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Blue Ridge Association
of the
Original Free Will Baptists
of
North Carolina

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**ROCKY PASS FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
MARION, N. C.**

August 10, 11, 1973

Moderator Rev. Billy Allen

Clerk Rev. Troy W. Smith

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August 2, 3, 1974

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Troy W. Smith Jr.	-Rt. 1, Box 390-B, Marion, N.C.	28752.
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Ned Caldwell		

ASSOCIATIONAL CHURCHES AND PASTORS

Asheville	-Asheville, N.C.	-Rev. R.A. Holder, Jr.
Avery's Creek	-Arden, N.C.	Rev. R.J. Swann
Beaverdam	-Candler, N.C.	Rev. Paul Daniel
Bethel	-Marion, N.C.	
Burgins Chapel	-Blk. Mtn., N.C.	-Rev. Howard Messer
Canton	-Canton, N.C.	-Rev. Larry Hughes
Caroleen	-Caroleen, N.C.	-Rev. Ted Reynolds
Cedar Hill	-W. Asheville, N.C.	-Rev. James C. Lynn, Sr.
Clayton Ave.	-W. Asheville, N.C.	-Rev. Winfred Roland
East Fork	-Mars Hill, N.C.	-Rev. David Gentry
Fairview	-Marion, N.C.	Rev. Troy W. Smith Jr.
First Blk. Mtn.	-Black Mtn., N.C.	Rev. William S. Vaughn
First Lenoir	-Lenoir, N.C.	-Rev. James K. Childers Sr
First Marion	-Marion, N.C.	-Rev. Allen Jackson
First Spruce Pine	-Spruce Pine, N.C.	-Rev. Clyde Fender
Holly Grove	-Waynesville, N.C.	-Rev. Carl Cook
Meadow Fork	-Hot Springs, N.C.	Rev. Carl Thorpe
Morganton	-Morganton, N.C.	
Mt. Bethel	-Weaverville, N.C.	-Rev. Robert Ballard
Mt. Calvary	-Marion, N.C.	-Rev. Bobby Parker
Mt. Zion	-Kannapolis, N.C.	-Rev. Eddie Turnage
Nowland Chapel	-Morganton, N.C.	-Rev. Roy Sheehan
Old Fort	-Old Fort, N.C.	-Rev. Lattie Slagle
Pisgah	-Canton, N.C.	-Rev. Talmadge Maynor
Robertson Creek	-Bostic, N.C.	-Rev. James Coffey
Rocky Pass	-Marion, N.C.	-Rev. Billy Allen
Swannanoa	-Swannanoa, N.C.	-Rev. Milton Hollifield
Sweeten Creek	-Biltmore, N.C.	-Rev. John C. Moore
Trinity Hill	-Nebo, N.C.	-Rev. Carl Roland
Union Valley	-Weaverville, N.C.	Rev. Gay Tweed.
Walnut	-Walnut, N.C.	-Rev. Warren Reece
Zephyr Hills	-Asheville, N.C.	

CHURCH DELEGATES

ASHEVILLE, Asheville, N.C. - Mr. Mrs. W. J. Waldroup, Mr. Mrs. Nolan Buckner, Tommy Wallace, Mr. Mrs. Nat Erwin.

EVERY'S CREEK, Arden, N.C. - None Listed.

BEAVERDAM, Candler, N.C. - Harry Taylor, Bernard Warren, Martha DeVore, Dessie DeHart, Elsie Brock, Ricky West.

Bethel, Marion, N.C. - Dora Lee Beam, Judy Kirkland, Pat Turner, Alice Reynolds, Mary Ann Gardner, Tommy Hollifield.

BIRGIN'S CHAPEL, Black Mtn., N.C. - Kenneth McMahan, Boyce Crowe, Ronnie McAbee, Lewis Melton.

CANTON, Canton, N.C. - G.M. Seeley.

CAROLEEN, Caroleen, N.C. - Garland Green, Aphenus Graham.

CEDAR HILL, Asheville, N.C. - Mrs. Emma A. Lynn, James C. Cole, William A. Fish, Jackie Fish.

CLAYTON AVE., Asheville, N.C. - Richard Calloway, Cindy Calloway, Ted Miller, J.M. Warren, Franklin Briggs.

EAST FORK, Mars Hill, N.C. - Peggy Gentry, Oleta Metcalf, Richard Bailey, Edmond Metcalf.

FAIRVIEW, Marion, N.C. - David Pittman, Fred Freeman, Grace Stafford, Lois Pittman.

FIRST, Lenoir, N.C. - Mrs. James K. Childers.

FIRST, Marion, N.C. - None Listed.

FIRST, Black Mtn., N.C. - Ruth Duckworth, Allie Jordan.

FIRST, Spruce Pine, N.C. - Lynn Hughes, Anita Buchanan, Evelyn Ollis, Rev. Arthur Buchanan.

HOLLY GROVE, Waynesville, N.C. - Mrs. Carl Cook, Rev. Floyd Frisbee, Mrs. Floyd Frisbee, John Kilby, Hobert Wyatt, Joe Mashburn.

MEADOW FORK, Hot Springs, N.C. - None Listed.

MORGANTON, Morganton, N.C. - Shirley Reece, Vonita Hensley, Carolyn Beam,

MT. BETHEL, Weaverville, N.C. - None Listed.

MT. CALVARY, Marion, N.C. - Ronnie Loftis,

MT. ZION, Kannapolis, N.C. - None Listed.

NOWLING CHAPEL, Morganton, N.C. - John Roper, Walter Norman,

OLD FORT, Old Fort, N.C. - None Listed.

PISGAH, Canton, N.C. - Ora Burnette, Clarence Murray, Berlin Murray, Bessie King, Mae Poston, Dorcus Poston.

ROBINSON CREEK, Bostic, N.C. - Burley Thomas, Mrs. Burley Thomas, Mrs. Guy Melton, Mrs. Fred Bailey, Mrs. Ransome Epley.

ROCKY PASS, Marion, N.C. -

SWANNANOVA, Swannanoa, N.C. - Steve Lytle, Mack Ivey, Ronnie Smith, Theo Schliede.

SWEETEN CREEK, Asheville, N.C. - Ben Taylor, Hugh O'Kelly.

TRINITY HILL, Nebo, N.C. - Mrs. Lillian Roland, Mrs. Jerry Helms,

UNION VALLEY, Weaverville, N.C. - Fred Hyatt, Cora Lee Hyatt, Nancy Fortner, Robbie Fortner, Mary M. Bradley.

WALNUT, Walnut, N.C. - None Listed.

AEPHRY HILLS, Asheville, N.C. - Mary Randall, Flora Morgan, Lucille Lance.

(MINISTER'S WHO REGISTERED)

Rev. Billy Allen, Rev. Larry Hughes, Willard Pless, Charles Ownesby, Lonnie Crawford, Gorman Burgin, T.A. Holder, R.J. Reynolds, W.S. Vaughn, Jack Moses, Harold O'Dear, Lattie Slagle, Arthur Buchanan, Fred Freeman, Floyd Frisbee, James Waldrop, Ted Reynolds, Jason Salyer, James Childers, Milton Hollifield, David Gentry, Garold Metcalf, Leon McBride, Elmer Keener, Troy W. Smith, Allen Jackson, James C. Lynn, Roy Sheehann, Homer Savage, Daniel Hensley, Elisha W. Fish, Allison Robinson, Paul E. Daniel, Larry Edwards, Robert Ballard, Bob King, Howard Messer, Julius Hall, Gary West, Tommy Hensley, Joe Helms, William Walker, Cecil Parker, Haskel Davis, Ronnie Smith, Carl Cook, Carl Thorpe, Gay Tweed.

(VISITORS WHO REGISTERED)

Murleen Buchanan, Donna Adams, Mrs. A.C. Messer, Mrs. Paul Cragg, Frank Cantrel, O.L. McMahan, Ralph Robinson, Paul Gragg, Jack Fox, Mrs. Elmer Keener, Ronald Creech, W.H. Calvert, Sherman Branch, Leonard Lindsey, Rena West, Shirley Gentry, David Gentry Jr., Doris Daniel, Tim Daniel, Cathy Snelson, Tammie DeVore, Tobi Daniel, Harold Snelson, Mark Daniel, Joe Ballard, Pam Ballard, Mr. Mrs. Jerry Edwards, Netta Whitt, Savada Fender, Mr. Mrs. Bobby Elkins, Mrs. Esta Metcalf, Mrs. Cora Wheeler, Mrs. Linda West, Mrs. Doris Holder, Phillips Ogle, Sandra Ogle, Tim Ingle, Marie Wilson, Mae Miller,

Bonnie Lavendar, Beth Lavendar, Mike Lavendar, Randy Allen, Don McBride, L. Davis, Mrs. L. Davis, Mike Davis, Joan Davis, Edna Pyatt, Lila Ward, Rufus Coffey, Kathy Rice, Pat Crawford, Cathey Massie, Shelia Wilson, Jennifer Ownesby, Teresa Edwards, Karen Wilson, Betty Wyatt, Gary and Ownesby, Weaver Whitlock.

(DEACON'S WHO REGISTERED)

Rufus Stephenson, Charles Sisk, Guy Melton, Tommy Hollifield, John Raper, Walter Norman, Max DeVore, Herman Rinehart, Jay Burleson, David Pittman, Hugh O'Kelly, Ben Jap, Joe Mashburn, John Kilby, Boyce Crew, Lewis Melton, Wendell Lowman, John Hyatt.

MINUTES OF
MINISTER'S CONFERENCE
OF BLUE RIDGE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST
Meeting With
Old Fort Free Will Baptist Church
Old Fort, N.C.

Rev. Harold Pitts - Moderator

Date - November 4, 1972

THEME: THE LAST DAYS -- THE DAYS OF APOSTASY

The Association was called to order by the Rev. Gordon Johnson.

Song - Living By Faith

Prayer & Devotion by Rev. Johnson

Response - Rev. Earl Bittle

Roll Call of the Churches was made. 27 Churches were represented. 46 Ministers answered the roll call. 3 Visiting Ministers, Rev. Floyd Watts, Rev. Alvia Wallace, Rev. V.E. Confrey and Rev. Ronald Creech were present.

Rev. Carl Roland brought the first message on Bible Warnings Concerning Apostasy of the Last Days using the Scripture Jude 3,4 and II Peter 2:1-2.

In the absence of Rev. Talmadge Maynor, Rev. John Moore used the Theme, "The Present Signs of the Apostasy of the Last Days.

Rev. Ronald Creech gave a report on the State Work and Rev. James Childers gave a wonderful report on the new work in Lenoir.

Intermission

Song - Are You Washed In The Blood

Prayer - Rev. Steve Lytle

An offering was received and divided between Rev. Gordon Johnson and the Lenoir Church.

Message by Rev. Paul Daniel - Jude 3,4.

Lunch

Evening Service: Song - When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder.

Prayer - Rev. Floyd Frisbee.

Message by Rev. T.A. Holder - Safeguards against Apostasy - Acts 2:1.

ORDAINING COUNCIL REPORT:

Recommendations:

1. Steel F.W.B. Church be received under watchcare of B.R. Assn. M/S/C.
 2. Rev. Richard Swann and Rev. Jack Stevenson be Ordained. M/S/C.
 3. Rev. Julius Hall and Rev. Eddie Turnage be Received into Conference M/S/C
 4. The Walnut Creek Church and Holly Grove Churches be accepted in Association. M.S.C.
- Treasurer's Report by Bro. David Pittman. M.S.C. to Adopt this Report.
 M.S.C. Rest Home Report be delayed until next Meeting.
 M.S.C. Rev. Ted Reynolds be Assistant Treasurer of Rest Home.

Closing Prayer by Bro. West.

MINUTES OF THE BLUE RIDGE ASSOCIATION OF (ORIGINAL) FREE WILL BAPTISTS OF NORTH CAROLINA. SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING AT MT. ZION FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, KANNAPOLIS, N.C. FEBRUARY, 3 1973.

BUSINESS SESSION

The session opened with prayer and devotions by the Host Pastor, Rev. Eddie Turnage. Response was given by Rev. Daniel Hensley, Pastor of First Church, Morganton, N.C. The Moderator then called for the Roll Call of Churches and Ministers. A good representation was present.
 The Moderator then declared the session opened for business and the following business was transacted:

1. A letter was read from Bro. Harold Pitts, who had been elected as our Moderator, informing the body that He had resigned his Church and had moved to Alabama where he had accepted a call to Pastor. He offered this letter of explanation as his letter of resignation: M.S.C. That we accept Bro. Pitts resignation and give him a rising vote of thanks for his faithful service to our Association and bid him God's speed, pledging our prayers for him in his new work.
2. Rev. James Childers Sr. gave a report of the work and progress of the First Church at Lenoir. The Lord has richly blessed this work and the construction of a Church building is almost completed.
3. Rev. Jason Salyer gave a report on the new Mission that He plans to begin in Shelby.
4. Rev. Ronald Creech came to us with greetings from the N.C. State Association and giving us a wonderful report on the progress of our State Work.
5. Rev. Leon McBride gave us a report on the Children's Home at Greenville, Tenn.
6. Rev. Ted Reynolds gave a progress report on the Free Will Baptist Rest Home that is being planned by our Association.

7. The body received a report of the Ordaining Council (See Council Report) with the recommendation that anyone wishing to meet with the Council contact the Council sometime prior to the Quarterly meeting. This has been requested so that the Council may be able to transact it's business prior to the Quarterly Meetings.

8. Due to the resignation of Bro. Harold Pitts, Bro. R.J. Reynolds, who was the Assistant Moderator had become Moderator. Rev. Billy Allen, Pastor of The Rocky Pass Church, Marion, N.C. was elected Assistant Moderator.

9. The Association voted to give \$100.00 to The Steel's Free Will Baptist Church Kannapolis, N.C. This Church's Building has been destroyed by fire.

The Association then adjourned with prayer.

BLUE RIDGE ASSOCIATION SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING AT MT. ZION CHURCH, KANNAPOLIS, N.C. FEBRUARY 3, 1973.

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

The Morning Worship was opened with Congregational singing led by Rev. Billy Allen. Bro. Harold O'Dear brought a timely message on the Subject: "A Man To Stand In The Gap" using Jeremiah: 7:1-3. As his scripture reading and Ezekiel: 22:30. As his text. A wonderful message was enjoyed by the Lord's People. This service was dismissed with prayer and a brief recess.

The regular morning service was then begun with testimonies and Congregational singing let by Rev. Earl Bittle.

Rev. Bobby Parker brought a wonderful message using Zech: 4:1-3, and II Cor: 1:12. The Lord wonderfully blessed His people in the testimony, song, and worship service.

The Service was dismissed with prayer:

The Body then continued the Business session until concluded:

MINISTERS WHO REGISTERED

Rev. Carl Mann	Rev. R.J. Reynolds	Rev. Willard Pless
Rev. Jack Moses	Rev. Milton Duncan	Rev. Bobby Sherbet
Rev. Elisha W. Fish	Rev. Eddie Turnage	Rev. Richard Swann
Rev. Elisha Fish	Rev. Tommy Hensley	Rev. Ted Reynolds
Rev. Allen Jackson	Rev. Harold O'Dear	Rev. J.C. Lynn
Rev. Ralph Reep	Rev. Jerry Hall	Rev. James K. Childers Sr.
Rev. Roy Shehan	Rev. L.R. Slagle	Rev. James Coffey
Rev. Ronald Creech	Rev. Bobby Parker	Rev. Julius R. Hall
Rev. Floyd Frisbee	Rev. Ronald LO	Rev. A.W. Greshon
Rev. Larry Edwards	Rev. Ronald Loftis	
Rev. Billy Allen	Rev. Charles Ownesby Jr.	
Rev. Jason Salyer	Rev. G.Y. Burgin	
Rev. Paul E. Daniel	Rev. Troy Smith, Jr.	
Rev. Leon McBride	Rev. Daniel Hensley	
Rev. Carl Thorpe	Rev. Earl Bittle	
Rev. Talmadge Maynor	Rev. John Moore	

CHURCHES AND DELEGATES

REPORTING TO SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING, MT. ZION CHURCH, KANNAPOLIS, N.C.

SATURDAY, FEB. 3, 1973

MT. ZION, KANNAPOLIS - - - - - Ann Hartzog.

OLD FORT, OLD FORT - - -Mitzie Slagle, Billy Slagle, Debbie Slagle, Donna Slagle, Pat Dotson, Carroll Dotson, Glen Dale, Albert Dale, Arlie Davis, Mack Bartlett.

FIRST CHURCH, MARION - - - -Lewis Martin, Jean Parker, L.R. Combs.

CANTON, CANTON - - - - - G.M. Seely, Helen Hamlett, Velma Harkins.

BURGIN'S CHAPEL, BLACK MTN. - - - - - Robert Allen.

AVERY'S CREEK, ARDEN - - - - - Rita Swann, Carolyn Swann, Mary Lou Gaddy

BEAVERDAM, CANDLER - - - - - Bobby Smith, Betsy Shook, Jackie Fish.

STEELE'S, KANNAPOLIS - - - -Mrs. Jean Cooper, Mrs. Virginia Pittman, Kenneth Mann, Ronald Cooper, Steve Lynch.

CAROLEEN, CAROLEEN - - - - - Harold Fowler, Gene Scruggs, James Greene.

FIRST, LENOIR - - - - - Anne Lee Childers

NOWLINGS CHAPEL, MORGANTON - - - - - John Roper, Lex McClain.

mt. bethel, weaverville - - - - - W.B. Edwards.

ROCKY PASS, MARION - - - -Gwendolyn Allen, Nellie Guffey, Lucille Holland.

PISGAH, CANTON - - - - - Berlyn Murray, Mae Poston, Dorcas Poston,

Betty Willis, Guy Shelton, Ors. Burnette.

BETHEL, MARION - - - - - Barbara Medford, Mrs. R.J. Reynolds.

VISITORS WHO REGISTERED

Debbie Moses
Gladys Moses

Mildred Fish
Mrs. Carl Mann.

Mark Daniel
Sonja Shelton

ORDAINING COUNCIL REPORT
SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING, MT. ZION CHURCH, KANNAPOLIS, N.C.
FEBRUARY, 3, 1973

1. Recommended that the following brethren be received under the watchcare of the Blue Ridge Association pending a letter from their respective Associations: Rev. Daniel Hunsucker, (From Piedmont Association) Rev. Roy Pittman, (From The Pilgrim Association) Letters sent March 15, 1973. Rev. Charles Owensby. (From the French Broad Association) Rev. G.Y. Burgin, (From The French Broad Association).
2. RECOMMEND: That The following Brethern be granted letters from this Association: Rev. Clarence Campbell (To Oklahoma) Rev. Harold Pitts, Letter sent March 5, 1973, (To The Progressive Association of Alabama.) Rev. Donald Seay, letter sent. (To The Beaver Creek Association, S.C.).
3. Rev. Bobby Sherbert, came to us with a letter from his home Church requesting that He be ordained. Bro. Sherbert has been called to pastor The Ridgeway Free Will Baptist Church, Marion, N.C. It is recommended by the Council that He be ordained.
4. Recommended that the license of Rev. Elisha Fish be renewed, and that Bro. Guy Shelton be given a questionnaire in preparation for his licenses.

Respectfully Submitted

ORDAINING COUNCIL.

Rev. J.C. Lynn

Rev. James Childers Sr.

Rev. John Moore

Rev. Jason Salyer

Rev. Daniel Hensley

Cash on Hand February 1st - - - - - \$1029.67.

Disbursments

Missions (Josephine Stevens Support) - - - - - 140.00.

Stills F.W.B. Church - - - - - 100.00.

Cash Disbursed - - - - - 240.00.

Cash on Hand - - - - - 1243.29.

Cash In Student Loan Fund - - - - - \$527.70.

**MINUTES OF
MINISTER'S CONFERENCE
OF BLUE RIDGE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST**

Meeting With
Pisgah Free Will Baptist Church
Canton, N.C.

Rev. R. J. Reynolds - Moderator
Date - May 5, 1973

Congregational Singing - Rev. Billy Allen - Amazing Grace, Standing On The Promises.

Devotion - Rev. Elmer Keener - Romans 8:1-9.

Prayer - Bro. Keener.

Welcome - Host Pastor - Rev. Talmadge Maynor.

Response - Rev. Leon McBride.

Visitors Recognized - Rev. Bob King, Mrs. King & Son, Rev. Frank Cantrell, Swananoa.

Moderators Remarks - Jude 3.

Business:

Youth Camp Report - Rev. Billy Allen.

Treasurer's Report - M/S/C Report be accepted as information.

Rest Home Report - Rev. Ted Reynolds M/S/C Report be accepted as information. \$100,000 Bond Program for the Rest Home was proposed by Rev. Milton Hollifield. M/S/C. That the Rest Home Committee investigate the proposed Bond Program and make proper recommendation to the Association.

Report Rev. Bob King on F.W.B. Bible College.

Ordaining Council Report - Rev. J.C. Lynn:

Recommendations:

I. Bro. Lattie Slagle, Jr. be Ordained at the Old Fort F.W.B. Church, May 19, 1973 at 7:30, Bro. Bill Vaughn to preach the message. M/S/C.

II. Bro. Gordon Walker, Rt. 2, Box 183, Old Fort, be licensed to preach. M/S/C.

III. Bro. Larry Hughes be accepted into full fellowship as an Ordained Minister, M/S/C.

IV. Rev. Charels Ownsby be received in our fellowship as an Ordained Minister of the Gosepl and that we re-issue him a certificate of Ordination. M/S/C.

V. Rev. Herman Hart be received into fellowship with the Blue Ridge Assn. as an Ordained Minister. M/S/C.

VI. Carl James Mann Sr. be dropped from the list of Ordained Ministers. M/S/C

MINUTES OF
MINISTER'S CONFERENCE
OF BLUE RIDGE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS
Meeting With
Pisgah Free Will Baptist Church

Delegates were appointed to the State Association as follows:

Mrs. Doris Daniels
Mrs. Carrie McBride

Mrs. Gwen Allen
Mrs. James Coffey

Mrs. Ann Reynolds

Business dismissed

Song Service - Rev. J.C. Lynn - Leaning On the Everlasting Arms

Prayer - Rev. Ted Reynolds.

Message - Rev. Roy Sheehan - Jude 3 - Contend for the Faith.

Move - Association give Sister Volena Wilson \$500.00 from trea. and Moderator appointed Bro. Leon McBride, Bro. Billy Allen and Bro. Milton Hollifield to investigate her needs and bring back a recommendation to annual Association meeting.

Adjourned.

MINUTES OF THE TWENTIETH ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE BLUE RIDGE ASSOCIATION OF
ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS

When convened with Rocky Pass Free Will Baptist Church, Marion, N.C.
August 10, 11, 1973.

FRIDAY MORNING, AUGUST 10th

The Friday Morning Session opened with the Rev. T.A. Holder leading the Congregation in singing "Power In The Blood". The morning Devotion was given by Rev. Lattie Slagle, his scripture was Psalms 23. Rev. Slagle led congregation in prayer.

The Moderator, Rev. R.J. Reynolds called the Association to order, and made remarks that we needed to elect a clerk at that time because the Clerk needed to be away. Rev. Troy W. Smith was voted in as new Clerk. Roll Call of Churches and Ministers was made at this time. Delegates were seated and visiting Ministers were recognized. Rev. Reynolds appointed the following Committees.

A. Finance Committee: Bro. David Pittman, Rev. Troy W. Smith, Rev. Roy Sheehan.

B. Registration Committee: Mrs. Merline Buchanan, Mrs. Donna Adams, Mrs. Betty Rollo.

C. Resolutions Committee: Rev. Allen Jackson, Rev. Elmer Keener, Rev. T.A. Holder.

D. Nominating Committee: Rev. Paul Daniel, Rev. Robert Ballard, Rev. Dan Hensley.

Ed. Credentials Committee: Sis. Lucille Holland, Rev. Troy W. Smith, Rev. Leon McBride.

M.S.C. Business be adjourned for Worship Hour.

Congregational Singing led by Rev. James C. Lynn. "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms". "The Gospel Way" group from host church sang special song. Rev. R.J. Reynolds recognized all the elders, and asked them for testimony. Rev. Rufus Coffey, Executive Secretary of the National Association of F.W. Baptists, brought a wonderful message on the theme "The Gospel". An offering was received for Rev. Coffey. Benediction and Blessing by Bro. Ronald Creech.

Lunch

FRIDAY AFTERNOON WORSHIP SERVICE

Opened with Rev. T.A. Holder leading congregational Song "The Lily of The Valley". Devotion by Rev. Bob King his theme "Wherefore Comfort one another with these words". Rev. King led in prayer.

Bro. Ronald Creech gave report on State Work, he encouraged all churches to use Book Store.

The Youth Camp Report was given by Rev. Paul Daniel, M.S.C. Report be adopted. Treasurer's Report was given. M.S.C. Report to be adopted. The Finance Committee gave a report which was adopted. (See Reports) The Ordaining Council Report was given. (See Reports).

Adjourned

FRIDAY EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Opened with prayer and Song Service by the Rev. Robert Ballard leading the Mt. Bethel Youth Choir. Rev. Tommy Hensley brought the evening message. He used the theme "The Hour Is Late". Service dismissed with song of Invitation, and prayer.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION: AUG. 11, 1973

Song Service led by Rev. J.C. Lynn

Devotion was given by Rev. Ted Reynolds. His theme was "If You Love Me Keep My Commandments". The following reports were given.

A. Nominating Committee Report was given by Rev. Paul Daniel, M.S.C. to adopt this report. (See Reports)

B. Resolutions Committee Report. M.S.C. to adopt this report.

C. Completion of Finance Committee Report. M.S.C. to adopt this report.

D. Credentials Committee Report. M.S.C. to adopt this report. Rev. Ted Reynolds gave report on The Blue Ridge Rest Home M.S.C. to adopt this report.

M.S.C. to give Rest Home Committee the authority to purchase from Foy & Lee the building plans for new Rest Home.

Rev. Jason Salyer gave report on Mission in Shelby, N.C.

Urged churches to help in the work there.

M.S.C. to give a rising vote of thanks to the Rocky Pass Church for their wonderful hospitality.

Due to the late hour M.S.C. to have Rev. Allen Jackson be speaker at the First Quarterly Meeting with the Roberson Creek Free Will Baptist Church, since his time had been taken by business.

Adjourned with Prayer.

STATISTICS OF CHURCHES

ASHEVILLE, Asheville, N.C.

PASTOR: Rev. T.A. Holder, Jr. 47, Elkmont Dr., Asheville, N.C. 28804.

CLERK: Mrs. Victoria Metcalf, 68 Dogwood D.

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S.S. Sup't: Niven Metcalf, 19 Midwood Dr., Asheville, N.C. 28804.

Ordained Deacons - 4, Church Membership 61, Members Received 2, By Letter 2,

S.S. Enrollment - 60, Average Attendance - 50, Total Offerings \$3,899,

Pastor's Salary \$870, Literature \$189.23, Chairity \$229.28, Other - \$2,701,

Blue Ridge Assoc. \$38.99, Home Missions \$51.38, Home for Aged \$404.15.

Total Local Expenditures \$5,996.06, Value of Church Bldg. \$20,000.

AVERY'S CREEK, Arden, N.C.

PASTOR: Rev. Richard J. Swann, 84 Rosman Hwy., Brevard, N.C.

CLERK: Mrs. Carolyn Swann, Mildred Apts., Asheville, N.C.

S.S. Supt: Gaylord Coy, Avery's Creek Rd., Arden, N.C.

Church Membership 14, Members Received 14, By Statement 10, By Baptism

4, S.S. Enrollment 21, Average Attena

4, S.S. Enrollment 21, Average Attendance 15, Total offerings Received -

\$742.42, Pastors salary \$130, Literature \$5.60, Other \$85.18, Blue Ridge

Assoc. \$5.32, N.C. State Assoc. - \$15.83, Home Missions - \$15.83, Home for

aged - \$21.13, Total Local Expenditures \$2,220.78, Total outside expendi-

tures - \$58.11, Total Expenditures \$2,278.89, Value of church Bldg. - \$15,000.

BEAVERDAM, Candler, N.C.

PASTOR: Rev. Paul E. Daniel, Rt. 2, Wise Rd., Candler, N.C. 28715

CLERK: Bro. Gene DeVore, Rt. 2, Box 558, Candler, N.C. 28715.

S.S. Sup't: Bro. Walter Brown.

c.t.s. Director: Bro. Herman Rinehart, Candler, N.C.

Ordained Deacons: - 1, No. Ordained Ministers 1, Licensed 1, Church member -

ship 69, Received by statement 4, by letter 6, For Baptism 10, Total Receiv-

ed - 20, dismissed by letter 1, dismissed by removal 72, by death, 1, excluded

1, Total Dismissed 75, S.S. Enrollment 60, Average Attendance 85, Total

offering - \$16,203.70, Pastor's salary \$5,361.30, Evangelists \$200., Literature

\$205., Charity \$650, N.C. Assoc., \$906.22, Blue Ridge Assoc., \$223.51,

Foreign Missions - \$596.61, Home for aged \$500.00, Total local expenditures-

\$14,214.30. Total outside expenditures - \$2,226.34, Total of all expenditures -

\$16,442.64, Value of Church Bldg. - \$85,000, Parsonage \$20,000, Other \$6,000,

Total Property \$111,000.

BETHEL, Marion, N.C.

PASTOR: Rev. R.J. Reynolds, P.O. Box 238, Nebo, N.C. 28761.

CLERK: Betty Turner, Rt. 2, Nebo, N.C.

S.S. Sup't, Dave Terrell, Box 114, Nebo, N.C.

W.A. Pres. Pat Turner, 661 Miller Exit, Marion, N.C.

Church Membership 269, Received by statement 14, Received by letter 7, By Baptism 16, Total Received 37, Dismissed by letter 7, By removal 2, Total dismissed 9, Average attendance 195, No. of classes 12, Total offering \$25,535, Pastor's salary \$6,150, Other salaries \$600, Evangelist \$265, Literature \$633, Charity \$1,541.54, Property improvements - \$1,300, Other \$2,800, N.C. State Assoc. \$25.00, National Assoc. - \$25.00, Blue Ridge Association - \$100., Free Will Baptist Bible College \$35., Home Missions - \$200, Foreign Missions \$372., Home for aged - \$1,000, Value of Church Bldg. - \$60,000, Parsonage \$22,000, Other \$7,000. Total Value of Property \$89,000.

BURGINS CHAPEL, Black Mtn., N.C.

PASTOR: Rev. Howard L. Messer, Rt. 1, Box 416-B, Black Mtn., N.C.

CLERK: Helen Shook, Swannanoa, N.C.

C.T.S. Director, Lewis C. Melton, Jr., Black Mtn., N.C.

W.A. Pres. Emmaline Ledbetter, Black Mtn., N.C.

S.S. Sup't, Ronnie McAbee, Swannanoa, N.C.

No. of Ordained Ministers 1, C.T.S. Enrollment 35, W.A. 15, Total Enrollment 120, No. of classes 9, Average Attendance 135, Total membership 200, Received by statement 7, by letter 5, for baptism 2, Total received 14, Dismissed by letter 5, by removal 1, by death 1, total dismissed 7, Regular offering - \$16,476.25, Bldg. Fund \$627.61, Other \$1,384.75, Total offerings received \$18,188.61, Pastors Salary \$,770, Other salaries \$380, Evangelist \$301.49, Literature \$306.59, Property Improvements \$4,218.36, Other \$5,975.16, N.C. State Assoc. \$25.00, Blue Ridge Assoc. \$25.00, Home Missions \$509.14, Foreign Missions - \$674.32, Other \$350., Total outside expenditures - \$1,583.46, Total expenditures \$17,154.99, Value of Church Bldg. \$50,000, Parsonage - \$25,000, Other - \$14,750, Total Value of Property - \$89,000.

CANTON, Canton, N.C.

PASTOR: Rev. Larry D. Hughes, P.O. Box 1346, Canton, N.C.

CLERK: Mrs. Helen Hamlett, 26 Flint St., Canton, N.C.

C.T.S. Director, Stan Coker, Rt. 4, Box 74, Waynesville, N.C.

W.A. President, Mrs. Houle Harkins, 13 Holtzclaw St., Canton, N.C.

S.S. Sup't, Bruce Seeley, P.O. Box 545, Canton, N.C.

No. Ordained Ministers: 2, No. Ordained Deacons 5,

Church Membership - 170, Members received 19, by statement 17, by letter 2, by baptism 17, dismissed by letter 20, by death 1, S.S. Enrollment 160, No. of classes 15, Average attendance 150, Total offerings rec'd \$22,775.25, Pastor's salary \$6,500, Other salaries \$360, Evangelists \$716.78, Literature \$707.95, Property Improvements \$3,398.04, Other \$2,446.07, Total - \$14,128.84, N.C. Assoc. \$203.47, Blue Ridge Assoc. \$228.47, Free Will Baptist Bible College \$898.11, Home Missions \$370.49, Foreign Missions \$2,009.79, Other \$171.00, Local Expenditures: \$14,128.84, Total outside Expenditures \$3,881.33, Total of all Expenditures \$18,010.17, Value of Church Bldg. \$60,000, Parsonage \$35,000, Other \$7,000, Total Value of Property - \$102,000.

CAROLEEN, Caroleen, N.C.

PASTOR: Rev. Ted Reynolds, P.O. Box 385, Caroleen, N.C. 29019.

CLERK: Mrs. Tom Peppers, P.O. Box 281, Caroleen, N.C.

S.S. Sup't - Frank Turner, Caroleen, N.C.

W.A. President - Mrs. Hubert Deaton, Caroleen, N.C.

No. of Ordained Ministers: 1, Ordained Deacons: 6,

Church Membership - 270, Members received 17, by statement 10, by letter 7, for baptism 13, dismissed by letter 4. S.S. Enrollment 160, No. of classes 9, Average attendance 110, Total offerings Received - \$41,613.99, Pastor's salary \$5,200, Other salaries \$520, Evangelists \$130, Literature \$380, Baptist Bible College \$397.69, Home Missions \$397.69, Foreign Missions - \$397.69, Childrens Home \$572.48, Home for Aged \$425. Other \$600, Total local expenditures: \$2,330, Total outside expenditures: \$1,765.55, Total of all expenditures: \$4,095.55, Value of Church property \$80,000, Parsonage \$20,000, Total value of property \$100,000.

CEDAR HILL, Asheville, N.C.

PASTOR: Rev. James C. Lynn, Sr. 227 Johnston Blvd., Asheville, N.C.

CLERK: Mrs. Maude King, 415, Deaver View Rd., Asheville, N.C.

C.T.S. Director: James C. Cole, Rt. 1, Leicester, N.C.

S.S. Sup't: Bron Spivy

No. of Ordained Ministers 1, Licensed 1, Ordained Deacons 2.

Church Membership 129, Members received 20, by statement, 13, by letter 4, for baptism 4, dismissed by letter 1, S.S. Enrollment 90, No. of classes 8, Average attendance 80, total offerings received: \$16,750.37, pastor's salary \$5,200, other salaries \$765., Evangelists \$230, literature \$368.79, Chairity \$49.50, Property Improvements \$554.67, Total \$4,981.15 Blue Ridge Assoc., \$40., Free Will Baptist Bible College \$25, Home Missions \$191.67, Foreign Missions \$193.93, Children's Home \$75, Home for aged \$23. Total of All Expenditures \$12,715.81, Value of Church Bldg., \$80,000 Parsonage \$20,000, Other \$15,000, Total Value of Property \$115,000.

CLAYTON AVE. Asheville, N.C.

PASTOR: Rev. Winfred Roland, 106 Young St., Swannanoa, N.C.

CLERK: Mrs. J.M. Warren, 77 Hansel Ave., Asheville, N.C.

S.S. Sup't: Richard Calloway, 15 Hansel Ave., Asheville, N.C.

Ordained Deacons - 1.

Church Membership - 52, Members received 2, dismissed by letter 10, by removal 1, total dismissed 11, S.S. Enrollment 50, Average attendance 40, Pastor's Salary \$3,377.38, other \$360, Evangelists 140, Liteature \$122, Pastor's Salary \$3,377.38, Other \$360, Evangelists 140, Literature \$122, Charity \$100, Blue Ridge Assoc. \$25, Foreign Missions \$200, Other \$265.95, Value of Church Bldg., \$35,000, Other \$15,000, Total Value of Property - \$50,000.

EAST FORK, Mars Hill, N.C.

PASTOR: Rev. David Gentry, Rt. 3, Weaverville, N.C.

CLERK: Carolyn McMahan, Rt. 2, Box 93, Mars Hill, N.C.

S.S. Sup't: Richard Bailey, Rt. 2, Box 83-A, Mars Hill, N.C.

No. of Ordained Ministers: 1, Licensed 1, Ordained Deacons 5.

Church Membership 51, Total members received 0, dismissed by letter 2, Total enrollment 48, No. Classes 4, Average attendance 35, Total offerings received \$1,800, Pastor's salary \$500, Charity \$200, Property improvements \$400, Blue Ridge Assoc. \$10, Total Value of Property - \$7,000.

FAIRVIEW, Marion, N.C. 28752

PASTOR: Rev. Troy W. Smith, Jr., Rt. 1, Box 390-B, Marion, N.C.

CLERK: Mae Miller, Rt. 1, Box 403, Marion, N.C.

S.S. Sup't: Larry Miller, Rt. 1, Box 390, Marion, N.C.

W.A. President: Mae Miller

No. of Ordained Ministers: L, Ordained Deacons 9.

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Total Membership 93, Total Members received 1, by statement 1, dismissed by letter 4, dismissed by removal 8, Total dismissed 12. S.S. Enrollment 105, No. of classes 7, Average attendance 85. Total offerings received - \$20,519.68, Pastor's salary \$7,061., Other salaries \$920., Evangelists - \$150., Literature \$417.14, Charity \$100., Property Improvements \$200., Total \$8,848.14, N.C. State Assoc. \$140, Blue Ridge Assoc., \$251, Free Will Baptist Bible College \$200, Home Missions \$830.40, Foreign Missions \$1,048.45, Home for Aged \$25, Total expenditures \$8,848.14, Value of Church Bldg. \$60,000, Parsonage \$30,000, Other \$10,000, Total Value of Property \$100,000.

FIRST, Lenoir, N.C.

PASTOR: Rev. James K. Childers, Sr. 1304, Lenwell St., N.W. Lenoir, N.C.

CLERK: Louise Haney, Rt. 11, Box 289, Lenoir, N.C. 28645.

Ordained Ministers 2, Ordained Deacons 3, Total membership 55, Received by statement 2, for Baptism 8, Total members received 10, dismissed by letter 3, S.S. Enrollment 80, No. of classes 3, average attendance 55. Total offerings received \$37,705.90, Pastor's salary \$3,070, Evangelists \$240, Literature \$169.36, Charity \$113.50, Property Improvements \$32,895.21, Paid to outside causes N.C. State Assoc. \$75. Value of Church Bldg. \$50,000, Other \$5,000, Total value of property \$55,000.

FIRST, Marion, N.C.

PASTOR: Rev. Allen Jackson, 250 Baldwin Ave., Marion, N.C.

CLERK: Joseph L. Loftis, Rt. 6, Box 362, Marion, N.C.

S.S. Sup't: Wade Fox

Total membership 200, Received by statement 2, dismissed by letter 5, by death 2, S.S. Enrollment 200, No. of classes 13, Average attendance 140, Total Offerings Received \$20,703.30, Pastor's Salary \$7,317., Other \$1,050.50, Evangelist \$590., Literature \$1,057.58, Charity \$1,028.79, Property Improvements \$804, Other \$7,211.10, Foreign Missions \$971.03, Home Missions \$614., Value of Church Bldg. - \$85,000, Parsonage \$30,000, Total Value of Property \$115,000.

FIRST, Black Mountain, N.C.

PASTOR: Rev. William S. Vaughn, P.O. Box 117, Old Fort, N.C.

CLERK: Myrtle Massey, 102 Cherry St., Black Mountain, N.C.

S.S. Sup't: Cline Jordan, Blk. Mtn., N.C.

Ordained Ministers 1, Ordained Deacons 3.

Total Membership 46, Received by statement 4, by baptism 4, Total members received 5, dismissed by removal 4, by death 1, total members dismissed 4. S.S. Enrollment 30, No. of classed 4, Average attendance 28. Pastors salary \$3,200, Evangelist \$200, Blue Ridge Assoc., \$10., Home Missions \$100, Total Local Expenditures \$1,600.10, Value of Church Bldg. \$20,000.

FIRST, Spruce Pine, N.C. 28777**PASTOR:** Rev. Clyde Fender**CLERK:** Evelyn Ollis, Rt. 2, Box 176, Spruce Pine, N.C.**S.S. Sup't:** Arthur Buchanan, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine, N.C.**W.A. President:** Nancy Biddix, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine, N.C.

Ordained Ministers 1, Licensed 1, Ordained Deacons 5. Total membership 70. Received by statement 3, for baptism 1, total received 4, Lost by death 1. S.S. Enrollment 70, No. of classes 3, Average attendance 55, Total offerings received \$7,552.45, Pastor's salary \$2,475, Other \$510, Evangelist \$127. Literature \$30, Charity \$614.72, Property improvement \$2,513., Total \$6,269.72, Blue Ridge Assoc., \$25., Home for aged \$114.73, Total local expenditures \$6,269.72, Outside expenditures \$139.73, Value of Church bldg. \$20,000.

FIRST, Old Fort, N.C.**PASTOR:** Rev. Lattie Slagle, P.O. Box 599, Old Fort, N.C.**CLERK:** Carrie Padgett, P.O. Box 795, Old Fort, N.C.**S.S. Sup't:** Carroll Dotson, Rt. 1, Old Fort, N.C.**W.A. Pres:** Hazel Allison, Rt 1, Box 60-A, Old Fort, N.C.

Ordained Ministers 1, Licensed 1, Ordained Deacons 4, W.A. 11, Total membership 97, by statement 2, for baptism 2, total members received 4, dismissed by letter 6, lost death 3, total members dismissed 9. S.S. Enrollment 110, No. of classes 8, Average Attendance 87. Total offerings received \$18,700.93, Pastor's salary \$5,200, Other \$520, Evangelist \$482.20 Literature \$176.49, Charity \$739.19, Property Improvements \$1,851.94, Other \$8,886.36, Total of all expenditures \$17,106.99, Value of Church Bldg., \$70,000, Parsonage \$10,000, Total value of property \$80,000.

HOLLY GROVE, Waynesville, N.C.**PASTOR:** Rev. Carl Cook, 111 Ivey Hill Dr., Waynesville, N.C.**CLERK:** Mrs. John Kilby, 300 Springview Dr., Waynesville, N.C.**C.T.S. Director:** Neal Clarke, 109 Overlook Dr., Waynesville, N.C.**Master's Men Pres:** Joe Washburn, 208 Skyview Dr., Waynesville, N.C.**W.A. Pres:** Mrs. Joe Washburn.

Ordained Ministers 2, Licensed 2, Ordained Deacons 1, Total Membership 70, received by letter 6, received for baptism 4, total members received 10, dismissed by removal 2, S.S. No. of classes 6, Average attendance 67. Total offerings \$8,743.83, Pastor's salary \$1,735.00, Other salaries \$480., Evangelists \$472.71, Literature \$191.38, Charity \$490, Property Improvements \$770.94, Total value of property \$18,000.

MORGANTON, Morganton, N.C.**PASTOR:** Rev. Daniel Hensley, Rt. 1, Morganton, N.C.**CLERK:** Mrs. Shirley Patton, Rt. 1, Box 326, Morganton, N.C.**W.A. Pres:** Connie Thomas, Morganton, N.C.**S.S. Sup't:** L.H. Reece, 1040, Stagecoach Trail, Lenoir, N.C.

C.T.S. Enrollment 40, W.A. 10, Total membership 135, Total members received 9, received by statement 2, received by letter 4, received for baptism 3, dismissed by letter 3. S.S. Enrollment 82, No. of classes 8, Average attendance 75. Total offerings received \$17,110.63, Pastor's salary \$5,200, Evangelists \$200, Literature \$207.67, Charity \$175, Property improvements \$5,200, B.R. Assoc., \$25., Home Missions \$200, Childrens Home \$200, Total Local expenditures \$10,408, Value of Church property \$55,000, Parsonage \$18,000, Other \$15,000, Total value of Property \$88,000.

MT. BETHEL, Weaverville, N.C.

PASTOR: Rev. Robet

PASTOR: Rev. Robert Ballard, Swannanoa, N.C.

CLERK: W.B. Edwards, Rt. 1, Box 128, Weaverville, N.C.

Ordained Ministers 2, Licensed Ministers 2, Ordained Deacons 15, Total Membership 160, Total members received 20, by statement 5, by letter 10, by profession of faith 5, S.S. Enrollment 180, Average attendance 155. Pastor's salary \$5,200, Evangelist \$368, Literature \$290, Other \$6,000, Total spend for local causes \$11,558. Foreign Missions \$500, Home Missions \$100, State Work \$100, Total spent for outside causes \$700, Total expenditure \$12,558., Value of Church Property \$60,000.

MT. CALVARY, Marion, N.C.

PASTOR: Rev. Bobby Pare

PASTOR: Rev. Bobby Parker, P.O. Box 1544, Marion, N.C.

CLERK: Mrs. Norman Arrowood, 609, Stroud St., Marion, N.C.

C.T.S. Dir: Joan Parker, P.O. Box 1544, Marion, N.C.

W.A. Pres: Brenda Hemphill, Rt. 5, Box 40-D, Marion, N.C.

S.S. Sul't: Johnny Hemphill, Rt. 5, Box 40-D, Marion, N.C.

Ordained Ministers 1, Licensed 1, Ordained Deacons 5. Total membership 115, recieved by statement 2, by letter 4, dismissed by letter 5, S.S. Enrollment 88, No. of classes 7, Average Attendance 85, Total offerings received \$9,157.18, Pastor's salary \$2,760, Other salaries \$460, Evangelists \$350, Literature \$321.58, Charity \$90, Property Improvements \$12,569.35, N.C. State Assoc. \$15, Blue Ridge Assoc. \$15, Value of Church Bldg., \$35,000, Parsonage, \$10,000, Total value of property \$45,000.

NOWLINGS CHAPEL, Morganton, N.C.

PASTOR: Rev. Roy Shehan, Rt. 8, Box 404, Morganton, N.C.

CLERK: Beulah Norville, 108 Logan St., Morganton, N.C.

W.A. Pres: Jerrie Ann Shehan, Rt. 8, Morganton, N.C.

S.S. Supt: James H. Norman, Rt. 8, Morganton, N.C.

Total membership 72, Total members received 6, by statement 3, by baptism

3, classes 7, Average attendance 75. Total offerings received \$13,068.32, Pastor's salary \$4,590, Other salaries \$552, Evangelists \$210, Literature \$424.15, Charity \$115.55, Property Improvements \$2,940.10, Other \$3,320, Total local expenditures \$6,260.10. B.R. Assoc. \$50, F.W.B. Bible College \$38, Home mission \$43.50, Total of all expenditures \$13,369.80, Value of church bldg., \$30,000, Parsonage \$15,000, Other \$3,000, Total value of Property \$48,000.

PISGAH, Canton, N.C.

PASTOR: Rev. Talmadge Maynor, Rt. 2, Canton, N.C.

CLERK: Irene Woodard, Rt. 2, Canton, N.C.

W.A. Pres: Dolores Caldwell, Rt. 2, Canton, N.C.

S.S. Sup't: Clarence Murray, Rt. 2, Canton, N.C.

Licensed Ministers 1, Ordained Deacons 5.

Total Membership 134, Received by letter 4, for baptism 5, Total members received 9, dismissed by removal 6, by death 2. Total offerings received - \$11,922.59, Pastor's salary \$4,030, Other salaries \$525, Evangelist \$300, Literature \$194.49, Charity \$107, Property Improvements \$6,000, N.C. State Assoc. \$70.91, Foreign Missions \$53.16, Value of Church Bldg. \$18,000, Parsonage \$10,000, Other \$1,500, Total value of Property \$29,500.

ROBERSON CREEK, Bostic, N.C.

PASTOR: Rev. James Coffey, Rt. 4, Box 255, Forest City, N.C. 28043.

CLERK: Violet Poteat, 207 Franklin Dr., Forest City, N.C.

S.S. Sup't: Steve Newton, 810, S. Church St., Forest City, N.C.

M.M. Pres: C.C. Lovelace, Ellenboro, N.C.

W.A. Pres: Nancy Lovelace, Ellenboro, N.C.

Ordained Ministers 1, Ordained Deacons 5, Masters Men 12, W.A. 18.

Total Membership 76, Received by statement 1, by letter 1, for baptism

1, Total received 3, Dismissed by removal 1, S.S. Enrollment 101, No. of

classes 8, Average Attendance 80, Total offerings received \$17,268.19.

Pastor's salary \$6,080, Other salaries \$480, Evangelist \$250, Literature

\$220, Charity \$550, Property Improvements \$650, N.C. State Assoc. \$25,

B.R. Assoc. \$25, F.W.B. Bible College \$50.18, Hom Missions \$70, Foreign

Missions \$60, Childrens Home \$25, Home for aged \$120, Value of Church Bldg.

\$50,000, Other \$10,000, Total value of property \$60,000.

SWEEDEN CREEK, Asheville, N.C.

PASTOR: Rev. John C. Moore, P.O. Box 176, Fairview, N.C. 28730.

CLERK: Paul Jenkins, Rt. 5, Box 44, Asheville, N.C.

C.T.S. Dir: Hugh O'Kelly, Box 1060, Rt. 7, Asheville, N.C.

Ordained Deacons 5, C.T.S. Enrollment 30,

S.S. Sup't: Henry Jenkins, Rt. 1, Box 226, Fletcher, N.C.

Total Membership 67, Received by statement 1, by baptism 6, by letter 2,

Total members received 4, dismissed by letter 2, by removal 1, Total dis-

missed 3. S.S. Enrollment 66, No. of classes 8, Average attendance 58.

Total offerings received \$8,390.36. Pastor's salary \$2,790, Other salaries -

\$270, Evangelist \$96., Literature \$554.77, Charity \$298.80, N.C. State

Assoc. \$25., B.R. Assoc. \$59.36, F.W.B. Bible College \$9.45, Home Missions

\$184.71, Foreign Missions \$74.94, Value of Church Bldg. \$16,500, Total

value of Property \$20,500.

SWANNANOA, Swannanoa, N.C.

PASTOR: Rev. Milton Hollifield, P.O. Box 281, Swannanoa, N.C.

CLERK: Clara Mae Ogle, 133 Dellwood, Ave., Swannanoa, N.C.

C.T.S. Dir: Jay Hollifield, 205 Rowland Rd., Swannanoa, N.C.

W.A. Pres: Clara MLAE Ogel

.s.s Sup't: J.D. Lewis, 50 Wake Robin Way, Asheville, N.C.

Ordained Ministers 2, Licensed 2, Ordained Deacons 5, Total Membership

587, Received by statement 7, by letter 5, for baptism 34, Total members

received 46, Dismissed by letter 4, dismissed by removal 2, lost by death

4, Total dismissed 10. S.S. Enrollment 347, No. of classed 28, Average

attendance 335, C.T.S. Enrollment 89, W.A. 10, Total offerings received

\$23,000, Pastor's salary \$6,725, Other salaries \$4,452, Evangelist \$300,

Literature \$2,000, Charity \$200, Property Improvements \$500, N.C. State

Assoc. \$500, National Assoc. \$700, B.R. Assoc. \$500, F.W.B. Bible Col-

lege \$500, Home Missions \$100, Foreign Missions \$1,350, Value of Church

Bldg. \$135,000, Parsonage \$50,000, Total Value of property \$175,000.

TRINITY HILL, Nebo, N.C.

PASTOR: Rev. Carl Roland, Rt. 1, Nebo, N.C.

CLERK: Mrs. Jerry Helms, Rt. 1, Nebo, N.C.

CLERK: Mrs. Jerry Helms, 23 Hunt St., Marion, N.C.

W.A. Pres: Mrs. Jerry Helms

S.S. Supt: Lester Brewer, Rt. 2, Box 574, Morganton, N.C. 28655.

Ordained deacons 2, W.A. 7, Total Membership 113, Received by statement 16, by letter 9, for baptism 21, Total members received 46, dismissed by letter 1, lost by death 1, Total dismissed 2, S.S. Enrollment 113, No. of classes 7, Average Attendance 100. Total offerings received \$19,160.21, Pastor's salary \$6,645.65, Other salaries \$244, Evangelist \$200, Literature \$351.92, Charity \$89.74, Property Improvements \$5,567.26, N.C. State Assoc. \$100, National Assoc. \$17.50, B.R. Assoc. \$65,000, F.W.B. Bible College \$10, Home Missions \$25, Home for aged \$75, Value of Church Bldg. \$15,000, Parsonage \$8,000, Total Value of Property \$23,000.

UNION VALLEY, Weaverville, N.C.

PASTOR: Rev. Cay W. Tweed, Rt 1, Weaverville, N.C.

CLERK: Mrs. Douglas Bradley, Rt. 1, Weaverville, N.C.

W.A. Pres: Mary Bradley, Rt. 1, Weaverville, N.C.

S.S. Sup't: Douglas Bradley, Rt. 1, Weaverville, N.C.

Ordained Deacons 2, W.A. 12, Total Membership 70, Dismissed by letter 2, by death 4, S.S. Enrollment 35, No. of classes 4, Average attendance 26, Total offerings received \$1,160.63, Pastor's Salary \$874.74, Evangelist \$30.30, Literature \$24.66, Charity \$133.57, Property Improvements \$550, Home Missions \$30, Value of Church Bldg. \$4,550, Other \$1,000, Total value of property \$5,050.

WALNUT, Walnut, N.C.

PASTOR: Rev. Warren Reece, 220 Virginia Ave, Asheville, N.C.

CLERK: Patsy Lewis, 80 Overbrook Rd., Asheville, N.C.

S.S. Sup't: Kenneth Lewis, 80 Overbrook Rd., Asheville, N.C.

Pastor's salary \$1,200, Other salaries \$180, Church property Improvements \$155, Charity \$143, Retirement \$144, Home Missions \$141, Foreign Missions \$200, Other \$247.86, Value of Church bldg. \$20,000, Value of other property \$10,000.

ZEPHYR HILLS, Asheville, N.C.

PASTOR: Rev. Leon McBride, 283, Shelbourne Rd., Asheville, N.C.

CLERK: Ann Morgan, Rt. 2, Box 194, Candler, N.C. 28715

S.S. Sup't: Edward Randal, Rt. 8, Box 1274, Asheville, N.C.

Ordained Ministers 1, Deacons 2, Total membership 87, dismissed by letter 7, S.S. Enrollment 89, No. of Classes 11, Average attendance 64. Total offerings received \$13,267.08, Pastor's salary \$5,200., Other salaries \$375., Evangelist \$325, Literature \$273.22, Charity \$392.48, Property Improve- Evangelist \$325, Literature \$273.22, Charity \$392.48, Property Improvements \$311.09, N.C. State Assoc. \$25, B.R. Assoc. \$10, F.W.B. Bible College \$40, Home Missions \$64.33, Foreign Missions \$36.33, Others \$717.70, Value of Church Bldg. \$80,000, Parsonage \$20,000, Total value of property \$100,000.

ROCKY PASS, Marion, N.C.

PASTOR: Rev. Billy Allen, Rt. 1, Box 144, Nebo, N.C. 28761.

CLERK: Lucille Holland, Rt. 1, Box 46, Marion, N.C. 28752.

S.S. Sup't: Carl Hall, Rt. 1, Nebo, N.C.

C.T.S. Dir: Ken Gaddis

W.A. Pres: Lucille Holland

Ordained Ministers 1, Ordained Deacons 11, C.T.S. Enrollment 90, W.A. 10, Church membership 250, Received by statement 26, by letter 6, for baptism, 10, Total members received 31, S.S. Enrollment 200, No. of classes 16, average attendance 180, Total offerings received \$35,879.52, Pastor's salary \$5995, Other salaries \$1500, Evangelist \$275, Literature \$789.72, Charity \$837.39, Property improvements \$7,310.12, Other \$14,753.04, Total \$31,460.27. N.C. State Assoc. \$279.43, Blue Ridge Assoc. \$254.43, F.W.B. Bible College \$318.53, Home Missions \$647.56, Foreign Missions \$935, Childrens Home \$254.43, Home for the aged \$254.43, Total local expenditures \$31,460.27, Value of Church Bldg. \$110,000, Parsonage \$20,000, Other \$10,000, Total value of property \$140,000.

MINISTER'S REPORTS

Rev. Billy Allen: Churches Pastored 1, Revivals held 6, Conversions 100, Marriages 2, Communion and Footwashing Services 2, No. Baptisms 15, No. Funerals 6, Amount Rec'd for Pastorial Duties \$6,500, Amt. Rec't for Revivals \$800, Amt Rec't for other Ministerial Duties \$15.

Rev. Arthur Buchanan: No. of Revivals Conducted 1, No. of Funerals 1.

Rev. Gorman Burgin: No. of churches pastored 1, No. of revivals conducted 1, No. of conversions 4, No. of Baptisms 3, No. of marriages 1, No. of funerals 2, Amt rec't for Pastorial duties \$300, Amt Rec't for other Ministerial duties \$25.00.

Rev. James K. Childers: Churches Pastored 1, Revivals held 6, Conversions 67, Marriages 2, No. Baptisms 12, No. Funerals 6, No. Communion and Footwashing Services 1. Amt. Rec'd for Pastorial Duties \$3,070, Amt. Received for Revivals \$425.00.

Rev. James Coffey: No. Churches pastored 1, No. Communion and Footwashing Services 2, No. Marriages 3, No. Funerals 4, Amt. Rec'd for Revivals \$244.14. Amt. Rec'd for Pastorial Duties \$6,080.

Re. Lonnie G. Crawford: No. Churches pastored 1, No. Revivals conducted 2, No. of conversions 40, No. Communions and Footwashing Services 3, No. of Baptisms 10, No. Marriages 4, No. Funerals 3, Amt. Rec'd for Pastorial Duties \$286.00, Amt. Rec'd for Revivals \$30.00, AMT. Rec'd for other Ministerial Duties \$40.00.

Rev. Paul Daniel: No. Churches pastored 1, No. Revivals conducted 4, No. of Conversions 108, No. Communion and Footwashing Services 4, No. Baptisms 13, No. Marriages 2, No. Funerals 2, Received for Pastorial Duties \$5,200. Amt. Rec'd for Revivals \$509.

Rev. Larry Edwards: No. of Conversions 12, No. of Baptisms 15, No. Marriages 1, No. Funerals 2, Amt. Rec'd for other Ministerial Duties \$480.

Rev. Floyd C. Frisbee: No. Churches pastored 1, No. of conversions 5, No. Communion and Footwashing Services 2, No. Baptisms 4, No. Marriages 1, No. Funerals 1.

Rev. David C. Gentry: No. Churches pastored 1, No. Baptisms 1, No. Marriages 1, No. Funerals 2, Amt. Rec'd for Pastorial Duties \$500.

Rev. James C. Lynn, Sr: No. Churches pastored 1, No. Revivals conducted 4, No. of conversions 75, No. Communion and Footwashing Services 4, No. Baptisms 3, No. Marriages 4, No. Funerals 6, Amt. Rec'd for Pastorial Duties \$5200, Amt. Rec'd for Revivals \$550.

Rev. Daniel Hensley: No. Churches pastored 1, No. of Conversions 20, No. Communion and Footwashing services 1, No. of Baptisms 3, No. funerals 1, Amt. Rec'd for Pastorial duties \$5200.

Rev. Milton A. Hollifield: No. Churches Pastored 1, No. Revivals conducted 2, No. of conversions 80, No. Communion and Footwashing Services 2, No. Baptisms 17, No. Marriages 4, No. Funerals 16.

Rev. Larry D. Hughes: No. Churches pastored 1, No. Revivals conducted 1, No. of conversions 21, No. Baptisms 17, Amt. Rec'd for Pastorial Duties, \$2375.

Rev. Allen Jackson: No. Churches pastored 1, No. Revivals conducted 6, No. of conversions 40, No. Communion and Footwashing Services 1, No. Baptisms 0, No. Marriages 1, No. Funerals 6, Amt. Rec'd for Pastorial Duties \$7,317.

Rev. Elmer Keener: No. Churches pastored 1, No. Revivals conducted 0, No. of conversions 12, No. Communions and Footwashing Services 3, No. Baptisms 3, No. Funerals 1, Amt. Rec'd for Pastorial Duties \$2,764.21.

Rev. Leon McBride: No. Churches pastored 1, No. of conversions 6, No. Communion Services 4, No. Footwashing Services 1, No. Marriages 1, Amt. Rec'd for pastorial Duties \$5,200, Amt. Rec'd for other Ministerial duties \$20.00.

Rev. Garold Metcalf: No. Revivals conducted 1, No. of conversions 3, Amt. Rec'd for other ministerial duties \$25.00.

Rev. Ernest Messer: No. of conversions 2, No. Communions and Footwashing Services 2, No. Baptisms 4, Amt. Rec'd for Pastorial duties \$300.00.

Rev. John C. Moore: No. Churches pastored 1, No. of conversions 24, No. Communion and Footwashing Services 1, No. of Baptisms 24, Amt. Rec'd for pastorial duties \$2,389, Amt. Rec'd for Revivals \$10.00.

Rev. Jack Moses: No. of conversions 10, No. Funerals 1, Amt. Rec'd for other Ministerial duties \$225.00.

Rev. Bobby Parker: No. of Churches pastored 3, No. Revivals conducted 1, No. of conversions 18, No. Communion and footwashing services 4, No. Baptisms 12, No. Marriages 2, No. Funerals 3, Amt. Rec'd for Pastorial duties \$1,760, Amt. Rec'd for Revivals \$80, Amt. Rec'd for other Ministerial Duties \$40.00.

Rev. Willard Pless: No. Churches pastored 1, Supply pastor, No. Marriages 1, No. Funerals 1.

Rev. Warren M. Reece: No. Churches pastored 1, No. of conversions 1, No. Communion and Footwashing services 1, No. Baptisms 3, No. Marriages 1, Amt. Rec'd for Pastorial Duties \$1,200, Amt. Rec'd for other Ministerial duties \$144.00.

Rev. Ralph Reep: No. Churches pastored 1, No. of conversions 27, No. Baptisms 13, No. Funerals 2.

Rev. Ted Reynolds, No. of Churches pastored 1, No. Revivals conducted 2, No. of conversions 20, No. Communion and Footwashing Services 1, No. Baptisms 13, No. Marriages 2, No. Funerals 3, Amt. Rec'd for Pastorial Duties \$5,200, Amt. Rec'd for Revivals \$200, Amt. Rec'd for other Ministerial duties \$30.50.

Rev. Carl Roland: No. Churches pastored 1, No. Revivals conducted 5, No. conversions 53, No. Communion and Footwashing Services 1, No. Baptisms 27, No. Marriages 6, No. Funerals 11, Amt. Rec'd for Pastorial Duties, \$6,654.65, Amt. Rec'd for Revivals \$373., Amt. Rec'd for other Ministerial Duties \$30.00.

Rev. R.J. Rynolds: No. Churches Pastored 1, No. Revivals conducted 3, No. of conversions 80, No. Communion and Footwashing Services 3, No. Marriages 2, Amt. Rec'd for Pastorial Duties, \$5,800.

Rev. Jason Salyer No. Churches Pastored 1, No. Revivals conducted 2, No. of conversions 67, Communion and Footwashing Services 1, No. Baptisms 7, No. Marriages 2, No. Funerals 5.

Rev. Lattie Slagle: No. Churches pastored 1, No. Revivals Conducted 1, No. to conversions 12, No. Communion and Footwashing Services 2, No. Baptisms 1, Amt. Rec'd for Pastorial Duties \$2260, Amt. Rec'd for Revivals \$102, Amt. Rec'd for other Ministerial Duties \$40.

Rev. Troy W. Smith Jr. No. Churches pastored 1, No. Revivals conducted 1, No. of conversions 2, Amt. Rec'd for Pastorial Duties \$171.80, Amt. Received for Revivals \$120, Amt. Rec'd for other Ministerial Duties \$200.

Rev. Richard Swann: No. Churches pastored 1, No. Revivals conducted 1, No. Communion and Footwashing Services 3, No. Baptisms 2, No. Funerals 1, Amt. Rec'd for Pastorial Duties \$780, Amt. Rec'd for Revivals \$50.00.

Rev. Gay W. Tweed: No. Churches pastored 1, No. of conversions 9, No. Communion and Footwashing Services 3, No. Funerals 4, Amt. Rec'd

for pastoral duties \$874.74, Amt. Rec'd for other Ministerial Duties \$50.41.

Rev. James O. Waldrop: No. of conversions 3, No. Baptisms 9, No. Marriages 3, No. Funerals 4, Amt. Rec'd for other ministerial duties \$125.00.

Rev. William S. Vaughn: No. Churches pastored 1, No. Revivals conducted 2, No. of conversions 6, No. Communion and Footwashing Services 1, No. Baptisms 6, No. Marriage 3, No. Funerals 3, Amt. Rec'd for pastoral duties \$2,200, Amt. Rec'd for Revivals \$200.00.

BLUE RIDGE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

Annual meeting for the Year 1972 - 1973

Treasurer's Report - August, 1973

Amount in treasure - August 1972	\$ 498.55
Cash received for this year	2,208.84

Disbursements for this year:

Foreign Missions (Josephine Stevens support)	\$420.00
Rev. Leroy Forlines (expense to Association)	50.00
Rev. Gordon Johnson (Benevolent)	564.00
Victory Book Room (Bulletins)	9.36
Mrs. Lucille Holland (salary)	100.00
Mrs. Lucille Holland (expenses)	64.26
Sullins Printing Company (minutes)	338.00
Rev. Harold Pitts (expenses)	27.00
Lenoir Mission	50.00
Stilles Free Will Baptist Church (Benevolent)	100.00
Volena Wilson (Benevolent)	500.00
North Carolina State Association	25.00

Cash disbursed	1,733.62
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Cash on hand	783.32
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Cash in Student Loan Fund	\$ 533.64
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REPORT OF YOUTH CAMP

Director: Rev. Earl Bittle, 128 Reid Street, Lincolnton, N.C.

Treasurer: Mrs. Marie Wiggins, Route 1, Box 384-A, Marion, N.C.

Cash on hand - June 1, 1973

\$767.94.

RECEIPTS

Registration - 212 @ \$23.00 - - - - - \$4876.00
 8 @ 5.00 - - - - - 40.00

Total registration fee	4916.00
Canteen receipts	466.38
Refund on groceries	97.97
Refund on drinks and bottles	174.00
Donation (anonymous)	20.00

Total Cash Balance and Receipts **5442.29**

DISBURSEMENTS

Groceries	\$1278.10	Cooks	165.00
Camp Fees	2300.00	Evangelist	75.00
Mileage	231.31	Insurance	136.20
Canteen supplies	477.11	Other workers	30.00
Literature	77.95	Beaver Creek Assoc.	451.84

Total disbursements	\$5222.51
Balance of Cash on Hand	1219.78

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 1

WHEREAS, The need is great to establish Free Will Baptist Churches in cities of our area where we have no Free Will Baptist Witness, and,

WHEREAS, BRO. Jason Salyer has felt the burden to go to Shelby and begin a mission, and,

WHEREAS, It is our duty as an Association to support our brethren in the establishing of new Churches, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, That We pledge our support to Bro. Salyer in this work, both in prayers and finances, and,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we give \$100.00. at this session to this work at Shelby, and pledge to send \$50.00. per month in support of this mission for the coming year, and

BE IT RESOLVED, That We encourage Bro. Salyer in this work in our prayers and in every other way that we can be of service to him as he labors for the Lord in this endeavor.

RESOLUTION NO. 2.

WHEREAS, There is a need for the support of our State Work, and as an Association we are bound to lend our support to these matters as best we can, and

WHEREAS, Under the new plan the Free Will Baptist Witness will be sent into each home of each family, and,

WHEREAS, WE are aware of the fact that this cost money to pay for the expense of The witness, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we send \$100.00 to help defray the expenses of printing the Witness, and

BE IT RESOLVED, That we pledge our support and prayers for our State Work, and

BE IT RESOLVED, That we commend Bro. Creech for a job well done as our State Evangelist, especially in the promotion of our State work.

RESOLUTION NO. 3

WHEREAS, The Lord has richly blessed us in our sessions with wonderful preaching, singing, testimonies etc.

WHEREAS, The Lord has favored us with His presense in the Person of The Holy Spirit, for which we give Him all glory and praise, THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That we give God all the praise and glory that is due His great Name for His blessings on our work for His Kingdom on earth,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we give a rising vote of thanks for the fine work of our Moderator and officers for their work for the past year, and

RESOLVED, That we give a rising vote of thanks to the host Church and Pastor for the fine welcome given us here during our meetings, and,

RESOLVED, That we pledge our prayerful support to our new officers for the coming year, and that we pledge to serve a the coming year, and that we pledge to serve and pray for one another as we labor together to advance the cause of Christ, and win precious souls to Hom by His grace.

RESOLUTION NO. 4.

WHEREAS, The State Legislature has proposed a bill on "Liquor by the Drink", to be voted on in November.

WHEREAS, This being an off election year when most rural people will not go to the poles to vote.

BE IT RESOLVED that our preachers begin now to cry out against this Bill, and do everything possible to get our people to work in getting people out to vote against this evil, which has caused one of the greatest damnations to our country. If we fail, the fault will lie at the door of our churches. "Wine is a mocker, and strong drink is raging and whosoever is deceived by the propaganda of the liquor traffic is not wise".

Rev. Allen Jackson

Rev. Elmer Keener

Rev. T.A. Holder

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

WE YOUR EXECUTIVE BOARD DO RESPECTFULLY MAKE THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS:

I. We recommend that we reaffirm and adhere to the practice as set forth in our National Treatise with regards to members transferring from one Church to another: The article reads as follows:

In no case should an individual be received into membership if there remains any doubt as to the genuineness of his conversion and christian character. Persons expelled from any sister Churches, for example, should not be received into full membership without giving satisfaction to the Church from which they have been expelled.

(National Treatise Page 52, Section 7. Paragraph B).

We believe that in so doing we will encourage holy living among our members and promote better harmony and understanding among our Churches.

II. We recommend that we go on record as being in opposition to "Church Splits" that are brought about by disgruntled Church members and Preachers, and that our Executive Board investigate and examine fully any group petitioning for membership in this body, as to their doctrine, reasons for organizing, plans for building, etc. We further recommend that we do not receive any Church into this body that has not been set up as a duly organized Free Will Baptist Church according to the practices of Free Will Baptists as set forth in our National Treatise, (National Treatise Page 48, Section 3). and that we will not recognize such groups as being a true Free Will Baptist Church. Any minister reported to be engaged in "Church Splitting" and "proselyting" should be investigated, admonished and if found guilty by this body, be dismissed from our fellowship, having his credentials, suspended: Until he repents and ceases from such activities.

III. That we go on record as being in favor of the Co-operative plan of supports and encourage our churches to do the same.

REPORT OF ORDAINING COUNCIL

Recommendations of Ordaining Council:

1. That Steve Lytle from the Swannanoa F.W. B. Church be issued License to preach.
2. That License to preach be continued for one year, for Ronnie M. Smith, a member of the Swannanoa F.W.B. Church.
3. That Rev. Howard Messer be received under the watch-care of the Blue Ridge Assoc. pending a letter of recommendation from the South Georgia Assoc. Rev. Messer is now serving as pastor of the Burgin's Chapel F.W.B. Church.
4. That Rev. Roy Shehan be received into full fellowship of the Blue Ridge Assoc. Rev. Shehan is now serving as Pastor of Nowlings Chapel F.W.B. Church.

5. That Rev. Carl Cook a former minister of the Southern Baptist Con, now a member and pastor of the Holly Grover F.W. B. Church, surrender a copy of his Ordination Certificate of Ordination from the Blue Ridge Assoc.
6. That Rev. Troy W. Smith be Ordained to preach the Gospel. He has been called as Pastor of the Fairview Free Will Baptist Church.
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7. That Rev. Frank Cantrell be received into full fellowship of the Blue Ridge Assoc.
8. That License to Preach be continued for one year, for Garold Metcalf.
9. That we receive the Salem Free Will Baptist Church under the watch care of the Blue Ridge Assoc. until the next quarterly meeting.

Respectfully Submitted:

Rev. James C. Lynn, Sr.

Rev. James Childers, Sr.

Rev. Milton Hollifield, Proxy for Rev. John Moore who was ill.

Rev. Floyd Frisbee, Proxy for Rev. Daniel Hensley

REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

We, the Credentials Committee and Finance Committee have examined letters from 29 Churches and found them in order. 45 Ministers registered.

Church Letters - - - - -	29
Money received with letters - - - - -	\$959.27
Ministers reporting - - - - -	45
Money received from Ministers - - - - -	\$54.
Offering for Rufus Cofey - - - - -	\$200.
Registered Delegates - - - - -	75
Registered Vistors - - - - -	50
Registered Deacons - - - - -	18

Churches with No Delegates listed

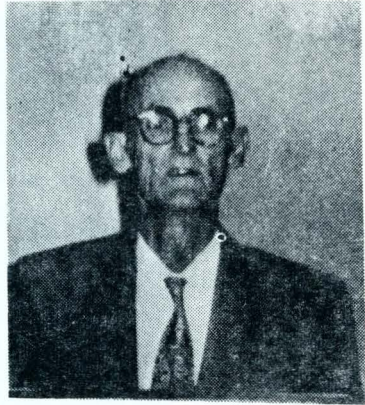
Walnut

Old Fort First

Marion First

Avery's Creek

THIS OBITUARY FOR THE
REV. ELISHA L. BEACHBOARD AT HIS
FUNERAL SERVICES AT ROCKY PASS
FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH,
MARION, N.C. BY THE
REV. BILLY ALLEN (PASTOR)
ON JUNE 28, 1973.



(SCRIPTURE READING: JOB: 14:1-15)

The Rev. Elisha L. Beachboard was born on July 22, 1892, and departed this vale of tears on June 26, 1973. Going home to be with the Lord. Bro Beachboard was called with an Heavenly calling to preach the glorious Gospel of our Blessed Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. He gave himself and dedicated his life to this task, and despite the hardships brought about by the opposition of satan, he preached with great love and compassion for sixty years the unsearchable riches of Christ. Like the prophet Elisha of old whose name he bore, he loved righteousness and hated evil, enduring hardships, a good soldier of Jesus Christ, paving the way for others, faithful unto death.

He was greatly used of the Lord in the organization of a number of Churches. Having pastored several Churches in this area, Caroleen Church, First Church, of Black Mtn., First Church of Marion, Rocky Pass and Fairview Church, as will be in Heaven because of the ministry of this humble servant of God. He has now gone to be with the Lord, to receive the "Crown of Glory that fadeth not away" (1 Peter: 5:4.)

He leaves behind his wife, two sons, four daughters, eleven grandchildren, and two great great grandchildren. He also leaves behind a host of friends that cannot be numbered. We mourn his passing, rejoice his victory, praise God for his ministry. Looking for that great reunion day, when we shall all be gathered on shores of great deliverance to be forever with the one who loved us and washed us from our sins in his own precious blood, bearing in his own body our sins upon a tree, to him be glory, honor and praise forever, Amen.

Written with Loving memory of our Brother in Christ, with prayers for grace to sustain us and his family until we meet again.

In Jesus name,

Rev. Billy Allen
(Heb: 4:15 - 16)



In Memory of the Rev. Milton Burton Duncan: Rev. Burton Duncan was born June 5, 1909. He died February 20, 1973 at the age of 63 years, 7 mos. and 27 days.

He was survived by his wife, Mrs. Ruth Randolph Duncan; 4 sons, Phillip, Joe, Billie Ray, and Gilliard; 4 daughters, Mrs. Charles Rumpfelt, Mrs. Junior Presnell, Mrs. Timothy Biddix, and Mrs. Manuel Biddix; 2 step-daughters, Mrs. J. D. Buckner and Miss Beverly Randolph; 6 brothers, Harry, Howard, Ray, I. D., Clarence, and Ralph Duncan; 5 sisters, Mrs. Hilliard Ward, Mrs. Vance Stafford, Mrs. Sam Stafford, Mrs. Homer Epley, and Mrs. Harold Soloman; 20 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren.

Services were held at Fairview Free Will Baptist Church, Friday, February 23, 1973 at 3 p.m.

BLUE RIDGE ASSOCIATION

CONSTITUTION AND BY LAWS

of the

BLUE RIDGE ASSOCIATION

of

NORTH CAROLINA

Affiliated With

National Association of Free Will Baptists

Article 1

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

Article 2

1. The purpose of this Association shall be: To promote unity, fraternity, fellowship, and co-operation; to encourage and engage in larger Christian enterprises which cannot be carried on by a single church; and 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 National Association.

2. This Association shall encourage a sound ministry, which presents 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 3

This Association shall be composed of all ordained Ministers, Deacons, and Delegates chosen and sent by each church in its bounds, who are duly recommended by the church to which they belong. Each church shall be entitled to at least (6) six delegates.

Article 4

1. This Association disclaims the right to exercise lordship over the Churches, or to have any power which would entitle it to infringe upon the internal affairs or rights of any of the churches of which it is composed. 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 process.

2. An accused church shall have the same right as an individual in the church, namely: Specific charges must be presented in writing; a fair opportunity shall be given for defense; and the accused shall be considered innocent until proven guilty.

3. This Association may withdraw from any church which becomes disorderly, or refuses to be represented by letter or delegates.

Article 5

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

Article 6

1. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, and Treasurer, who shall be elected for a term of two years, entering upon their said duties of said offices at the close of the current session. A Historian shall be elected for an indefinite period.

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 and accurate record of the proceedings of the Association in a business-like manner; to superintend the printing of the minutes and the distribution of same; and to give over all properties belonging to his or her office to his or her duly elected successor. The Clerk shall be paid a fee of \$100.00 for services rendered—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 by 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, and to preserve the same in a book. He or she shall keep a file of the minutes. All materials and property shall be given to his or her duly elected successor in office.
8. **PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION. Article 8.** This association shall elect a Home Mission Board consisting of three members for rotating terms as follows. One for one year, one for two years, and one for three years. The purpose of this Board will be to work in communication with our state and National boards in establishing new churches in this area. This Board shall have the authority to act independent of these Boards if it finds it necessary to do so. This Board shall report it's work to the annual Association and it's action shall be subject to the approval of the Association in session.

Article 7

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 appointed time.

Article 8

A Youth Director shall be elected annually. This Director shall be responsible for promoting youth work in the Association, in co-operation with the Church Training Service.

Article 9

The Executive Board of this Association shall consist of the Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and three (3) members elected from the floor annually. 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 office, shall be Chairman and Secretary, respectively, of the Board. Five members of the Executive Board shall constitute a quorum.

Article 10

1. This Association shall maintain an Ordaining Council elected from the ordained authority, preferably ministers, five (5) in number, whose tenure of office shall be from one (1) to five (5) years. The Association shall elect annually to supply the vacancies as they occur.

2. The Ordaining Council shall act as an Advisory Council and an investigating committee, under the authority and recommendations of the local Church in this Association, issuing license, prescribing qualifications for the Ministry, conducting examinations, and ordaining Ministers, and at all times working for the most harmonious and effective ministry. The local church should use close scrutiny in recommending anyone for license, and the Church should be thoroughly convinced of the candidate's calling and moral integrity. He shall preach under license until he is called to pastor or to full time Christian Service requiring ordination.

3. This Association deems it necessary for the protection of the gospel not to accept anyone as a minister who has two living wives. Each minister must maintain a Christian character, and clean habits, and shall not have a tolerant attitude toward liberalism, modernism, communism, Catholicism, etc.

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

Article 11

1. Any church seeking membership in this Association shall furnish evidence that there is a deed, or record, made to the Trustee of said Free Will Baptist Church and their successors in office.

Article 12

This Association shall have a quarterly meeting on the first Saturday of each quarter after the annual meeting for the furtherance of every phase of work of the Association. Each minister shall report in person or by letter at each meeting with a donation of \$1.00, and shall submit a report at each annual meeting.

Article 13

This Association deems the Treatise of the Faith and Practice of the Original Free Will Baptists as adopted by the National Association of Free Will Baptists as its rule of faith and practice.

Article 14

This Association shall be governed by the rules laid down in Robert's or Hasting's Rules of Order.

Article 15

The Blue Ridge District Womens Auxiliary recommends to the Association that their annual meeting be changed from the second week in August, to the first week in August. This is due to the fact that a Missionary speaker cannot be obtained, because of Missionary retreat in Nashville on same date as Association.

Article 16

This Association recommends that each church pay one percent (1 percent) of their income for the support of this Association, either monthly or quarterly.

Article 17

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of those present at any annual meeting of this Association.

BLUE RIDGE ASSOCIATION

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE 1 - This Association shall be opened and closed with suitable devotions.

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

ARTICLE 3 - Every person wishing to speak shall first arise and address the Moderator, and be recognized before speaking.

ARTICLE 4 - No member shall interrupt another while speaking.

ARTICLE 5 - Every member speaking shall attend the subject under consideration.

ARTICLE 6 - No member shall speak on any one subject more than twice, except by permission of the Moderator.

ARTICLE 7 - Every motion made and seconded shall be acted upon unless withdrawn by the person who made it.

ARTICLE 8 - A motion before the house must be acted upon before another motion can be made.

ARTICLE 9 - On all motions acted upon, the majority vote shall prevail.

ARTICLE 10 - The Moderator shall have the privilege to speak on any subject as any other member, provided the chair is filled.

ARTICLE 11 - This Association shall admit no other title while in session but that of Brother or Sister.

ARTICLE 12 - No member shall absent himself from the body without the permission of the Moderator.

ARTICLE 13 - Any person transgressing these By-Laws shall be admonished by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 14 - No less than twenty (20) members shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE 15 - An offering shall be received at the annual meeting as is necessary. The necessity will be determined by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 16 - These By-Laws may be amended at any regular annual meeting by a two-thirds vote of those present.

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. I 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, gave also unto her husband with her, and he did eat." (Genesis 3:6).

A. **FREE GRACE:** We believe that 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." (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 repeated of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death." (2 Corinthians 7:9-10):

7. **FREE GRACE:** 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 Scripture. "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. PERSEVERENCE: 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 8:62).

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 pleasant 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 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 Savior as a commemorative ordinance, that it was instituted 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." (I Corinthians 11:28-29).

12. FEET WASHING: We believe that washing the saints' feet was a command of our Savior 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 live of the gospel." (I Corinthians 9:14).

CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God, by faith in Christ, and adopted the Word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in 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 amusement 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 Savior Jesus Christ."

We shall 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 to 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.

