

MINUTES
OF THE
Thirty-first Annual Convention
OF THE
Freewill Baptist Association

HELD WITH
Sharum Church, Randolph County, Arkansas,
October 4, 5, 6, 7, 1928

J. D. DOYLE, Moderator	- - - - -	Walnut Ridge, Ark.
W. F. McGEE, Clerk	- - - - -	Russellville, Ark.

The next session will be held with Branch Church, Logan county, Thursday night, before the first Sunday in October, 1929. Those attending from north and east of the Arkansas river will go by way of Russellville, cross river at Dardanelle, and take Highway No. 22 west, by way of Paris.

MINUTES OF STATE ASSOCIATION

The thirty-first annual session of the State Free Will Baptist Association met with Sharum Church in Randolph county, Thursday night, October 4, 1928. Introductory service was conducted by Elders Carol Davis of Big Springs Association and W. M. Guinn of Arkansas Association.

Singing by the choir, scripture lesson, fifty-third chapter of Isaiah. Prayer by W. M. Guinn. Text, Zachariah 15-1.

A large delegation and audience enjoyed the first session of one of the most harmonious and spirited conventions ever held in Arkansas.

Adjourned to meet Friday morning at 8:30.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

Called to order by Moderator J. D. Doyle of Walnut Ridge. Scripture lesson, twenty-third division of the Psalms. Prayer by Elder J. R. Hartley of Saline Association. Letters from the different associations called for. The following received and messengers seated:

New Hope Association—H. T. Holman, A. F. Hankins, H. C. Holman, J. H. Hartsel, and Sister Sophia Holman.

Antioch—W. F. McGee, Wesley Lowery, H. M. Hopper, and Sister Edna Virden, and G. W. Burris.

Little Missouri River—Sisters I. J. Brooks, Edith Brooks, Elsie Lawless and Retta Lowery.

Big Springs—Sister Ocie Davis, Martha Davis.

Polk Bayou—J. R. Ballew, Thed Doyle, John Doyle, Sister Bennie Ballew and Sister Beulah Dillon, Jocie King.

Old Mount Zion—Represented by letter.

Saline—J. H. Harleson, W. W. Clark, Joe Brown, J. E. McMahon, and Sister Cora Harleson.

Zion Hope—J. W. Coffman, J. D. Coffman, and T. H. Dixon.

Social Band—G. W. Dale, E. Hogan, Ed Sutton, and Bro. Riggs.

Mountain Grove—O. D. Presley.

Union—None.

Motion to seat Brothers Jno. L. Baldwin and R. N. Smith as delegates carried. Right hand of fellowship. Song, "Twill be Sweet When We Meet." Prayer by Moderator J. D. Doyle. Song by choir. Motion carried to seat Bro. G. B. Blaylock and J. L. Smith as delegates from Tyronza Association.

Organization being perfected, the Moderator declared nominations in order to elect officers for the ensuing year. Eld. J. D. Doyle was placed in nomination and re-elected by acclamation. J. W. Coffman and W. F. McGee nominated for clerk, and W. F. McGee elected. J. L. Baldwin assistant Clerk. G. W. Burris, re-elected corresponding clerk by acclamation.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

On Divine Service—G. W. Burris, J. R. Ballew and W. F. McGee

On Mission Work—J. L. Baldwin, W. F. McGee, W. M. Guinn, Carol Davis. Bro. J. L. Baldwin made a very interesting talk on mission work.

Rules of order—Read by the Clerk.

Committee on Finance—J. D. Coffman, Wesley Lowery and J. H. Harleson.

Committee on Resolution—L. C. Doyle, T. H. Dixon, G. W. Burris, F. M. Hudson, D. M. Holer.

Committee on Temperance—Delbert Davis, J. R. Ballew, Will Clark, Sisters I. J. Brooks and Sophia Holman.

Sabbath Schools—G. W. Burris, G. W. Smith, Joe A. Brown, G. W. Blaylock, W. M. Hooper and Sister I. J. Brooks.

Standing Committee on Non-represented Associations—J. L. Holman, O. D. Presley and F. M. Hudson.

Report of Committees From Last Association—Report of the organization of the State Sunday School Convention, at Macedonia Church, in Cleveland county, August 5, 1928, was made by former president, J. W. Coffman.

Committee on Articles of Faith—Report received and Saturday morning set as a time to have them read one by one and passed on.

Motion to adjourn until 2:30 o'clock p. m. Song by J. D. Coffman. Prayer by W. T. Shockley.

DEVOTIONAL SERVICE, FRIDAY, 11 A. M.

Song, "Meet Me at the Gate." Preaching by S. A. Morgan, concluded by J. D. Coffman. Scripture lesson, third chapter of I Cor. Prayer by J. R. Hartley. Special song by J. D. Coffman, J. W. Coffman, L. C. Doyle and W. M. Guinn. Text, Ezek. 28-26.

BUSINESS SESSION, FRIDAY, 2:30 P. M.

Song, "He Took My Place." Prayer by J. W. Coffman. Bro. J. D. Coffman played and sang two special songs.

Report of Temperance Committee received and committee discharged.

Report of Ministers' meeting at Little Rock, by L. C. Doyle.

A very interesting talk was made by F. M. Hudson on Bill No. 1, pending in the coming election, in regard to the evolution theory being taught in our public schools. He advised the people to vote for the bill.

The new list of articles of faith read and received for consideration and laid over until Saturday morning. Ten minutes intermission.

House called to order by Moderator. Brothers Jesse Stayton and Glendon D. Arnold was ordained as ministers of the Gospel. The ordaining council were Elders F. M. Hudson, D. M. Holder and J. D. Coffman.

Report of Committee on Mission Work received.

Resolution number one and two adopted.

Recess until 8:30, Saturday morning, with prayer by W. M. Guinn.

DEVOTIONAL SERVICE, FRIDAY NIGHT

Song service directed by W. M. Guinn. Preaching by F. M. Hudson and O. D. Presley. Scripture lesson, first chapter of Psalms. Song, "I'll Meet My Mother." Prayer by Elder M. G. King. Special song by W. M. Guinn, L. C. Doyle, J. W. Coffman and J. D. Coffman. Text. Heb. 12-1. In this service an old time revival broke out and people shouted while the preachers preached.

SATURDAY MORNING BUSINESS SESSION

Called to order by Moderator, scripture lesson, first chapter of John. Prayer by L. J. Smith.

The new list of articles of faith was read section by section and voted on in the same way. All were unanimously approved of by the convention, except Article 17, on the Sabbath Day, which was referred back to the committee, and later approved. Be sure to see the report of the committee that will appear in the report of committees, on these articles. These committeemen were chosen by the different associations in the state, to draft a code of articles, that all associations could approve of, in order that each association would have identically the same worded articles, and if adopted by the majority of the associations, between now and the next state meetings, they will become the treatise of the Freewill Baptists in Arkansas, and each association, who is a part of the state association, must approve of, and carry these treatise in their minutes. The Free Will Baptists want to preach and speak one and the same thing in Arkansas. They will appear in these minutes for your approval or rejection. Read them carefully, use both, your English and scriptural reference to see if they can be improved upon, in order that the doctrine that we stand for, and believe the Bible to teach may be more intelligently put before the world.

Business session recessed until two o'clock p. m.

Devotional service at eleven o'clock. Preaching by Elders M. G. King and T. H. Dixon. Song service directed by J. W. Coffman. Scripture lesson, twenty-third chapter of Psalms. Song by W. M. Guinn. Text, Tim. 4-2. A wonderful message was delivered to those present by these brethren. All surely enjoyed the hour.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Song directed by J. W. Coffman. Prayer by E. W. Tucker. Article on the Sabbath Day that had been referred back to the committee was returned and approved in its original form, by the convention.

Report of Committee on Sabbath Schools received.

Report of Committee on Non-represented Associations was received.

Report of the State Sunday School Convention was received and the minutes ordered printed in the state minutes.

Motion to empower the chair to appoint such members as would be necessary for any organization work in associations not represented by delegations.

Resolutions number one, two, and three adopted.

It was reported that the Free Will Baptists had a church house and lot in Tyronza that was worth several hundred dollars, and the church at that place had gone down. Brothers Blaylock, Smith and Million was appointed to look after this matter and report to the board of trustees, who will have the power to dispose of it if they see fit.

Executive Board—F. M. Hudson, Moreland; G. W. Million, Pocahontas, and L. C. Doyle, Newport.

Report of committee on mission work received. The election of a board of trustees who would serve one, two, and three years, and who would meet at Little Rock, and formulate plans, for the mission work, resulted by election as follows:

J. D. Doyle, three years; W. M. Guinn, three years; Jno. L. Baldwin, three years; J. W. Coffman, two years; I. J. Brooks, two years; Delbert Davis, one year, and W. F. McGee, one year.

Elder W. M. Guinn of Booneville was elected State field man in the mission work. Brother E. C. Atkins of Greenbrier, assistant. Sister I. J. Brooks of Glenwood, Arkansas, Secretary.

Field men on mission work in the different associations, were named as follows:

Social Band Association—D. C. Jones, Portia, Ark.

Polk Bayou—J. R. Ballew, Grubbs, Ark.

Zion Hope—J. W. Coffman, Hector, Ark.

Saline—W. W. Clark, Herbine, Ark.

Antioch—Wesley Lowery, Delaware, Ark.

Little Missouri River—W. M. Lawlis, Glenwood, Ark.

New Hope—J. L. Baldwin, North Little Rock, Route No. 10.

Arkansas—I. J. Wilson, Charleston, Ark.

Tyronza—L. J. Smith, Lepanto, Ark.

Mountain Grove—O. D. Presley, Quitman, Ark.

Big Springs—Delbert Davis, Sturkie, Ark.

Old Mt. Zion—Geo. Bean, Spring Valley, Ark.

A hot contest was waged between Branch, of the Arkansas Association, and Mt. Bethel, of the New Hope Association, for the next state meeting. The vote standing 29 to 22 in favor of Branch. This place is near the center of the state in Logan county, a few miles east of Charleston. Those going from north and east of the Arkansas River will cross the river at Dardanelle, and travel the river road west by way of Paris, Highway No. 22.

The meeting will convene, Thursday night before the first Sunday in October, 1929. Elder Geo. W. Million of Pocahontas and County Judge of Randolph county will preach the introductory sermon.

Recess was declared by the Moderator until the night session.

Saturday night service was opened with singing by the choir, directed by J. W. Coffman. Prayer by L. J. Smith. Song by choir. Prayer by L. C. Doyle. Special Song by W. M. Guinn and Miss Edith Brooks.

Paper on "Communion and Feet-Washing," that had been prepared by G. W. Burris, read by Miss Irene Burris.

Scripture lesson, the fifth chapter of Romans. Preaching by Elder L. C. Doyle, Text from the chapter read. Brother Doyle who lives at Newport, Arkansas, is a very able minister. He has ably met men of other faith in public discussion, and he sure did use this lesson in a very instructive and constructive way, and it was enjoyed by all present. The close of the business session of this meeting was by taking the parting hand, by the delegates and those present at the close of this service. Thus goes into the records, another great service of this convention.

Adjourned to meet Sunday morning at ten o'clock.

SUNDAY MORNING SESSION

Was opened at ten o'clock, with singing by the choir, and a special song, "Jacob's Ladder," by J. D. Coffman. Thirty minutes' talk on Sabbath School, W. F. McGee of Russellville, President of the state Sunday School Convention.

The eleven o'clock service was assigned to Elder T. H. Dixon, with a special subject, "The General Church Question." Text, "The Foundation of the Apostles and Prophtes, Jesus Christ Being the Chief Cornerstone." Eph. 2:19-20. This message was very deliberative, carrying with it, the theory, that all persons needing salvation, from the fall of man, in the Garden of Eden, to the restitution of all things, are saved on the same foundation, and that foundation is Christ, and that the Church of God or Christ is the redeemed in the aggregate. At the close of this service, many penitents came to the alter weeping, and one precious soul was redeemed.

Elder Dixon is devoting his entire time to the cause, and is doing a great work throughout the entire state, preached some in Oklahoma and Texas. Has met scholarly men in public discussion, on the church question.

At the close of this service the delegates took the parting hand, and left for their homes, praising God for the wonderful blessings of this convention, and the association and hospitality of the good people of Sharum community.

Elders T. H. Dixon and W. M. Guinn remained over and held a week's meeting, which resulted in a number of conversions and several additions to the Church.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

HOME MISSION

We, your Committee on Home Mission, recommend that the work be more extensively carried on in all parts of the state, and that one member be appointed in each subordinate association, as an organizer and financial manager; to organize home mission society in each church; to collect funds and pay out the same in case of disaster or emergency according to nature of case and financial condition of the society. The officers of each society to consist of a president, secretary and solicitor or manager. Secretary to make report each quarter to the district manager. It will be the duty of the district manager to organize a home mission work in each church.

JNO. L. BALDWIN,

W. M. GUINN,

CARL DAVIS,

J. W. COFFMAN,

W. F. MCGEE,

Committee.

COMMITTEE ON ARTICLES OF FAITH

We, your committee, appointed by the different associations of the state, to revise the articles of faith, met on October 3, 1928, at Sharum, Randolph county, Arkansas, and organized by electing Elder L. C. Doyle chairman, and W. F. McGee clerk.

We proceeded to the work before us, feeling keenly the weight of responsibility upon us in this great task.

With a firm reliance upon our Lord, in the person of the Holy Spirit as our guide, we beg leave to submit, to your honorable body, the following as our report: (See Articles of Faith.) and pray that this state association may be of one mind and one aim, for the Glory of God and the enlargement of His cause.

L. C. DOYLE, Chairman,
F. M. HUDSON,
W. M. GUINN,
T. H. DIXSON,
J. D. COFFMAN,
DELBERT DAVIS,
W. F. McGEE, Clerk,
Committee.

NON-REPRESENTED ASSOCIATIONS

We, your Committee, find that all associations are in union, and all represented, either by delegation or letter, except Union, New Mt. Zion and Rich Mountain. We insist that they be represented at our next meeting, and pray that love and fellowship may continue.

H. T. HOLLEMAN,
O. D. PRESSLEY,
F. M. HUDSON,
Committee.

ON SABBATH SCHOOLS

We, your committee on Sabbath Schools, know of a truth that Sabbath School is a great work in which all of our people should be engaged, and we point with pride to the advancement of this cause, by the organization of our State Sunday School Convention at Macedonia Church, in Cleveland county, the first Saturday in August, 1928.

Be it Resolved, that we pledge our support to this work, by having an evergreen school at each place of meeting and co-operating with the State Convention, and its officers. May God help us to have a report at the next state association, that will show a great gathering of the Sunday School boosters of Arkansas. Be a Booster. This means YOU!

G. W. BURRIS,
JOE A. BROWN,
MRS. I. J. BROOKS,
Committee.

RESOLUTIONS

We, your Committee on Resolution, submit the following:

Resolved, that the state association of Freewill Baptists call upon the God loving people of this state to go to the polls on November 6, and vote for Amendment No. 1, to prevent the teaching of the theory of Evolution in all of our public institutions of learning in Arkansas.

F. M. HUDSON.

P. S. This amendment caused great confusion in the last legislature and was referred to the people for their consideration, who on November 6, by their vote, made it a law.

Hence another great evil is put down and a long fought for victory gained.

W. F. McGEE.

Be it Resolved, That this meeting has been so harmonious, that the great spirit of love has led in all the business transactions, and seemed to have full control of all the ministers, in all their deliberations, to the extent that it was overflowing, that the good songs rendered by the choir, was so spirited, that they were soul stirring, that the homes of Sharum community, was so comfortable and entertaining, that we have not words to express our gratitude, for all those, who in any way, helped to make this meeting so businesslike and enjoyable. We can only pray God that he may continue to bless these homes and this people for their kind hospitality, during our stay with them.

L. C. DOYLE,
T. H. DIXSON,
G. W. BURRIS,
F. M. HUDSON,
D. M. HOLDER,

Committee.

TEMPERANCE

We, your Committee on Temperance, wish to submit the following:

We are truly glad of the Eighteenth Amendment, and the Volstead Act, with the effect it has had on our great nation and Christian Society. We point with pride to these records: Prohibition stopped the annual production by licensed dealers of over two billion gallons of intoxicating liquor.

The report of the federal commissioner on prohibition for April, 1928, shows the production of distilled spirits, (whiskey, rum, gin, brandy and alcohol) produced in the United States by licensed distillers fell from two hundred and eighty-six million gallons in 1917, to eighty-two million gallons in 1922. A falling off in the manufacture of over two hundred million gallons of strong drink the first year of war prohibition.

Nor was that all. The importation of seventeen million gallons of liquor was stopped.

Nor was that all. In 1918, there were fifty-one million gallons of wine manufactured in the U. S. A. by licensed makers; in 1927, there were four million gallons produced.

Nor was that all. In 1917, there was one billion eight hundred seventeen million gallons of beer manufactured by licensed brewers, today there is not a licensed brewer in the United States.

The following tabulation shows the reduction of liquor produced in the United States by licensed dealers since prohibition came into effect:

	Gallons.
Distilled liquor	101,000,000
Imported liquor	17,000,000
Wine	47,000,000
Beer	1,885,000,000
Total	2,050,000,000

Prohibition has stopped the legal manufacture of over two billion gallons of intoxicating liquors, and yet there are those

who claim there is more liquor consumed today than there was prior to prohibition.

The death rate in the United States declined over ten per cent following prohibition. In New York City, where prohibition is least enforced, the death rate shows to be twenty-five per cent less the five years following prohibition than it was the five years prior to it. The Metropolitan Life Insurance Company showed a death rate of 8.5 in 1925, its lowest rate on record.

We only wish that we could give to our members the records in full on prohibition, but space will not permit. May we ever be on our guard and keep the liquor demon warded off.

J. R. BALLEW,
DELBERT DAVIS,
WILL CLARK,
I. J. BROOKS,
SOPHIA HOLLEMAN.

REPORT OF TREASURER

Report of G. W. Burris, Treasurer of the State Association:

Total of all moneys collected from subordinate associations to October 5, 1927, was.....	\$111.68
Building fund carried forward.....	26.90
From the five cent collection.....	1.50

Total.....	\$140.08
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Disbursements from October 5, 1927:

Printing of minutes.....	\$.60.00
Treasurer's salary for two years.....	30.00
Clerk's salary	12.00
Geo. W. Millian, Auditor	7.12
Postage	5.00

Total of all expense	\$114.12
Balance on hand October 5, 1928.....	\$ 25.96
Moneys collected since October 5, 1928.....	87.57
Grand total to date	\$113.53

G. W. BURRIS, Treasurer.

✓ O. K.—G. W. Millian, Auditor.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

(Reported by Committee and Adopted by Convention)
(See Report of Committee)

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; I 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 the the Holy Spirit has visited true believers in all ages and especially since the ascension of the SON back to the Father, and its coming on the day of Pentecost. Has taken up its 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 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; Math., 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 of 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 was 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 CHRIST. Gen. 1:27; Gen. 2:16-17; Rom. 11: 11-35; Psalms 37:23-24; 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 upon 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; 4:4-5; Titus 2:14; Heb. 1:4; St. John 3:16; Isa. 45:22.

7. CONDITIONS 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 the ordeal of regeneration, are washed in the blood of the lamb and are planted in the Kingdom of Christ. John 3rd chapter; Math. 19:13-22; Sec. 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 whosoever will may come and be saved upon the terms of the gospel. First Peter 1:9-13-25; 2:9-24-25; 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 presidency of elders are qualified to administer the same. Math. 3:14-15-16; 3:5-6; First Peter 3:21; St. John 3:23; Acts 10:47; Math. 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; First Cor. 11:20-29; St. John 13:1-18; Math. 26:26-27-28-29.

11. **THE SABBATH**—We believe that the Christian Sabbath should be observed as a day of rest and for the worship of God; that 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; Math. 28:1; Luke 23:56; Acts. 13:42-48; Mark 2:27.

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; Math. 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; First Peter 2:5; Ephes. 2:20-22; Acts 2:47; Math. 16:18.

14. **THE VISIBLE CHURCH**—We believe that a visible Church of Christ is a 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. Second Thes. 1:1; Acts 16:5; Third John 1:10; Math. 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 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 wilfully refuse or neglect to perform their duty they would backslide and is persistently continued would be eternally lost. Sec. 1:12; Second Cor. 9:10; Second Peter 1:4-8; First Peter 2:2; Rom. 8:35-39. Apostasy: Second Peter 1:8-9; First Cor. 10:1-13; Heb. 12:15-17; First John 5:16; Heb. 6:1-6; First Tim. 4:1-2; Heb. 3:12; St. John 15:1-7; Math. 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; Math. 16:18; Heb. 12:23; Math. 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 regeneration, and 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; Sec. Thes. 5:19-23; St. John 17:17-19; Sec. Tim. 2:20-21.

19. **THE RESURRECTION**—We believe in the resurrection of the dead, both of righteous and the 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. Math. 28:6; St. John 5:28-29; I Cor. 15:51-58.

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

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. 14:9-13; Luke 16:23; Rev. 21:8; II Cor. 5:10; Math. 12:36-37; Rev. 20:12-13; Acts 17:31.

CONSTITUTION

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

1. The State Association shall be composed of five Messengers chosen by each District Association of this union and all regularly ordained ministers.

2. Letters from different Associations shall express their number in fellowship, the number received by experience, letter or recommendation, dismissed, restored, and that have died since our last Association; and the name of the clerk, moderator, county, postoffice, Sabbath of meeting, and the amount paid for Minute Fund.

3. The members thus chosen and convened, to be denominated the State Association of Freewill Baptists, being composed of the subordinate Associations of the State of Arkansas, and the Association to have no power to Lord it over God's heritage, nor to have any ecclesiastical power of the Association, reserving the right of withdrawing from any Association becoming disorderly.

4. The Association shall have a Moderator, Clerk, and a Corresponding Clerk, who are to be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

5. New Associations may be admitted into the Association by letter and delegates, if found orthodox in the faith of the Freewill Baptists, the Moderator giving the right hand of fellowship.

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

7. This Association is to endeavor to furnish the subordinate Associations with the minutes of this Association, in proportion to the number of members in each Association, the distribution being at the discretion of the Association.

8. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a regular file of the Minutes.

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

10. The Association shall have a fund for her support, which shall be supplied by voluntary contribution of the Association, whose duty it shall be to send it by the hands of messengers, which money so sent shall be deposited in the hands of the Treasurer for that purpose, and he shall be held 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 Association to attend, may inquire into the cause.

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

13. Amendments to this plan of government may be made at any time when the majority of members may deem it necessary.

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 reflections 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 contain two or more points, it shall be divided at the request of any member and the vote taken separately.
5. Motions 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 this Association arrangements shall be made so as to insure two sermons, or other devotional exercises which shall be equivalent thereto, during each day of the session, and that the chair announce just before adjournments 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, or in his absence the 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 Rules of Order and Minutes of last Association by Chair or Clerk.
9. Appointment of the following Committees: (a) Resolutions; (b) Finance; (c) Arrangements of Preaching; (d) Temperance; (e) Sabbath Schools; (f) Obituaries; (g) Condition of Non-Represented Churches; (h) 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.

STATISTICAL TABLE

ASSOCIATION	MODERATOR	ADDRESS	CLERK	ADDRESS	Died	Dismissed	Excluded	Received	Ministers	No. Churches	Membership
Antioch	Cordus Johnson	Delawere	E. O. Wright	Atkins	7	5	7	54	18	18	853
Arkansas	J. S. Lovett	Chismville	O. C. Hunt	Waldron	7		2	12	14	9	785
Big Springs	Delbert Davis	Sturkie	Emma Hargrave	Gassville	6			13	7	7	214
Little Mo. River	E. J. O'Neel	New Hope	R. D. Smith	New Hope							400
Mountain Grove	O. D. Pressley	Quitman	A. B. O'Guinn	Rosebud						3	135
New Hope	S. A. Morgan	Vilonia	J. L. Holleman	Rosebud					10	11	500
Old Mt. Zion	G. C. Bland	LaRue	Dow Boydston	LaRue	7	3	5	43	8	10	597
Polk Bayou	John Huskey		L. C. Doyle	Newport	1				18	13	562
Saline	J. R. Hartley	Rye	J. H. Meek	Rye	13	6	7	55	12	10	850
Social Band	W. H. Shoffitt	Delaplaine	D. C. Jones	Portia					17	16	1250
Union											
Zion Hope	A. F. Taylor	Dover	C. B. Hurst	Jerusalem					13	11	357
Tyronza	L. J. Smith	Tyronza	Minerva Hulsey	Tyronza					4	2	101
Rich Mountain											
					41	14	21	177	121	110	6604

NOTE—Please use letter form in back of minutes to insure all information needed to make a complete report.

STATE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The representatives of the different Sunday Schools in Arkansas met pursuant to previous arrangements by the last state association and the call of President J. W. Coffman, with Macedonia Sunday School, Saturday, August 5, 1928.

Convention was opened by song and scripture reading, the sixth chapter of Ephesians, by President J. W. Coffman, prayer by Elder J. M. Patrick.

The following schools were represented:

Antioch Association—Dumhill School, Sister G. W. Burris. Mt. Vernon School represented by letter. New Liberty School, Superintendent J. W. Lowery. Delegate, Miss Mae Lowery. Sweet Home School, Sister R. B. Burris and Miss Othela Wilson.

Little Missouri River Association—Glenwood School, Sister I. J. Brooks and Miss Edith Brooks.

Saline Association—Pleasant Valley School, Superintendent Silas Woodall. Delegate, W. H. Howsner. Free Hill School, Sister O. A. Ashcraft. Macedonia School, Superintendent Clark Dare. Delegate Iva Thompson. Harmony School, Superintendent R. C. Teague. Delegate, J. A. Brown.

Zion Hope Association—Walnut Grove School, Superintendent G. M. Condley. Delegate, G. W. McAlister. Welcome Home School, Delegate W. D. Conley. Shinn Mountain School, Delegate, G. W. Condley.

Delegates being seated motion to seat all Freewill Baptist Ministers carried. An old song was sung, and an old time hand clasp was the greeting of the first State Sunday School Convention organized in Arkansas. The election of officers as follows:

W. F. McGee of Russellville was elected president, and Miss Edith Brooks of Glenwood, Arkansas, was elected clerk and treasurer. Bro. J. W. Coffman as assistant president.

The President appointed the following committees:

Resolution—J. W. Coffman, R. C. Teague and Sister I. J. Brooks.

Finance—J. W. Lowery.

Convention adjourned until 2 p. m. Preaching at 11 o'clock by Elder J. M. Patrick and O. A. Ashcraft which was enjoyed by all present.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Song directed by Bro. Chambers. Scripture reading and prayer by Elder O. A. Ashcraft.

Topics—"The Most Successful Way to Conduct a Sunday School," by J. W. Coffman and others. "Better Attendance," by R. C. Teague and others.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

This convention to be composed of the Freewill Baptist Sunday Schools in Arkansas. Each Subordinate Association to organize district convention from the churches in its bounds, and each district convention will be entitled to five delegates to the State Convention which will meet Saturday before the first Sunday in August, each year, at 9 o'clock a. m., and continue over Sunday.

Said Convention to have a President, a Secretary-Treasurer, who are to be chosen by the members present at each annual meeting, and will be practically governed by the same rules of order and constitution as our state association.

Each district convention is to have a President and a Secretary-Treasurer. But each local secretary is to make a quarterly report to the state secretary, and that report to be accompanied by \$1.00, said money to be used in organizing this great work more thoroughly in our associations, and keeping us better posted in the work.

The following were named as presidents of their districts:

Arkansas, E. L. King; Antioch, G. W. Burris; Little Missouri River, I. J. Brooks; New Hope, G. W. Smith; Polk Bayou, Robert Ballew. Social Band, Wayne Tucker. Saline, R. C. Teague; Zion Hope, J. D. Coffman. We failed to get some one in other associations, but hope they will take up the work at once.

Elder W. M. Guinn brought us a wonderful message on Saturday night. Before this message the children of Macedonia School rendered a very interesting program, and then the boosters sang for us.

Sunday morning session was opened. Scripture lesson, 23rd Psalm. Prayer by J. R. Hartley. Song by Othela Wilson, Song by the boosters. Round table talk, led by Mae Lowery, subject, "A Standard Sunday School," which was beautifully outlined. "Origin and Growth of the Sunday School," by R. B. Burris, and W. F. McGee. A great interest was manifested throughout the entire morning session. The closing talk was made by W. M. Guinn after a bounteous dinner was spread by the good women of the community. It was so appetizing that the temptation could not be overcome, and many did more than justice to themselves. Afternoon was spent in singing, and a watermelon feast.

The convention adjourned to meet with Walnut Grove School, Saturday at 9 o'clock a. m., before the first Sunday in August, 1929. Place of meeting, twenty-two miles north of Russellville and eighteen miles north of Atkins, highway from either place. A good delegation is expected.

W. F. McGEE, President,
Russellville, Arkansas.

MISS EDITH BROOKS, Secretary,
Glenwood, Arkansas.

District Associations

SALINE ASSOCIATION

The thirty-second annual meeting of the Saline Association of Freewill Baptists met with Pleasant Grove Church on August 30, 1928, at 2:30 o'clock p. m. The Moderator being absent Elder J. M. Estelle was appointed Moderator pro tem by the Clerk; and went into election of a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, which resulted in the election of Elder J. R. Hartley, Moderator, and Elder J. M. Estelle, Assistant Moderator, and J. H. Meek, Clerk and Treasurer.

Messengers as follows:

Macedonia—Cora Harlson, Edward Jacobs, Elder J. H. Harlson, Deacon E. L. Parnell, Cora Parnell, Jewell McClellen, Iva Thompson, Maggie McClellen.

Pleasant Grove—Lonnie Pace, A. A. Smith, Henry Garrett, Munroe Thunderburg, Sister Myress, Deacon G. S. Wilson.

Free Hill—Elder O. A. Ashcraft.

Mt. Pleasant—J. N. Adair, M. C. Pennington, W. D. Estelle, Elder J. M. Estelle, F. C. Adair.

Willoughby—J. C. Bradley.

Pleasant Valley—Roy Jones, Howard Jones, Leonard Daggett, Troy Parnell, W. T. Woodruff, Deacon.

Harmony—J. H. Meek, elder; J. N. Pate, W. W. Clark, J. A. Nicholas, deacons; Dow Clark, J. E. McMahon.

Pilgrims Rest—Elder J. R. Hartley.

Pine Hill—Garland Moore, Bessie Moore, Ethel Moore, James Moore, Mollie Reighley.

Motion carried to adjourn until 8:30 o'clock a. m.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

House called to order by the Moderator. Prayer by O. A. Ashcraft. Called for Petitionary Letters: None.

Visiting members invited to sit as advisors in conference.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

Divine Service—J. C. Bradley, J. A. Nichols, Ethel Moore.

Committee on Resolutions—O. A. Ashcraft, M. C. Pennington, J. H. Harlson, J. N. Adair, J. N. Pate.

Temperance—Cora Harlson, Mollie Reighley, J. E. McMahon, Edgar Flemings, W. L. Estelle.

Sabbath School—James Moore, Maggie McClellen, U. A. Smith.

Obituaries—Cora Parnell, F. C. Adair, Munroe Thunderburg.

Finance—W. W. Clark, Garland Moore, Bessie Moore.

Union of Churches—Edward Jacobs, Iva Thompson, Dow Clark, Jewel McClellen.

Credentials—E. L. Parnell, Louis Thompson, G. S. Wilson, J. T. Nowlen.

Committee appointed to investigate and visit Brothers Lee Parkman, W. H. Golden, D. F. Dotson, J. J. Trammell, as follows: O. A. Ashcraft, J. H. Harlson, Edward Jacobs.

Intermission until 1:30 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION

House called to order by the Moderator at 1:30 p. m.
Report of committees.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

We, your Committee on Temperance, submit the following report:

We heartily endorse amendment No. 18 to our Federal Constitution, and the Volstead Act, and we condemn the restoration of light wines, and beers, and pledge our support to our officers in the enforcement of all laws.

CORA HARLESON, Chairman.

SABBATH SCHOOL

We, your Committee on Sabbath School, submit the following report:

Who went to the Temple and Synagogue to teach on the Sabbath? We find that six of our churches have Sabbath School, and are as follows:

Pleasant Grove, 30; Harmony, 100; Pleasant Valley, 56; Macedonia, Willoughby, and Mt. Pleasant. We recommend that Freewill Baptist literature be used.

J. E. MOORE, Chairman.

OBITUARY

We, with sad hearts, find that it has pleased God to take from our midst twelve of our beloved brethren, and sisters:

Macedonia, W. R. Bryant, George Doss, Sister Rosa Thompson; Mt. Pleasant, Bro. J. P. Estelle, Sisters B. M. Pennington, Fronie McDaniel; Pilgrims Rest, Bro. B. F. Sowerheaver; Free Hill, Bro. Patrick, Sisters McKinney, Sparks; Harmony, Sisters Drusilla Johnson, Mattie Bradley. They all died in a living faith. We bow in humble submission to the Lord, our loss is their eternal gain.

CORA PARNELL, Chairman.

FINANCE

We, your Committee on Finance, find for printing minutes, clerk hire, and state delegates, \$38.00.

W. W. CLARK, Chairman.

UNION OF CHURCHES

We, your committee find that all the churches are in Union with the association.

E. S. JACOBS, Chairman.

CREDENTIALS

Report on Credentials:

J. M. Patrick, Herbine; J. M. Estelle, Hamburg; L. W. Wheeler, postoffice unknown; O. A. Ashcraft, Herbine; J. R. Hartley, Rison; H. W. Wood, Pine Bluff; J. L. Moring, England.

We also find the following ministers who are not preaching as we know of, and recommend that this body appoint a committee to investigate, as to why they are not preaching:

Lee Parkman, New Edinburg; J. J. Trammell, New Edinburg; D. F. Dotson, R. 5, Little Rock; and W. H. Golden, Kingsland.

E. L. PARNELL, Chairman.

REPORT OF CHURCHES

Church letters read and received.

REPORT OF MINISTERS

Brethren—Owing to my health, I have not preached very much during the pastoral year. I have pastored one church, and preached thirteen other sermons. Help received \$21.00. Brethren pray for me.

ELDER J. R. HARTLEY.

Dear Brethren—I beg leave to make the following report: I have served three churches, and one mission point part of the year. Sermons preached, approximately 100. Funeral services 7. Marriages 6, Number of conversions unknown, miles traveled, approximately 1,400. Amount received in full, \$162.15. Pray for me and mine.

ELDER JAS. M. ESTELLE.

Brethren—I have pastored one church, and done mission work throughout the association. Received \$60.00, and ask for an endorsement again to the mission work.

ELDER O. A. ASHCRAFT.

Dear Brethren, I beg to report that I am endeavoring to do some mission work.

ELDER LEE PARKMAN.

REPORT OF TREASURER AND CLERK

Brethren—I wish to submit my report as clerk and treasurer of the Saline Association of the finance received by me the past year: Received \$38.00 for minutes, clerk hire, and state delegates. Paid out for clerk hire, \$10.00, and turned over to the state association, \$26.00 for minutes and state delegates. Total paid out, \$36.00. Balance in treasury, \$2.00.

J. H. MEEK, Treasurer and Clerk.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolved, that this association meet on Friday before the first Sunday in September, 1929, at 10 o'clock a. m., and each succeeding year, until changed by the body, and that we preach the Memorial Sermon on Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m.

Adopted.

J. H. HARLESON, Chairman.

Resolved, that we have our Communion service on Saturday night, until changed by the body.

Adopted.

J. H. HARLESON, Chairman.

Resolved, that we extend our heart-felt thanks to the good people at and around Pleasant Grove Church for their kind hospitality shown us during our stay with them.

Adopted.

J. H. HARLESON, Chairman.

Adjourned to meet with Pine Hill church on Friday before the first Sunday in September, at 10 o'clock a. m., 1929. Elder J. R. Hartley to preach the introductory sermon. J. C. Mooring, alternate; and, Elder J. C. Mooring to preach the memorial sermon, and J. M. Patrick alternate. Delegates to the State Association, J. H. Harleson, J. A. Nichols, W. W. Clark, J. E. Mahon, Cora Harleson. Alternates, W. T. Woodruff, U. A. Smith, Iva Thompson, Dow Clark, Lizzie Ashcraft. Motion and second to adjourn.

J. H. MEEK, Clerk and Treasurer.

ELDER J. R. HARTLEY, Moderator.

STATISTICAL TABLE SALINE ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES AND CLERKS	Received				Dismissed				Males	Females	TOTAL	Clerk	Minutes	State Delegates
	For Baptism	By Letter	By Voucher	TOTAL	Died	Withdrawn	By Letter	TOTAL						
PINE HILL—Jewell Sowers, Star City	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	60	90			
PLEASANT VALLEY—Annie Nann, Warren, R. 1	9	4	0	13					36	42	78			
MT. PLEASANT—M. C. Pennington, Hamburg	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	29	28	57		\$2.50	
HARMONY—J. H. Meek, Rye	18	0	4	22	0	6	2	8	79	93	172	\$2.00	\$2.00	\$3.15
MACEDONIA—H. C. Dyer, New Edinburg, R. 1	18	1	0	19	2	0	3	5	79	95	174	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$3.00
PLEASANT GROVE—B. L. Keen, Ladelle	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2			100	.50	\$1.00	\$1.00
WILLOUGHBY—G. C. Pool, Warren	0	1	0	0		13	0	13	23	41	64	.55	\$1.00	\$1.00
FREE HILL—O. A. Ashcraft, Herbine														
CHANCELS CHAPEL														
PILGRIMS REST—Lizzie Anderson, Glendale	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	18	23	41	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$2.00

LITTLE MISSOURI RIVER

Proceedings of the fiftieth annual session of the Little Missouri River Association of the Church of God (Denominated Freewill Baptist) met with the New Hope Church at New Hope, Pike county, Arkansas, on Thursday night before the first Sunday in September, 1928. Thursday night preaching by Elder E. J. O'Neel and Bro. W. E. Pinkerton.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

Preaching by Bro. E. J. O'Neel. Text, Acts 20:28. Prayer by Bro. M. S. Almond.

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION

House called to order by the Moderator, Elder E. J. O'Neel. Letters from each church called for and received, and delegates seated. The right hand of fellowship was extended the Moderator.

Permanent officers were elected as follows: Elder E. J. O'Neel Moderator, and Bro. R. D. Smith, Clerk.

Petitionary letters were called for and New Hope Church was received.

Delegates were seated as follows:

Glenwood Church—Sister Elsie Lawless, Sister I. J. Brooks, and Sister Edith Brooks.

Mt. Joy Church—Bro. T. J. Crow, Bro. L. S. Rodgers, Bro. H. Ransom, and Bro. J. H. Tedder.

Fairview Church—Bro. M. S. Almond, Sister J. R. Almond, and Sister Ollie Almond.

New Hope—Bro. Clarence Worley, Bro. Chester Coffman, Bro. R. D. Smith, Bro. T. J. Coffman.

Thomas Church—Sister Fannie Miley, Sister Margaret Currey, and Sister Viola Thomas.

Pleasant Grove No. 2—Bro. Henry Lawless.

Mt. Zion Church represented by letter.

Rock Springs Church No. 1—Bro. W. R. Porter.

The following committees were appointed:

Committee on Resolution—Bro. J. T. Crow, Bro. T. J. Coffman, and Bro. M. S. Almond.

Investigating Committee—It was carried by motion and seconded that we give the Moderator power to appoint a committee to investigate all back minutes, and to offer to the Association a cancellation of all unworthy resolutions formerly passed. Which were appointed as follows: Rev. W. E. Pinkerton, Bro. M. S. Almond, Bro. Clarence Worley, and Sister I. J. Brooks.

Committee on Finance—Bro. J. T. Crow, Bro. H. Ransom, and Bro. J. H. Tedder.

It was carried by motion and seconded that we adjourn to meet Saturday morning at 8 o'clock.

Friday night preaching by Bro. W. R. Porter, and Bro. E. J. O'Neel. Text, Psalms, first chapter.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

House called to order by the Moderator. Song by congregation, "If I Could Hear My Mother Pray Again." Prayer by M. S. Almond.

Other committees were appointed as follows:

Committee on Sabbath School—Bro. G. H. Thomas, Bro. M. S. Almond, and Sister G. H. Thomas.

Committee on Obituary—Sister I. J. Brooks, Bro. M. S. Almond, Bro. Chester Coffman.

Committee on Addresses of Ministers and Deacons—Sister Elsie Lawless, Sister Ollie Almond, and T. J. Coffman.

Report of our Sunday School Supervisor:

To the Little Missouri River Association: I beg to submit the following report on Sunday School Work: Organized seven schools, gave thirty-one lectures, traveled 1,100 miles.

Pray for me that I may do more in the future than I have in the past.

I. J. BROOKS. Supervisor.

REPORT OF MINISTERS

Report of E. A. Pate—I hereby submit my report to the association as follows: Pastored one church, with four additions to the church; preached fifteen sermons; officiated at six burial services; married four couples; baptized four; help received, none.

Report of Elder E. W. Hill—I have tried to preach 115 sermons with 18 conversions; traveled 650 miles; received ten members; baptized eleven; preached six funerals; performed seven marriages; received \$150.00. Brethren pray for me.

Report of Elder W. E. Pinkerton—I beg leave to report as follows: I have tried to preach 14 sermons; conducted one funeral; married two couples; traveled 600 miles and have received \$16.00. Pray for me that I may be able to do more in the future than in the past.

Report of Elder W. R. Porter—Brethren, Greeting. The following is a report of my work for 1928. I have traveled 1,087 miles, tried to preach 97 sermons; held two funerals; married one couple; labored thirteen days in revivals; received \$3.30. Pray for me that I may do more for the Lord and Master.

COMMITTEE ON OBITUARY

We, your Committee on Obituary, offer the following report:

We find that the Lord in his wisdom has seen fit to call away Bro. L. Strasner of New Hope, and Sister W. C. Bell of Foreman, and Bro. W. P. Davis of New Hope. All of Pleasant Grove Church No. 1. We very much regret to give them up, but we know that our loss is Heavens gain.

CHESTER COFFMAN, Chairman.

Report received and committee discharged.

Motion made and carried that we have our minutes printed with the State minutes.

Motion made and carried that we adjourn to meet at 2 o'clock.

Eleven o'clock services, preaching by Bro. W. R. Porter, and Bro. E. J. O'Neel. Text, St. John 3:7, "Ye Must Be Born Again."

SATURDAY EVENING SESSION

House called to order by the Moderator. Song by congregation, "How Beautiful Heaven Must Be." Prayer by Rev. W. E. Pinkerton.

Report of committees on Sabbath School, as follows:

We feel the great need of more Sunday School and better Sunday Schools, and we heartily endorse the re-election of Bro. I. J. Brooks as Sunday School Supervisor, and we further urge that each Church have a Sunday School, for we feel that the Sunday School is a great institution to lead our children to Christ, and we further urge the use of the Freewill Baptist literature when possible, and that the parents lead and go with their children to Sunday School.

M. S. ALMOND, Chairman.

We, your committee on Investigation of back Minutes offer the following:

We recommend the cancellation of resolution number one and two, passed by the forty-seventh annual session of the Association. Which was put before the body, and both cancelled.

REV. W. E. PINKERTON, Chairman.

Report of committee received and committee discharged.

We, your committee on addresses of ministers and deacons, offer this list:

Ordained Ministers—E. J. O'Neel, New Hope; R. C. Short, Hooper; C. D. Fox, Kirby; E. W. Hill, Langley; W. E. Pinkerton, New Hope; Rev. Carr, DeQueen; W. R. Porter, Hooper; E. A. Pate, Athens; J. R. Plyler, Langley.

Ordained Deacons—E. A. Pierce, Hooper; R. D. Smith, Dierks; W. C. Bell, Foreman; E. A. Brooks, Glenwood; T. J. Bissell, New Hope; M. S. Mitchell, Langley; J. H. Tedder, Daisy; I. J. Brooks, Glenwood; R. A. Self, Glenwood; R. K. Berry, Glenwood; E. J. O'Neel, Glenwood; W. M. Lawless, Glenwood; W. M. Lowery, Glenwood; R. M. Ashbrooks, Glenwood; P. C. Vaught, Langley; P. W. Porter, Albert; M. S. Almond, King; Guss Perry, King.

T. J. COFFMON, Chairman.

Report received and committee discharged.

RESOLUTION

We, your Committee on Resolution, offer the following report. We recommend to this body resolution no 1, as follows:

Be it Resolved, that each church in the Little Missouri River Association of the Freewill Baptist, shall have the right to call and to agree with their pastor as to the amount they

shall pay him for his service. Which, when presented to the body was passed unanimously.

M. S. ALMOND, Chairman.

Report received and committee discharged.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

We, your committee on finance offer the following for Minute Funds:

Mt. Joy Church	\$ 2.35
Thomas	2.00
Glenwood	5.00
Mt. Zion	1.10
New Hope	2.05
Fairview50
Rock Springs No. 1	1.00

Total\$14.00

BRO. J. T. CROW, Chairman.

Report received and committee discharged.

Motion made and carried that we receive and adopt the report of Bro. I. J. Brooks, Sunday School Supervisor. Bro. Brooks was also unanimously re-elected as Sunday School Supervisor.

The Moderator was empowered to appoint the delegates to the State Association which were appointed as follows:

Sister I. J. Brooks, Glenwood; Edith Brooks, Glenwood; Elsie Lawless, Glenwood; Ritta Lowery, Glenwood.

Motion made and carried that we hold our next Association with Pleasant Home Church, a few miles east of Langley in Pike county.

Motion carried that we extend a heartfelt thanks to the good people of New Hope for their kindness and good hospitality shown us while in their midst.

Motion made and carried that we adjourn to meet with Pleasant Home Church, on Thursday night before the first Sunday in September, 1929. Closing hymn was, "In The Sweet By and By."

Saturday Night Services—Preaching by Bro. W. E. Pinkerton, and Bro. E. J. O'Neel. Text, Rev. 22:17.

Sunday services—The Introductory Sermon was preached by Bro. W. E. Pinkerton, and Bro. E. J. O'Neel. At eleven o'clock Sunday, Text, "The Laws That Govern the Church."

REV. E. J. O'NEEL, Moderator, New Hope,

BRO. R. D. SMITH, Clerk, New Hope.

POLK BAYOU ASSOCIATION

Polk Bayou Association met with Pool's Chapel Church, near Sandtown, Independence county, Arkansas, Friday night before the second Sunday in September, 1928. Was called together by singing, after which Bro. J. A. Kafka preached, and Bro. H. A. Lewis followed.

Subject, VIII chapter of Romans. Adjourned until Saturday morning at 8 o'clock. Met pursuant to adjournment. Called together by singing. Moderator and Clerk being absent, L. C. Doyle the oldest preacher present proceeded to act as chairman. Opened by reading the 23rd Psalm, and prayer. Election of officers. Bro. John Huskey was elected Moderator, and Bro. H. A. Lewis, assistant. L. C. Doyle was elected clerk pro tem.

Next appointment of committees:

Credential—J. R. Ballew, Oscar Graham, Wesley Huskey.

Pulpit Committee—H. N. Pool, Hurbert Newberry, J. F. Garland.

Resolution Committee—S. B. Robinson, Archie Constant, J. H. Meeks.

Sabbath School—J. A. Kafka, M. H. Wolf, Thomas Allen.

Final Resolution Committee—David Huskey, B. A. Gibson, Ira Prince.

Committee on Temperance—L. C. Day, J. R. Ballew, G. E. Richardson.

Committee on Obituary—F. C. Johnson, J. H. Dawson, M. H. Wolf.

Committee on Churches Not Represented—J. A. Kafka, P. T. Neel, Thomas Allen.

Next order of business was reception of a new church into association: Church organized at Pineville, Sharp county, Arkansas.

Call for unfinished business—none.

New business—Reading letters from several churches: Lyon's Creek, males, 20; females, 15; total 35; Ballew's Chapel, membership, 76; Pool's Chapel, membership, 30; Mt. Harmony, membership, 60; Coffman, membership, 30; Oak Grove, membership, 40; Bethel, membership, 25.

Letters read and received. Verbal reports from the following churches: New Home No. 1, membership, 30; New Home No. 2, membership 35; Cedar Grove, membership, 15; Love Divine, membership, 20; Lane's Chapel, membership, 40; Total membership, 462.

Partial Report of Committee on Divine Service.

Bro. Jno. Huskey preached Saturday at 11 o'clock, and Bro. Robinson followed. Text, I John, 3-1. Adjourned to meet at 2 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Met according to adjournment. Called together by singing. Opened by Moderator, by reading second chapter of Ephesians. Prayer by Bro. Archie Constant.

Next selection place to hold next meeting. Mt. Harmony place of next meeting, four miles south of Catheytown. Meets

Saturday night before the second Sunday in September, 1929.

Next election to committeeman to meet with others on Tuesday before first Sunday in October, 1928, at Sharum, Arkansas. L. C. Doyle was elected.

Next election of delegates to State Association.

Delegates as follows—J. R. Ballew, J. H. Meeks, Oscar Graham, Ira Prince.

Amount paid by churches to state meeting: Polk Bayou Association—Mt. Harmony, \$2.00; Bethel, \$1.50; New Home No. 2, \$0.50; Lyon's Creek, \$1.00; Coffman, \$2.53; Pool's Chapel, \$6.57; Ballew's Chapel, \$10.00; total, \$24.10.

REPORT OF MINISTERS

M. G. King, Portia, Arkansas—Pastored two churches; preached 56 sermons; 13 funerals; baptised 11; received \$122.80.

J. M. Weaver—Preached about 50 sermons; received 25 conversions; baptised four; received \$85.00.

Archie Constant—Preached 15 sermons; married two couples.

H. A. Lewis—Preached 98 sermons; received 30 conversions; baptised three; married one couple; received \$151.70.

S. A. Robinson—Preached 89 sermons; received 13 conversions; married one couple; received \$40.00.

J. A. Kafka—Pastored one church; received \$82.00.

John Huskey—Pastored one church; preached 25 sermons; received \$50.00.

L. C. Doyle—Preached 70 sermons; had eight conversions; baptised six; married two couples; received \$85.00.

Final report of Committee on Divine Service.

L. C. Doyle preached Saturday night. Bro. Robinson followed at 11 o'clock. Conference closed in regular form to meet with Mt. Harmony Church, Saturday night before the second Sunday in September, 1929.

Committees all reported and were discharged.

JOHN HUSKEY, Moderator.

L. C. DOYLE, Clerk Pro Tem.

NEW HOPE ASSOCIATION

The New Hope Association met in regular annual session on Friday night before the third Sunday in September, 1928, with Pleasant Grove Church. Preaching by Elder S. A. Morgan. Adjourned until Saturday morning at 8:30.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Session opened by singing and scripture lesson, fifth chapter of Galations. Prayer by E. C. Adkins. Moderator called for letters from the different churches. Mt. Bethel and Pleasant Grove churches had letters. Then called for verbal report from churches without letters. Baley's Chapel, Sherman and Branon Churches were represented with verbal reports. Motion carried to receive letters and verbal reports and to seat all delegates present. Then had a song, and right hand of fellowship. Election of officers: Bro. S. A. Morgan was elected Moderator and Bro. J. A. Holleman, Clerk. Rules of Order read by the clerk. Motion carried to receive all christians as advisory members. Moderator called for the reading of the minutes of last meeting. Minutes read and received. Moderator appointed the following committees:

Business Committee—Elder E. C. Adkins, Elder J. W. Moore, Elder J. A. Stevens.

Finance Committee—H. C. Holleman, Sister Mable Hartsell, Tom Craig.

Pulpit Committee—Durmant Smith, C. E. Wilson, Hassell Hartsell.

Temperance Committee—Sister Annie Hartsell, Brother Craig, Sister Lenie Hunter.

Sunday School Committee—Frank Dallis, J. H. Hartsell, Frank Hankins.

Obituary Committee—Rev. E. L. Hunter, Sister Viola Craig, J. M. Holleman.

Committee on Non-represented Churches—Arley Ferguson, Tommy Craig, O. S. Sevier.

Committee on Union of Churches—J. D. Craig, E. L. Hunter, J. H. Hartsell.

Motion carried to seat Sister Hunter as a delegate from Shady Grove Church. Motion carried to adjourn conference until 1 o'clock p. m. Song. Dismissed by Bro. Hunter.

Eleven o'clock service opened by singing. Scripture lesson twenty-first chapter of Revelations. Prayer by Bro. J. W. Moore. Text, seventh verse of Revelations. Bro. Hunter preached the first discourse and Bro. Stevens concluded. Dismissed by Bro. Stevens.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Session opened by singing and Moderator reading a scripture lesson. Prayer by Bro. Dallis. Then the Moderator called for a report of the following committees.

Temperance Committee—We, your committee beg leave to submit the following:

We believe that as Freewill Baptists, we all ought to use our influence against strong drinks in any form. We urge our membership to refrain from voting for any officer who will not enforce the laws. J. D. CRAIG, Chairman.

Sabbath School—We, your committee on Sabbath School submit the following report:

We believe that Sabbath School is in keeping with the preaching of Jesus Christ, who went in to the Temple and Synagogue to teach on the Sabbath. We find that most of our churches have Sunday School.

J. F. DALLIS, Chairman.

Union of Churches—We, your committee submit the following: So far as we know, we find all our churches in harmony with each other.

E. L. HUNTER, Chairman.

Obituary—We, your committee on Obituary, find that the Lord has called five of our members as follows:

Sister Nora Hartsell, Mt. Bethel Church; Letha Willis and Edith Hunt, Pleasant Grove; J. W. Cartwright, Oak Grove; Lulia Moore, Center Point.

E. I. HUNTER, Chairman.

Non Represented Churches—We, your committee, submit the following report:

We find that seven of our churches are not represented: Mt. Carmel, Union Hill, Gravel Hill, New Hope, Oak Grove, Brannon and Sharum.

O. S. SEVIER, Chairman.

Pulpit—We, your committee, submit the following report:

Bro. E. L. Hunter, and Bro. J. A. Steven to preach at 11 o'clock Saturday, and Bro. J. W. Moore and E. C. Adkins Saturday night. Sunday at 11 o'clock, Bro. Morgan will preach.

C. E. WILSON, Chairman.

Business Committee—We, your committee, beg leave to report the following resolutions:

Be it Resolved, that we change our yearly meeting from the third to the first Friday before the first Sunday in September.

Be it Resolved, that the association elect a minister to preach on communion, and feet washing, and take communion and wash feet on Saturday evening of the next association.

Be it Resolved, that each church call their pastor before the yearly meeting.

Be it Resolved, that the association ask that each minister that has the care of churches to preach two discourses on the finance of the church.

Be it Resolved, that we extend our thanks to the good people of this community for the hospitality shown us while we were in their midst.

E. L. ADKINS, Chairman.

Motion carried to discharge all committees. Moderator called for a place for the next yearly association. Brannon Church was selected and Bro. Adkins was chosen to preach on feet washing and Bro. S. A. Morgan to preach the next introductory sermon. Motion carried that the clerk write to each church not represented and ask that each send him \$2.00 to pay on minutes and association expenses. Then had a motion carried to pay the clerk \$4.75 out of the treasury for his service and postage. Then motion carried to elect delegates for the State Association. Delegates elected: J. F. Dallis, Frank Hankins, J. H. Hartsell, H. T. Holleman, and Durmont Smith.

Alternates—Bro. Tommie Craig, J. M. Holleman, O. S. Soree, Arlie Ferguson and Will Brantley.

Report of the finance received from different churches:

Mt. Bethel Church, \$7.25; Center Point, \$1.00; Pleasant Grove, \$2.15; Bayles Chapel, \$1.00; Bethel Church, \$2.00. Total amount received, \$13.40. Amount in treasury, \$5.85. Amount in the clerk's hands, \$1.85. Total, \$21.10.

Then had motion carried to send \$15.00 to the State Association for minute funds.

REPORT OF MINISTERS

J. W. Moore—Pastored two churches; witnessed 35 conversions; baptised 11; traveled 500 miles; preached 58 sermons; received \$45.52.

S. A. Morgan—Have preached 50 times; preached one funeral; married one couple; received \$40.70; traveled 150 miles.

E. L. Hunter—I have had no churches, have preached several times, have married four couples; preached one funeral; received \$5.00.

E. C. Adkins—Have one church; preached two funerals; married four couples; witnessed 42 conversions; baptised 19; received \$31.65.

Then had a motion carried to adjourn to meet with Brannon Church Friday evening before the first Sunday in September, 1929. Song. Dismissed by Bro. E. C. Adkins.

S. A. MORGAN, Moderator.

J. L. HOLLEMAN, Clerk.

ZION HOPE ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the regular Annual Session of the Zion Hope Association of Freewill Baptists held with Jerusalem Church, Jerusalem, Arkansas. Beginning on Thursday night, before the fourth Sunday in August, 1928.

Introductory sermon delivered by Elder A. F. Taylor. Scripture lesson, Mathew, 28:19-20.

FRIDAY MORNING

Song service. Prayer by Bro. Dock Watts, Bro. G. T. Kendrick, and Bro. M. A. Thompson. It was raining all morning, and no delegates came. Preaching at 11 o'clock by Bro. A. F. Taylor. Scripture reading, 11th chapter of II Cor. Text, Eph. 4:11. Dismissed by Bro. D. A. Thompson.

FRIDAY EVENING

Association called together by Bro. A. F. Taylor. Prayer by Wm. Crouch. C. B. Hurst was elected Clerk. The order of business, letters from the following churches: Rainbow, Union Valley, Welcome Home, Jertusalem, Pleasant Home, was represented by Bro. Bob McGuire, and Walnut Grove was represented by H. W. Coffman. The right hand of fellowship was extended to all delegates. Reading of rules of order.

Committee on Resolution—Bro. Bill Condley, W. A. Crouch, Bob McGuin, M. A. Thompson, and J. D. Coffman.

Finance Committee—Bro. G. T. Kendrick, Bill Condley and J. W. Coffman.

Committee on Arrangement of the Stands—Bro. V. E. McCoy, G. H. Thompson, and Ike Adams.

Committee on Sunday Schools—Bro. Horace Condley, Sister Annie McCoy, and Sister Dealie Watts.

Committee on Obituary—Bro. Herbert Parish, Sister Agnes McCoy, Sister Mamie McCoy, and Sister Griffin.

Committee on Non-Represented Churches—D. P. Watts, G. T. Kendrick and Morse Griffin.

Motion to adjourn was made to meet at 8:30. Dismissed by J. D. Coffman.

FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Called together by singing. Preaching by Elder J. D. Coffman. Scripture, fourth chapter of St. Mark, 1st to 20th verse. Text, "And Some Seed Fell on Good Ground," Mark 4th and 20th verse. Dismissed by A. F. Taylor.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Song by the choir. Scripture lesson read by Moderator A. F. Taylor, second chapter of I Peter. Prayer by Bro. Jack Latham. Motion was made to seat Bro. Jack Latham as a delegate from Welcome Home Church. Motion made to send A. F. Taylor with Bro. Jno. Coffman to New Hope Church, and see if they can reinstate the church at that place.

Motion made to seat Bro. Marley Condley and wife from Walnut Grove Church. Motion was made to seat Bro. Bine Maxwell from Antioch Association as a corresponding delegate.

Committee on Stand called Bro. Wm. Crouch to preach at 11 o'clock. Dismissed by Bro. J. D. Coffman. Preaching at 11 o'clock. Song by class. Scripture reading, first chapter of Romans, 1st to 6th verse. Prayer by Bro. Wm. Crouch. Text. "I Am Not Ashamed of the Gospel of Christ." Dismissed by Bro. Coffman. Adjourned for dinner. Called together at 2 o'clock. Scripture reading, second Peter, 3rd chapter. Prayer by Bro. J. W. Coffman. Bro. Dock Watts was set apart to be ordained as a minister of the Gospel.

The Association voted to meet with Zion Hope Church. A motion was made to hold the association on the fourth Sunday in August, beginning Thursday night before. Motion carried. Bro. Wm. Crouch was elected Moderator, and C. B. Hurst as Clerk, and Bro. J. D. Coffman is to preach the introductory sermon, and motion made to have memorial services at 11 o'clock on Saturday. Motion carried, and Bro. M. A. Thompson was elected to preach the memorial sermon. Bro. A. F. Taylor elected to preach on the church on Friday at 11 o'clock. Bro. J. W. Coffman and Elder D. A. Thompson was elected to represent us in the Antioch Association.

Bro. Bill Condley, Marley Condley, Homer Coffman, Horace Condley, and C. B. Hurst was appointed delegates to the State Association. Bro. J. D. Coffman was elected to go to the State Association as a member of the committee to revise the Articles of Faith.

Collections as follows: Union Valley \$1.25; Jerusalem \$1.50; Rockey Valley, 25 cents; and Zion Hope, 25 cents.

Committee on Obituary, reported.

Committee on Sabbath Schools, reported.

Committee on Non-represented Churches, reported.

Bro. D. A. Thompson, J. D. Coffman and A. F. Taylor was appointed to ordain Bro. V. E. McCoy as deacon of Jerusalem Church.

Committee was appointed to have the Minutes printed as follows: Dock Watts, Hobert Voss, and V. E. McCoy.

A motion was made for all ministers to hand their reports into the Clerk. Motion carried.

Dismissed by Brother M. A. Thompson. Eight o'clock services called together by singing. Prayer by G. H. Thompson. Scripture lesson, I Cor. 10th verse. Preaching by Bro. Dock Watts and Bro. Taylor.

The Finance Committee—G. T. Kendrick, J. W. Coffman, and W. D. Condley, reported \$8.20 collection.

Dismissed by Wm. Crouch.

SUNDAY SERVICE

Called together by singing. Prayer by A. F. Taylor. Preaching by Elder M. A. Thompson, and A. F. Taylor. Scripture lesson, 100th Psalms. Text, I Cor. 3:10.

Dismissed by D. A. Thompson.

A. F. TAYLOR, Moderator.

C. B. HURST, Clerk.

ANTIOCH ASSOCIATION

The Thirty-seventh Annual session of the Antioch Association of Freewill Baptists met in regular session with Holman Church on September 6, 7, 8, 9, 1928.

Opened by singing.

Bro. B. F. Duvall opened the service by reading the 1st Psalm. Song, "At the Cross." Prayer by Bro. Duvall. Song, "Sing the Wonderous Love of Jesus." Text, 1st. John 36, "Behold the Lamb of God." Song, "On Jordan's Stormy Bank." All enjoyed a good hand shake.

The Moderator appointed the Committee on Divine Service, as follows: Bro. Chas. Hopper, G. B. Maxwell, and Bro. F. M. Nichols.

Adjourned with prayer to meet at 9 o'clock Friday morning.

FRIDAY MORNING

Called to order by singing. Song, "Amazing Grace." Scripture reading, fifth chapter of Romans, read by Moderator. Prayer by Bro. G. Z. Clayborn. Song, "Jesus Lover of My Soul."

LIST OF CHURCHES

St. Joe: Sister Goldie Maxwell, Bro. G. W. Burris.
 Union Grove: Bro. E. O. Wright.
 Oak Grove No. 2:
 Holman: Sister Burdie Chronister, Sister Maudie Holman, Bro. L. O. Wilkins.
 Moreland:
 Sweet Home: Bro. W. J. Alewine, Sister Hattie Alewine.
 Liberty: Sister Josie Farnum, Bro. Wesley Lowery, Bro. Charley Farnum.
 Shiloh: Sister Opal Maxwell, Sister Annie Duvall.
 Oak Grove No. 1: Bro. A. R. Lowery, Bro. Frank Hayward, Bro. B. F. Holmes.
 Rose Creek: Bro. L. T. Chapple, Bro. M. V. Chapple and Sister G. L. McElroy.
 Mt. Pleasant:
 Smyrnia: Bro. Cleve Bowden, Sister Pearl Bowden, Sister Julie Gideon.
 Gumlog: Bro. J. J. West.
 Mt. Vernon:
 Mt. Home: Bro. J. S. Willis.
 Pine Grove: Bro. R. T. Garrison.
 Strawberry: Bro. Jack Tumbleson, Bro. Martin Lund.
 Motion made and carried that the letters be received and messengers seated.

Then the right hand of christian fellowship was extended. All churches was invited to take part.

Newly organized churches was called and Stone Hill represented with Bro. G. Z. Clayburn, and Sister Lizzie Wise.

Corresponding delegates: Bro. T. H. Dixon and Bro. J. T. Harris.

Honorary members: Bro. G. W. Burris.

The Moderator declared nominations in order for Moderator and Clerk.

Bro. J. K. Duncan, Bro. W. R. Jobe, Bro. C. Johnson, was nominated as Moderators. Bro. C. Johnson was elected and Bro. J. K. Duncan as Assistant Moderator. Bro. E. O. Wright (re-elected) Clerk and Treasurer by acclamation.

The Committee on Divine Service announced that Bro. Frank Harris would preach at 11 o'clock, and Bro. J. A. Venable to conclude.

Adjourned with prayer by Bro. J. K. Duncan to meet at 2 o'clock.

The Moderator selected Bro. F. M. Nichols, Bro. G. W. Burris and Bro. W. F. McGee to assist in the appointment of the committees.

The committee selected the following committees:

On Resolution: W. F. McGee, J. J. West, F. M. Nichols, Irvin Chronister.

On Finance: Wesley Lowery, Opal Maxwell, R. C. Chapple, Charley Hopper, Hattie Alewine.

On Temperance: J. K. Duncan, Josie Farnum, Mae Lowery, Mary Hopper, G. B. Maxwell.

On Sabbath Schools: G. W. Burris, Annie Duvall, Charley Hopper.

On Obituary: Frank Haywood, W. J. Alewine, L. O. Wilkins.

Non-represented Churches: R. T. Garrison, Jack Tumbleson, H. M. Hopper.

Union of Churches: J. D. Harris, B. F. Holmes, J. A. Venable.

The Committee suggested that Bro. W. F. McGee have twenty minutes to talk on Temperance.

Intermission.

Called together by singing. Reading by Bro. Frank Harris. Scripture lesson, fourteenth chapter of John. Prayer by Bro. J. A. Venable. Song, "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder." Text, St. John, 3:10. Song, "What a Friend We Have in Jesus." Concluded by Bro. J. A. Venable. Song, "On Jordan's Stormy Banks."

FRIDAY EVENING

Called together by singing. Song, "At the Cross." Opened by Moderator, C. Johnson, by reading seventh chapter of Matthew. Prayer by Bro. G. W. Burris.

The Moderator declared the Association opened for any such business as may come before it. At this time we had talks by Bro. W. F. McGee, Bro. W. R. Jobe, Bro. J. Harris and Bro. G. W. Burris.

Intermission.

After some short discussions the Committee on Divine Service announced that Bro. J. K. Duncan would fill the stand and Bro. R. B. Venable to follow.

Song, "A Charge to Keep I Have." Adjourned with prayer by Bro. C. Farnum. To meet at 9 o'clock Saturday.

FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION

Called together by singing, directed by Cleve Bowden and W. F. McGee, at which a good song service was enjoyed.

Prayer by Bro. T. H. Dixson. Song, "I'm Singing All the Time." Then a prayer and praise meeting was conducted by Bro. Jack Walker, at which the Spirit of God was manifested. Preaching by Bro. Duncan. Scripture lesson, fifth chapter of Eph. Text, Hebrew 12-1. Song, "At the Cross." Concluded by Bro. R. B. Venable.

SATURDAY MORNING

Called together by singing. Opened by Moderator, Bro. C. Johnson. Scripture lesson, thirteenth chapter of first Cor. Prayer by Bro. W. F. McGee. Song.

The Moderator declared the Association opened for business. The delegates from different churches made a report from their churches.

Reports of Committees

Committee on Union of Churches.

We, your Committee on Union of Churches, beg leave to submit the following report:

So far as we know the churches are in union one with another.

J. D. Harris, J. A. Venable, B. F. Holmes, Committee. Adopted.

Committee on Sabbath Schools

We find that the Freewill Baptists of Arkansas have recently organized a State Sunday School Convention, at Macedonia Church in Cleveland county.

We heartily endorse this move and ask the churches of the Antioch Association to co-operate in this work by seeing that each church has a well organized Sabbath School and represented in this said convention at its next session at Walnut Grove Church. Bro. G. W. Burris, Annie Duvall and Charley Hopper, Committee. Adopted.

Committee on Temperance

We, your Committee on Temperance, submit the following report:

We favor the 18th amendment to the U. S. Constitution on prohibition, also the Volstead Act, which determines what is strong drink. We condemn the action of any authority to amend or repeal this law. And will support and co-operate with all officials. We will execute the same, as well as all other laws. Prov. 20-1. - "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise." Prov. 4-5. "It is not for kings, O Samuel, it is not for king to drink wine nor for princes strong drink: Lest they drink and forget the law, and prevent the judgment of any of the afflicted. The fight is not finished because eternal vigilance is the price of Liberty." J. K. Duncan, Jossie Farnum, Mae Lowery, Mary Hopper, and G. W. Maxwell, Committee.

Adopted.

Committee on Obituary

We, your Committee on Obituary, beg leave to submit the following:

We find since our last Association the following brothers and sisters have departed this life:

Bro. J. C. Houser, Oak Grove Church, No. 1.

Bro. John Walters, of Union Grove Church.

Bro. J. I. Hamilton, of Rose Creek Church.

Sister Bettie Johnson and Sister Bettie Burris, of Oak Grove Church, No. 2.

Bro. Joe Barnett, of St. Joe Church.

Bro. Wiley Duvall, of Mt. Pleasant Church.

Bro. David Wisnance and Sister Inez Harshman, of Holman Church.

Bro. Frank Haywood, Chairman.

Committee on Finance

We, your Committee on Finance, beg leave to submit the following:

We have collected the sum of \$35.00, and paid to Treasurer. (Bro. Wesley Lowery, Chairman.)

Bro. W. R. Jobe mentioned the Freewill Baptist Church property, once known as Old Mt. Pleasant. A motion was made and carried, that this matter be investigated, and if found to be Freewill Baptist property that the Moderator and Clerk lay claims on said property.

Intermission

Called together by singing, led by Cleve Bowden.

Preaching by Bro. W. R. Jobe. Scripture lesson, first Cor. 15 chapter. Song, "Won't it be a Happy Time When We Get Home?" Prayer by Bro. R. B. Venable. Song, "If Jesus Should Call You Today." Bible reading, St. John 14.

As this was Memorial Service a Devotional program was held. Bro. R. B. Venable spoke in memory of Bro. Joe Barnett, St. Joe Church. Song, "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder."

Bro. B. F. Duvall spoke in memory of Sister Betty Johnson, of Oak Grove Church, No. 2. Song, "Sometime We'll Stand Before the Judgment Bar."

Bro. E. O. Wright spoke in memory of Bro. Walters of Union Grove Church. Song, "Heavenly Call."

Bro. J. A. Venable spoke in memory of J. T. Hamilton, of Rose Creek Church. Song, "When the Battle's Over."

Bro. F. M. Hudson spoke in memory of Sister Bettie Burris, of Oak Grove Church, No. 2. Song, "We Are Floating Down the Stream."

Bro. W. R. Jobe spoke in memory of Bro. Wiley Duvall, of Mt. Pleasant Church. Song, "It Won't Be Very Long."

Bro. C. Johnson spoke in memory of Bro. J. C. Houser, of Oak Grove Church, No. 1. Song, "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder."

Bro. Joe Harris spoke in memory of Bro. Dave Whisnant, of Holman Church. Song, "When the Gates of the City Unfold."

Bro. J. K. Duncan spoke in memory of Sister Inez Harshman, of Holman Church. Song, "It Will be Sweet When We Meet."

At this time the christian hand shake was taken and the Spirit of God was manifested.

The Committee on Divine Service announced that Bro. F. M. Hudson would fill the stand and Bro. T. H. Dixon conclude.

Adjourned with prayer by Bro. W. R. Jobe, to meet at 3 o'clock.

SATURDAY EVENING

Called together by singing. Song, "Amazing Grace." Opened by Moderator, Bro. C. Johnson. Scripture lesson, 23rd Psalm. Prayer by Bro. F. M. Hudson.

The Moderator declared the Association opened for any such business as may come before it.

Bro. W. R. Jobe was elected Evangelist, Bro. F. M. Hudson was elected Delegate to Treaty Convention, to be held on Tuesday before the State Association, and Bro. W. F. McGee. Alternate.

Delegates to the State Association was elected as follows: Cleve Bowden, E. O. Wright, W. F. McGee, J. J. West, Oliver Wilkins. Alternate Delegates: John Nordin, Hazel Crites, G. B. Maxwell, Charley Hopper, Wesley Lowery.

Nomination was in order for next association and Rose Creek was nominated and elected by acclamation. Bro. J. K. Duncan was elected to preach the introductory sermon and Bro. C. Johnson as alternate.

Bro. J. H. Harshaw made grievance to the association and by ruling of the Moderator this matter was referred back to the local church.

Dismissed by prayer by Bro. Joe Harris to meet at 7:30 o'clock.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts:	
Received from Finance Committee.....	\$35.05
Disbursements:	
For printing minutes.....	30.00
For Postage	4.60
Clerk Fee	5.00
Indebtedness	2.80
Total	\$42.40
Recapitulation:	
Total Receipts	35.00
Total Disbursements	42.40
Total disbursements in excess of receipts.....	7.35

E. O. WRIGHT, Treasurer.

SUNDAY MORNING SESSION

Called together by singing. Directed by Dewey Wilkins. Bro. W. R. Jobe read a part of the 78th Psalm. Prayer by Bro. W. R. Jobe. Song, "Revive Us Again." And then a Sunday School program was given. Talk by Miss Mae Lowery. Quartette by Cleve and Pearl Bowden, Noah Holman and Bro. T. H. Dixon. Song. Preaching by Bro. C. Johnson. Scripture lesson, Isaiah, 53rd chapter. Prayer by Bro. F. M. Hudson. Song, "Too Late to Pray." Text, Hebrew 10:35-36. Dismissed by F. M. Thornsberry.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS

We, the officers and delegates, with the greatest of pleasure wish to extend our thanks of appreciation to the good people of Holman Church, and surrounding community for their kindness and hospitality shown us in this association.

We wish to thank the singers for their music rendered, and pray God's richest blessings that we may live to meet in future associations.

ROLL CALL OF DEACONS

Pine Grove—R. T. Garrison, Delaware.

Moreland—G. I. Eakins, Atkins; H. H. Pigg, Russellville; R. J. Duvall, Moreland; J. F. Burris, Russellville.

Gumlog—G. W. Russell, Gumlog; J. L. Stanton, Russellville; Lee Staggs, Moreland.

Holeman—E. R. Dunn, Kansas; H. M. Hopper, Lamar; L. O. Wilkins, Lamar.

Mt. Pleasant—Bob Duvall, Moreland.

New Liberty—T. A. Allen, Blaine; F. M. Nichols, Delaware; J. H. Harshfield, Delaware.

Mt. Home—J. S. Willis, Hagarville; Berry Looper, Clarksville; Edgar Blackburn, Hagarville.

Oak Grove No. 1—S. H. Walker, Scranton; W. W. White, Scranton.

Oak Grove No. 2—L. W. Kimball, Moreland; W. S. Isbell, Gumlog.

Maple Springs—J. D. Harris, Russellville; G. F. Gideon, Oklahoma.

Sweet Home—Hobert Sorrels, Russellville; J. R. Bone, Atkins; Vester Harris, Atkins.

St. Joe—W. F. McGee, Russellville; R. L. Burris, Atkins; Lester Duvall, Atkins.

Shiloh—G. B. Maxwell, Atkins; W. J. Jobe, Atkins; W. A. Bradley, Atkins.

Union Grove—W. J. Wright, Atkins; C. A. Lloyd, Atkins; W. H. Haralson, Atkins.

Strawberry—John Tumblesan, Hagarville.

Rose Creek—R. C. Chapple, Casa; G. W. Whitefield, F. E. Hawhus, Casa.

DEACONS PRESENT

R. C. Chapple, J. D. Harris, H. M. Hopper, L. O. Wilkins, Charley Hopper, F. M. Nichols, J. H. Harshfield, S. H. Walker, J. R. Boone, J. S. Willis, W. F. McGee, and G. B. Maxwell.

ROLL CALL OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

R. M. Johnson, Atkins; J. A. Venable, Casa; Elbert Henderson, Moreland; Jessie Jefferies, Moreland; R. B. Venable, Atkins; Fred Duvall, Atkins; J. B. Vaughn, Russellville; John Burton, Commanche, Okla; E. F. Alderson, Clarksville, Route 2; R. A. Johnson, Dardanelle; Cordis Johnson, Scranton, Route 2; H. J. Walker, Scranton, Route 2; G. C. McDonald, Hanna, Okla; J. K. Duncan, Lamar, Route 3, care of Ed Harris; J. Harris, Scottsville; Frank Harris, Pottsville; G. Z. Clayborn, Clarksville. Garland Duvall, Moreland; Cyrus Hudson, London; H. F. Banks, Atkins; F. M. Thornsberry, Hagarville.

MINISTERS PRESENT

R. B. Venable, R. A. Johnson, J. A. Venable, C. Johnson, W. R. Jobe, Fred Duvall, J. K. Duncan, F. M. Thornberry, H. J. Walker, Joe Harris, Frank Harris, G. Z. Clayborn, F. M. Hudson.

REPORT OF MINISTERS OF YEAR'S WORK

Eld. R. M. Johnson—Preached 103 sermons; pastored two churches; attended eleven funerals; traveled about 1,000 miles; received \$130.35; expenses \$15.00; balance \$115.35.

Eld. J. K. Duncan—Preached about 90 sermons, pastored two churches; married three couples; ~~witnessed seven conversions~~; preached four funerals; traveled about 140 miles; organized one church; received about \$15.00.

Eld. W. R. Jobe—Preached 146 sermons; preached five funerals; witnessed ~~sixteen conversions~~; baptized six; attended three quarterly meetings; assisted in the organizing of the Deacons and Ministers meeting at Union Grove embracing the second Sunday in February, 1928; pastored one church; received in contributions. \$162.15.

Eld. G. Z. Clayborn—Preached 35 sermons; didn't pastor any church; attended two funerals; married three couples; traveled about 270 miles; received \$2.00.

Eld. C. F. Harris—Preached two sermons; conducted one funeral; married one couple.

Eld. F. M. Hudson—Preached six sermons; conducted twelve funerals.