

Minutes

of the

9th ANNUAL SESSION

of the

APPALACHIAN FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

and

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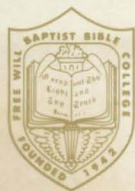
NEXT SESSION WILL BE HELD

January 19, 20, 1978

at the

FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Bristol, Virginia



FREE WILL BAPTIST
BIBLE COLLEGE

Nashville, Tennessee

Presented By

Mrs. Talmadge Brown

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EAST SIDE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Elizabethton, Tennessee

January 20, 21, 1977

ELMER CARTER, Moderator

905 Central Ave.

Elizabethton, Tennessee

MRS. TALMADGE BROWN, Clerk

Route 1, Box 541

Erwin, Tennessee

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ROSTER OF OFFICIALS FOR 1977

MODERATOR	Rev. Winford Floyd
1242 Thomas Blvd., Elizabethton, Tn. 37643	
ASSISTANT MODERATOR	Rev. Carl Nelson
P. O. Box 611, Erwin, Tn. 37650	
CLERK.....	Mrs. Talmadge Brown
Rt. 1, Box 541, Erwin, Tn. 37650	
TREASURER	Rev. Talmadge Brown
Rt. 1, Box 541, Erwin, Tn. 37650	
STATISTICIAN.....	Rev. Eddie Maupin
Rt. 7, Box 474, Elizabethton, Tn. 37643	

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Mr. Jerome Daugherty	Term expires 1978
Mr. Harold Harris.....	Term expires 1979
Mr. Bill Hyder.....	Term expires 1980
Rev. Winford Floyd	Ex-Officio
Rev. Carl Nelson.....	Ex-Officio
Rev. Talmadge Brown.....	Ex-Officio
Mrs. Talmadge Brown.....	Ex-Officio

ORDAINING COUNCIL

Rev. Eugene Deaton.....	Term expires 1978
Rev. Richard Adams.....	Term expires 1979
Rev. Daniel Foster.....	Term expires 1980
Rev. W. L. Kell.....	Term expires 1981
Rev. Elmer Carter.....	Term expires 1982

HOME MISSIONS BOARD

Mr. Shade Estep	Term expires 1978
Rev. Houston Blevins.....	Term expires 1979
Rev. Jack Greene.....	Term expires 1980
Rev. Ivery Padgett.....	Term expires 1981
Rev. O. P. Stokes.....	Term expires 1982

RETIREMENT BOARD

Rev. W. C. Amos	Term expires 1978
Mr. Dean Ford.....	Term expires 1979
Mr. Thomas Austin.....	Term expires 1980

YOUTH-CAMP BOARD

Rev. Richard Adams	Term expires 1978
Rev. Winford Floyd	Term expires 1979
Rev. Jack Greene.....	Term expires 1980
Rev. O. P. Stokes.....	Term expires 1981

NOTE: Exception to rule made in order to allow these men, already on other Boards, to serve on Youth-Camp Board this year.

R E G I S T R A T I O N

ASSOCIATIONAL MINISTERS WHO REGISTERED

Rev. Richard Adams, East Side	
Rev. Winford R. Floyd, First Free Will of Elizabethton	
Rev. D. C. Byrd, Berea	
Rev. Fred Greene, Keystone	
Rev. Edgar J. Coleman, Elizabethton	
Rev. Earnest Garland, Moores Chapel	
Rev. Carl H. Johnson, Shannon View FWB	
Rev. Tommy Maines, Charity Hill	
Rev. L. J. Oliver, Johnson City	
Rev. Ivery Padgett, Boones Creek	
Rev. David Cook, Morgan's Branch	
Rev. Gary Hodges, Eastview FWB	
Rev. Ray Scalf, East Fairview FWB	
Rev. Rex Johnson, Holly Springs	
Rev. Houston Blevins, First FBW of Elizabethton	
Rev. Bill Guy, Evergreen	
Rev. O. P. Stokes, Moores Chapel	
Rev. Carl Nelson, Evangelist	
Rev. Eddie Maupin, Watauga Valley	
Rev. Ricky Cox, Johnson City	
Rev. Dan Foster, Grace	
Rev. John Townsend, Southside of Mountain City	
Rev. W. C. Amos, Southside of Elizabethton	
Rev. Talmadge Brown, Canah Chapel	
Rev. Carl Grindstaff, Elizabethton	
Rev. Eugene Deaton, Union Chapel	
Rev. W. L. Kell, First FWB of Morrison City	
Rev. J. D. Wilson, Burleson Chapel	
Rev. George Scalf, Jr., Valley Forge House of Prayer	
Rev. Gilbert Abel, Rich Acres	
Rev. Ray Slemp, Sugar Grove	
Rev. James Richardson, Elizabethton	
Rev. Robert Morgan, Roan Mountain	
TOTAL	33

VISITING MINISTERS WHO REGISTERED

Rev. Wallace Hayes, Home Missionary to Lebanon, Tenn.	
Rev. Clarence Phillips, Moderator of State Association	
Rev. John Gibbs, State Promotional Director	
Rev. James E. Raper, Superintendent of Home for Children	
TOTAL	4

DEACONS WHO REGISTERED

Johnny Holder, East Side	
R. J. Clemons, Charity Hill FWB	

Bill Hyder, Southside of Elizabethton
Pierce Hughes, East Side
Shade Estep, Southside of Elizabethton
Jackie G. Cole, Boones Creek
Jerome Daugherty, Keenbourg
James Dolan, Canah Chapel
Ernie France, Boones Creek
J. W. Street, Boones Creek
Ralph Phillips, South Side of Mountain City
Vaughn Miller, First Fwb of Mountain City
Vester Smith, Watauga Valley
H. B. Taylor, Watauga Valley
TOTAL 14

DELEGATES WHO REGISTERED

BOONES CREEK

Marilyn Padgett
Helen Padgett
Lila France
David McClure
Tim Williams
Rose Street
Samuel Parrish
Alice Parrish
Margaret Fagan
Hartsell Fagan

CANAH CHAPEL

Mary Ruth Coffie
Marsha Edwards
Velma Brown
Joyce Walker
Joan Dolan

CHARITY HILL

Velma Clemons
Carolyn Maines
James Maines
Sherry Maines
Jean Barnett
Anna Jean Barnett

EAST SIDE

Reb Ledford
Carolyn Adams

FIRST FWB OF MORRISON CITY

Earl Osborne
Henry Dodson
Clyde C. Nave

FIRST FWB OF MOUNTAIN CITY

Mrs. Vaughn Miller

KEENBURG

Florence Daugherty
Glenda Carr

SOUTH SIDE OF ELIZABETHTON

Thomas F. Austin
Tanny Holdren
Dale Adkins
Corine Hyder
Tony Amos
Carol Amos
Roy Adkins

SOUTH SIDE OF MOUNTAIN CITY

Mrs. Ralph Phillips
Mrs. Ray Slemph
Mrs. Bill Guy, Jr.
Mrs. Rex Johnson

TOTAL 40

VISITORS WHO REGISTERED

Kathy Cannon, East Side	Chad Walker, Canah Chapel
Lois Cannon, East Side	Christy Walker, Canah Chapel
Kathy Campbell, East Side	Pam Carr, Keensburg
Pierce Hughes, East Side	Renee Carr, Keensburg
Toby J. Morrison, East Side	
Etta Robinson, East Side	
Pamela Morrison, East Side	
Stephen Morrison, East Side	
Mrs. Ray Scalf, East Fairview	
Herman K. Hunnicutt, First FWB	
Mrs. Carl Johnson, Shannon View	
Kathryn Greene, Keystone	
Jennifer Amos, South Side	
Ray Stockton, East Side	
Cecil Simmons, East Side	
Mrs. Cecil Simmons, East Side	
Janice Amos, South Side	
Mrs. Carl Nelson, First FWB of Erwin	
Dennis Ford, East Side	
Juanita Floyd, First FWB of Elizabethton	
Sherri Floyd, First FWB of Elizabethton	
Charlene Guess, First FWB of Elizabethton	
Michael Guess, First FWB of Elizabethton	
Bethany Adams, East Side	
James Adams, East Side	
Deanna Carter, Keensburg	
Ray Simmons, East Side	
Sandi Simmons, East Side	
Walter D. Berry, II, East Side	
Walter D. Berry, III, East Side	
Becky J. Berry, East Side	
Gurney English	
Mrs. Janice Maupin, Watauga Valley	
Denise Maupin, Watauga Valley	
Judy Richardson, Watauga Valley	
Samuel E. Hammer, East Side	
John Cole, East View	
Barbara Hamme, East View	
Kyle Brown, Canah Chapel	
Karen Brown, Canah Chapel	
Connie Brown, Canah Chapel	
Misty Edwards, Canah Chapel	

TOTAL 47

TOTAL REGISTRATION 138

PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY EVENING, JANUARY 20

The ninth annual session of the Appalachian Association of Free Will Baptist met at the East Side Free Will Baptist Church in Elizabethton, Tennessee, January 20, 1977. Rev. Daniel Foster led the congregation in singing "Standing on the Promises".

The Association was called into official session by the Assistant Moderator, Rev. Winford Floyd. All Associational Ministers, deacons, and delegates were recognized and seated as the voting power of the session. Visiting Ministers, Rev. John Gibbs, Rev. Clarence Phillips, and Rev. Wallace Hayes, were seated as an advisory council. The host pastor, Rev. Richard Adams, extended a warm welcome to the convention.

Rev. Floyd introduced the moderator, Rev. Elmer Carter. After a few words of greetings, Rev. Carter presented a brief message in which he urged Free Will Baptist everywhere to be optimistic even in these days of darkness and chaos, and to take advantage of the great opportunities now open to us.

The Committee on Committees, appointed by the moderator, consisted of Edgar Coleman, Winford Floyd, Richard Adams, Jack Greene, and D. C. Byrd.

The moderator of the Tennessee State Association, Rev. Clarence Phillips, and Home Missionary, Rev. Wallace Hayes, each gave a brief greeting. An offering of twenty dollars and twenty five cents was received as the congregation sang hymns, "When Jesus Came Into My Heart", and "He Keeps Me Singing". Rev. Eddie Maupin prayed the offertory prayer.

Rev. John Gibbs, Promotional Director of Tennessee State Association, was introduced to bring the message. Reading scriptures - Matt. 16:24, and Gal. 2:20, Rev. Gibbs spoke of the real meaning of carrying our cross, and used examples of "cheap crosses" people try to substitute for the real thing. An altar prayer was led by Rev. Tom Maines.

The report of the Committee on Committees was given by Rev. Winford Floyd. The report was adopted.

Benediction was by Rev. Ray Scalf.

FRIDAY MORNING, JANUARY 21

The congregation sang "We Praise Thee, Oh God" to open the Friday morning session. Tom Austin led the singing with Mary Ruth Coffie at the piano. Prayer was offered by Rev. Carl Nelson.

Devotions were given by Rev. Ivery Padgett. Reading II Tim. 4:6-8, he based the thoughts of his message on these verses, and closed with prayer.

The report of the Statistician was read by Eddie Maupin. A motion carried to accept report. The treasurer, Talmadge Brown, gave the financial report and it was adopted. A report of the Sunday School Convention was presented by Dan Foster and was received. The report of the Home Missions Board was given by Carl Nelson and adopted. The report of the Executive Board was ready by Talmadge Brown and was received. W. C. Amos gave the report of the

Retirement Board. The report was adopted. An important report on the CTS Convention was given by Richard Adams and received as information.

A ten minute recess was declared by the moderator and Rev. Robert Morgan dismissed with prayer.

The morning worship service opened with the congregation singing "At The Cross", and "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart". Rev. Carl Nelson offered prayer and an offering was received.

Rev. W. C. Amos, pastor of the Southside FWB Church of Elizabethton, was introduced to bring the message. Reading Acts 6:3,5, 8-15, Rev. Amos preached on the subject, "The Face of Steven", and closed with prayer.

Rev. Dan Foster provided the special music singing, "Because He Lives" and "Touring That City". Rev. Junior Scalf offered prayer. After a good time of fellowship, the moderator declared a recess for lunch. Rev. Carl Grindstaff dismissed with prayer.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, JANUARY 21

The Friday afternoon session opened with the congregation singing "Redeemed", led by Rev. John Gibbs with Mrs. Brenda French at the piano. Rev. Robert Morgan gave devotional thoughts from the scripture II Tim. 1:1, and offered prayer. The Home for Children was represented by the Superintendent, Rev. James E. Raper. He gave a brief report of life at the Home, and introduced several of the children and workers who were with him. The report was received as information. Rev. John Gibbs, State Promotional Director, was presented by the moderator. He presented information on the State work and dates of up coming events in the different areas of the State work. The report was received as information. Home Missionary, Rev. Wallace Hayes, was introduced. He shared his burden to begin a Church in Lebanon, Tenn., and asked the people and churches of our Association to be a part of his ministry by financial and prayer support. The report was received as information.

Rev. Richard Adams, Chairman of the Youth-Camp Committee, gave their report. A motion to accept report and adopt the recommendations therein, was made, seconded and carried. A motion was made to retain the Youth-Camp Committee as a standing Board with one man to rotate off each year, beginning January 1978. The motion carried. A motion carried that an exception be made to the rule that a man may serve on only one board at a time, to allow these men to serve this year on the Youth-Camp Board.

The report of the Placement Committee was read by Dan Foster and adopted. Carl Nelson read the report of the Resolutions Committee and it was adopted. Rev. W. L. Kell read the report of the Nominating Committee. The report was received and a motion carried that those nominated by the committee be elected. Since the Finance Committee was not prepared to report, a motion was made to retain this committee until the next Quarterly Meeting at which time they would report. Motion Carried.

A motion was made to increase the amount the Retirement Board contributes to the accounts of those enrolled in the retirement program of the Association from seven dollars to ten dollars per month. The motion was seconded.

ded and carried. A motion to give \$100.00 to the Wallace Hayes account carried.

A partial report was presented by the Ordaining Council with items through 16 being adopted.

Benediction was by Rev. Edgar Coleman.

FRIDAY EVENING, JANUARY 21

The Friday evening session opened with congregational singing. Mr. Pierce Julian led in singing a selection of hymns including "Victory in Jesus" and "Standing on the Promises". An offering of seventy eight dollars and fifteen cents was received for the Home for Children.

The clerk of the Ordaining Council, Rev. Eugene Deaton, gave the remaining portion of their report. The report was recieved with the items one through eight being adopted. Rev. Carter then yielded the Chair to Rev. W. L. Kell, Chairman of the Ordaining Council, who would preside over the Ordination Service.

The Christian Pioneers, who had earlier provided pre-service music, was introduced. They sang several numbers including, "Living on Higher Ground", "Thank You Lord For Your Blessings On Me", and "When My Feet Touch the Streets of Gold".

Rev. Talmadge Brown, Pastor of Canah Chapel FWB Church in Erwin, was introduced to bring the Ordination Message. After reading Exodus 32:30-32, I Tim. 4:16, and Acts 20:28, and praying, Rev. Brown brought a message from the subject, "Leadership". He challenged the young ministers being ordained to first be a good follower of Christ, then a good leader in their home, then in their Church.

The Clerk of the Ordaining Council introduced Gary Hodges, David Cook, Bill Guy, Ray Slemp, and Rex Johnson who were to be ordained. Rev. Dan Foster gave the charge, using I Tim. 4:1-5 as the scriptural basis for his remarks. The candidates knelt at the altar with their wives for the laying on of hands and prayer which was led by Rev. Richard Adams. The Certificates of Ordination were then presented. James Richardson, Roy Adkins, and Earnest Garland were introduced and presented with Licenses to preach for one year. Steve Cannon, also being licensed, could not be present to receive his license since he is a student at Free Will Baptist Bible College. Brief testimonies were given by the men who were ordained. The Christian Pioneers provided special music while a time of fellowship was enjoyed by the entire congregation.

The ninth annual session of the Appalachian Association was adjourned.

MODERATOR'S MESSAGE

I greet you in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. We find that in this time of history that we are living in a drifting age, where churches and individuals are drifting far from the Biblical foundation of truth; where governmental and educational institutions have left the principles of right and are conducted contrary to the Biblical foundations of truth. But brethren, let us be op-

timistic in this time of darkness and chaos and look again at Psalm 119:105, "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path."

Free Will Baptist everywhere now have the greatest opportunity in history to let the light of Jesus Christ shine out through our lives to a lost and dying world. Brethren, let us omit the fads and fancy of modern day religion and proclaim the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. May we neither go to the right nor to the left but teach and preach the exact truth as is revealed in the Bible, the Word of God.

I pray that when we leave this ninth annual session of the Appalachian Association that we may go forth in the power of the Holy Spirit, trusting God to do exactly what His Word tells us He will do.

May God give us wisdom in conducting the Association's business and may our deliberation be done in a Christian's spirit and with Christian courtesy. Matthew 7:12.

Elmer Carter
(Moderator)

R E P O R T S

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

The Executive Board of the Appalachian Association met on December 6, 1976, at the East Side Free Will Baptist Church. Rev. Elmer Carter presided as Chairman. Talmadge Brown led in prayer. Plans for the annual Association were made as follows:

1. Voted to have 500 programs printed, using the same program format as last year.

2. The following speakers were chosen:

- (a) Keynote Message Rev. John Gibbs
- (b) Friday Morning Message Rev. W. C. Amos
- (c) Friday Evening Message Rev. Talmadge Brown
- (d) Devotions Friday Morning..... Rev. Ivery Padgett
- (e) Moderator authorized to select a devotional speaker for Friday

afternoon.

3. Voted to give the delegates fees to the host church to supplement cost of meal, if they served lunch.

4. Voted that church clerks be notified that the annual church reports would be due on January 14, 1977.

Adjourned

Board Members present:

Jerome Daugherty

Harold Harris

Talmadge Brown

C. B. Shoemaker

Elmer Carter

Velma Brown, Clerk

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

We, the Committee on Committees, recommend that the following persons serve on respective committee as stated below:

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE — Carl Nelson, Chairman, Eddie Maupin, Frank Thompson

NOMINATING COMMITTEE — W. L. Kell, Chairman, W. C. Amos, Talmadge Brown

PLACEMENT COMMITTEE — Dan Foster, Chairman, Houston Blevins, O. P. Stokes

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE — Ray Scalf, Chairman, Eugene Deaton, Mrs. Talmadge Brown

Submitted by
Edgar Coleman
Winford Floyd
Richard Adams
Jack Greene
D. C. Byrd

STATISTIAN'S

CHURCHES	NUMBER OF BAPTISMS	MEMBERS ADDED	MEMBERS LOST	PRESENT MEMBERSHIP	AVERAGE IN SUNDAY SCHOOL	AVERAGE IN C.T.S.	AVERAGE IN PRAYER MEETING	NUMBER IN AUXILIARY	PAID TO HOME FOR CHILDREN	PAID TO HOME MISSIONS	PAID TO FOREIGN MISSIONS
Boones Creek -----	36	32	--	87	--	--	52	13	\$ ---	\$ ---	\$ ---
Boring Chapel -----	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	---	---	---
Bristol First -----	--	27	5	298	168	98	98	17	355.00	57.00	1,377.00
Canah Chapel -----	15	15	1	255	179	88	88	8	170.00	315.00	450.00
Charity Hill -----	--	6	2	74	61	30	25	--	100.00	285.00	---
Church Hill First -----	6	9	2	161	174	40	--	18	---	---	---
East Fairview -----	13	33	--	98	98	--	56	15	---	50.00	50.00
East Side -----	39	47	5	373	321	199	190	19	2,908.00	1,204.00	1,204.00
East View -----	7	10	3	20	25	--	20	--	---	25.00	25.00
Elizabethton First -----	18	27	7	570	224	75	125	--	1,291.00	530.00	3,096.00
Grace -----	--	6	--	159	132	75	75	18	---	---	155.00
Holly Springs -----	2	4	2	162	60	--	--	12	---	---	---
Johnson City -----	6	5	--	35	40	--	25	--	---	---	50.00
Keensburg -----	2	1	6	265	117	64	64	18	395.00	545.00	2,460.00
Marbleton -----	--	--	2	105	62	--	59	10	---	---	---
Moores Chapel -----	12	4	6	292	104	--	--	10	---	110.00	100.00
Morrison City First -----	2	6	4	205	165	--	--	15	180.00	150.00	150.00
Mountain City First -----	--	2	6	152	130	65	--	13	475.00	250.00	240.00
New Horseshoe Chapel -----	--	--	44	56	40	--	10	12	---	---	---
New Liberty -----	13	12	2	190	105	--	50	10	---	---	---
Nidiffers Chapel -----	4	5	--	80	35	--	40	11	---	---	---
Piney Flats -----	--	4	2	160	50	25	25	15	---	---	---
Piney Grove -----	8	16	3	274	220	--	45	25	---	---	---
South Side of Elizabethton	18	24	15	84	--	--	70	--	150.00	230.00	560.00
South Side of Mountain City	18	9	15	78	45	15	30	10	100.00	---	---
Trinity -----	6	3	9	103	100	--	40	--	460.00	73.00	223.00
True Gospel -----	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	---	---	---
Watauga Valley -----	11	8	5	349	130	--	50	12	120.00	---	280.00
The "Y" -----	14	22	1	144	82	--	45	--	120.00	60.00	---
TOTALS -----	250	347	147	4,829	2,867	774	1,282	281	\$6,827.00	\$3,884.00	\$10,420.00
Last Year -----	295	444	244	4,516	2,720	959	1,160	359	\$5,574.84	\$3,713.79	\$8,615.79
Increase or Decrease -----	-45	-97	-70	+313	+174	-185	+122	-78	+1,252.16	+170.21	+1,804.21

TIAN'S REPORT

PAID TO FOREIGN MISSIONS	PAID TO BIBLE COLLEGE	RETIREMENT AND INSURANCE	PAID TO DENOM PROGRAM	PAID FOR BUILDING AND REPAIRS	LOCAL EXPENDITURES	PAID PASTOR	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY
\$ ---	\$ ---	\$ ---	\$ ---	\$ 4,865.00	\$ ---	\$ 2,410.00	\$ 6,278.00	\$ 100,000.00
1,377.00	341.00	---	120.00	26,204.00	2,409.00	10,025.00	46,003.00	70,000.00
450.00	225.00	---	225.00	39,286.00	7,746.07	7,540.00	56,893.00	150,000.00
---	---	---	---	733.00	1,822.00	4,555.00	8,437.00	20,000.00
---	---	---	---	3,000.00	10,065.00	9,000.00	29,865.00	200,000.00
50.00	---	---	50.00	1,625.00	2,235.00	3,900.00	10,628.00	40,000.00
1,204.00	1,204.00	---	---	127,542.00	10,257.00	8,060.00	162,654.00	250,000.00
25.00	---	---	---	396.00	772.00	1,100.00	3,264.00	18,000.00
3,096.00	117.00	---	---	212.00	---	10,960.00	96,631.00	200,000.00
155.00	---	---	2,193.00	---	12,396.00	7,800.00	27,879.00	150,000.00
---	---	---	---	---	---	3,280.00	7,607.00	---
50.00	---	---	---	5,710.00	988.29	1,400.00	12,753.00	100,000.00
2,460.00	187.00	---	431.00	3,279.00	10,639.00	7,280.00	25,217.00	72,000.00
---	---	---	100.00	3,220.00	3,554.00	2,900.00	12,074.00	100,000.00
100.00	80.00	---	---	15,861.10	4,141.00	7,800.00	37,078.00	---
150.00	120.00	360.00	---	2,000.00	9,000.00	7,901.00	20,841.00	180,000.00
240.00	---	---	324.00	6,926.00	4,699.00	4,945.00	19,147.00	70,000.00
---	---	---	---	7,709.00	---	550.00	1,322.00	4,000.00
---	---	---	---	11,332.00	2,276.00	3,720.00	17,739.00	125,000.00
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---	---	---	---	2,000.00	---	2,800.00	9,000.00	35,000.00
---	---	---	---	8,000.00	15,794.00	5,700.00	33,174.00	75,000.00
560.00	---	---	---	15,063.00	9,820.00	3,315.00	28,199.00	80,000.00
---	---	---	---	1,662.00	1,922.00	1,980.00	7,841.00	40,000.00
223.00	100.00	---	---	---	2,465.00	7,760.00	11,125.00	204,000.00
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280.00	---	---	---	2,600.00	---	5,485.00	19,978.00	90,000.00
---	---	---	---	1,443.00	7,155.00	1,200.00	10,765.00	40,000.00
\$10,420.00	\$2,374.00	\$360.00	\$3,443.00	\$290,668.00	\$120,155.00	\$133,674.00	\$723,755.00	\$2,419,000.00
\$ 8,611.79	\$2,408.00	\$150.00	\$2,799.44	\$245,932.56	\$588,760.96	\$124,993.70	\$683,430.52	\$2,358,000.00
+ 1,808.21	- 34.00	+210.00	+ 643.56	+ 44,735.44	-468,605.96	+ 8,680.30	+ 40,324.48	+ 61,000.00

Submitted by:

EDDIE MAUPIN

REPORT OF THE PLACEMENT COMMITTEE

We, the Placement Committee, submit the following recommendations:

1. That the Quarterly Meeting, April 16, 1977 be held at the Southside Free Will Baptist Church in Mountain City, Tn.
2. That the date for the July Quarterly Meeting be changed to July 9, 1977 and that it be held at the Southside Free Will Baptist Church in Elizabethton, Tn.
3. That the Quarterly Meeting, October 15, 1977, be held at the Piney Grove Free Will Baptist Church in Johnson City, Tn.
4. That the next annual Association be held on January 19 and 20, 1978, at the First Free Will Baptist Church in Bristol, Virginia.

Submitted by
O. P. Stokes
Dan Foster

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We, the Nominating Committee, submit the following nominations:

MODERATOR	Rev. Winford Floyd
ASSISTANT MODERATOR	Rev. Carl Nelson
CLERK.....	Mrs. Talmadge Brown
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	Rev. O. P. Stokes
	Rev. Ivery Padgett
	Rev. Jack Greene
ORDAINING COUNCIL.....	Rev. Elmer Carter
RETIREMENT BOARD.....	Thomas Austin

Respectfully submitted,
W. L. Kell
W. C. Amos
Talmadge Brown

REPORT OF THE HOME MISSIONS BOARD

We, the Home Missions Board of the Appalachian Association, submit the following financial report:

Balance brought forward from January, 1976	\$346.67
Received from Associational Treasurer.....	266.55
Total available for year	\$613.22

Disbursements:

Bank, for checks.....	\$ 4.35
East Side (Building Program)	\$100.00
Johnson City F. W. B. (Land Fund)	100.00

Jerry Presley, Memphis Home Missionary	100.00
Joe England, Crossville Home Missionary	100.00
Southside of Elizabethton (Building Program).....	100.00
Total disbursements for year	\$504.35

Balance as of January 21, 1977 \$108.87

Rev. Carl Nelson
Treasurer

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

We, the Resolutions Committee, recommend that this body give a standing vote of appreciation for the warm welcome we have received from the Pastor and the good people of East Side Free Will Baptist Church during this Associational Meeting.

Your Committee
Carl Nelson
Eddie Maupin
Frank Thompson

REPORT OF THE YOUTH-CAMP COMMITTEE

We, the Youth Camp Committee, recommend the following:

1. That we have a Youth Camp in 1977
2. That we use the Free Will Baptist Campground in Greeneville, Tenn.
3. That the date be set July 11th - 15th, and if we have two weeks of camp (which we will look into at a later date) we will also set the week of July 25th - 29th.
4. That the Director of the Camp be Rev. Talmadge Brown.
5. That Mrs. Talmadge Brown be in charge of the kitchen.
6. That the cost will be \$25.00 per student.
7. That we pay the director \$50.00 per week.
8. That we pay each cook (3) \$25.00 per week.
9. That we pay the evangelist all his expenses and \$100.00 per week.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. O. P. Stokes
Rev. Jack Greene
Rev. Winford Floyd
Rev. Richard Adams, Chairman

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE RETIREMENT BOARD of the APPALACHIAN ASSOCIATION Jan. 21, 1977

Balance brought forward as reported Jan. 23, 1976. \$740.65

Monies received for year:

From Assoc. Treas., Jan. 27, 1976.	\$200.00
From Rev. Houston Blevins (gift), March 4, 1976	100.00
From Assoc. Treas., April 12, 1976	687.02
From Assoc. Treas., July 19, 1976	625.59
From Assoc. Treas., Oct. 12, 1976	869.87
From Assoc. Treas., Jan. 13, 1977	727.51

Total receipts for year \$3209.99

Total operating funds for the year \$3950.64

Expenditures for year:

Old Program benefits (Old Superannuation)	\$2200.00
New Program benefits (bd of Ret. & Ins.)	675.00
U. S. Postage, Mar. 22, 1976	7.50
Dominion Nat. Bank for checks, July 3, 1976	4.93

Total expenditures for year \$2887.43

Balance as of this date, January 21, 1977. \$1063.21

Respectfully submitted,
W. C. Amos, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The Sunday School Convention met at Trinity FWB Church Monday, January 5, 1976 at 7:30 p.m. with 181 delegates present. Canah Chapel FWB Church won the Attendance Increase Banner and Southside FWB Church of Elizabethton, won the Attendance Banner. Brother D. C. Byrd was the speaker for the evening.

The April Convention was held at Keenbourg on April 5, 1976, with 190 delegates present. Brother O. P. Stokes was our speaker for this evening. The Attendance Banner was awarded to Southside FWB Church and the Attendance Increase Banner was awarded to Johnson City FWB Church. Two sets of Banners are to be presented at our next meeting. Brother Tom Austin was presented the Sunday School Superintendent of the Year Plaque. It was voted to increase the Secretary's salary from \$15.00 to \$25.00 a quarter.

The Johnson City FWB Church was host to the Convention on Oct. 4, 1976. There were 114 delegates present. Brother David Carter was our speaker for the evening. The Attendance Increase Banners were awarded to the "Y" FWB Church and Canah Chapel FWB Church. The Attendance Banners were awarded to Southside FWB of Elizabethton and Keenbourg FWB Church. Brother Buddy Henry resigned as President and Brother Tom Maines was elected our new President.

Mary Lou Stinson,
Secretary

REPORT OF THE ORDAINING COUNCIL

The Ordaining Council met on January 18, 1977 at the Grace Free Will Baptist Church in Johnson City, Tennessee. We now submit the following recommendations to the Association:

1. We recommend that Gary Hodges be ordained to preach the Gospel.
2. We recommend that David Cook be ordained to preach the Gospel.
3. We recommend that Bill Guy, Jr., be ordained to preach the Gospel.
4. We recommend that Ray Slemp be ordained to preach the Gospel.
5. We recommend that Rex Johnson be ordained to preach the Gospel.
6. We recommend that James Richardson be licensed to preach the Gospel for one year.
7. We recommend that Roy Adkins be licensed to preach the Gospel for one year.
8. We recommend that Steve Cannon be licensed to preach the Gospel for one year.
9. We recommend that Raymond Davis be dropped from our roll for failure to renew licenses.
10. We recommend that James Shields be dropped from our roll of ministers for failure to report.
11. We recommend that Ray Colbaugh be dropped from the roll of ministers by his own request.
12. We recommend that Steven Huff be dropped from the roll of ministers for failure to renew licenses.

13. We recommend that M. C. Taylor be given a letter of recommendation from this Association to the Eastern Quarterly Meeting of the Union Assoc.

14. We recommend that the First Free Will Baptist Church of Church Hill be given a letter of recommendation from this Association to the Eastern Quarterly Meeting of the Union Association.

15. We recommend that Earnest Garland be relicensed to preach the Gospel for one year.

16. We recommend that Buddy Henry be granted a letter of recommendation from this Association to the Progressive Association of Alabama.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Eugene Deaton, Clerk
Ordaining Council

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MINISTER'S CONFERENCE

THURSDAY EVENING

The Minister's Conference of the Appalachian Association was called to order by the President, Rev. O. P. Stokes. The President appointed Rev. Elmer Carter and Rev. Eddie Maupin to serve as the Resolutions Committee.

New Officers were elected for the coming year. They are:

President, Rev. Eddie Maupin

Vice President, Rev. Jack Greene

Clerk, Rev. D. C. Byrd

Adjourned until Friday afternoon session.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

The meeting was called to order by the President, Rev. Stokes. Since there was no further business to transact, the Minister's Conference was adjourned with prayer.

Eugene Deaton, Clerk

APPALACHIAN ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST FINANCIAL REPORT FOR YEAR 1976

Balance brought forward from January 10, 1976 \$2111.48

Receipts for year:

From Association Churches	\$5290.89
Home for Children Offerings	119.62
Fees with reports	287.75
Special offerings	164.10

Total..... \$5862.36

Total funds available for year..... \$7973.84

Disbursements:

Carden Office Supply	\$ 14.24
E. J. Young	100.00
Travel allowance to Ordaining Council	82.00
Tennessee State Association	670.00
Free Will Baptist Home for Children	519.62
Free Will Baptist Bible College	364.55
Retirement Board of Appalachian Assoc.	3109.99
Free Will Baptist Foreign Missions	314.55
Home Missions Board of Appalachian Assoc.	264.55
Florist shops	26.40
Mrs. W. F. Phillips	87.74
First Free Will Baptist Church of Morrison City	32.50
Southside Free Will Bpatist Church of Elizabethton. .	42.00
Home Missions, Jerry Presley account	50.00
Carl Nelson Evangelistic Association	100.00
National Board of Retirement	50.00
Erwin Record	4.50
Velma Brown, Clerk fee	190.00
Postmaster	71.78
Cannon Craft Printing	474.50

Total \$6568.92

Balance as of January 10, 1977 \$1404.92

Respectfully submitted,
Talmadge Brown, Treasurer

In Memorium

W. F. PHILLIPS

When we think of Brother W. F. Phillips, we will always remember him as a great and humble servant of God, his love for God and the church of which the greater part of his life was spent in preaching the Gospel and promoting the kingdom of God.

Brother Phillips' ministry began at a very early age in life. Moving to Erwin, Tenn. as an ordained minister at the age of 17, Brother Phillips pastored the following churches, First Free Will and Canah Chapel, then moving to Elizabethton he continued his ministry at Keenburb, New Liberty, and South Side Free Will Baptist Church. His total years in the ministry covered a period of 54 years of faithful and dedicated service for God.

We will miss his warm fellowship and friendship which we enjoyed through the years, but we know earth's loss is heaven's gain. "I cannot think of them as dead who walk with me no more along the path of life I tread, they have but gone before".

Revelations 14:13: And I hear a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, blessed are the dead, which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them.

Elmer Carter

JOHN CANSLER

Brother John Cansler was a busy man in the Lord's work. He was unselfish of his time and efforts to the advancements of the Free Will Baptist denomination. Brother Cansler was consecrated and dedicated to his work. He gave many years of his life to preaching the gospel and to pastoral work. He loved the denomination, the churches that he pastored, and had a compassion for lost souls. He was a worthy ambassador for our Lord Jesus Christ, and a true soldier of the cross.

It can be said about Brother Cansler, "thou good and faithful servant: thou has been faithful. . ." (Matt. 25:21).

Rev. Eddie Maupin

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