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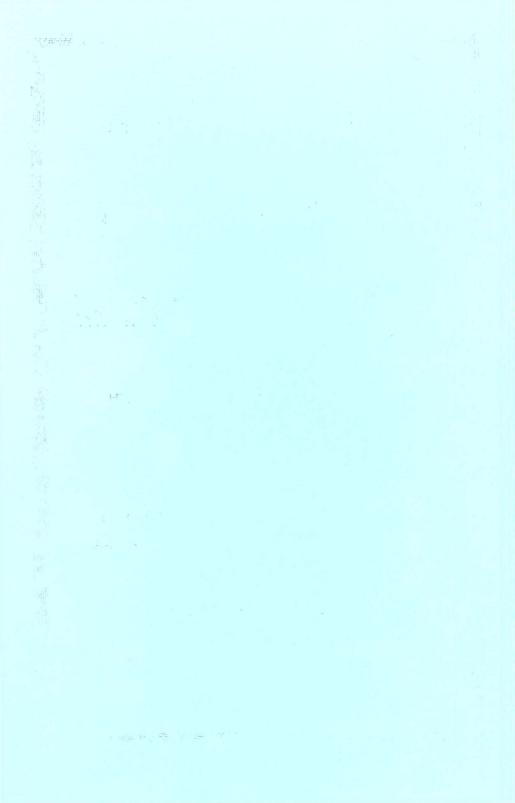
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Rev. James C. Lynn, Rev. Elmer Keener, Bro. Cline Messer.

#### ORDAINING COUNCIL

Rev. James Childers 1977 (Chair.), Rev. Jason Salyer, 1976, Rev. Jack Moses 1977, Rev. Larry Hughes 1978, Rev. Jerry Williams.

#### NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Rev. W.S. Vaughn, (Chair.), Rev. Harold O'Dear, Rev. Gorden Walker.

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Rev. Howard Messer (Chair.), Rev. Ted Reynolds, Mrs. Grace Stafford, Rev. Billy Allen, Rev. Allen Jackson, Rev. Milton Hollifield.

#### CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Rev. Carl Roland (Chair.), Rev. Elmer Keener, Rev. Joe Helms.

#### YOUTH DIRECTOR

Rev. Ronnie Smith (Director), Rev. Larry Hughes, (Assistant), Rev. Larry Edwards,

#### YOUTH CAMP DIRECTOR

Rev. Jerry Williams (Director), Rev. Howard Messer, (Assistant), Rev. Roy Shehan, (Sec. & Treas.), Rev. Jason Salyer, (Assistant).

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#### ASSOCIATIONAL CHURCHES AND PASTORS

Asheville	_Asheville, N.C	Rev. Thomas Parrish
Avery's Creek	_Arden, N.C	Rev. R.J. Swann
Beaverdam	_Candler, N.C	Rev. Clifford Shetley
Bethel	_Marion, N.C	Rev. R.J. Reynolds
Burgins Chapel	Blk. Mtn., N.C	Rev. Howard Messer
Calvary	_Swannanoa, N.C	Rev. Frank Cantrel
Canton	_Canton, N.C	Rev. Larry Hughes
Cedar Hill	_W. Asheville, N.C	Rev. J.C. Lynn, Sr.
		Rev. Winfred Roland
East Fork	_Mars Hill, N.C	Rev. Garold Metcalf
Fairview	_Marion, N.C	Rev. Lester Hughes
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
Harriett Memorial	Caroleen, N.C	Rev. Ted Reynolds
Holly Grove	_Waynesville, N.C	Rev. Carl Cook
Meadow Fork	Hot Springs, N.C.	
Morganton	_Morganton, N.C	Rev. Paul Butler
Mt. Bethel	_Weaverville, N.C	Rev. Robert Ballard
		Rev. Bobby Parker
Nowland Chapel	_Morganton, N.C	Rev. Roy Sheehan
		Rev. Lattie Slagle
Pisgah	Canton, N.C.	
		Rev. James Coffey
Rocky Pass	_Marion, N.C	Rev. Billy Allen
Salem	_Old Fort, N.C	Rev. Joe Helms
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. Jeff Capps
Walnut	_Walnut, N.C	Rev. Warren Reece
Zephyr Hills	_Asheville, N.C	Rev. Jerry Williams

#### CHURCH DELEGATES

Asheville — Mrs. Walter Haynes, Mrs. Victoria Metcalf, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Waldrop, Mrs. Alvia Wallace.

Avery Creek — L. E. Coy.

Beaverdam — Bernard Warren.

Bethel — Mr. Charles Braswell, Mrs. Marilla Braswell, Mrs. Lillian Maney, Mrs. Alîce Reynolds, Mrs. Barbara Medford, Mr. and Mrs. James Seagle, Gene Medford.

Calvary — Ralph Robertson, Mrs. Paul Gragg, Mrs. Janice Helton. Clayton Ave. — Mrs. J.M. Warren, Mrs. Clyde Redden.

East Ford — Mrs. Joyce Metcalf, Mrs. Oleta Metcalf, Mrs. Willie Adams, Joe Adams.

Fairview — Mrs. Grace Stafford, Mrs. Mae Miller, Howard Toney. First Blk. Mtn. — Carl Pruett.

First Lenoir — Mr. & Mrs. Bob Cable.

First Marion — David Wheeler, Mrs. Paul Finley.

First Spruce Pine — Mrs. Evelyn Ollis, Angie Ollis, Mrs. Lynn Hughes, Johnnie Chandler, Elizabeth Chandler, Anita Buchanan, Authur Buchanan.

Holly Grove — Brenda Barnes.

Morganton — Mrs. Etta Butler, Ann Thompson.

Mt. Bethel — Glenn Phillips, Mrs. Bill Edwards.

Old Fort — Mrs. Lattie Slagel.

Robertson Creek — Mrs. James Coffey, Mr. & Mrs. Freelin Causby, Mrs. Carl Cook.

Rocky Pass — Gwendolyn Allen, Nell Guffey.

Salem — Donald Justice.

Shelby — Danny McLead, Charles Nalley.

Swannanoa — Charles Davis, Dock Hartman, Mack Pate, R. V. Thomas, Jerry Chopnee.

Sweeten Creek — Boyd Early.

Trinity Hill — Mrs. Jerry Helms, Marvese Benge, Solomon Horney, Deana Benge.

Union Valley — Mrs. Douglas Bradley.

Walnut — Mrs. Puumer Cody.

Zepher Hills — Mrs. Mary Randall.

#### MINISTERS WHO REGISTERED

Jerry Williams, Clifford Shetly, Charles Ownsby, Lattie Slagel, James Coffey Carl Cook, Gorman Burgin, Wayne Miller, Elmer Keener, Harold O'Dear, R.J. Reynolds, T.A. Holder, Arthur Buchanan, Gordon Walker, Calvin Grogan, Allen Jackson, Billy Allen, Ted Reynolds, Garland Greene, Howard Messer, Larry Hughes, Frank Cantrell, Ray Thomas, Ronnie Smith, Steve Lytle, Billy Baughn, Richard Swann, Elmer Edwards, Lonnie Crawford, Jack Moses, Paul Butler, Bobby Parker, Pat Buchanan, Garold Metcalf, Carl Roland, Leon McBride, Joe Helms, Wade Parker, Haskel Davis, Milton Hollifield, Thomas Parrish, J.C. Lynn, Warren Reece, John Moore, Robert Ballard, Elmer Hensley, Willard Pless, Elisha Fish, Winfred Roland, Bob Cable, Lee Roy Walker, Richard Swann, David Hensley, Ronald Creech, Jason Slayer, Roy Sheehan.

#### DEACONS WHO REGISTERED

Mack Bartlett, James Marlowe, Robert Parker, Hoyt Barnes, Roy Smith, Plumer Cody, W.B. Edwards, Jerry Lewis, Clarence Parker, Paul Finley, Paul McKinney.

#### VISITORS WHO REGISTERED

Mrs. Jerry Williams, Mrs. Elmer Keener, Rev. Lester Hughes, Douglas Crocher, Harry Scruggs.

# MINUTES OF 1ST QUARTERLY MEETING OF BLUE RIDGE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST UNION VALLEY F.W.B. CHURCH WEAVERVILLE, N.C.

Congregational Singing — Led by Bro. J.C. Lynn.

Morning Devotion — Bro. Wayne Miller Eph. 2:1-10.

Welcome by Host Pastor — Rev. Jeff Capps.

Response by — Rev. Ronnie Smith.

Special Tribute to Bro. T.W. Smith Sr. who deceased Monday.

Roll call of churches and recognition of visitors.

Rev. Ronald Creech gave a report on our state work and urged all churches to help our state work.

M.S.C. to receive offering for the state work, \$68,41.

#### **BUSINESS SESSION**

M.S.C. to accept Rev. R.J. Reynolds back into full fellowship with our Assoc., he is the Pastor of the Bethel F.W.B. Church.
M.S.C. to retain the amount in the Blue Ridge Assoc., in said treasurer until project begans on property given by the Keeners.
M.S.C. The Ordaning Council will meet on Saturday before the Assoc. Meeting.

#### WORSHIP SERVICE

Congregational Singing led by Bro. Bobby Parker. Morning message Rev. Lattie Slagle Pastor of Old Fort Church M.S.C. to give offering to Bro. Ronald Creech as a Christmas Bonus M.S.C. to adjourn.

# 2ND QUARTERLY MEETING of the BLUE RIDGE ASSOCIATION at the WALNUT F.W.B. CHURCH

Rev. Billy Allen — Moderator Date — February 1, 1975

Opened with Congregational Singing — led by Bro. J.C. Lynn.

Morning Devotion: Bro. Luther Hart James 4:17 "Therefore to him

that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin."

Welcome: Host Pastor Rev. Warren Reece.

Roll Call of Churches and Ministers, Recognition of Visitors.

#### BUSINESS SESSION

Treasurer's report M.S.C. to accept report.

Bro. Jerry Williams gave report on progress of the summer camp. Bro. Larry Hughes gave report from N.C. State Mission program. (The work in Siler City and the new work in Washington, N.C., hope for future work to open in the Forest city area.

Ordaining Council report given by Bro. John C. Moore.

M.S.C. to adopt report.

Bro. Ronnie Smith and Bro. Steve Lytle be ordain in a joint service April 26, 1975.

Bro. Earl Davis and Bro. Wade C. Parker be license.

Bro. Julias Hall will be granted a letter to the Central Assoc., of S.C.

Report from Rest Home Board given by Bro. J.C. Lynn.

A letter read from Bro. John Moore to divide in two separate Quarterly Meetings, will be further discussed at the annual meeting. (West-18 — East-14)

M.S.C. to adjourn from business, to recess

#### WORSHIP SERVICE

Singing led by Bro. J.C. Lynn.

Rev. James Childers presiding over testimony service and opened Worship Service.

Morning Message by Rev. Larry Hughes from Canton F.W.B. Church.

#### MINUTES OF THE 22ND ANNUAL SESSION OF THE BLUE RIDGE ASSOCIATION ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTIST

When covened with the Zephyr Hills Free Will Baptist Church, Asheville, N.C. May 2, 3, 1975.

Friday Morning Session, May 2, 1975.

The Friday Morning Session opened with Rev. R.J. Reynolds leading the congregational singing. The Morning Devotions was given by Rev. Carl Roland, his theme was taken from 1 Cor. 2:2.

Welcome by the Host Pastor Rev. Jerry Williams.

Response — Rev. Milton Hollifield.

Roll call of Churches and Ministers. 23 churches reporting, 41, ministers reporting.

Rev. Billy Allen appointed the following committees:

Credentials Committee: Rev. Carl Roland (Chair.), Rev. Elmer Keener, Rev. Joe Helms.

Resolutions Committee: Rev. Frank Cantrell, (Chair.), Rev. Larry Hughes, Rev. T. A. Holder.

Nomination Committee: Rev. W. S. Vaughn (Chair.), Rev. Harold O'Dear, Rev. Gordon Walker.

Business Session: M.S.C. A motion to have an East and West Quarterly Meeting yet still remaining one Association. Motion table until Saturday Session.

Report on Youth Camp by Rev. Jerry Williams. M.S.C. to dissmiss for recess.

Call to worship: Rev. Billy Allen.

Morning offering was received fro the Shelby, N.C. Mission \$43.15. Morning Message — Rev. Carl Cook, Pastor of Holly Grove Church. Using James 5:16-20.

Dismissed from Worship and blessings upon the Noon meal by Rev. Milton Hollifield.

#### Friday Afternoon:

Open with Devotion given by Rev. Howard Messer, from Matt. 7:7. Report on the Rest Home by Rev. J.C. Lynn.

Friday Night Service.

Special Youth Service led by Rev. Ronnie Smith at the Swannanoa Church which was in Youth Revival with Rev. Steve Lytle.

May 3, 1975 Saturday Morning Session.

Service opened with congregational singing led by Rev. R.J. Reynolds.

Devotion — Rev. Bobby Ballard.

Report of Credential Committee — Rev. Carl Roland.

Report of Ordaining Council — Rev. Milton Hollifield.

M.S.C. to accept report in its entirety.

M.S.C. A motion to appoint a committee to study our By-Laws governing Ministers who are members of our Assoc., but are pastoring churches not belonging to the Blue Ridge Association. (To report at next meeting) Rev. Milton Hollifield (Chair.), Rev. Ted Reynolds, John Moore.

Report from the Resolution committee, Rev. Frank Cantrel M.S.C. to adopt report.

Report from Rev. Ronald Creech on the state work.

Report from the Shelby Mission, Rev. Jason Salyer.

M.S.C. to continue Assoc. support to Shelby Mission of \$70.00 per month for one year.

Report from Rev. J.C. Lynn concerning Rest Home.

Report from Rev. Jerry Williams on "Youth Camp" which is to be in Hendersonville, N.C. Aug. 3-9.

Report from Rev. Larry Hughes on State Missing Board.

Report from Rev. Tom Parrish, Calvary F.W.B. Church on May 25th Service Men's day.

M.S.C to adopt treasurer's report.

M.S.C. to accept Nominating Committees report.

M.S.C to move from table a motion concerning an East and West Quarterly Meeting, yet still remaining one Association.

Sub-Motion to vote yes or no as to the Assoc. dividing. No's carried.

#### STATISTICS OF CHURCHES

ASHEVILLE, Asheville, N.C.

Pastor: Rev. Thomas M. Parrish 123 Castlerock Drive, Asheville, N.C. 28806. Clerk: Mrs. Victoria Metcalf Rt. 1, Dogwood Road, Weaverville, N.C. S. S. Sup't: Marion Waldrop Old Weaverville Highway, Asheville, N.C. Deacon Board Chair: James Marlowe 75 Tremont St., Asheville, N.C. Church Membership 63, No. Baptisms 3, No. Lost 1, S. S. Enrollment 50, Average Attendance 45, Total Offerings Received \$4324.21, Pastor Salary \$780.00, For Remodeling \$1097.00, Home Missions \$70.08, Home for Aged \$200.00, Total Outside Expenditures \$308.85, Grand Total Expenditoures \$3771.74, Value of Church Property \$80,000.00.

Avery's Creek. Arden, N.C.

Pastor: Rev. Richard J. Swann Sr. 84 Rosman Hwy. Bevard, N.C. Clerk: Miss Carolyn Swann Mildred Apts., No. 4 W. Asheville, N.C. S. S. Sup't: Kenneth Hensley, Rt. 1 Box 165-K, Arden, N.C. Church Membership 38, No. Received 5, No. Lost 1, Average S. S. Attendance 35, Total Offerings Received \$3519.44, Pastor Salary \$720.00, Foreign Missions \$97.00, Home Missions \$97.00, F.W.B. Childrens Home \$97.00, Blue Ridge Association \$24.00, Total Outside Expenditures \$73.00, Total Expenditures \$3125.76.

BEAVERDAM, Chandler, N.C.

Pastor: Clifford Shetley, Rt. 5 Box 152, Marshal, N.C. Clerk: Gene DeVore, Rt. 2, Box 535, Candler, N.C. S. S. Sup't: Watson Gasperson, Rt. 2, Candler, N.C. C.T.S. Director: Herman Rhinehart Rt. 2, Candler, N.C. W. A. President: Annie Smith, Rt. 2, Candler, N.C. Church Membership 34, N. Baptisms, 4, Members Received 8, N. Lost 10, Total Value of Church Property \$160,000.00

BETHEL, Marion, N.C.

Pastor: Rev. R. J. Reynolds, P.O. Box 1061, Marion, N.C. Clerk: Mrs. Bettty Turner, Rt. 2, Nebo, N.C. S. S. Sup't: Jackie Turner 661 Miller St. Ext., Marion, N.C. G.T.S. Director: Rev. R. J. Reynolds, P. O. Box 1061, Marion, N.C. Deacon Board Chair. Lewis Roland, Rt. 1, Nebo, N.C. Church Membership 326, No. Baptisms 4, Members Received 17, No. Lost 7. Pastor Salary \$7280.00, For Remodeling \$1500.00, Foreign Missions \$471.00, Other Causes \$250.00, Blue Ridge Association \$190.00, Value of Church Parsonage \$15,000.00.

BURGIN CHAPEL, Black Mountain, N.C.

Pastor: Rev. Howard Messer, Rt. 1, Box 416-B, Blk. Mtn., N.C. Clerk: Mrs. Oval Shook, 135 Fountain Way, Swannanoa, N.C. S. S. Sup't: Ronnie McAbee, 129 Scenic View Dr., Swannanoa, N.C. C.T.S. Director: Lewis Melton, Rt. 1, Old Toll Rd., Blk. Mtn., N.C. W.A. President: Mary Gregary, P. O. Box 1133, Blk. Mtn., N.C. Deacon Board Chair.: Oval Shook, 135 Fountain Way, Swannanoa, N.C. Church Membership 135, NO. Baptisms 5, Members Received 14, N. Lost 20, Average S. S. Attendance 150, Total Income \$21788.72, Pastor Salary \$7319.58, Other Salaries \$480.00, For Remodeling \$2364.02, Home Missions \$111.19, Total Expenditures \$19,720.00.

CALVARY, Swannanoa, N.C.

Pastor: Rev. Frank Cantrell, 316 Melody Circle, Swannanoa, N.C. Clerk: Mrs. Ralph Robertson, Rt. 1, Box 179, Swannanoa, N.C. S. S. Sup't: David Ray, Rt. 1, Box 336, Swannanoa, N.C. W. A. President: Mrs. Ralph Robertson, Rt. 1, Box 179, Swannanoa, N.C. Master's Men President: Paul Gragg, 101 North Cotton Ave., Blk. Mtn., N.C. Church Membership 216, Members added 44, No. Lost 7, No. Baptisms 9, Average S. S. Attendance 142, Total Income \$37,013.00, Pastor Salary \$7910.00, Other Salaries \$1980.00, Foreign Missions \$1760.00, Home Missions \$1402.00, Bible College \$704.00, Total Spent for Outside Causes \$4824.00, Total Spent for Local Causes \$32448.00, Total Value of Church Property \$140,000.00.

CANTON, Canton, N.C.

Pastor Rev. Larry Hughes, P. O. Box 1346, Canton, N.C. Clerk: Mrs. Helen Hamlett, 26 Flint St., Canton, N.C. S. S. Sup't: Bruce Sutton, 190 Academy St., Canton, N.C. C.T.S. Director: Eugene Milner, Rt. 4, Box 327, Canton, N.C. W. A. President; Mrs. Marcia Dope, 119 Allen Farm Road, Canton, N.C. Master's Men President: Hugh Pless, 96 Holtzclaw St., Canton, N.C. Deacon Board Chair.: Collie Clark, P. O. Box 116, Clyde, N.C. Church Membership 300, No. Baptisms 5, Members Added 5, No. Lost 1, Average S. S. Attendance 154, Total Income \$29,656.00, Pastor Salary \$7133.00, Other Salaries \$951.00, Foreign Missions \$2239.00, Home Missions \$1062.00, Bible College \$3298.00, C. T. S. \$47.00, Childrens Home \$280.00, Total Outside Causes \$7181.00, Total Local Expenditures \$21,391.00, Total Value of all Church Property \$115,000.00.

CLAYTON AVE., Asheville, N.C.

Pastor: Rev. Winfred Roland, 106 Young St., Swannanoa, N.C. Clark: Mrs. J. M. Warren, 77 Hansel Ave., Asheville, N.C. S. S. Sup't: :Herbert Smith, 18 Hansel Ave., Asheville N.C. Church Membership 45, No. Baptisms 4, No. Members Added 2, N. Lost 6, Pastor Salary \$3000.00, Value of Church Property \$35,000.00

EAST FORK, Mars Hill, N.C.

Pastor: Rev. Garold Metcalf, Rt. 2, Box 87, Mars Hill, N.C. S. S. Sup't: Richard Bailey, Rt. 2, Mars Hill, N.C. Church Membership 51, No. of Baptisms 4, Members added, Average S. S. Attendance 45, Pastor Salary \$300.00, Property Improvement \$1000.00, Social Charity \$200.00, Total Expenditures \$1520.00, Value of all Church Property \$8000.00.

FAIRVIEW, Marion, N.C.

Pastor: Troy Smith, Rt. 1, Box 390-B, Marion, N.C. Clerk: Mrs. Mae Miller, Rt. 1, Box 403 Marion, N.C. S.S. Sup't: Howard Toney, Rt. 1, Nebo, N.C. C.T.S. Director: Wayne Miller, Rt. 1, Box 403,

Marion, N.C. W.A. President: Mrs. Mae Miller, Rt. 1, Box 403, Marion, N.C. Master's Men President: Ned Hollifield, Rt. 1, Nebo, N.C. Deacon Board Chair.: Earl Davis, Rt. 1, Marion, N.C. Church Membership 85, Members Added 2, No. Lost 5, Average S. S. Attendance 104, Total Income \$29,251.00, Pastor Salary \$6853.00, Other Salaries \$1040.00, Total Local Expenditures \$16,263.80, foreign Missions \$919.08, Home Missions \$2602.23, Bible College \$300.00, Total Spent for Outside Causes \$4041.31, Total Value of all Church Property \$130,000.00.

FIRST, Blk. Mtn., N.C.

Pastor: Rev. W. S. Vaughn, P.O. Box 117, Old Fort, N.C. CLerk: Mrs. Myrtle Massey, Box 133, Sunrise Terrace, Blk. Mtn., N.C. S. S. Sup't: Nelson Massey, Box 133, Sunrise Terrace, Blk. Mtn., N.C. Church Membership 46, No. Baptisms 5, No. Added 2, Bible College \$45.00, Total Value of all Church Property \$35,000.00.

FIRST, Lenoir, N.C.

Pastor: Rev. James K. Childers, 1304 Lenwell St., Lenoir, N.C. Clerk: Mrs. Louis Haney, Rt. 11, Box 289, Lenoir, N.C. S. S. Sup't: C. R. McMillan, 318 Redcliff Dr., Lenoir, N.C. W.A. President: Mrs. Dakota McMillan, Rt. 6, Box 305, Lenoir, N.C. Church Membership 100, No. Baptisms 9, No. Added 7, No. Lost 13, Average S. S. Attendance 85, Total Income \$14,509.67, Pstor Salary \$6240.00, Other Salaries Attendance 85, Total Income \$14,509.67, Pastor Salary \$6240.00, Other Salaries \$180.00, Total Expenditures \$10,918.62, Total value of all church property \$75,000.00.

FIRST, Marion, N.C.

Pastor: Rev. Allen Jackson, 250 Baldwin Ave. Marion, N.C. Clerk: Joseph Loftis, Rt. 6, Box 362, Marion, N.C. S. S. Sup't: Wade Fox, Rt. 1, Box 307, Marion, N.C. C.T.S. Director: Joseph Loftis, Rt. 6, Box 362, Marion, N.C. W. A. President: Martha Taylor, 725 Morris St., Marion, N.C. Church Membership 142, Members added 3, No. Baptisms 1, No. Lost 7, Average S. S. Attendance 150, Total Income \$17,000.00, Pastor Salary \$7800.00, Other Salaries \$6,000.00, Total local expenditures \$16,315.00, Total of all Church Property \$160,000.00.

FIRST (Mission): Shelby, N.C.

Pastor: Rev. Jason Salyer, Rt. 9, Box 122, Shelby, N.C. Clerk: Virginia Salyer, Rt. 9, Box 122, Shelby, N.C. S. S. Sup't: Danny McLead, P. O. Box 213, Shelby, N.C. Pastor's Salary Paid by Home Mission Board.

FIRST, Spruce Pine, N.C.

Pastor: Rev. Clyde Fender, Rt. 1, Nebo, N.C. Clerk: Mrs. Evelyn Ollis, Rt. 2, Box 176, Spruce Pine, N.C. S. S. Sup't: Billy Hughes, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine, N.C. W. A. President: Nancy Biddix, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine, N.C. Deacon Board Chair.: Lynn Hughes, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine, N.C. Church Membership 79, No. Lost 1, Average S. S. Attendance 62, total Income \$5347.00, Pastor Salary \$1900.00, Other Salaries \$320.00, Total local expenditures \$4531.00, Foreign Missions \$70.00, Total value of all Church Property \$30,000.00.

#### HARRIET MEMORIAL, Caroleen, N.C.

Pastor: Rev. Ted Reynolds, Box 385, Caroleen, N.C. Clerk: Mrs. Tom Peppers, Caroleen, N.C. S. S. Sup't: Arthur Upton, Rt. 1, Forest City, N.C. W. A. President: Mrs. Ann Reynolds, Caroleen, N.C. Deacon Board Chair.: Hilton Conner, Rt. 1, Box 517, Forest City, N.C. Church Membership 175, No. Baptisms 25, Members Added 30, No. Lost 3, Average S. S. Attendance 130, Total Income \$28,845.60, Pastor Salary \$6500.00, Other Salaries \$1700.00, Total Local expenditures \$184,800.00, Foreign Missions \$543.10, Bible College \$543.00, Home Missions \$543.00, Home for Aged \$1086.20, Total Spent for outside causes \$2715.50, Total value of all Church Property \$300,000.00.

#### HOLLY GROVE, Waynesville, N.C.

Pastor: Rev. Carl Cook, 111 Ivey Hill Dr., Waynesvile, N.C. Clerk: Brenda Barnes, 526 Woodlane Dr., Clyde, N.C. S. S. Sup't: Lewis Buchanan, 386 Big Cove Rd., Waynesville, N.C. C.T.S. Director: Neal Clarke, 109 Overlook Dr., Waynesville, N.C. W. A. President: Joyce Smith, Big Cove Circle, Waynesville, N.C. Master's Men President: Howard Smith, Big Cove Circle, Waynesville, N.C. Deacon Board Chair.: Lewis Buchanan, 386 Big Cove Rd., Waynesville, N.C. Church Membership 122, No. Baptisms 7, Members Added 245, No. Lost 6, Average S. S. Attendance 77, Total Income \$10,800.00, Pastor Salary \$6490.00, Total local expenditures \$13,200.00, Foreign Missions \$15.00, Home Missions \$15.00, Bible College \$15.00, Total spent for outside causes \$400.00, Total value of all Church Property \$60,000.00.

#### MORGANTON, Morganton, N.C.

Pastor: Rev. Paul Butler, Rt. 12, Box 100, Morganton, N.C. Clerk: A. J. Beam, Rt. 10, Box 377, Morganton, N.C. S. S. Sup't: Bob Souther, 212 North St., Morganton, N.C. W. A. President: Mrs. Paul Butler, Rt. 12 Box 100, Morganton, N.C. Deacon Board Chair.: Bob Souther,

212 North St., Morganton, N.C. Church Membership 147, Members, added 16, No. Lost 5, Average S. S. Attendance 75, Total Income, \$15,000.00, Pastor Salary \$7720.00, Foreign Missions \$248.21, Home Missions \$882.00, Bible College \$248.21, Childrens Home \$248.21, Total value of all Church Property \$64,0000.00.

MT. BETHEL, Weaverville, N.C.

Pastor: Rev. Robert Ballard, Rt. 1, Box 205, Swannanoa, N.C. Clerk: William Edwards, Rt. 1, Box 128, Weaverville, N.C. S. S. Sup't: Robert Robinson, Rt. 3, Weaverville, N.C. C.T.S. Director: Rev. Larry Edwards, 8 Revonda Dr., Asheville, N.C. W. A. President: Alene Davis, Rt. 3 Box 102, Weaverville, N.C. Deacon Board Chair.: William Edwards, Rt. 1, Box 128, Weaverville, N.C. Church Membership 213, No. Baptisms 10, Members Added 36, No. Lost 6, Average S. S. Attendance 227, Total Income \$19,900.00, Pastor Salary \$4890.00, Other Salaries \$1770.00, Total local expenditures \$32,445.00, C.T.S. \$62.10, Foreign Missions \$1178.00, Home Missions \$455.71, Total spent for outside causes \$2595.81, Total value of all Church Property \$100,000.00.

MT. CALVARY: Marion, N.C.

Pastor: Rev. Bobby Parker, P. O. Box 1544, Marion, N.C. Clerk, Mrs. Norman Arrowood, Rt. 4, Box 118, Marion, N.C. S. S. Sup't: Johnny Hemphill, Rt. 5, Box 40-D, Marion, N.C. C.T.S. Director: Dennis Ward, 105 School St., Marion, N.C. W. A. President; Mrs. Pat Ward, 105 School St., Marion, N.C. Deacon Board Chair.: Lewis Gardner, Rt. 2, Nebo, N.C. Total Membershipo 96, No. Added 15, No. Lost 3, Total Income \$11,695.45, Pastor Salary \$3515.00, Other Salaries \$600.00, Total local expenditures \$8,370.64, Home Missions \$240.00, Total Spent for outside causes \$240.00, Value of all Church Property \$40,000.00.

NOWLING CHAPEL: Morganton, N.C.

Pastor: Rev. Roy Sheehan, Rt. 1, Box 74, Morganton, N.C. Clerk: Beulah Norville, 108 Logan St., Morganton, N.C. S. S. Sup't: James H. Norman, Rt. 8, Box 506, Morganton, N.C. W. A. President: Shirley Davis, Rt. 8, Box 506, Morganton, N.C. Deacon Board Chair.: Charels Davis, Rt. 8 Box 506, Morganton, N.C. Total Membership 100, No. Baptisms 16, Members Added 20, Total Income \$13,163.00, Pastor Salary \$3800.00, Total local expenditures \$9095.00, Average S. S. Attendance, 90, Value of all Church Property \$100,000.00

OLD FORT: Old Fort, N.C.

Pastor: Rev. Lattie Slagle, P. O. BOx 599, Old Fort, N.C. Clerk: Miss Carrie Padgett, Rt. 2, Box 380, Old Fort, N.C. S. S. Sup't: Phillip Ogle, Old Fort, N.C. W. A. President; Mrs. Hazel Allison, Rt. 1, Box 60-A, Old Fort, N.C. Deacon Board Chair.: Herman Chrisawn, Rt. 2, Box 36, Old Fort, N.C. Total Membership 94, No. Baptisms 9, No. added 16, NO. Lost 1, Average S. S. Attendance 108, Total Income \$1809.32, Pastor Salary \$5500.00, Other Salaries \$515.00, Total local expenditures \$13,587.00, Home Missions \$158.74, Value of all Church Property \$101,000.00

ROBERTSON CREEK: Bostic, N.C.

Pastor: Rev. James C. Coffee, Rt. 2, Box 123-C, Forest City, N.C. Clerk: Mrs. Violet Poteat, 207 Franklin Ave., Forest City, N.C. S. S. Sup't: Steve Newton, 810 Church St., Forest City, N.C. W. A. President: Irene Toney, Rt. 2, Forest City, N.C. Deacon Board Chair.: B. A. Thomas, Rt. 2, Forest City, N.C. Total Membership 88, No. Baptisms 3, No. added 1, Average S. S. Attendance 60, Total Income \$16,042.45, Pastor Salary \$1,500.00, Total local expenditures \$100,293.29, Foreign Missions \$60.00, Home Missions \$215.71, Home for Aged \$150.00, Total spent for outside causes \$425.71, Total Value of all Church Property \$69,000.00.

SALEM: Old Fort, N.C.

Pastor: Rev. Joe Helms, Rt. 1, Box 88, Old Fort, N.C. CLerk: Kathy Ricker, Old Fort, N.C. S. S. Sup't: Raymond Vess, Rt. 2, Old Fort, N.C. C.T.S. President: Jerry Lewis, Rt. 2, Old Fort, N.C. W. A. President: Janet Lewis, Rt. 2, Old Fort, N.C. M. M. President: Joe Helms, Rt. 1, Old Fort, N.C. Deacon Board Chair.: Clarence Parker, Parker Padgett Rd. Old Fort, N.C. TOtal membership 142, No. Baptisms 29, No. Added 38, No. Lost 4, Average S. S. attendance 185, Total Income \$42,887.06, Pastor's Salary \$5200.00, Total local expenditures \$30,500.00, Free Will Baptist Bible College \$40.00, Home Missions \$560.00, Pastor Retirement \$408.00, Value of all Church Property \$145,000.00.

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. S. S. Sup't.: J. D. Lewis, 405 Reger Ave., Swannanoa, N.C. C.T.S. Director! Ronnie Smith, 109 Harrison Ave., Swannanoa, N.C. W.A. President: Clara Mae Ogle, 133 Dellwood Ave., Swannanoa, N.C. Deacon Board Chair.: Carroll Brown, P. O. Box 696, Swannanoa,

N.C. Total Membership 698, No. Baptisms 26, No. Added 13, No. Lost 1, Average S. S. Attendance 289, Pastor's Salary \$13,306.21, Other Salaries \$2825.00, Total local expenditures \$34,631.00, Home Missions \$500.00, Retirement & Ins. \$480.00, Other Dist. or State \$600.00, Total outside causes \$5,500.00, Total Value of all Church Property \$160,000.00

SWEETEN CREEK: Asheville N.C.

Pastor: Rev. John C. Moore, P. O. Box 176, Fairview, N.C. Clerk: Paul J. Jenkins, Rt. 9, Box 44, Asheville, N.C. S. S. Sup't: Henry Jenkins, Rt. 1, Box 226, Fletcher, N.C. C.T.S. Director: Gene Moore, Deacon Board Chair.: Paul Jenkins, Rt. 9, Box 44, Asheville, N.C. No. Baptisms 3, Pastor's Salary \$2860.00, Other Salaries \$270.00, Total local expenditures \$4756.00, Foreign Missions \$60.00, Home Missions \$100.00, Other Dist. or State \$66.00, Total spent for outside causes \$221.00.

TRINITY HILL: Nebo, N.C.

Pastor: Rev. Carl Roland, Rt. 1, Box 16, Nebo, N.C. Clerk: Mrs. Jerry Helms, 23 Hunt St., Marion, N.C. S. S. Sup't: Lester Brewer, Rt. 2, Box 574, Morganton, N.C. W. A. President: Mrs. Jerry Helms, 23 Hunt St., Marion, N.C. Deacon Board Chair.: Robert Washburn, Rt. 2, Nebo, N.C. Total Membership 85, No. Baptisms 12, No. Added 5, No. Lost 4, Average S. S. Attendance 100, Total Income \$20,501.00, Pastor's Salary \$7533.00, Other Salaries \$200.00, Total local expenditures \$59,151.00, Cooperative Plan \$25.00, Foreign Missions \$79.68, Home Missions \$20.25, Other Dist. or State \$67.44, Total spent for outside causes \$192.35, Total Value of all Church Property \$25,000.00.

UNION VALLEY: Weaverville, N.C.

Pastor: Rev. Jeff Capps, Rt. 3, Weaverville, N.C. Clerk: Mrs. Douglas Bradley, Rt. 1, Box 433, Weaverville, N.C. S. S. Sup't: Doublas Bradley, Rt. 1, Box 433, Weaverville, N.C. Deacon Board Chair.: Marty Cantrell, Rt. 1, Weaverville, N.C. Total Membership 90, No. Baptisms 2, No. Added 15, Average S. S. Attendance 70, Total Income \$1100.00, Pastor's Salary \$2128.00, Total local expenditures \$3,828.00, Home Missions \$300.00, Total Value of all Church Property \$8000.00.

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Pastor: Rev. Warren Reece, 220 Virginia Ave., Asheville, N.C. Clerk: Mrs. Pauline Changler, Walnut, N.C. S. S. Sup't: Kenneth Lewis, Melody Manor Trailer Park, Oteen, N.C. W. A. President: Dorothy Cody, Rt. 5, Box 212, Marshall, N.C. Deacon Board Chair.: Gordon Treadway, Rt. 5, Marshall, N.C. Total Membership 77, No. Lost 2, Average S. S. Attendance 25, Total Income \$3284.00, Pastor's Salary \$1200.00, Other salaries \$236.00, Total local expenditures \$2316.57, Foreign Missions \$353.65, Home Missions \$650.00, Home for Aged \$45.00, Total spent for outside causes \$1192.65, Total Value of all Church Property \$25,000.00.

ZEPHYR HILLS: Asheville, N.C.

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Pastor: Rev. Jerry Williams, 283 Shelburn Rd., Asheville, N.C. Clerk: Ann Morgan, Rt. 6, Box 309, Candler, N.C. S. S. Sup't: Harry Scruggs, 27 Westgate Rd., Asheville, N.C. W. A. President: Mrs. Peggy Lance, P. O. Box 6355, Asheville, N.C. Deacon Board Chair.: Sheldon Lance, P. O. Box 6355, Asheville, N.C. Church J Membership 90, No. Baptisms 1, No. Added 13, No. Lost 3, Total local expenditures \$10,207.00, Foreign Missions \$263.00, Bible College 163.00, Home Missions \$163.00, Total spent for outside causes \$529.00.

#### MINISTER'S REPORT

Rev. Robert Ballard: Churches pastored - 1, Revivals - 2, Conversions - 20, Communion and Footwashing Services - 1, Baptisms - 20, Marriages - 1, Funerals - 3, Amount received for pastoral services - \$4850.00, For Revivals - \$200.00.

Rev. Paul Butler: Churches pastored - 1, Revivals - 1, Conversions 15, Communion and Footwashing Services 1, Funerals - 3, Amount received for pastoral services \$7720.00, For revivals - \$208.00

Rev. Frank Cantrell: Churches pastored - 1, Conversions - 12, Baptisms - 9, Marriages - 3, Funerals - 5, Amount received for pastoral services - \$7800.00, Other ministerial services - \$1200.00

Rev. James Coffey: Churches pastored - 1, Communion and Footwashing Services - 2, Baptisms - 3, Marriages - 1, Funerals - 4, Amount received for pastoral services - \$6500.00.

Rev. Lonnie G. Crawford: Churches pastored - 1, Revivals - 2, Conversions - 15, Communion and Footwashing - 4, Marriages - 2, Funerals - 3, Amount received for pastoral services - \$300.00

Rev. E. W. Fish: Revivals - 1, Conversions - 3, Communion and Footwashing Services - 4, Amount received for Revivals - \$150.00, Other ministerial services - \$100.00

Rev. Joe Helms: Churches pastored - 1, Revivals - 5, Conversions - 125, Communion and Footwashing Services - 3, Baptisms - 29, Marriages - 1, Funerals - 3, Amount received for pastorial services - \$5200.00, For Revivals \$450.00, Other ministerial services - \$1500.00.

Rev. Milton Hollifield: Churches pastored - 1, Revivals - 2, Conversions - 70, Baptisms - 26, Marriages - 7, Funerals - 17.

Rev. Elmer Keener: Churches pastored - 1, Revivals - 0, Conversions - 5, Communion and Footwashing Services - 2, Baptisms - 2, Funerals - 5, Amount received for pastoral services - \$2819.39.

Rev. James C. Lynn: Churches pastored - 1, Revivals - 2, Conversions - 8, Communion and Footwashing Services - 4, Baptisms - 8, Marriages - 4, Funerals - 8, Amount received for pastoral services - \$5000.00.

Rev. Garold Metcalf: Churches pastored - 1, Conversions - 8, Communion and Footwashing services - 1, Amount received for pastorial services - \$300.00

Rev. John C. Moore: Churches pastored - 1, Conversions - 19, Communion and Footwashing services - 1, Baptisms - 4, Funerals - 4, Amount received for pastorial services - \$2860.00, Other ministerial services \$23.16.

Rev. Jack Moses: Conversions - 11, Communion and Footwashing services - 1, Amount received for ministerial services-\$1100.00

Rev. Warren M. Reece: Churches pastored - 1, Conversions - 4, Marriages - 1, Funerals - 2, Amount received for pastorial services - \$1200.00.

Rev. Carl Roland: Churches pastored - 1, Revivals - 3, Conversions - 114, Communion and Footwashing Services - 1, Baptisms - 18, Marriages - 2, Funerals - 12, Amount received for pastorial services - \$7533.40.

Rev. Lattie Slagle Jr., - Churches pastored - 1, Revivals - 1, Conversions - 20, Communion and Footwashing Services - 2, Baptisms - 10, Funerals - 2, Amount received for pastorial services - \$5500.00, For revivals - \$156.00, Other ministerial duties \$300.00.

Rev. Richard J. Swann - Churches pastored - 1, Revivals - 1, Baptisms - 4, Communion and Footwashings services - 3, Amount received for pastorial services - \$780.00, For revival - \$70.00.

Rev. W. S. Vaughn - Churches pastored - 1, Revivals - 2, Conversions - 8, Communion and Footwashing services - 2, Baptisms - 6, Marriages - 5, Funerals - 7.

Rev. Gordon Walker - Revivals - 2, Conversions 89, Communion and Footwashing services 2, Baptisms - 18, Amount received for revivals - \$280.00, Other ministerial duties - \$110.00.

Rev. Jerry Williams - Churches pastored - 1, Revivals - 1, Conversions - 8, Baptisms - 1, Funerals - 2, Communions and Footwashings - 3.

#### REPORTS

#### REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

The credentials Committee submit the following report, 41 Ministers, 23 Churches, 1 Missionary, 11 Deacons, 5 Visitors, 71 Delegates, reporting with the offering totaling \$883.09.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Rev. Carl Roland Rev. Joe Hilms Rev. Elmer Keener

#### REPORT OF THE MONINATING COMMITTEE

MODERATOR Assistant Clerk Assistant Treasurer Assistant Rev. Howard Messer Rev. Ted Reynolds Mrs. Grace Stafford Rev. Laddie Slagle Miss Carrie Padgett Rev. Billy Allen

Executive Board — Rev. Billy Allen, Rev. Allen Jackson, Rev. Milton Hollifield.

Ordaining Council — Rev. James Childers 1977, Rev. Larry Hughs 1978, Rev. Jerry Williams 1978.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, Rev. W. S. Vaughn (Chair.) Rev. Harold O'Dear

Rev. Gordon Walker

#### REPORT OF THE RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

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

WHEREAS., The Lord has favored us with His presence in the Person of The Holy Spirit, for which we give Him all glorry 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 and pray for one another as we labor together to advance the cause of Christ, and win precious souls to Him by His grace.

Respectfully Submitted, Rev. Frank Cantrell Rev. Larry Hughes Rev. T. A. Holder

#### TREASURER'S REPORT - May, 1975

Amount in treasure — May 1974	\$1,197.11
Cash received for this year	2,062.80
Disbursements for this year:	* \$
Home Missions	650.00
Foreign Missions	420.00
Secretary Expenses	31.70
Treasurers Expenses	34.76
Secretary Salary	100.00
For C.T.S. Pens	77.59
N. C. State Association	25.00
Youth Competition (Cedar Hill)	25.00
Rev. Jackson Mother (flowers)	16.10
Rev. Childer's Mother (flowers	16.00
Visiting speaker at association	5 <b>9.</b> 00
Rev. Dan Merkh (Foreign Missions)	309.00
Rev. Jack Moses (Expenses)	12.00
Rev. Troy Smith's father (flowers)	<b>16.10</b>
Sullins Printing Co. (minutes)	396.00
Rev. James Childers (Expenses)	27.00
Bible Book Store (Church report forms)	3.42
Cash disbursed	\$2200.67
Cash on hand	1,373.24
Cash in Student Loan Fund \$582.33	

#### THE ORDANINING COUNCIL REPORT

The Ordaining Council met Jan. 25, 1975, and submit the following recommendations to the body.

- 1- We recommend Brothers, Ronnie Smith and Steve Lytle be ordanined at the Swannanoa Freewill Baptist Church, the evening of April 26, 1975, in a joint service.
- 2- Bro. Earl Davis, submitted his answers of the Questionair which was examined and deemed satisfactory. He is highly recommended by Bro. Jason Salyer, and the council to be licensed to preach the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Chrust.
- 3- Bro. Wade C. Parker, submitted his answers to the Questionair which was examined by the council and recommend him to the body for license to preach the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ.
- 4-Bro. Al Davis comes to us and explains the reasons for his failure to report at the quarterly meetings of this Association, for which reason his name was dropped from our ministers roll, August 3, 1974. He desires to be reinstated as a licensed Minister and fellowship with this body. We recommend that he be re-instated.
- 5- Bro. Ray Thomas has applied for lecense and was given a Questionair and is to report back at the next meeting of the Ordaining Council, April 26, 1975.

The Ordaining Council met April 26, 1975, at the Swannanoa F.W.B. Church and submit the following recommendations to the body:

- 1-Received a letter of recommendation from the Swannanoa F.W.B. Church to ordain Brothers, Steve Lytle and Ronnie Smith Saturday Evening, May 3, 1975, at the Swannanoa Church.
- 2- Received a letter of recommendation from the First F.W.B. Church Lenoir, N.C. recommending Bro. Bobby Cable for license. He was given a questionaire and to come back at the next quarterly meeting.
- 3-Bro. Charles Davis was given a questionair and is to report back at the next quarterly meeting.

- 4- Bro. Clifford Shetly, unlicensed preacher has been elected to pastor the Beaverdam F.W.B. Church comes for license, questioned and was given a questionair and was advised concerning the requirements to be met for Ordaination.
- 5-Bro. Al Davis comes to us for Ordaination, being recommended by the Gospel Truth F.W.B. Church which he pastors, but the said mentioned Church is an Independent Church and he is not a member of any Blue: Ridge Association Church. He was adivsed that the Church he pastors must be a member of this Association or that he must be a member of good standing of one of our Association Churches for this Association to ordain him.
- 6- Bro Ray Thomas is recommended by the council to be lecenses.

#### RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Rev. James K. Childers, (Chair.)

Rev. Jack Moses

Rev. Jason Salyer

Rev. Daniel Hensley

Rev. John C. Moore

#### CONSTITUTION AND BY LAWS of the ប់ស្នេងប្រែងសម្រាប់ ឈ្មោះ 🔭 ប THE PROPERTY CONSTITUTION AND BY LAWS of the

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#### NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

#### Article 1

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

#### Article 2

A. 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 Baptist within its bounds in one sacred effort to encourage and promote the general spread of the gospel and the causes of the National Association. B. This Association shall encourage a sound ministry, which presents Christ as an all-sufficient Savior, 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

**A.** 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.

B. 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.

C. 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

A. 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.

B. The Moderator and Assistant Moderator shall not succeed themselves in election, However, the Assistant Moderator may be elected Moderator.

C. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside over all the meetings of the Association.

D. It shall be the duty of the Assistant Moderator to preside in the absence of the Moderator.

E. 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 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.

F. 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.

G. 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 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.

H. This Association shall elect a Home Mission Board consisting of three members for rotating terms as follows. One for one year, one for twoyears, 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 cooperation 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

A. 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.

B. The Ordaining Council shall act as an Advisory Council and an investigating committee, under the authority and recommendations of the local Church in this Assocition, 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.

C. 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, catholicis, etc.

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

#### Article 11

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

This Association shall meet annually on Friday and Saturday before the first Sunday in May.

#### Article 16

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

#### Article 17

The Ordaining Council will meet on Saturday before the Association meetings.

#### Article 18

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of those present at any annual meeting of this 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 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 docitrine, for reproof, for correction and instruction in righteousness.
- 3. ORIGINAL APOSTASY: We believe that Adam was created holy but by voluntary transgression fell into repravity and consequently involved his poserity 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." (Gensis 3:6)
- 4. 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)
- 55. 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 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 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 perservere 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 rightousness 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 thee. Wherefore by their fruits: ye shall know them." (Matthew 7: 19-20)
- 10. CHRISTIAN BAPTISM: We believe that Christian baptism is the immerson 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 unworthly, eateth and drinketh damanation to himself, not descerning 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 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." (1 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 comformity 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 obligations in reference to the study of the Scripture, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship; and by self-denial, faith and good works endeaver 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 eductional 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.

## **MEMO**

