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MINUTES
of the
SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION
and the
SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION
of the
BLUE RIDGE ASSOCIATION
of the
Original Free Will Baptists
of
North Carolina
held at
CRAGMONT ASSEMBLY
Black Mountain, North Carolina

The next session of the Blue Ridge Association will be held at the Swannanoa Free Will Baptist Church, Swannanoa, North Carolina, on August 3, 4, 5, 1961, at 10 o'clock a. m.

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Original Free Will Baptists
OF NORTH CAROLINA

AUGUST, 1959

Held at Cragmont Assembly

(Due to the fact that the minutes were not printed for the Sixth Annual Session, the business proceedings will be included with the Seventh Annual Session minutes.)

OFFICERS — 1959

- Moderator, Rev. Milton Hollifield, Box 1045, Canton, N. C.
- Clerk, Mrs. Bynum Lance, 4 LaRue Street, W. Asheville, N. C.
- Assistant, Rev. Clyde Cox, Box 193, Caroleen, N. C.
- Historian, Mrs. Flora Morgan, P. O. Box 1631, W. Asheville, N. C.
- Treasurer, Rev. W. L. Kell Jr., Marion, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS

Rev. Kell was elected to reorganize the youth rally in the absence of Rev. Fred Hall.

A motion was made to take off the table the item concerning the churches coming from the Piedmont Conference: Mount Zion, Kannapolis, N. C., and Lowell of Lowell, N. C. A lengthy discussion followed a move to keep these churches of open door conference under watch care until a further investigation be made with the State Convention of North Carolina Bylaws and Procedures.

It was moved by Brother Frisbee to accept the Mt. Zion Church. The move was voted down. It will be investigated with the others.

A committee was appointed: Brother Carl Osborne, Brother Wayne Smith and Brother Roy Duckett.

A motion was made to accept Elmer Free Will Baptist Church of Elmer, New Jersey, under the watch care until the next session, 1960. Voted and passed.

Mrs. L. D. Gray and Mrs. Carl Osborne were elected as delegates to North Carolina State Convention, meeting at the Children's Home in Middlesex, N. C. Five dollars was sent with report to State Convention.

A motion was made to begin a memorial fund for Tabernacle to Rev. R. V. (Bob) Self. A committee was appointed: Rev. Wayne Smith, Rev. L. D. Gray and Rev. Carl Osborne.

It was voted to place \$15.00 to establish the Bob Self Memorial Fund. Rev. Roy Duckett of Canton, N. C., was elected field superintendent.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance Last Year		\$476.91
Received This Year		385.24
Total		<hr/> \$862.15
	Paid Out	
Minutes		\$144.87
Clerk		50.00
Mileage Expense of Executive Board to Home Mission Meeting		33.60
Sign Painted for National Convention		18.00
Gift to Cragmont		15.00
Expense of Delegate to State Convention		10.00
State Convention Fee		5.00
Mileage to Lowell to Set Up Quarterly Meeting		6.00
Postage, Calls and Books		10.00
Total Paid Out		<hr/> 287.47
Total Balance in Bank		<hr/> \$574.68
Loan Fund for Student		\$150.00

MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

A camp meeting for the summer of 1960 was discussed.

It was voted to call the camp meeting "Cragmont Camp Meeting."

A motion was made to elect a committee to be in charge of arrangements. Committee was Rev. John Cansler, director, Rev. Harold O'Dear, Rev. Kenneth Frisbee, Rev. Carl Osborne.

It was voted to conduct the camp meeting seven days, Sunday through the following Monday night.

Investigating committee met with ordaining council and gave the following report: Rev. Ballard accepted in conference; Rev. Hensley licensed in conference; Rev. Richard Watkins under watch care; Rev. Steve Lawing under watch care.

Rev. Milton Hollifield was granted a letter in good standing from the Blue Ridge Conference as he was moving to Michigan. He was given a vote of thanks for his service through the years.

Officers were elected as follows: Moderator, Rev. Kenneth Frisbee; assistant, Rev. Carl Osborne; secretary-treasurer, Rev. LeRoy Grant; assistant, Rev. Homer Arrowood.

Ordaining Council: Rev. L. D. Gray, Rev. W. L. Kell and Rev. John Cansler.

Investigating Committee: Rev. Harold O'Dear and Rev. V. E. Condrey.

Publicity Committee will remain as same, with Brother John Cansler added for camp meeting.

It was voted to meet at Salem Free Will Baptist Church, Saturday, October 31, 1959.

It was voted to pay \$25.00 to Rev. Roy Duckett for expense of moving tent to Brevard, N. C., for meeting.

It was voted to send \$5.00 to superannuation.

Licensed—Winfred Roland, Rev. Hensley.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Money on Hand	\$34.73	
Came in with Reports	16.00	
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		\$50.73
Paid Out to Rev. Duckett	\$25.00	
Paid Out to Superannuation	5.00	
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Total Paid Out		30.00
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Balance in Treasury		\$20.73

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Theme: "Need for Spirit-Empowered Ministry"

Text: "... but to be filled with the Spirit" (Ephesians 5:18).

The next session of the Blue Ridge Association will be held at the Swannanoa Free Will Baptist Church, Swannanoa, North Carolina, on August 3, 4, 5, 1961, at 10 o'clock a. m. Lunch will be served at Cragmont Assembly.

Rev. W. L. Kell, Moderator 250 Baldwin Ave., Marion, N. C.

Mrs. Waynette Bridges, Clerk P. O. Box 641, Swannanoa, N. C.

CHURCH COVENANT

Having give ourselves to God, by faith in Christ, and adopted the Word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in the solemn covenant.

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

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of the Scripture, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship; and by self-denial, faith, and good works endeavor to "grow in grace and the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences; public worship; and the observance of the ordinances of the gospel, nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor, and all its benevolent work.

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness, and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to "keep the unity of the Spirit" in the bonds of peace, to be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and as far as we are able promote the success of the church and of the gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principles sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme; counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society; constantly praying and toiling that the Kingdom of God may come, and His will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprises, the support of missions, the success of Sunday schools, and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of the world. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

CONSTITUTION
of
THE BLUE RIDGE ASSOCIATION
of the
ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS
of
NORTH CAROLINA

Article 1

This association shall be known as the Blue Ridge Association of the Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina.

Article 2

The objects of this association shall be: To promote unity, fraternity, fellowship and co-operation; and to encourage and engage in larger Christian enterprises that cannot be carried on by a single church. To combine and direct the energies of the Free Will Baptists within its bounds in one sacred effort to encourage and promote the general spread of the gospel; and the causes of the united program.

Article 3

1. This association shall be composed of all ordained and licensed ministers, and of delegates chosen and sent by each church in its bounds, who shall be duly recommended by the church to which they belong.

2. The following auxiliaries of each church are entitled to one delegate each: the Sunday school, the ladies auxiliary, and the Free Will Baptist league. No church shall be entitled to more than five (5) delegates.

3. Each church and its auxiliaries may represent by letter and a donation for the expenses of the association and the causes it fosters.

4. This association disclaims the right to exercise lordship over the churches, or to have any power which entitles it to infringe upon the internal affairs or rights of any of the church composing it. Each church shall consider its internal affairs to be its own business; but it shall not disrespect the association and those who are placed in authority by the proper processes.

Article 4

An accused church has the same right as an individual in the church: to have specific charges presented in writing, a fair opportunity for defense, and to be considered innocent until proved guilty.

Article 5

This association may withdraw from any church that becomes disorderly or refuses to be represented by letter or delegates.

Article 6

Churches coming from another denomination will be carefully and satisfactorily examined as to doctrine before being received as members.

Article 7

1. The officers of this association shall be moderator and assistant moderator, clerk, treasurer, historian and field superintendent, who shall be elected for a term of two years, entering up their said duties of said offices at the close of the current session.

2. The moderator and assistant moderator shall not succeed themselves in election. However, the assistant moderator may be elected moderator.

3. It shall be the duty of the moderator to preside over all the meetings of the association.

4. It shall be the duty of the assistant moderator to preside in the absence of the moderator.

5. It shall be the duty of the clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the association in a business-like manner, and to superintend the printing of the minutes, and the distribution of said minutes, and to give over all properties belonging to his or her office to his or her duly successor. The clerk shall be paid a fee for services—an amount fixed by the association. Minutes of the association shall be sent to all visiting Free Will Baptist ministers.

6. It shall be the duty of the treasurer to receive all funds belonging to the association, and to disburse same as directed by the association. The treasurer shall be bonded for an amount sufficient to cover all money coming into their hands.

7. It shall be the duty of the historian to keep a record of such items of interest as may be useful in the future; to preserve the same in a book. He or she shall also keep a file of the minutes. He or she shall give over all materials and property to his or her successor in office.

8. It shall be the duty of the field superintendent to encourage the

work in general in this association, and in every way possible assist them in doing greater things for God's glory. He shall promote unity and fellowship among the ministers and their churches. He shall supply for any pastor who shall be providentially kept from his work. He shall be paid a salary agreed upon by the association. He shall receive an offering at all churches, the same to be turned over to the association to help maintain this work.

Article 8

At each annual session the moderator shall appoint such committees as the association may direct. It shall be the duty of these committees to report at the next annual meeting.

Article 9

The following directors shall be elected annually: Director for young people's work: director for the woman's auxiliary work—who shall be responsible to do all the work they can to promote the work in these departments in each church in this association. They shall encourage co-operation with the state league and ladies' auxiliary organization.

Article 10

The executive board shall consist of the moderator, assistant moderator, clerk, treasurer, historian, field superintendent, and three members elected from the floor. It shall be the duty of the executive board to have the supervision of the work of the association between sessions. The moderator and clerk, by virtue of their offices, shall be chairman and secretary, respectively, of the board. Five members of the executive shall constitute a quorum.

Article 11

It shall be the duty of the association to encourage a sound ministry, such as present Christ as an all-sufficient Saviour, having made salvation possible to every human being on the terms of the gospel, which is freely offered to all.

Article 12

Any church seeking membership in this association shall furnish evidence that there is a deed on record made to the trustees of said Free Will Baptist church and their successors in office, and after a satisfactory examination as to their doctrine and fellowship and disposition toward the united program. may be received as members.

Article 13

We will have a union meeting on Saturday before each fifth Sunday, for the furtherance of every phase of the work of this association. The meeting shall be composed of all members and two delegates from each church.

Article 14

This association shall adopt the Treatise of the Faith and Government of the National Treatise of the Free Will Baptists.

Article 15

A church may become a member of this association by petition, or by letter, or by delegates, and by adopting the Treatise and Articles of Faith and

Government, and the Constitution and Bylaws of this association.

Article 16

This association shall be governed by the rules laid down in Roberts' or Hastings' Rules of Order.

Article 17

This association shall meet annually on Thursday before the first Sunday in August.

Article 18

The minutes of each meeting of this association shall be printed, the Constitution and Bylaws of the association, and Constitution and Bylaws of the Ministers' Conference; also the Church Covenant.

Article 19

This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any annual meeting of the association.

BYLAWS

of the

BLUE RIDGE ASSOCIATION

of the

ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS
OF NORTH CAROLINA

ARTICLE 1—A session of this association shall meet annually.

ARTICLE 2—This association shall be opened and closed with suitable devotions.

ARTICLE 3—There shall be no conversation by members, one with another, so as to interrupt business while in session.

ARTICLE 4—Every person wishing to speak, shall first arise and address the moderator, and be recognized before speaking.

ARTICLE 5—No member shall interrupt another while speaking.

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

ARTICLE 7—No member shall speak on any one subject more than twice, except by permission of the moderator.

ARTICLE 8—Every motion made and seconded shall be acted upon unless withdrawn by the person who made it.

ARTICLE 9—A motion before the house must be acted upon before another motion can be made.

ARTICLE 10—On all motions acted upon, the majority vote shall prevail.

ARTICLE 11—The moderator shall have the privilege to speak on any subject as any other member, provided the chair is filled.

ARTICLE 12—We shall admit no other title while in session but that of Brother and Sister.

ARTICLE 13—No member shall absent himself from the body without permission of the moderator.

ARTICLE 14—Any person transgressing these bylaws shall be admonished by the moderator.

ARTICLE 15—No less than nine (9) members shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE 16—An offering shall be received at the annual meeting as is necessary. The necessity will be determined by the moderator.

ARTICLE 17—These bylaws may be amended at any regular annual meeting by two-thirds vote.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. GOD: We believe that there is only one true and living God who is personally the Father, Son and 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. 1 Timothy 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 and instruction in righteousness.

3. ORIGINAL APOSTASY: 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 the fruit thereof and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat" (Genesis 3:6).

FREE GRACE: We believe that the grace of God comprehends all spiritual blessing, 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" (Romans 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 in 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

ye sorrowed to repentance: for ye were made sorry after a godly manner, 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" (2 Corinthians 7:9, 10).

7. **FREE AGENCY:** We believe that the human will is free and that men have ability to reject the conditions of salvation as they are revealed in the Holy Scriptures. "He that shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?" (Micah 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 to the end will be saved; that it is possible for men who have been converted to make shipwreck of their faith and turn again to sin and finally be lost. "And Jesus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the plough 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 to God. "Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down and cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them" (Matthew 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 as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life" (Romans 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 to himself, not discerning the Lord's body" (1 Corinthians 11:28, 29).

12. **FEET WASHING:** We believe that washing the saint's feet was a command of our Saviour and that His followers ought to practice the same. We urge the pastors of all churches to encourage the practical obedience of this command, especially among the members of our churches. "If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet" (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" (1 Corinthians 9:14).

PROCEEDINGS

Commencing on Thursday, August 4, 1960, at 10:00 a. m. The congregation was led in singing, "All Hail the Power," by Rev. Clyde Cox. Devotions were conducted by Rev. Harold Pitts. His theme was, "Thirst, is a required condition" (Isaiah 44:3). Bylaws were read by the moderator. Delegates representing the churches were seated and visitors were recognized and welcomed by the moderator.

OFFICERS

Modrator, Rev. W. L. Kell Jr., 250 Baldwin Ave., Marion, N. C.
Assistant, Rev. Harold Pitts, Ward Street, Canton, N. C.
Clerk, Mrs. Waynette Bridges, P. O. Box 641, Swannanoa, N. C.
Assistant, Mrs. Cline Messer, Swannanoa, North Carolina
Historian, Mrs. Flora Morgan, Box 6131, W. Asheville, N. C.
Treasurer, Rev. Roy Duckett, 9 LaRue Street, West Asheville, N. C.
Field Superintendent, Rev. Benny Turner, 32 Cub Rd., West Asheville, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Rev. W. L. Kell Jr., Chairman, Rev. Harold Pitts, Mrs. Waynette Bridges, Rev. Roy Duckett, Mrs. Flora Morgan, Rev. Benny Turner, Rev. Kenneth Frisbee, Rev. Carl Asborne and Rev. Wayne Smith.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Rev. W. L. Kell, Rev. Wayne W. Smith, Rev. Kenneth Frisbee.

VISITING MINISTERS

Dr. L. C. Johnson, president Free Will Baptist Bible College, Nashville, Tennessee; Rev. L. E. Ballard, North Carolina Field Representative of Sunday School; Rev. W. J. McDaniels, pastor of Nowling Chapel Non-Denominational Church, Route 2, Connelly Spring, N. C.; Rev. Harvel L. Scott, pastor First Free Will Baptist Church, Akron, Ohio; Rev. R. H. Jackson, representative of the Mission Board, Pine Level, N. C.; Rev. Lloyd Thomas, Nashville, Tennessee; Rev. Homer Willis, director Home Mission Board, Nashville, Tennessee; Rev. J. W. Everton, superintendent Children's Home, Middlesex, N. C.; Rev. Walter Reynolds, representative of Superannuation, Snow Hill, N. C.

CHURCHES AND DELEGATES

Bethel: Mrs. J. W. Stacy, Mrs. Lester Reese.

Canton: Mrs. L. J. Ward, Edith Stamey, Wayne Presnell.

Caroleen: Mrs. Clyde Cox, Mr. David Reavis.

Cedar Hill: Mrs. Mary Dover, Mrs. Maude King, Miss Katherine King, Miss Pauline Rice.

Horney Heights: Mrs. Roy Duckett, Mrs. Joe Randall, Mrs. Sallie Sumner, Mrs. Catherine Boulden, Mrs. Flora Morgan.

Glen Alpine: Mrs. Helen Fox, Mrs. Cora Mills, Mrs. Elizabeth Cooper, Mrs. Tony Abner.

Marion: Mrs. W. L. Kell, Mrs. Carl Radford, Mrs. Doss Buchanan, Miss Bobbie Epley, Mrs. Dion Greer.

Mt. Calvary: Mrs. Bessie McCoyle, Mrs. Nellie Elliott, Mrs. Mae McCormick, Mr. Floyd Johnson, Mr. Thomas Elliott.

Rocky Pass: Mrs. Melvin Ellis, Mrs. Kenneth Frisbee, Mrs. Harry Harkehode.

Salem: Mrs. Florence Hensley, Mrs. Mary Davis, Mr. Herbert Jenkins.

Swannanoa: Mrs. A. L. Wilson, Mrs. Mildred Smith, Mrs. Essie Edwards, Mrs. L. B. Buchanan, Mrs. Paul Gragg.

Sulphur Springs: Louis Inman, Lum Boone, Cedrice Inman, Betty Queen.

The motion was made to amend the article stating that no offering shall be taken; that article shall read, "An offering shall be received at the annual meeting, as is necessary. The necessity will be determined by the moderator." This motion was carried.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 4, 11:00 A. M. SERVICE

Opening Hymn, "Holy Spirit, Breathe on Me," was led by Rev. Clyde Cox. A special hymn, "Jesus Revealed in Me," was sung by Rev. Cox, accompanied by Miss Ann Pitts. Rev. L. C. Johnson, president of Free Will Baptist Bible College, spoke on, "Requisites to a Spirit-Filled Life." The service was closed with a prayer of rededication, followed by Christian handshake.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

The meeting was opened with the congregation singing, "Brethren, We Have Met to Worship," and the chorus, "Every Day with Jesus." Rev. W. L. Kell conducted the devotions, subject, "Unconditional Surrender" (Romans 8:14). Devotions were closed with prayer by Mrs. John Well. Recommendations of the committees were given.

RECOMMENDATIONS COMMITTEE'S REPORTS

SUNDAY SCHOOL

We, your committee, recommend that each church have a Sunday school, with all officers, dedicated Christians and members of the said church. The Bible teaches us to "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed" (2 Timothy 2:15). We believe all parents should come with their children to Sunday school. "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it" (Proverbs 22:6).

Committee: Mrs. W. L. Kell

MISSIONS, HOME AND FOREIGN

"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost" (Matthew 28:19). God is no respecter of persons. Christ came to seek and to save that which was lost: black, yellow, red and white; all have sinned and come short of the glory of God. As Christ's disciples, and we are His disciples if we have been

saved, He commanded us to go out and win others for Him. Whether at home or abroad we all have work to do before us and we must work before it overtakes us. When we think of those who have never had the privilege of knowing our loving Saviour, we pray, God, send more laborers, and help us to make it possible, by our support and our prayers.

Committee: Mrs. Maude King

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We, your committee, realizing the need of a great spiritual awakening among our people and knowing that we need a greater knowledge of God and His precepts, urge our pastors and churches to give our people, in the local work, all the Christian training possible through study courses, Bible schools, etc. We also urge that the pastors and the churches support our Free Will Baptist colleges and that they should keep before our people the need of furthering their education in our own colleges as much as possible. Also, that our pastors urge our people to take advantage of the Christian training offered in the conferences at Cragmont Assembly.

Committee

Mrs. Ana Parker

Mrs. Flora Morgan

OBITUARY

Each year, reverently and sadly, we pause to pay tribute to those who have finished their earthly career and have entered into eternal life with our triumphant Lord. We know their places can never be filled, but their going is a challenge to those of us who remain to "fight the good fight" and to redeem the time more diligently. Let us rise, with bowed heads, and stand in a minute of silent prayer in memory to this departed loved one: Mrs. Bob Self of the Horney Heights Church.

Committee: Rev. Clyde Cox

CHILDREN'S HOME

We, your committee, feel that the Children's Home is one of our most worthy enterprises we have in our denomination. We recommend that each church in the association give one per cent (1%) of their income to this cause, and that each church adopt a child from the Children's Home to clothe, and that each pastor promote this. We suggest that each church seriously consider and adopt these recommendations. Also, we urge each church in the association to stand by the Children's Home and its personnel with their prayers.

Committee

Mrs. Lewis Metcalf

Mrs. Cline Messer

PASTOR'S SUPPORT

We, your committee, feel that our pastors should have sufficient support from the church so that he can give full time to the Lord's work, including attending all important local, state and national conventions. "Even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the gospel should live of

the gospel" (1 Corinthians 9:14). We believe every member of the church should tithe as this is the Bible way for church support. "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse" (Malachi 3:10). We also believe we should give him our support in prayer and our presence at church services. "Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering" (Hebrew 10:22). "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together" (Hebrew 10:25).

Committee: Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Boulden

LORD'S DAY OBSERVANCES

The Lord's Day is our Sunday, or as the New Testament reference, the first day. Let us think of it as His day and worship Him. He arose from the grave on the first day of the week. Many places the Bible speaks of the disciples coming together on the first day of the week. In Paul's day they came together to break bread on the first day (Acts 20:7). Then it tells us to set aside on the first day as God hath prospered us (1 Corinthians 16:2). St. John, the author of Revelation, was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day (Revelation 1:10). He was not on the lake fishing; on the road to grandmother's and grandfather's house; staying home because relatives were visiting; on a picnic; home watching television; reading the paper; but he was in the Spirit just where God wanted him. We, as St. John of old, should worship Him in Spirit and truth on His day. Our children also should be brought up to understand this great truth. Be as Joshua and say, "But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."

Committee: Rev. Carl R. Osborne

DEEPER DEVOTIONS

We feel there has never before been a greater need for deep devoted hearts than there is today. The love of many has waxed cold, "And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold" (Matthew 24:12). There has become a great falling away because of the failure of many to become fully dedicated unto God. "For that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first" (2 Thessalonians 2:3). We should today, acknowledge our failures and fully submit ourselves to God's will that we may be better laborers in the Master's vineyard. God can only use those that are willing to be used. The depth of our devotion is measured in our service and in our interest for lost souls. Jesus said, "Ye are my friend, if you do whatsoever I command you" (John 15:14). We feel every family should practice family devotion, for the family that prays together, stays together. A deeper devoted family will be a deep inspiration in their community.

Committee: Rev. Homer E. Arrowood

YOUTH WORK

The Free Will Baptist church has recognized, after many years of neglect, the importance of the young people in our ranks. We have never had, as a denomination, enough trained people in our churches to take the places of responsibility; such as, Sunday school teachers, young people workers and deacons. The Free Will Baptist League is the training agency of our church. We are taught in our league the doctrines of our church which will make us strong Christians and faithful workers for our Lord. The league

MINISTERS' REPORTS

	No. Churches Pastored	No. Revivals Conducted	No. Conversions in Revivals	No. Conversions in Churches Pastored	No. Baptisms	No. Marriages	No. Funerals	Do You Tithe?	Received for Pastoral Services	Received for Revival Services	Received for All Other Services	Total Amount Received	Given Personally to the Cause			
Rev. Homer E. Arrowood Route 2, Old Fort, N. C.	1	1	1	22	2	4	yes	\$	670.72	\$	30.00	\$	40.00	\$	740.72	\$346.28
Rev. James C. Coffey Box 91, Caroleen, N. C. CH 5-2671 (Forest City)	1				1		yes		979.45			50.00	1,029.45			
Rev. V. E. Condrey 611 Sixth St., Marion, N. C. 8137	1	1	20			1	yes		960.00	30.00			690.00			
Rev. Chas. E. Crisp Box 554M, Candler, N. C. MO 7-3390	1		10		4	1	yes		1,361.40				1,361.40			
Rev. Clyde Cox Box 193, Caroleen, N. C. CH 5-9635 (Forest City)	1	7	13	4	3	4	yes		3,640.00							
Rev. Kenneth Frisbee Route 1, Box 304, Marion, N. C.	1	8	121		8	2	4	yes	4,160.00							560.00
Rev. Don Gasperson Route 1, Box 611, Candler, N. C. MO 7-2793				4			1	yes			50.00		50.00		175.00	
Rev. LeRoy Grant Route 1, Box 293, Marion, N. C. 2-3193			8			1	yes									
Rev. Calvin Grogan Old Fort, N. C.						2	yes				9.50		9.50		275.00	
Rev. Opard Hensley Route 2, Old Fort, N. C.	1					4	yes		796.72	11.00			807.72			
Rev. W. L. Kell 250 Baldwin Ave., Marion, N. C. 2-6571	1	5	28	48	7	3	6	yes	4,660.00							520.00

Rev. Eddie C. Kilpatrick Nebo, N. C.	1			9		3		yes	432.79		4,000.00	4,432.79	500.00
Rev. J. D. McCormick Route 2, Box 38, Marion, N. C.	1	2	19	19	4	1			439.87	20.00	20.00	479.87	125.00
Rev. Carl Osborne 234 Johnston Blvd., Asheville, N. C. AL 4-4160	1			10	2	1	6	yes	3,640.00		50.00	3,690.00	92.00
Rev. Herman Pace 10 Lewis St., Canton, N. C. 8-2293	1			7	5	1		yes	1,158.28		6.00	1,154.28	337.23
Rev. H. A. Pitts Canton, N. C. MI 8-3684	1	5	25	12	8	1	5	yes	5,300.00	700.00		6,000.00	750.00
Rev. W. L. Queen Box 385, Hazelwood, N. C. GI 6-8008 (Waynesville)	2			10	2		11	yes	240.00		6.50	246.58	343.60
Rev. R. J. Reynolds P. O. Box 954 Kannapolis, N. C. WE 3-3345	1	1	32		20	1		yes	4,160.00	50.00		4,210.00	
Rev. Carl Roland 521 5th Street Marion, N. C.	1	2	27	16	5	7	10	yes	193.00	44.00	55.00	292.00	109.00
Rev. Winfred Roland (Licensee) Swannanoa, N. C. 686-3509													
Rev. Harvel L. Scott 1017 Herbeck Ave. Akron, Ohio PR 3-4125	1	1		12	1			yes	146.30			146.30	282.00
Rev. Wayne Smith Box 281, Swannanoa, N. C. 68 6-3837	1	4	58	52	21	9	11	yes	3,260.00	650.00	1,200.00	5,110.00	720.00
Rev. Benny Turner 32 Cub Road W. Asheville, N. C. AL 2-2523	1	1	13	50	40	1	3	yes	1,820.00	50.00		1,870.00	400.00
Rev. Wilburn Massie Box 237, Elmer, N. J.	1			47	44	5	2	yes	792.61		81.00	873.61	390.00
Rev. Roy Duckett 9 LaRue Street W. Asheville, N. C. AL 4-6764	1	3	49	14	7		2	yes	577.84	254.00	20.00	951.84	450.92
Rev. Harry E. Mintz Box 429, Allaway, N. J.											20.00		

gives each person taking part the actual experience of speaking in public during the formative years of a young person's life. Without this training, it is very difficult for an adult to begin teaching a Sunday school class, or other activity which requires them to speak in public. Free Will Baptist young people have as great a potential for accomplishing great things for our Lord as any other religious group existing today, and each of us, as believers, should do all we can to train them for Christian service in our churches in the future. We would suggest that each pastor place greater emphasis on the league and give it a very prominent place in the church he serves. The churches which do not have a league should organize one at the earliest time.

Committee
Mrs. H. A. Pitts
Ann Pitts

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

We, your committee, suggest that all pastors, who do not have a ladies auxiliary, urge the ladies of their churches to organize one. We also urge every member of every auxiliary to do all possible to enlist new members. We suggest that all auxiliaries use a portion of funds taken in to support local home missions and for superannuation. These two works have been badly neglected in the past years by the auxiliaries of our association. We ask that all auxiliaries of our association try to sponsor a Y.P.A. and G.T.A., and that we all seek the guidance of the Lord in our auxiliary work by observing our weeks of prayer. Let us all work that we may be a spiritual, as well as a financial blessing to our association. We will be glad to help any church that does not have an auxiliary to establish one.

Committee
Mrs. Roy Duckett
Mrs. C. R. Foster

MASTER'S MEN

We, your committee, urge that all pastors organize in their churches a Master's Men organization, and that they also organize a boys' club, which shall be sponsored by the Master's Men. There are many objectives that can be accomplished by and through the Master's Men organization. The men of our church need to be challenged to become the soul-winning agency of our churches. Through the organization of the Master's Men the enterprises of our denomination and their necessity can be taught and emphasized.

Committee: Rev. Wayne Smith

TEMPERANCE

We, your committee, recommend that we, as Free Will Baptists, take a greater stand on temperance. "And take heed to yourselves least at any time, your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting and drunkenness and cares of this life, and so that day comes upon you unawares" (Luke 21:34). If all our pastors and church members would take a greater stand against these

evils we would have better churches and better communities in which to live.

Committee

Rev. J. D. McCormick

Floyd Johnson

MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE

We, your committee, believe there is only one Biblical cause for divorce, and we recommend that all ministers, in our association, refrain from officiating at the marriage of divorced persons. We are opposed to child marriages. We recommend that parents refrain from giving their permission for children under age to be married. We further recommend that no candidates for the ministry be licensed or ordained, who have two living wives. We recommend that our churches refrain from ordaining any man for deacon who has two living wives. (See 1 Timothy 3:1-6.)

Committee

Rev. Kenneth Frisbee

Rev. Roy Duckett

A motion was made and carried to send our minutes to the Free Will Baptist Press at Ayden. Also to print all business proceedings of the 1959 minutes in the same book form.

The following fill-in nominations were made: Rev. Harold Pitts as assistant moderator, and Waynette Bridges as clerk. Rev. Roy Duckett was nominated treasurer.

A motion was made to pay the clerk \$75 this year, as last year's minutes must be typed in order to be printed.

THURSDAY NIGHT SERVICE

The service was opened by the congregation singing, "Stand Up for Jesus." The Swannanoa choir was in charge of the song service, singing, "Send a Great Revival in My Soul" and "Wonderful Grace of Jesus." A special song was sung by the Cedar Hill Quartet. Devotions were conducted by Rev. Wayne W. Smith on "Obedience, Requisite to Spirit-Filled Life," taken from Acts 5:31, 32. Devotions were closed with prayer by Rev. Harold Pitts. The message was brought by Dr. L. C. Johnson. Special prayer to be a better soul winner and Christian handshake dismissed the service.

FRIDAY MORNING

The meeting was opened with the congregation singing, "Jesus Saves" and "Heavenly Sunshine." Devotions were conducted by Rev. Roy Duckett on "Intense desire, a must if we are to be filled with the Spirit" (Matthew 5:6).

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance Brought Forward	\$574.68
Funds Taken in This Year	383.87
Total	<hr/> \$958.55
Clerk	Paid Out This Year \$50.00

Delegates to State Convention	23.05
Investigating Committee	12.00
New Church Building at Rocky Branch	37.12
Cragmont Assembly	12.80
Treasurer's Expense	6.00
Total	140.97
Balance in Treasurer	\$817.58

ENTERPRISE REPORTS

Mission Board: Rev. R. H. Jackson, Pine Level, N. C.
 Children's Home: Rev. J. W. Everton, Middlesex, N. C.
 Superannuation: Rev. Walter Reynolds, Route 2, Snow Hill, N. C.
 State Convention: Rev. N. B. Barrow, Ayden, N. C.
 Cragmont Assembly: Rev. Wayne Smith, Box 281, Swannanoa, N. C.

Requests for special prayer for Rev. Willis, our senior Cuban missionary, who is ill, and for the members of our church in Cuba who are undergoing severe persecution under the new government.

FIELD SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Twelve messages were preached to fill in for other pastors. Three churches were visited in the interest of home missions. One offering was received for home mission work. One mission was started this year through our association. We lost one church this year and gained one church which is the Elmer, New Jersey, Church. No further progress has been made on the work we hope to start at Brevard, but we hope the Lord will provide funds in the near future to start this mission. In seeking to raise funds for the purpose of missions, it was suggested to the local home mission board that we hold a camp meeting at Cragmont, with each church holding one service. Our mission board plans to hold this meeting for one week or longer if the Lord leads. We will take an offering each evening for the benefit of local home missions. The mission work started by Brother Harry Mintz in the city of Alloway, New Jersey, is progressing very rapidly. The Lord is blessing them with many souls. The reported average attendance is above 60. Brother Mintz has asked the field superintendent to set the church in order for the association. We will do this, starting Monday evening, August 15, 1960.

Rev. Roy Duckett, *Field Superintendent*

Rev. Benny Tucker, *Assistant Field Superintendent*

A motion was made to elect Brother Benny Turner as field superintendent, and Brother Roy Duckett as his assistant, for this year, as Brother Duckett now pastors a church. It was carried.

Below are the church letters of churches requesting affiliation with the Blue Ridge Association:

July 28, 1960

To Whom It May Concern:

We, the pastor and members of Nowling Chapel Church, called a

special meeting for the purpose of discussing and voting as to whether or not we unite with the Free Will Baptist denomination. By unanimous vote we elected to unite with said church body. Further we make application for membership in the Free Will Baptist church, and if accepted, we pledge ourselves to accept its doctrines and abide by the rules of said church.

W. J. McDaniel, Pastor

Minnie Roper, Secretary

August 4, 1960

The Beaverdam Free Will Baptist Church of Candler, N. C., sends greetings to the Blue Ridge Association of Free Will Baptists. It is our desire to unite with your association and we will co-operate with your regular code of procedure. The pastor of our church represents us in this matter.

Yours in Christ,

Miss Ovilla McElrath, Clerk

Rev. Charles E. Crisp, Pastor

Both these churches, after being investigated by the executive committee, were accepted as affiliates of our Blue Ridge Association.

As the minutes were not printed for 1959, and the actual executive committee was not known, a motion was made and carried to elect three men for the executive committee from the floor. Those elected were Rev. Kenneth Frisbee, Rev. Carl Osborne and Rev. Wayne Smith.

Mrs. Flora Morgan and Mrs. Wayne Smith were selected as delegates to the State Convention meeting September 14 and 15.

A motion was made and carried that the clerk of the Blue Ridge Association inquire as to what the fee to the State Convention will be.

A motion was made and carried to leave the officers as they are until the next annual association.

A motion was made and carried that the Blue Ridge Association promote an annual youth week at Cragmont. A committee is to be elected to investigate this at the next quarterly meeting.

A motion was made and carried that due to alternations to be made at Cragmont during next year, that the Blue Ridge Association will meet at the Swannanoa Free Will Baptist Church for the next annual session on August 3, 1961, at 10:00 a. m.

FRIDAY NIGHT

The service was opened by congregational singing. The choir from the Canton Church was in charge of the song service. Rev. Winfred Roland conducted the devotions on the topic, "Asking is necessary to obtain a spirit-filled life (Luke 11:13). The evening message was brought by Rev. Homer Willis.

REVIVAL REPORTS

Bethel: Revivals, 1; evangelists, various preachers (Fellowship).

Canton: Revivals, 2; evangelists, Rev. H. A. Pitts, pastor, Rev. W. B. Hughes.

Caroleen: Revivals, 1; evangelist, Rev. Winfred Floyd.

Cedar Hill: Revivals, 2; evangelists, Rev. Winston Sweeney, Rev. Wayne Smith.

Horney Heights: Revivals, 2; evangelists, Rev. Fred Silvers, Rev. Kenneth Frisbee.

Glen Alpine: Revivals, 2; evangelists, Rev. W. L. Kell, Rev. V. E. Condrey.

Marion: Revivals, 2; evangelists, Rev. Bill Vaughn, Rev. Lonnie Graves.

Mt. Calvary: Revivals, 2; evangelists, Rev. Carl Roland, Rev. W. L. Kell.

Rocky Pass: Revivals, 1; evangelist, Rev. Edward Swartz.

Salem: Revivals, 1; evangelist, Rev. Clyde Fender.

Swannanoa: Revivals, 2; evangelists, Rev. Del Fehsenfeld, Rev. Billy Morris.

Sulphur Springs: Revivals, 1; evangelist, Rev. Harold Ballard.

ELMER, NEW JERSEY: No. members received, 75; by experience and baptism, 44; by letter and statement, 16; by restoration, 15; No. of members lost, 38; by letter, 3; by expulsion and erasure, 34; by death, 1; total increase, 75; total decrease, 38; last year's membership, 80; present membership, 122. We have preaching twice each Sunday. No. of revivals, 2; held by Rev. Kenneth Frisbee and Rev. Roy Duckett. Pastor's salary, \$60.00; home missions, \$43.82; No. Sunday school classes, 4; No. of pupils, 65; kind of literature, Free Will Baptists; expense of literature, \$66.76. We have one Woman's Auxiliary Circle.

Mr. ZION (unaffiliated): No. league members, 38; No. new members this year, 14; No. groups, 4; kind of literature, Free Will Baptist; amount offering, \$700.00. We have one Woman's Auxiliary Circle. We have one Master's Men organization; No. members, 14; members gained this year, 2; meets 1 time each month; families helped, 8; money received, \$200.00.

SPRUCE PINE: No. members received, 6; last year's membership, 101; present membership, 117; Sundays we have preaching, twice; No. of revivals, 2; held by Rev. Kenneth Frisbee and Rev. Carl Roland. Pastor's salary, \$940.00; revivals, \$139.00; property improvements, \$500.00; value of church property, \$5,000.00; No. Sunday school classes, 6.

Akron, Ohio: No. members received, 34; by experience and baptism, 15; by letter and statement, 15; total last year's membership, 25; present membership, 34. We have preaching twice each Sunday. No. of revivals, 4; held by Rev. Kenneth Frisbee, Rev. Harvel Scott and Rev. Sandford. Pastor's salary, \$3,798.00; No. Sunday school classes, 4; No. pupils, 90; kind of literature, Free Will Baptist; expense of literature, \$88.00; No. league members, 18; No. new members this year, 3; kind of literature, Free Will Baptist; amount of offering, \$15.00. We have one Woman's Auxiliary Circle.

CHURCH AND CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS' OFFICIALS

BETHEL: Pastor, Rev. Homer Arrowood, Route 2, Old Fort, N. C.; clerk, Mrs. Ruby Duncan, Route 1, Marion, N. C. pastor next year, undecided; clerk next year, undecided; Sunday school superintendent, Mr. Worley Presnell, Route 1, Nebo, N. C.; Sunday school secretary, Mr. Lewis Ro-

land, Marion, N. C.; auxiliary president, Mrs. J. W. Stacy, Marion, N. C.; auxiliary secretary, Mrs. Ruby Duncan, Marion, N. C.

CANTON: Pastor, Rev. H. A. Pitts, Box 565, Canton, N. C.; clerk, Mr. Collie Clark, Box 116, Clyde, N. C.; pastor next year, same; clerk next year, same; Sunday school superintendent, Mr. Collie Clark, Box 116, Clyde, N. C.; Sunday school secretary, Miss Juanita Roper, Canton, N. C.; Miss Loraine Clark, Canton, N. C.; league president, Mr. Eugene Milner, Canton, N. C.; league secretary, Mr. Jerry Stephenson, Canton, N. C.; auxiliary president, Mrs. Hoyle Harkins, Canton, N. C.; auxiliary secretary, Mrs. Roy Swanger, Canton, N. C.

CAROLEEN: Pastor, Rev. Clyde Cox, Route 1, Forest City, N. C.; clerk, Mrs. Edith Deese, Box 87, Caroleen, N. C.; pastor and clerk next year, same; Sunday school superintendent, Mr. Paul Deese, Caroleen, N. C.; Sunday school secretary, Miss Carolyn Lowery, Caroleen, N. C.

Cedar Hill: Pastor, Rev. Carl Osborne, 234 Johnston Blvd., W. Asheville; clerk, Mrs. Maude King, 405 Deaverview Rd., W. Asheville; pastor and clerk next year, same; Sunday school superintendent, Mr. Weaver Cook, Route 4, W. Asheville, N. C.; Sunday school secretary, Mrs. Pearl Quinn, Mt. Terrace Rd., W. Asheville, N. C.; league president, Mr. Ernest Burlson, Route 3, W. Asheville; league secretary, Miss Ann Hensley, 245 Johnston Blvd., W. Asheville, N. C.; auxiliary president, Mrs. Tom Wilson, Johnston Blvd., W. Asheville, N. C.; auxiliary secretary, Mrs. Weaver Cooke, Elidia Home Rd., W. Asheville, N. C.; Y. P. A. director, Mrs. Geraldine Rigsby, Route 4, W. Asheville, N. C.; Y. P. A. secretary, Miss Ann Hensley, Johnston Blvd., W. Asheville, N. C.; Master's Men president, Mr. Tom Wilson, Johnson Blvd., W. Asheville, N. C.; Master's Men secretary, Mr. John Aston, Johnston Blvd., W. Asheville, N. C.

HORNEY HEIGHTS: Pastor, Rev. Roy Duckett, 9 LaRue St., W. Asheville, N. C.; clerk, Mrs. Nancy Randall, Route 4, Box 813, Enka, N. C.; pastor and clerk for next year, same; Sunday school superintendent, Mr. Hershel P. Rogers, Fairfax Ave., W. Asheville, N. C.; Sunday school secretary, Miss Joanne Cordell, Virginia Ave.; Miss Betty Jo Cordell, Virginia Ave., W. Asheville, N. C.; auxiliary president, Mrs. Roy Duckett, 9 LaRue St., W. Asheville, N. C.; auxiliary secretary, Mrs. Flora Morgan, Box 6131, W. Asheville, N. C.; G. T. A. director, Mrs. Douglas Rogers, Fairfax Ave., W. Asheville, N. C.; G. T. A. secretary, Miss Linda Duckett, 9 LaRue St., W. Asheville, N. C.

GLEN ALPINE: Pastor, Rev. Eddie Kirkpatrick, Nebo, N. C.; clerk, Mrs. Tony Abner, Route 1, Box 291-A, Morganton, N. C.; pastor and clerk next year, same; Sunday school superintendent, Booney South, Route 2, Box 281-B, Morganton, N. C.; Sunday school secretary, Miss Linda Fox, Route 2, Morganton, N. C.; Mr. Eugene Powell, Route 2, Morganton, N. C.

MARION: Pastor, Rev. W. L. Kell, 250 Baldwin Ave., Marion, N. C.; clerk, Troy Ledford, Marion, N. C.; pastor next year, same; clerk next year, Arnold Byrd, Route 1, Box 87, Marion, N. C.; Sunday school superintendent, Jack Troutman, 216 Veterans Rd., Marion, N. C.; Sunday school secretary, Mrs. P. L. Finley, Route 1, Nebo, N. C.; league president, Jack

Troutman, 216 Veterans Rd., Marion, N. C.; league secretary, Mrs. P. L. Finley, Route 1, Nebo, N. C.; president adult ladies' circle, Mrs. W. L. Kell, 250 Baldwin Ave., Marion, N. C.; secretary, Mrs. Audrey Robinson, Seagle St., Marion, N. C.; young ladies' auxiliary director, Mrs. Polly McKinney, Mitelda Ave., Marion, N. C.; secretary, Miss Marie Brooks, Branch St., Marion, N. C.

MT. CALVARY: Pastors, Rev. J. D. McCormick, Route 2, Marion, N. C.; clerk, Mrs. Thomas Elliott, Route 1, Box 134-A, Old Fort, N. C.; pastor and clerk next year, same; Sunday school superintendent, Mr. Thomas Elliott, Route 1, Box 134-A, Old Fort, N. C.; Sunday school secretary, Mrs. Mae McCormick, Route 2, Box 38-A, Marion, N. C.

ROCKY PASS: Pastor, Rev. Kenneth Frisbee, Route 1, Marion, N. C.; clerk, Mrs. Gene Holland, Route 1, Marion, N. C.; clerk and pastor next year, same; Sunday school superintendent, Mr. Ranz Lavender, Route 3, Marion, N. C.; Sunday school secretary, Margaret Fox, Clay St., Marion, N. C.; Louise Trantham, Route 1, Marion, N. C.; auxiliary president, Mrs. K. L. Frisbee, Marion, N. C.; auxiliary secretary, Mrs. R. S. Bradley, 221 Clay Street, Marion, N. C.

SALEM: Pastor, Rev. Ophard Hensley, Route 2, Old Fort, N. C.; clerk, Mrs. Herbert Jenkins, Route 1, Old Fort, N. C.; pastor next year, same; clerk next year, Mrs. James Davis, Route 1, Old Fort, N. C.; Sunday school superintendent, Mrs. James Davis, Route 1, Old Fort, N. C.; Sunday school secretary, Mrs. Ed Robinson, Marion, N. C.; Mrs. Walter Jenkins, Route 1, Box 87, Old Fort, N. C.; auxiliary president, Mrs. Gertrude Noblitt, Route 1, Old Fort, N. C.; auxiliary secretary, Mrs. James Davis, Route 1, Old Fort, N. C.

SWANNANOA: Pastor, Rev. Wayne Smith, Box 281, Swannanoa, N. C.; clerk, Mrs. Frances Foster, Black Mountain, N. C.; pastor next year, same; clerk next year, Mrs. Ralph Robertson, Swannanoa, N. C.; Sunday school superintendent, Mr. Ray Nichols, Swannanoa, N. C.; Sunday school secretary, Miss Dorothy Redmon, Swannanoa, N. C.; Miss Shelia Ledford, Swannanoa, N. C.; league president, Mr. Ray Nichols, Swannanoa, N. C.; league secretary, Mrs. Edith Messer, Swannanoa, N. C.; Josephine Mumpower Circle president, Mrs. Oscar McMahan, Route 1, Swannanoa, N. C.; secretary, Mrs. Lewis Metcalf, Route 1, Swannanoa, N. C.; Christian Witness Circle president, Mrs. John Ogle Jr., Swannanoa, N. C.; secretary, Mrs. James Wilson, Box 749, Swannanoa, N. C.; G. T. A. director, Mrs. Delilah Maney, Swannanoa, N. C.; Miss Virginia Wilson, Swannanoa, N. C.; G. T. A. president, Miss Lois Brotherton, Swannanoa, N. C.; secretary, Miss Brenda Nichols, Swannanoa, N. C.; Master's Men president, Mr. Dean Summey, Black Mountain, N. C.; secretary, Mr. Johnny Henderson, Rt. 1, Swannanoa, N. C.; Boy's Club director, Mr. James Hall, Route 1, Swannanoa, N. C.; secretary, Mr. Muriel Ogle, Route 1, Swannanoa, N. C.

SULPHUR SPRINGS: Pastor, Rev. W. L. Queen, Box 385, Hazelwood, N. C.; clerk, Sedrice Inman, Hazelwood, N. C.; pastor and clerk next year, same; Sunday school superintendent, Columbus Boone, Route 1, Waynesville, N. C.; Sunday school secretary, Ethel Boone, Rt. 1, Waynesville, N. C.

MT. ZION (unaffiliated): Pastor, Rev. R. J. Reynolds, P. O. Box 954, Kannapolis, N. C.; league president, William Christy, 1427 Due West St., Kannapolis, N. C.; secretary, Mrs. William Christy; woman's auxiliary president, Gladys Mills, 700 N. Elm St., Kannapolis, N. C.; secretary, Mrs. Marie Hancock, 100 Hemlock St., Kannapolis, N. C.; Master's Men president, Carl Johns, 402 S. East Ave., Kannapolis, N. C.; secretary-treasurer, Jack Mills, 700 N. Elm St., Kannapolis, N. C.

ELMER, NEW JERSEY: Pastor, Rev. Wilburn Massie, Box 237, Elmer N. J.; clerk, Mrs. Lowvillea Price, Route 2, Monroeville, N. J.; pastor and clerk next year, same; Sunday school superintendent, Mr. James Lewis, Route 7, Vineland Pike, Bridgeton, N. J.; secretary, Mr. Paul Sprouse, Route 7, Bridgeton, N. J.; woman's auxiliary president, Elizabeth Smith, Route 5, Seely, Bridgeton, N. J.; secretary, Mrs. Lowvillea Price, Route 2, Monroeville, N. J.

SPRUCE PINE: Pastor, Rev. V. E. Condrey, 611 Sixth St., Marion, N. C.; clerk, Mrs. Lorene Staton, Route 2, Spruce Pine, N. C.; clerk and pastor new year, same; Sunday school superintendent, Garfield Hughes, Spruce Pine, N. C.; secretary, Margie Condrey, Marion, N. C.

AKRON, OHIO: Pastor, Rev. Harvel L. Scott, 1017 Herbreck Ave., Akron, Ohio; clerk, Margie Boyd, 366 Larkin Ave., Akron, Ohio; pastor and clerk next year, same; Sunday school superintendent, John Vance Jaynes, Goodview Ave., Akron, Ohio; secretary, Lola Taylor, Akron, Ohio; league president, Mrs. Marie Dickerson, 328 Buckeye St., Akron, Ohio; secretary, Sherrille Anderson, 923 Sherman St., Akron, Ohio; woman's auxiliary president, Mrs. Harvel Scott, 1017 Herbreck Ave., Akron, Ohio; secretary, Geraldine Cole, Akron, Ohio.

MINISTERS WHO HOLD MEMBERSHIP IN CHURCHES

Bethel: Ordained, Rev. Melton Duncan, Rev. Harlow Moody, Rev. Johnson White.

Canton: Ordained, Rev. H. A. Pitts, Rev. R. A. Ward.

Cedar Hill: Ordained, Rev. Ernest Strickland.

Horney Heights: Ordained, Rev. Roy Duckett.

Marion: Ordained, Rev. LeRoy Grant, Rev. Harold O'Dear, Rev. V. E. Condrey, Rev. Edward Kirkpatrick.

Mt. Calvary: Rev. J. D. McCormick.

Rocky Pass: Ordained, Rev. Kenneth Frisbee.

Salem: Ordained, Rev. Homer Arrowood; licensed, Rev. Ohpard Hensley, Rev. Calvin Grogan, Rev. Burnett Smith.

Swannanoa: Ordained, Rev. Wayne Smith, Rev. Allen Jackson; licensed, Rev. Winfred Roland.

Sulphur Springs—Ordained, Rev. W. L. Queen.

CONSTITUTION, MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

1. This body shall be known as the Ministers' Conference of the Blue Ridge Association of the Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina.

2. This conference is formed under and by the authority of the Blue

Ridge Association and shall be composed of its ordained and licensed ministers.

3. It shall have entire jurisdiction over the ministry in said association, issuing license, and prescribing qualifications for the ministry, conducting examinations and ordaining ministers, and at all times working for the most harmonious and effective ministry. Each licensed minister shall work under a license for a period of not less than one year; then he may be ordained if the ordaining council deems it necessary.

4. We deem it necessary for the protection of the gospel, not to accept anyone as a minister who has two living wives.

5. Each minister will be required to practice, preach and teach tithing as the means of church support.

6. Following the union meeting held on Saturday before each fifth Sunday, the Ministers' Conference will be held. Each minister will be required to attend and report on his work at each conference unless providentially hindered; then he shall report by letter.

7. The officers of this conference shall be a moderator and a secretary-treasurer, who shall be elected for a term of two years, and shall perform the duties usually performed by such officers. They shall enter upon the duties of said office at the close of the current session. The moderator may not succeed himself.

8. This conference shall have power to make such bylaws and other regulation as may be necessary for the performance of its duties.

9. This constitution may be amended at any regular annual meeting by a vote of two thirds.

BYLAWS, MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

1. The regular meetings of this conference shall be held annually immediately following the association. The conference shall meet each fifth Sunday in connection with the union meeting.

2. Each member shall report at each annual and fifth Sunday meeting either in person or by letter.

3. Five (5) members shall constitute a quorum at all regular or legally called meetings.

4. The moderator may call a special meeting of the conference at any time upon the request of three members.

5. At each annual meeting there shall be elected an ordaining council of three members whose duty shall be to examine candidates and grant license, conduct ordinations, etc., and report each annual meeting.

6. Licentiates shall pursue a definite course of study under the direction of the ordaining council.

7. At each annual meeting there shall be elected an investigating committee of three members, whose duty shall be to investigate applicants for membership, and license and other investigations they may be called on to make.

8. Necessary expenses of this organization shall be met by voluntary contributions or by assessment of its members.

9. No member shall serve as pastor of a church which does not enforce

discipline, and care for their pastor, and contribute to the united program of our state, according to their ability, and strive to go forward in spiritual progress and the upbuilding of God's Kingdom.

10. No member shall meddle with the work of another or injure his reputation for usefulness, but watch over each other and thus promote harmony among the membership.

11. Each member, not excused of age or infirmities, is expected to do some work to advance the cause of Christ and make a full report at each annual meeting.

12. Membership in this body shall be proof of good standing in the ministry. A membership card shall be issued to each member at the annual meeting upon payment of \$1.00. This fee to be placed in the conference treasury to pay necessary expenses, and for the promotion of the cause of Christ.

13. These bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds majority at any annual meeting.

MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

The Blue Ridge Ministers' Conference opened with a congregational song and prayer. Devotions were held by Rev. Homer Arrowood (Psalm 123).

It was moved and accepted to adopt the marriage and divorce resolution and to have it entered in the minutes.

The pastors of seven churches made a pledge, by standing, that each would try to get their church to support a home mission minister each month by giving a five dollar (\$5.00) offering each week. They were as follows: Rev. Kenneth Frisbee, Rev. Carl Osborne, Rev. Wayne Smith, Rev. Homer Arrowood, Rev. Roy Duckett, Rev. W. L. Kell and Rev. Eddie Kirkpatrick.

It was agreed to start a camp meeting at Cragmont, Monday, October 3, 1960.

It was moved and seconded to grant Rev. L. D. Gray a letter of good standing to the Piedmont Association.

The move to check on the ordination papers of Rev. R. H. Ballard was made and accepted.

The ordaining council made their report. The following recommendations were made:

Recommend Rev. Scott to be ordained.

Recommend Rev. Charles Crisp to be ordained.

Recommend Rev. Hensley to be carried until next quarterly meeting.

It was recommended by the ordaining council to accept Rev. W. J. McDaniel into the Blue Ridge Conference, and to exchange ordination papers with him; to send his ordination papers for the Missionary Methodist Conference back to that conference.

Rev. Scott and Rev. Charles Crisp were ordained in the ordination service. The charge was brought by Rev. Carl Osborne (2 Timothy). The ordaining council prayed the ordination prayer. Rev. Kenneth Frisbee, moderator, presented Rev. and Mrs. Scott and Rev. and Mrs. Crisp with a Bible.

The move was made and accepted to adjourn until next quarterly meeting.

The Ministers' Conference was adjourned by prayer.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Ministers' Conference

Balance Brought Forward	\$30.00
Received This Year	43.00

Total Amount in Treasury	\$73.00
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OFFICERS OF MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

Moderator, Rev. Kenneth Frisbee; assistant, Rev. Carl Osborne; secretary-treasurer, Rev. Leroy Grant; assistant, Rev. Homer Arrowood.

Ordaining Council: Rev. W. L. Kell, Rev. Wayne Smith and Rev. Roy Duckett acting as proxy for Rev. Gray and Rev. Cansler, who are no longer affiliated with Blue Ridge Ministers' Conference.

(Forms)

CHURCH LETTER TO THE ASSOCIATION

We, the Free Will Baptist Church of _____,
at _____, N. C., send Christian salutation to
The Blue Ridge Association and the following delegates represent us:

STATISTICAL MEMBERSHIP REPORT

No. of Members Received: By experience and baptism, _____; by letter and statement, _____; by restoration, _____. No. of Members Lost: By letter, _____; by expulsion and erasure, _____; by death, _____; total increase, _____; and/or decrease, _____; last year's membership, _____; present membership _____.

We have preaching _____ (No. times) Sundays.

We have had _____ revivals this year; held by:

Name _____ Address _____

Name _____ Address _____

Ordained and Licensed Ministers Who Hold Membership With Us

Ordained

Licensed

FINANCE REPORT

Pastor's salary, \$ _____; State Convention fee, \$ _____;
Revivals, \$ _____; church property improvements, \$ _____;
local charity, \$ _____; other purposes, \$ _____; association
expense fund, \$ _____.

CO-OPERATIVE PLAN OF SUPPORT:

National co-operative plan, \$ _____; superannuation, \$ _____;
state co-operative plan, \$ _____; Children's Home, \$ _____;
Cragmont Assembly, \$ _____; Mount Olive College, \$ _____;
Free Will Baptist Bible College, \$ _____; state promotional work,
\$ _____; State Church Finance, Inc., \$ _____.

MISSIONS:

Home missions, \$ _____; foreign, \$ _____.

CHURCH PROPERTY:

Value of church, \$ _____; value of parsonage, \$ _____;
other church property, \$ _____.

MINISTER'S ANNUAL REPORT

Fiscal Year _____ 19____ to _____ 19____

No. of churches pastored, _____; No. of revivals conducted, _____;
No. conversions (1st time) in church served, _____; No. baptisms,
_____; No. marriages, _____; No. funerals, _____; received for
pastoral service, \$ _____; received for revival services, \$ _____;
received for all other services, \$ _____; total received, \$ _____;
given personally to the cause, \$ _____. Do you tithe? Yes No

Name _____ Telephone _____

Address _____

OFFICERS OF THE CHURCH

Pastor _____ Address _____

Clerk _____ Address _____

Next Year's Officers (If Same, Write Same)

Pastor _____ Address _____

Clerk _____ Address _____

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

Superintendent _____ Address _____

Secretary _____ Address _____

No. of pupils, _____; kind of literature, _____;

No. of classes, _____; expenses of literature, _____.

LEAGUE REPORT

President Address
Secretary Address
No. of members,; amount of offering,; No. of
groups,; kind of literature,

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

No. of circles,
Name of Circle No. 1
President Address
Secretary Address
Meets every; money taken in, \$;
No. of members,; money paid out, \$
Name of Circle No. 2
President Address
Secretary Address
Meets every; money taken in, \$;
No. of members,; money paid out, \$
Name of Circle No. 3
President Address
Secretary Address
Meets every; money taken in, \$;
No. of members,; money paid out, \$

MASTER'S MEN

President Address
Secretary Address
No. of members,; money taken in, \$;
Meets every; money paid out, \$
No. special prayer meetings,; No. souls won,

BOY'S CLUB

Director Address
Secretary Address
No. of members,; money taken in, \$;
Meets every; money paid out, \$
Projects,

NOTE: (Please clip these forms together when filled out to prevent misplacing any of them.)

