie Harris, Eld. J. A. Venable, Bro. Reid, Eld. E. L. Hill, Eld. J. M. Crouch, and Eld. W. A. Crouch.

Song by Eld. John Taylor.

Visiting members—Eld. Lonnie Coffman and wife of Searcy, New Hope Association.

Talk by Eld. Coffman.

Talk by Eld. J. A. Venable, the oldest minister present in the Association, being nearly 95 years old.

Talk by Bro. Leon Garrison.

Talk by Eld. E. L. Hill.

Election of state delegates: Sis. Ada Webb, Sis. Prue Jones, Sis. Sylvia McCuin, Sis. Oleta Jones, and Sis. Jessie Robertson. Alternates—Sis. Barbara McCuin, Sis. Gertie Crow, Sis. Cora Knowles, Sis. Clytie Coffman, and Sis. Myra Hill.

A partial report of Resolution Committee: No. 1 read and passed. No. 2 read and passed.

The Pulpit Committee reported Eld. C. E. Black would bring the message that night, Bro. J. D. Henderson to conduct the devotional.

Nominations were in order for a member on the Executive Board. Eld. R. G. Webb was chosen to take the place of Eld. Henry Hill.

Dismissed by Eld. John Taylor.

### FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION

Assembled with singing in a 30-minute song service.

Opened by moderator, Eld. R. G. Webb.

United prayer by all Christians.

Song by Sis. Sarah Brannon and Eld. John Taylor.

Devotional service conducted by Eld. Paul Jones.

Two songs by the Gospel Herald Quartet of Little Rock.

Prayer by Eld. C. E. Black.

Preaching by Eld. Black. Scripture lesson, Heb. 12:1-2; text, "Looking Unto Jesus."

Dismissed by Eld. E. L. Hill.

### SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Assembled with singing led by Bro. E. O. Wright and Bro. Dean Brannon.

Eld. John Parks led the devotional by reading 51st Psalm 1-16.

Prayer by Bro. Loyd Thomas.

Song by Sis. Goldie Maxwell.

Moderator, Eld. R. G. Webb, opened the Association.

Reading of tardy letters and seating of delegates.

Talk by Eld. Loyd Thomas.

Report of Temperance and Sabbath School committees.

Motion made and carried that delegates be instructed to vote against the change of time for the State Association.

Motion made and carried to adjourn for memorial service with 10-minute intermission.

Dismissed by moderator, Eld. R. G. Webb.

Assembled with singing led by Eld. D. L. Wright.

Prayer by Eld. Vester Harris.

Song by Bro. Dean Brannon.



Report of Obituary Committee. Bro. E. O. Wright assisted the committee.

### OBITUARY

We, your committee members, find the following brothers and sisters have departed this life since our last association, but we feel our loss is heaven's gain.

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth. Yea saith the Spirit that they may rest from their labors: and their works do follow them. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes: and there shall be no more death, neither, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain; for the former things have passed away."

HARMONY—Sis. Hettie Sparks.

HOLMAN—Sis. Estella Crofts, Bro. Brad Smith, Bro. Robert Dunn.

OAK GROVE—Sis. Gertie Johnston, Sis. Lovella Stafford.

RED OAK—Sis. Pearl Blackwood Rose.

CHERRY HILL—Bro. D. W. Bird.

HICKORY GROVE—Bro. Floyd Fawbus, Bro. Norman (Bud) Robinson, Bro. Thurman Faulkner.

WOODLAWN—Bro. Jim Cotton.

MORELAND—Sis. Edna Johnson.

JERUSALEM—Bro. Robert Henderson, Sis. Nina Henderson.

DUBLIN—Sis. Anna Johnson, Sis. Esther Smith.

WAYTON—Bro. Sam Daniels, Bro. Harley Reynolds.

NOGO—Sis. Elsie Bell.

LITTLE ROCK—Bro. Curley Baker.

Eld. Bobby Joe Chronister spoke in memory of Sis. Edna Johnson, Sis. Estella Crofts and Bro. Jim Cotton.

Eld. William Burris spoke in memory of Bro. Brad Smith and Bro. Robert Dunn.

Eld. Ellis Warren spoke in memory of Sis. Gertie Johnston.

Eld. Homer Eakin spoke in memory of Sis. Lovella Stafford.

Eld. Fate Mize spoke in memory of Sis. Pearl Blackwood Rose.

Eld. Joseph Hubbard spoke in memory of Bro. D. W. Bird.

Eld. Eugene Hubbard spoke in memory of Bro. Floyd Fawbus.

Eld. Melvin Snow spoke in memory of Sis. Esther Smith.

Eld. Dolphus Johnson spoke in memory of Bro. Sam Daniels and Bro. Harley Reynolds.

Eld. Avaugh Vaughn spoke in memory of Sis. Elsie Bell.

Eld. R. G. Webb spoke in memory of Sis. Hettie Sparks, Bro. Thurman Faulkner, Bro. Norman (Bud) Robinson, Sis. Anna Johnson, Bro. Robert Henderson, Sis. Nina Henderson, and Bro. Curley Baker.

Song and handshake.

Dismissed by Bro. William Hubbard.

## SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Assembled with singing led by Eld. Eugene Hubbard.

Devotional service led by Eld. Lytle Hallum. Scripture reading, 23rd Psalm. Prayer by Eld. J. A. Venable.

Song, "Climbing Jacob's Ladder," by Eld. J. D. Coffman and wife.

The moderator declared nominations in order for home of next association. Hickory Grove was selected for the meeting place of 1965. Eld. Dolphas Johnson was selected to preach the introductory sermon, Eld. Tommy Day alternate.

The Pulpit Committee announced that Eld. Taft Standridge would fill the stand at night and Eld. Eugene Hubbard would conduct the devotional.

Talk by Eld. W. A. Crouch.

Songs by Sis. Mary Ruth Wright and Eld. T. J. Robertson.

Songs by the Gospel Herald Quartet and a quintet of Sis. Goldie Maxwell, Sis. Mary Ruth Wright, Sis. Syble Teague, Sis. Bobbie Miller and Sis. Gena Sue Duvall.

Report of Executive Committee. Motion made and carried the Association stand behind the Board. A motion made and carried that the evidence in this matter be read. A statement from Eld. Geno Johnston and Eld. J. C. Kinder was considered. A vote by the Association was in majority that the elders were guilty. A motion made by Eld. D. L. Wright and seconded by Eld. Loy Smith carried that said credentials be revoked.

Motion made and carried that the Association adjourn business to meet with Hickory Grove Church in September, 1965.

Dismissed by Eld. Everett Farnum.

## SATURDAY NIGHT SESSION

Assembled with singing at which a good song service was enjoyed.

Prayer by Eld. D. L. Wright, Eld. John Taylor and Eld. John Parks.

Devotional service conducted by Eld. Eugene Hubbard.

Song by Gospel Herald Quartet.

Preaching by Eld. Taft Standridge; Scripture lesson, Hebrew 11:5-6; text, "Living By Faith."

Resolution of thanks—We, the ministers, deacons, delegates, and visiting members, wish to extend a rising vote of thanks to the Union Grove Church and surrounding community for their kind and generous hospitality, wonderful meals, and real fellowship of Christian worship.

Dismissed by Sis. Virgie Chapman.

Eld. Lytle Hallum graced the table at noon Friday, Eld. Loyd Thomas graced the table Friday night, Bro. William Hubbard graced the table at noon Saturday, and Eld. E. L. Hill graced the table Saturday night.

ELD. R. G. WEBB, Moderator

BRO. E. O. WRIGHT, Clerk

## SUNDAY MORNING SESSION

After Sunday School, Eld. Tommy Day opened the service.

Prayer by a number of Christians.

Scripture lesson, Psalm 116:7.

Two specials by the Gospel Herald Quartet.

The Association came to close with singing and shouting.

## — REPORT OF COMMITTEES —

### SABBATH SCHOOLS

We, the Committee on Sabbath Schools, submit the following: We find all churches have Sunday schools, realizing the great responsibility of a child's training which begins in the home by the parents setting

a good example by taking them to Sunday School. We stress going by the Bible. Raise a child up the way it should go and when it is older it will not depart from it. We recommend all Sunday schools use Free Will Baptist literature.

Lila Davis, Lowell Tanner, Huel Dixon

### RESOLUTIONS

We your Committee on Resolutions, submit the following: Be it resolved (1) We, the Antioch Association of Free Will Baptists made up of 33 churches in and near Pope County, Arkansas, send a vote of appreciation to the Christian Civic Foundation for the work being done toward defeating the gambling issue to appear on the November ballot and pledge our support for the same. Done in conference September 12, 1964. (2) Be it resolved that the Antioch Association of Free Will Baptists approved a printed questionnaire form to be used by each local church for the examination of candidates to be ordained as deacons and said form to be held as property of the church.

Eld. D. L. Wright, Eld. Paul Jones, Eld. Homer Eakin,  
Eld. Eugene Hubbard, Eld. Tommy Day

### TEMPERANCE

We, your Committee on Temperance, would like to make the following report: We believe the Bible teaches us to be temperate in all things, and as for alcoholic beverages not only should we as Christians abstain from all traffic, transfer, or distribution of the damnable stuff, we also believe that we should not patronize places that are connected with the distribution of them such as cafes, grocery stores, pool halls, honky tonks, and road houses. And also we would like to submit as a reminder to the people James 1:12-16, "Blessed is the man that endureth temptation; for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love Him. Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God; for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he any man, but every man is tempted when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin; and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death." Do not err, my beloved brethren.

Sis. Prue Jones, Eld. T. J. Robertson, Eld. Loy Smith

### NON-REPRESENTED AND UNION OF CHURCHES

We, your Committee on Non-Represented and Union of Churches, find that all churches are represented by messenger or by letter, and find all are in union with one another.

Eld. Dolphas Johnson, Sis. Ada Webb, Sis. Bernice Hallum

### FINANCE

We, your Committee on Finance, have collected from the different churches: For Antioch, \$131.50; for State Fund, \$100.50; total, \$232.00.

Bro. E. O. Wright, Bro. Horace Condley, Bro. John Harris,  
Bro. Loyd Standridge

### 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 grace 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 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 Savior 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 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. On 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 or 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, Pulaski, and Newton counties, the Association to have no power to lord it over



CHURCHES	MODERATOR THIS YEAR	MODERATOR LAST YEAR	CLERK AND ADDRESS	Received	Dismissed	Died	Resident Members	Non-Resident Members	S. S. Attendance	No. Offic., Teach.	Minute Fund	Paid Pastors	Paid Other Ministers	Value of Church Property	Days of Meeting	Membership
Union Grove	Tommy Day	Tommy Day	Jimmy Hill, Atkins	2	5		110	71	88	10	\$ 11.00	\$ 3,445.00	\$ 140.00	\$ 12,500	FT	181
Harmony	Henry Hill	Henry Hill	Jack D. Reid, 1415 S. Ark., Russellville	9	5	1	133	41	89	12	11.00	2,600.00	100.00	10,000	FT	171
Welcome Home	Lowell Tanner	Lowell Tanner	Evelyn Parrish, Rt. 1, Hector	7	2		85	55	90	6	11.00	825.18	206.00	5,000	FT	140
Red Oak	Taft Standridge	Everett Farnum	Carolyn Davis, Marshall	21		1			66		5.00	480.00	296.45		1-3	136
Holman	William Burris	William Burris	Mary Pitts, Rt. 1, Lamar	2	2	3			35	6	5.00	234.63	48.00	6,000	FT	122
St. Joe	Eugene Hubbard	Eugene Hubbard	Ollie Teague, Rt. 3, Atkins	7	1		69	44	30	7	9.00	192.00	100.00		FT	113
Slaty Crossing	Bill Williams	Bill Williams	Elsie Fink, Rt. 1, Dardanelle	7	2		40	70	47	8	6.00	779.00	150.00	5,000	FT	110
Pine Ridge	Taft Standridge	Dolphas Johnson	Frank Burris, Pottsville	6	3		43	53	45	6	6.00	330.00	121.50	3,500	2-4	96
Oak Grove	Homer Eakin	J. C. Kinder	Zula Hice, 618 East D, Russellville		9	2	50	44	45	6	11.00	230.00	130.00	7,000	1-3	94
Cherry Hill	J. W. Hubbard	J. W. Hubbard	Ella Dean Brown, Rt. 1, Perryville	6		1	49	41	70	8	7.50	792.38	117.00		2-4	90
Woodlawn	Dolphas Johnson	Bobby J. Chronister	Nora Virden, 416 N. Knoxville, Russ.	9	2	1	69	14	55	8	11.00	1,750.00	100.00	10,000	FT	83
Hickory Grove	R. H. McCuin	C. U. Kinder	Lucy Kohn, Rt. 1, Casa	1	5	3	44	29	40	8	9.00	1,000.00	100.00	6,000	FT	73
Mt. Home	T. J. Robertson	D. L. Wright	Sarah Townsend, Star Rt., Clarksville	2	21		31	39	46	10	9.00	660.00	45.00	7,500	FT	70
Morrilton	R. G. Webb	R. G. Webb	Evelyn Singleton, Morrilton	21	3		59	5	80	7	6.00	1,117.40	66.80	12,500	FT	64
Moreland	Bobby J. Chronister	L. D. Virden	Bessie Pitts, Rt. 1, Box 115, Dover		2	1	49	10	44	7	9.00	716.44	50.00	5,000	FT	59
Jerusalem	Lytle Hallum	Lytle Hallum	Leo Adams, Jerusalem	4	1	2	37	12	45	8	5.50	260.67	74.50	3,000	1-3	52
Kenwood	Francis Foshee	Francis Foshee	Ida Mae Foshee, Rt. 2, Atkins	13			32	20	43	5	3.00	34.00		3,000	FT	52
Sweet Home	Rayburn Teague	Rayburn Teague	Woodene Duvall, Hattievile	8			20	31	40	6	9.00	240.00	50.00	4,000	1-3	51
Mt. Vernon	Homer Eakin	Homer Eakin	Ruth Burris, Rt. 4, Russellville	6	4				26	5	5.50	125.73		4,000	2-4	50
Little Rock	Alvin Ramsey	Loy Smith	Mable Weed, 1411 Geyer Sprgs. Rd., L.R.		4	1			25	7	10.00	933.66		10,000		48
South Mt.	William Burris	William Burris	Mae Treat, Marshall	3	2		28	17	37	7	5.00	269.50	35.00	6,000	2-4	45
Maple Springs	Ellis Warren	Ellis Warren	Peggy Williams, Rt. 1, Box 172, Russ.				19	24	37	7	5.00	303.50	96.00	2,500	2-4	43
Phoenix	Leon Garrison	L. D. Carlile	Nola Bruce, Rt. 1, Dover				30	9	30	5	4.00	176.60	37.00		2-4	39
Dublin		Travis Miller	Emma Wages, Scranton		4	2	30	8	48	7	6.00	485.74	204.41	3,500	FT	38
Wayton	J. D. Henderson	Dolphas Johnosn	Lettie Taylor, Rt. 1, Box 8, Wayton	13		2	29	7	40		3.00	150.00	30.00	10,000	2-4	38
Hector	Stanford Trigg	Stanford Trigg	Clytie Coffman, Hector	13			25	7	30		9.00	241.19	57.67	8,000	FT	32
Dardanelle	J. D. Kinder	J. D. Kinder	Mary Crawford, 809 N. 4th, Dardanelle	29			28	1	52		8.00		237.00	6,000	FT	29
Smith Springs	Leon Hill	Geno Johnston	Juanita Huett, 803 E. Rock, Morrilton	20			29		50		5.00	535.00	148.60	10,000		29
Clarksville	D. L. Wright	D. L. Wright	Susie Hutchins, Rt. 2, Box 113, Lamar	29					32		6.00	135.00			FT	29
New Liberty	Ernest Page	J. W. Hubbard	Lorene Davis, New Blaine		8		24	4	38	5	9.00	698.11	107.00		1-3	28
Walnut Grove	W. E. Coffman	W. E. Coffman	Hazel Marable, Rt. 1, Hector	2	32		16	12	15	8	6.50	388.00		5,000	FT	28
Ben Hur	Rayburn Teague	Rayburn Teague	Leatrus Standridge, Ben Hur	2			19	8	30		7.00	280.00	110.00	3,500	2-4	27
Nogo	Avaugh Vaughn	Avaugh Vaughn	Fannie Rackley, Hector			1	21	3	30		3.00	196.40	30.00		2-4	24
				232	117	22	1,218	679	1,509	179	\$236.00	\$27,506.13	\$3,397.93	\$169,500		2,224

CHURCHES HAVING LEAGUE: Union Grove, Harmony, Welcome Home, Slaty Crossing, Pine Ridge, Hickory Grove, Mt. Home, Morrilton, Little Rock, Dardanelle, Smith Springs, Clarksville, New Liberty.

CHURCHES HAVING PRAYER MEETING: Slaty Crossing, Cherry Hill, Sweet Home, Dardanelle, Ben Hur.

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 become 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 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.

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 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. Have preached at least one year in the bounds of the Association, or the demand for his service as an ordained minister to the



extent that he be recommended by the church of which he is a member for ordination.

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

3. Must have the endorsement of the ordaining council, or a majority of a legally called meeting of the council.

4. Lack of endorsement by either of the above authorities will hold up an ordination.

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

6. This committee shall report to this body, while in session, the misconduct or disregard of any rule, or 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; I Cor. 8:6; 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 His earth. Took upon Himself the form of humanity, sin excepted, 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; Matt. 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 official 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 waybill 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 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, 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. 9:9-12; Gal. 3:13, 4:4-6; Titus 2:4; 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 8:13-25, 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 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; I 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 accompanies 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.—Eph. 3:16-21; Heb. 12:22-23; I Peter 2:5; Eph. 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 1:19; 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 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 the 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. 21:28; 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 prudence.
- (2) The Church Covenant is read.
- (3) A prayer of consecration is offered.
- (4) The hand of fellowship 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. 3:8 gives some of the qualifications pertaining to deacons that should be heeded. They are elected by a majority vote of the church and ordained to 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 the 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.

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## 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 points, it shall be divided at the request of any member and the vote 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 Associations 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; (d) Temperance; (e) Sabbath Schools; (f) Obituary; (g) Non-represented and Union of Churches.
10. Report of committees appointed at last Association and other unfinished business.
11. Report of new committees.
12. New business.
13. Adjournment.