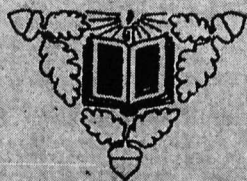


MINUTES OF THE SIXTH SESSION
OF THE
Beaver Creek Association
OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS
HELD WITH
CEDAR HILL CHURCH
LOCKHART, SOUTH CAROLINA
AUGUST 8-9-10, 1929



REV. A. B. LOWERY, Moderator
REV. J. E. BAILEY, Clerk
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PROCEEDINGS

Thursday Morning

The Sixth Session of the Free Will Baptist Association met with Cedar Hill Church at Lockhart, S. C., August 8-9-10, 1929, at 10 a.m. Services opened by song and prayer by Rev. J. W. Gentry.

The Association proceeded to elect Moderator and Clerk. Rev. A. B. Lowery was elected Moderator. Rev. J. E. Bailey was elected Clerk. The Rules of Decorum was read and the Moderator proceeded to give visiting brethren a seat in the Conference.

Visitors—Rev. A. B. Bowan and Rev. H. N. Benton, from south Georgia; Rev. G. E. Quinton, from French Broad.

Conference adjourned at 11 a.m. for preaching Introductory Sermon, by Rev. J. E. Bailey. Scripture reading: I Kings, 18th Chapter, 24th Verse. Subject: "Rebuilding God's Altar."

Thursday Afternoon

The Association opened at 1:30 p.m. with song and prayer by Rev. G. E. Quinton, from French Broad Association.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED

To Read Church Letters—W. D. Sawyers, W. C. Renis. All letters read and accepted.

Arrangements—Pastor and delegates.

Temperance—W. D. Sawyer, H. N. Benton, E. L. Beachboard.

Sunday School—Otis Lawter, W. G. Gregory, W. D. Sawyer.

Pulpit—Pastor, A. B. Lowery and delegates.

Education—J. C. Stafford, J. C. Franks, W. D. Davis.

Finance—J. C. Stafford, Wiley Bagwell, J. W. Gentry.

Obituaries—J. E. Bailey, Wiley Bagwell, Mrs. Wiley Bagwell.

Periodicals—W. C. Renis, L. J. Davis, W. L. Randolph.

Deeper Devotion—A. B. Lowery, E. L. Beachboard, H. N. Benton.

Home Missions—C. O. Buckner, J. W. Gentry, Henry Renis.

Foreign Missions—J. W. Gentry, T. I. Benton, H. W. Saffered.

Evangelistic—J. E. Bailey, J. C. Franks, L. J. Davis.

Sessions—Otis Lawter, I. C. Sealey, W. G. Gregory, B. H. Gosnell, W. D. Davis, H. L. Buckner, J. H. Mayfield, J. L. Massey, T. D. Pruitt, Wiley Bagwell.

Conference adjourned until Friday morning at 9 a.m. Rev. E. L. Beachboard preached Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Scripture: Acts 16:31. Subject: "The Power of God."

Thursday Night

Rev. H. N. Benton preached a wonderful sermon: Text: St. John, 6th Chapter, 67th Verse. Subject: "To Whom Shall We Go?"

Friday Morning

Conference opened by song and prayer by W. D. Davis. Scripture reading by W. C. Renis.

Marriages and Divorces—E. L. Beachboard, J. C. Franks, W. D. Davis, W. D. Sawyer, W. G. Gregory, Otis Lawter.

Ladies Aid Society—Lizzie Pope, Mary Pruitt, Essie Davis, Nannie Melton, Mary Gregory, Otis Jones, Unice Shropser, Pearl Page, Mattie Musmer, Myrtle Crow, Mattie Johnson, Mrs. Cudd.

Young Peoples Work—W. D. Davis, Otis Lawter, W. H. Loring.

Resolutions—John Ballard, Frank Ward, Ernest Waters, W. C. Renis, Jack Mayfield, John Clayton.

Ministerial Support—I. D. Shealy, L. W. Davis, W. D. Sawyer, W. Loring, L. W. Jones, W. G. Gregory.

Conference adjourned until 2 p.m. for preaching at 11 a.m. by Rev. J. C. Stafford. Text: 4th Chapter, 2nd Timothy 2nd Verse. Subject: "Watch!"

Friday Afternoon

Conference opened Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock with song and prayer by Rev. J. W. Gentry. Scripture reading and prayer by Rev. J. C. Franks.

All reports were called for and reported as follows:

Saturday Morning

Conference opened Saturday morning at 8 o'clock. Song and Scripture reading by Rev. Lottie Davis. Prayer by W. D. Sawyers.

The Conference voted to send two committees to Aden, N. C. to investigate the Orphan's Home and T.W.B. Press.

Brother W. D. Sawyers was elected president of the F.W.B. League.

The Association closed to meet with Coles Chapel August 6-7-8-9, 1930. Rev. J. C. Franks to preach Introductory Sermon.

The Conference was called back in session and voted that each church, one and all, use the old original Free Baptist Discipline.

Conference adjourned for preaching at 11 a.m. for preaching by Rev. I. W. Plyler. Text St. John 14:16. Subject: "The Way."

The Association gave Moderator full charge over all ministers during the year.

Sunday School Convention to meet with Fairview Church on the Fifth Sunday. Supt. W. D. Sawyers, president. Each pastor delegate was asked to attend.

W. D. Sawyers was elected Treasurer of Old Ministers Fund and to report next Conference.

Saturday Night

The Association closed with the Lord's Blessing being poured out upon us. Rev. J. F. Ford was present with us from the M. E. Church at Lockhart, and was called upon to lead us to the Throne of Grace in prayer. And it seemed the Lord was smiling down on us. We all love Rev. Ford and our prayers go up for him.

Rev. A. T. Coffey delivered a wonderful sermon Saturday night. Text: 1st Cor. 15:16. A wonderful service.

Obituaries

We, the Association as a body do mourn the loss of our dear beloved Brother Jeff Barnett, aged 61 years old, a member of Cedar Hill church, at Lockhart, S. C. His toils and troubles are over, and in the arms of Jesus we feel assured we hope to meet him some glad day. In Heaven where all is pure.—J. E. Bailey.

Sister Eva Ross, aged 42 years, was called to meet Jesus. God saw it fit to call our sister to her final rest. We bow our heads in humble submission to the will of God. Cedar Hill Church.

God saw fit to call sister Emmie Sealy to her final rest. Aged 76 years.

"Through all pain at times, she would smile
A smile of Heavenly Birth,
And when the angels called her home,
She smiled farewell to earth."

Sister Sue Jane Parker died January 19, 1928. We, the members of the church do mourn the loss of our beloved sister in Christ.

Brother Ben Parker died January 13, 1928. We, the members of his church do mourn his loss, but feel assured to meet some day.

Landrum Church—We mourn the loss of our dear brother A. H. Porter, who died May 9, 1929. And we bow our heads in humble submission to the will of God.

Caroleen Church—We, the members of her church do mourn the loss of our dear beloved sister Cooper Beachboard. Aged 55 years.

Caroleen Church—We mourn the loss of sister Lizzie Gault. Aged 20 years. She was a loyal Christian and loved by all who knew her.

Caroleen Church mourns the loss of brother and sister H. L. Buckner's two little children. Jesus said: "Suffer little children to come unto me and forbid them not, for such is the Kingdom of God."

Caroleen Church—God saw fit to call brother David Buckner home to live with Jesus. God said: "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord for they shall rest from their labors, and their works do follow them."

Report of Committees

Temperance—"We, your Committee affirm that it is our conviction that Christian principles can solve the problems of temperance. We pledge our support and co-operation to both state and federal officials in every effort for strict carrying out and enforcement of proper laws. Our Church stands firmly against the liquor business in every form and we promise to support any movement by the Anti-Saloon League or any organization working to put down liquor." Committee: W. D. Sawyers, H. N. Benton, E. L. Beachboard.

Sunday School—"Realizing that youth is the time when the most lasting impressions are made on the mind, we would suggest that our ministers and Sabbath School teachers urge parents not to send their children to Sunday School, but to come and bring them." Committee: Otis Lawter, W. G. Gregory, W. D. Sawyers.

Education—"We, your committee on Education, after earnestly considering the deficiencies of some of our ministers, report the following: seeing the need of better education in our ministry, we recommend that our association put forth every effort to encourage our ministers to go to Ayden, N. C. or to T.I.I. at Saxon, S. C." Committee: J. C. Stafford, J. C. Franks, W. D. Davis.

Young Peoples' Work—"We, your committee affirm that each church organize a Young Peoples' League and use literature made for this purpose." Committee: W. D. Davis, Willie Loringgood, Otis Lawter.

Periodicals—"We recommend first of all the Bible, and urge the

people to read it; and not only read it but live by it. We also recommend first class literature." Committee: W. C. Renis, J. L. Davis, Will Randolph.

Deeper Devotion—"Spirituality is the life and power of the religion of Jesus Christ. The vocation of religion is devotion to God, and devotion means to love and adore and obey, yielding in humble submission to the will of God. It is explained as entire consecration." Committee: H. N. Benton, E. L. Beachboard, A. B. Loving.

Deeper Devotion (No. 2)—We urge our people to be more loyal to church, and pledge themselves to support the Gospel. Paul said: "To lay by in store on the first day of the week as God had prospered you." Committee: A. T. Coffey.

Home Missions—"We ask our members to pray in each home they go in, and to visit the sick and make report of same." Committee: C. O. Buckner, J. H. Renis, J. W. Gentry.

Foreign Missions—"We recommend a board to have charge of this work selecting one member of each church to make up the board to devise means for this purpose." Committee: J. W. Gentry, T. I. Benton, H. W. Safford.

Ladies Aid—We recommend that every church organize a Ladies Aid Society and our pastors lend a helping hand.

Ladies Aid at Whitney—

Received	\$88.97
Paid for Material	\$35.90
Paid for Sickness	19.20
Paid for Christmas Presents	15.00
Paid for Church Expenses	6.00
Total Paid Out	\$76.10
Balance	\$12.87

Mrs. Tinnie Crow, Pres.; Mrs. A. T. Coffey, Sec.; Mrs. J. E. Frank, Treas.

Ladies Aid, Landrum—

Received	\$24.41
Paid on Church	\$23.16
Balance	\$2.25

Pearl Page, Pres.; Ella Wilson, Clerk.

Ladies Aid Kanapolis—

Received	\$98.81
Paid Pastor	\$16.00
Paid Sick	74.45
Amount Paid Out	\$90.45
Balance in Treasury	\$7.55

Nellie Messner, Pres.; Mattie Todd, Clerk.

Ladies Aid, Gastonia—

Received	\$27.11
Money Paid Out	\$14.10
Balance	\$13.11

Essie Davis, Pres.; Minnie Styles, Clerk.

Sunday School Reports were extra good this year. Total collections amounted to \$760.00. Whitney leading. W. D. Sawyers, Supt.

Marriages and Divorces—First: We protest against parents giving permission for marriage license being issued to children under lawful age. Second: We protest against marriage of persons who are mentally and physically unfit to care for a family. Third: As there is no Biblical cause for divorce, we guard against our ministers officiating at any marriage where either person has living companion. Committee: E. L. Beachboard, J. C. Franks, L. J. Davis.

Ministerial Support—We recommend that our preachers pay the tenth of each dollar to God, and teach our churches to do the same so the ministry can be supported. Committee: E. D. Sealey, W. D. Davis, W. D. Sawyers.

Finance—We, your committee recommend that we have five hundred minutes and pay clerk balance. Minute Fund total, \$53.15. Minutes, \$42.50. Balance \$10.65. Committee: J. C. Stafford, Willy Bagwell.

Resolutions—First: Be it resolved that our pastors prohibit any and all preachers and teachers from occupying our pulpits if said preacher cannot show proper credentials from some church organization, which must be satisfactory to pastor, and said preacher or teacher must be in harmony with our church doctrines. Second: Seeing the need of a consecrated ministry, which means a separation from the world, we ask our ministers not to affiliate themselves with any organization that operates under disguise. Jesus said: "Men love darkness rather than light." Third: Jesus said: "That you may know my disciples, because they have love one for another. And one and all preach one faith one Lord and one Baptism, and the signs shall follow them that believe." Committee: John Ballard, B. F. Ward, Ernest Waters, W. C. Renis.

Roster of Ministers

Ministers on Roll—J. E. Bailey, E. W. Bridges, E. W. Pyler, W. R. Roland, A. T. Coffey, L. J. Davis, G. C. Morrow, J. C. Franks, J. C. Stafford, E. L. Beachboard, J. W. Gentry, T. I. Benton, J. M. Redding, J. H. Renis.

Ordained This Conference—Rev. Paul Jordan.

Licenates—S. P. Norton, H. N. Benton, Carl Terry, A. W. Graham, T. W. Smart, W. C. Renis, G. C. Peace, J. H. Dixon.

Rev. A. B. Bowman's papers were okayed for one year. Also J. M. Terry's.

Ministers Passed on—J. C. Frank, J. E. Bailey, J. C. Stafford, W. R. Roland, E. L. Beachboard, J. W. Gentry, I. W. Pyler, A. T. Coffey, E. W. Bridges, Paul Jordan, A. B. Lowery.

Churches	Pastors	Clerks
Coles Chapel—J. E. Bailey		T. C. Dixon
Saxon Avenue—A. T. Coffey		Flossy Franks
Fairview—E. L. Beachboard		H. L. Buckner
Whitney—J. C. Franks		Fred Sawyers
Beaver Dam—J. C. Stafford		Clarence Smith
Landrum—W. R. Roland		Pearlie Page
Gastonia—L. J. Davis		W. E. Sawyers
Kanapolis—J. C. Franks		M. A. Todd
Mt. Holly—Paul Jordan		H. T. Eubanks
Lockhart—A. B. Lowery		U. S. Cousins

Mt. Zion—J. W. Gentry C. B. Jones
 Black Mountain—E. L. Beachboard Myrtle Crow

Church Letters

Coles Chapel—Members, 107; pastor J. E. Bailey; Minute Fund, \$7.50; pastor's salary, \$56.33; value of church, \$3,000; paid for revival work, \$139.60; total paid out, \$759.54.

Saxon Avenue—Members, 104; pastor, A. T. Coffey; Minute Fund, \$5.00; pastor's salary, \$200.00; value of church, \$3,000; paid for revival work, \$51.70; total paid out, \$306.54.

Fairview—Members, 131; pastor, E. L. Beachboard; Minute Fund, \$3.00; pastor's salary, \$135.45; value of church, \$2,000; paid for revival work, unknown.

Whitney—Members, 84; pastor, J. C. Franks; Minute Fund, \$5.00; pastor's salary, \$317.00; value of church, \$3,000; paid for revival work, \$65.00; total paid out, \$838.15.

Beaver Dam—Members, 38; pastor, J. C. Stafford; Minute Fund, \$5.00; pastor's salary, \$85.00; value of church, \$700.00; paid for revival work, \$61.00; total paid out, \$216.00.

Landrum—Members, 22; pastor, W. R. Roland; Minute Fund, \$2.00; pastor's salary, \$53.43; value of church \$800.00; paid for revival work, \$127.96; total paid out, \$190.36.

Gastonia—Members, 93; pastor, L. J. Davis; Minute Fund, \$3; pastor's salary, not known; value of church, \$700.00; revival work, \$50.00; total paid out, 61.00.

Kanapolis—Members, 83; pastor, J. C. Franks, Minute Fund, \$5; pastor's salary, \$174.85; value of church, \$1500.00; paid for revival work, not known; total paid out, \$378.15.

Mt. Holly—Members, 21; pastor, J. P. Jordan; Minute Fund, \$2; paid pastor, \$8.00; value of church property, \$75.00; paid for poor and needy, \$47.50; total paid out, \$57.50.

Lockhart—Members, 72; pastor, A. B. Lowery; Minute Fund, \$5.00; pastor's salary, \$450.29; value of church, \$4,000; revival work, \$34.68; paid out for poor and needy, \$213.29; total paid out, \$703.26.

Mt. Zion—Members, 28; pastor, J. W. Gentry; Minute Fund, \$2; pastor's salary, \$35.00; value of church, \$500.00; revival work, not known; total paid out, \$77.00.

Black Mt. (New Church)—Members, 11; pastor, E. L. Beachboard; Minute Fund, \$1.50; paid pastor, \$84.89; prospects are good for a new church.

Ministers' Reports

Rev. E. L. Beachboard—Sermons preached, 215; pastored two churches; organized one; conversions, 286; baptised, 8; revivals, 6; funerals, 6; received \$245.34 for work; traveled 1,000 miles.

Rev. A. W. Graham—Sermons, 12; conversions, 8; paid out, \$18.25; received, \$3.50.

Rev. W. C. Renis—Sermons, 30; prayer services, 15; conversions, 37; money received, \$23.75; paid out \$31.50.

Rev. T. W. Smart—Sermons, 82; conversions, 48; funerals, 1; sick homes visited, 204; paid out \$18.00; revivals, 3.

Rev. J. M. Redding—Sermons, 70; conversions, 138; revivals, 5; funerals, 1; money received, \$27.20; money paid out, \$9.10; organized 1 church; baptized 13.

Rev. J. C. Stafford—Sermons, 100; conversions, 60; funerals, 6;

revivals, 3; baptized, 3; money received, \$85.00; paid out, \$35.00.

Rev. L. J. Davis—Sermons, 153; conversions, 207; received 11 in church; funerals, 3; revivals, 4; paid out, \$127.45.

Rev. L. P. Jordan—Sermons, 68; conversions, 22; baptized, 5; funerals, 3; pastored 1 church; received \$8.50; paid out \$10.00; revivals 1, members taken in, 9.

Rev. I. W. Pyler—Sermons, 42; conversions, 28; baptized, 1; paid out, \$12.50; received \$2.50.

Rev. A. T. Coffey—Sermons, 136; marriages, 3; funerals, 11; baptized, 4; revivals, 6; conversions not known; money received \$317.03; paid out, \$90.70.

Rev. J. W. Gentry—Sermons, 75; conversions not known; funerals, 1; received \$60.00; paid out, \$50.00; pastored one church.

Rev. J. C. Franks—Sermons, 136; conversions, 113; baptized 15; funerals, 6; received \$620.00.

Rev. J. E. Bailey—Sermons, 275; conversions, 980; baptized, 80; received in church, 78; revivals, 7; married 27 couples; funerals 5; paid out expenses, \$250.00; received \$480.00; pastored one church.

Rev. T. I. Benton—Sermons, 50; conversions, 25; local preacher.

Rev. W. R. Roland—Sermons, 125; conversions, 800; revivals, 5, pastored 1 church; baptized, 75; healing services, 150.

Rev. J. H. Renis—Sermons, 93; members taken in, 26; conversions, 168; revivals, 2; received, \$65.85; paid out, \$73.95; pastored one church.

Rev. A. B. Lowery—Sermons, 157; conversions, 322; pastored 1 church; baptized, 4; married 1 couple; funerals, 7; revivals, 7; received, \$729.00; paid out, \$150.00.

CHURCH COVENANT

1.—Having given ourselves to the Lord through Jesus Christ, we agree to adopt Free Will Baptist Articles of Faith. We give ourselves to each other by the help of God.

2.—We solemnly covenant before God that we will carefully observe, rebuke, and admonish those who have gone astray, and watch over each other's reputation, and use our influence to the upbuilding of the church commands implied in a profession of faith, and in the spirit of kindness and for the advancement of the cause of Christ, endeavoring to seek the unity of the spirit in the bonds of peace, and to confess our faults one to another, and to strengthen those who are weak.

3.—We promise by the help of God that we will faithfully practice family and secret prayer, and strive to cultivate the doctrine of God's revealed word in the minds of those under our care, and to contribute liberally to aid the ministry according to our several abilities. Also, we agree to be liberal with those that are afflicted and needy, and especially those that are of "The Household of Faith."

4.—We also agree to use our influence for the support of the Gospel.

5.—We also agree to attend the monthly meetings regularly, if not providentially hindered, and to submit to all ordinance implied in a profession of faith.

6.—We also agree to abstain from all sinful and vain amusements.

7.—We also agree to abstain from all intoxicating liquors, not to use it as a beverage, nor to aid or assist in the manufacture of such, nor to furnish it to others.

8.—We also agree to encourage home and foreign missions, education, Sabbath Schools, good morals, and everything that is for the glory of God and to the welfare of men, and may the God of peace sanctify us wholly and preserve us blameless until the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ that we may be happily admitted into the Kingdom of God, where we can ascribe honor unto the Lamb forever. Amen.

CONSTITUTION

1.—The Association shall be composed of delegates chosen and sent from each individual church.

2.—The delegates chosen and sent shall be recommended by letter from the church to which they belong and shall include the minister and some of the most able members belonging to the church.

3.—The Association, when met and formed, shall elect a Chairman and Secretary.

4.—The rules of decorum shall be read immediately after the Association is formed.

5.—This Association will encourage a sound ministry, such as present Christ as an all-sufficient Saviour, having salvation possible to every human being on the terms of the Gospel, which is freely offered to all.

6.—Any minister in good standing, whether a delegate or not, may be invited to a seat and take part in the deliberations, and his name enrolled in our minutes.

7.—The Association may appoint such committees as may be necessary for the expediting of business, and every committee appointed to attend to any particular business shall report their proceedings in writing to the Association while in session, and all reports made by the committee may be adopted by the body.

8.—All queries regularly presented to the Association by any church shall be attended to.

9.—Any church may become a member of the Association by making application by letter or by delegates and adopting our Articles of Faith and Church Covenant.

10.—The Association may withdraw from any church that becomes disorderly or refuses to be represented by letter or delegate.

11.—The Association assumes no higher authority than an advisory council.

RULES OF DECORUM

1.—The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2.—There shall be no conversation by the members one with another so as to interrupt business while in session.

3.—Every member wishing to speak shall first rise and address the Moderator.

4.—No member shall interrupt a member while speaking.

5.—We shall admit no other title while in session but that of brother.

6.—Every member speaking shall attend to the subject under consideration.

7.—No member shall speak more than twice on any one subject.

8.—Every motion made and seconded shall be attended to unless withdrawn by the person who made it.

9.—No member shall absent himself from the body without leave of the Moderator.

10.—On all motions made, where the vote of the body is taken, a majority shall prevail.

11.—The Moderator shall have the same privilege to speak as any other member, provided the chair is filled.

12.—Any members transgressing the above rules shall be admonished by the Moderator.

13.—Not less than nine members shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1.—**God:** We believe that there is only one true and living God, who is personally the Father, Son and the Holy Ghost, equal and harmonious in every divine perfection. There is one God and one Mediator between God and Man, the Man Christ Jesus, who gave himself a ransom for all to be testified in due time.—I Tim. 2:5.

2.—**The Holy Scripture:** We believe that God is the author of the Holy Bible, and its teachings constitute the only infallible doctrine for the government of His church. All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, instruction in righteousness.

3.—**Original Apostacy:** We believe that Adam was created holy, but, by voluntary transgression, fell into depravity and consequently involved his posterity in sin. And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof and did eat and gave unto her husband with her, and he did eat.—Gen. 3:6.

4.—**Free Grace:** We believe the grace of God comprehends all spiritual blessings, that the Gospel is the power of God unto salvation, that the Holy Spirit not only reproves the world of sin, but is the means whereby sinners are converted and made wise unto salvation. For there is no difference between Jews and Greeks, for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him.—Rom. 10:12.

5.—**Christian Faith:** We believe that Christian faith is the belief in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God and Redeemer of the world, and in the divinity of the Holy Scripture, that faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God. He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life and he that believeth not on the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.—John 3:36.

6.—**Repentance:** We believe that repentance is sorrow for sin, and the kind of sorrow which produces Godly repentance must be preceded by effectual conviction of sin. Now I rejoice, not that ye were made sorry, but that ye sorrowed to repentance, that ye might receive damage by us in nothing. For Godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of but the sorrow of the world worketh death.—II Cor. 7:9-10.

7.—**Free Agency:** We believe that the human will is free, and that men have the ability to accept or reject the condition of salvation as they are revealed in the Holy Scripture. He hath show-

ed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee but do justly and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God.—Mich. 6:8.

8.—**Perseverance:** We do not believe under Gospel dispensation any soul is elected to eternal life unconditionally, but that those who by faith persevere unto the end shall be saved, that it is possible for men who have been converted to make shipwreck of their faith, turn again to sin and be finally lost. And Jesus said unto him, "No man having put his hand to the plow and looking back is fit for the Kingdom of God."—Luke 9:62.

9.—**Good Works:** We believe that good works are the results of faith and not necessity; that those who have faith will do works of righteousness, while those who have not faith cannot do anything pleasing or acceptable unto God. Every tree that bringeth not forth fruit is hewn down and cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them!—Matt. 7:19-20.

10.—**Christian Baptism:** We believe that Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water, in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; that baptism cannot be scripturally administered without faith in the subject who receives it. Therefore we are buried with Him by baptism into death; that like Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we should walk in newness of life.—Rom. 6:4.

11.—**The Lord's Supper:** We believe the Supper was instituted by our Saviour as a commemorative ordinance; that it was instituted for Christians, and that all Christians should unite in sacred services regardless of name or denomination. But let a man examine himself and so let him eat of that bread and drink of that cup, "For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation unto himself, not discerning the Lord's body."—I Cor. 11:28-29.

12.—**Feet Washing:** We believe that washing the saints feet was a command of our Saviour, and that His followers ought to practice the same. We urge the pastors of all our churches to encourage the practical obedience of this command, especially among the members of their churches. "If I then your Lord and Master have washed your feet, ye also ought to wash one another's feet."—St. John 13-14.

13.—**The Gospel:** We believe it to be the duty of all churches to support the Gospel. Even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the Gospel should live of the Gospel.—I Cor. 9:14.

CHURCH LETTER OF THE ASSOCIATION

We, the Free Will Baptist Church at.....
 send Christian salutation to the Beaver Creek Association.

We send the following messengers to sit with you in council:

Ordained Ministers who hold membership with us,.....
 Licensed ministers who hold membership with us,.....

STATISTICAL MEMBERSHIP TABLE

Increase in the year.....; By experience and baptism.....;
 By letter or statement.....; By restoration.....;
 Total increase this year.....; Present membership.....;
 Decrease this year.....; By letter.....;
 By expulsion and erasure.....; By death.....;
 Total decrease.....; Last year's membership.....

OFFICERS OF THE CHURCH AND SOCIETIES

	P.O.	R.F.D. No.	County	State
Pastor.....				
Clerk.....				
S. S. Supt.....				
Value of church property \$.....; Value of Parson- age.....; Pastor's salary \$.....				

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS

No. of schools.....; No. of pupils.....; No. of teachers.....
; Kind of literature used.....; Baptisms this
 year.....; Church meeting Sunday.....; How many revivals
 and who held them.....

This the.....day of.....193.....

.....Church Clerk.

Post Office....., S. C.