## BLUE RIDGE ASSOCIATION OF THE ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS



## Minutes of the 51<sup>st</sup> Annual Session

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#### DEDICATION

This 2004 Book of Minutes has been dedicated to the founding members of the Blue Ridge Association in recognition of the 50 years the Association has been in existence.

We especially want to honor three ministers who were present at this Fifty-First Annual meeting. Two who were visiting with us Rev. W. L. Kell, Rev. Carl Roland, and one of our own Rev. Milton Hollifield Sr.

We thank God for the vision these founding members had and for following God's leading in forming the Blue Ridge Association.

The Blue Ridge Association was organized through the leadership of Rev. Wayne Smith, as he was directed by the Holy Spirit after much prayer and meditation. This meeting to organize was held at the Swannanoa Free Will Baptist Church on Saturday night March 21, 1954. The First Annual meeting was held at First Marion Free Will Baptist Church August 26-28, 1954.

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Danny Gasperson	Eddie Kirkpatrick	(2006)
Rocky Reese	Willard Pless	(2007)
Jack Ward	Terry McDaniel	(2008)
Tim McFatter	Randy Stone	(2009)
Carl Miller	Barrier (1982) - Erick Barrier (1984) - Erick Barrier (1984)	
	YOUTH BOARD	
CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE	Zachery Bell	(2005)
James Lindsey	Alan Sailors	(2006)
Larry Collins	Mike Mashburn	(2007)
Donny Dingess	Cliff Wilson	(2008)
	Brian Bird	(2009)
FINANCE COMMITTEE	en e	*
Ralph Reep	HOME MISSION	<u>BOARD</u>
Phillip Wyatt	Willard Pless	(2005)
Grant Crocker	Leonard Lindsey	(2006)
	Billy Jones	(2007)
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Howard Pittman	Jack Moses	(2009)
Elisha Fish		
Milton Hollifield Sr.	YOUTH CAMP DI	RECTORS
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# BLUE RIDGE ASSOCIATION OF THE ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTIST FIRST QUARTERLY MEETING CALVARY F.W.B. CHURCH SWANNANOA, NC AUGUST 2, 2003

#### **Preliminaries**

Singing - "All Hail The Power of Jesus Name"

Prayer - Rev. Randy Stone

Welcome - Rev. Randy Leedy (Host Pastor)

Response - Rev. Elisha Fish

Devotion - Rev. Brian Bishop - "The Power of the Tongue" James 3:1-10

#### **Business**

Recognition and Welcome of Visitors

Roll Call of Churches - 17 Churches Represented

Treasurer's Report by Sister Carrie Padgett (MSC)

Executive Committee's Report - Sister Etta Butler, Asst. Clerk (MSC)

(The Minutes Booklet to handed out at the November meeting.)

Youth Board Report - Rev. Carl Miller (MSC)

(Reported a good camp this year - 1 got saved!)

Blue Ridge Promotional Director Report - Rev. Milton Hollifield Sr.

(Need to encourage people from each church to attend meetings. Blue Ridge had good representation at the National.)

Ordaining Council's Report - Rev. Elisha Fish (MSC)

(Received letter of recommendation from Palmer Assoc. for Rev. Tim McFatter. If you have business to bring before the Ordaining Council meet with them one week before the association meeting.

Missions Report - Rev. Leonard Lindsey (MSC)

(Rev. James Lindsey Jr. was voted in as interim pastor at Southside.)

Women Active for Christ Report - Sister Kirkpatrick (MSC)

Credential Committee's Report - (46 Total)

Finance Committee's Report - Rev. Brian Bishop

(Voted to give offering to Rev. Ral Alsbrook. If not at least &250.00, make up difference from Mission Fund.)

#### Worship:

Special Music - Rev. Leedy and son played "Trust and Obey" on horns.

SingingCong. Sang - "Faith Is The Victory"

Offering - (For Speaker, Rev. Ral Alsbrook)

Special Singing (Solid Rock by Host Church)

Message by Rev. Ral Alsbrook, "The Little Church That Could" Rev. 3:7-13

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# BLUE RIDGE ASSOCIATION OF THE ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTIST SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING CANTON F.W.B. CHURCH CANTON, NC November 1, 2003

#### Preliminaries

Singing - When We All Get To Heaven

Prayer - Rev. Norris Hawkins

Welcome - Rev. Brian Bird

Response - Rev. Elisha Fish

Devotion – Rev. Wendell Walley, President - California Christian College "Four Things a Person Needs To Do To Lead or Be a Leader" Neh. 1:11

#### **Business**

Recognition and Welcome of Visitors (1987) States

Roll Call of Churches - 21 Churches Represented

Treasurer's Report - Sister Carrie Padgett (MSC)

**Executive's Committee Report (MSC)** 

Youth Board Report - Rev. David Mizelle (MSC)

(Received resignation of Rev. Carl Miller and Recommended Bro. Cliff Wilson to replace Bro. Carl on youth board.)

Promotional Director's Report - Rev. Milton Hollifield Sr. (MSC)

Ordaining Council's Report - Rev. Elisha Fish (MSC)

Missions Report - Rev. Leonard Lindsey (MSC)

(Pray about new mission work and new city.)

Woman Active For Christ - No Report

Credential's Committee Report - Rev. Wayne Miller - 71 present 28 Ministers, 29 Delegates, 14 Visitors

Recognition of Visitors – Rev. Jim Marcum, State Promotional Dir. State Meeting to be held at Faith F.W.B. Church in Goldsboro, NC June 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>.

Other Business: Rev. Brian Bishop has requested that a letter of recommendation be sent to South Mississippi Assoc. he is going to pastor Fellowship F.W.B. Church in Richton, MS

#### Worship

Singing - Brother, We Have Met To Worship

Prayer -

Special Singing – Host Church; Amazing Grace, There Is A River Message: Rev. Richard Adams, Natl' Home Missions Dept. (Ps. 78:12-19)

# BLUE RIDGE ASSOCIATION OF THE ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTIST THIRD QUARTERLY MEETING CEDAR HILL F.W.B. CHURCH ASHEVILLE, NC FEBRUARY 7, 2004

#### **Preliminaries**

Singing - "At Calvary"

Prayer - Rev. Julius Hall

Welcome - Rev. Larry Collins

Response - Rev. Milton Hollifield, Sr

Devotions - Rev. Mike Carper "Are You In A Daze?" Matt. 16: 24-26

#### **Business**

Recognition and Welcome of Visitors - Rev. Steve Prior, FWB Children's

Home, Turbeville, SC; Rev. Sherwood Lee, from SC

Roll Call of Churches - 20 Churches Represented

Treasurer's Report - Sister Carrie Padgett (MSC)

Executive Committee Report - None

Youth Board Report - Rev. Rocky Reese (MSC)

(Encouraged all churches to get involved with youth camp. Youth camp to be held June 14-19 at Clintwood, VA. Theme-Stirring the Fire Within.

Missions Report - Rev. Leonard Lindsey (MSC)

Board voted to match churches giving up to \$10,000, for the Volena Wilson Memorial Bible Institute in South India

Promotional Director's Report - Rev. Hollifield Sr.

Ordaining Council Report - Rev. Elisha Fish (MSC)

Recommended we receive the following: Rev. Larry Collins from – First Kansas Qt. Conf., KS; Rev. Troy Smith from Appalachian Asso. TN.

Rev. Jeff Boehm be ordained, he has been elected as the Assoc. Pastor at Southside

Credentials Committee Report – Rev. Donnie Dingess – 30 Ministers, 33 Delegates, 7 Visitors – Total 70 present Finance Committee – Offering to go to General Fund

#### Other Business

Moderator appointed Nominating Comm. -Rev. Jack Moses, Chm., Rev. Carl Miller, Rev. Leonard Lindsey, Rev. Danny Gasperson Replace Rev. David Mizelle on Youth Board with Rev. Rocky Reese

#### Worship

Special Singing – Bro. Mike Mashburn, Rev. Larry Collins Message - Rev. Harold Webb – "What The Bible Say About Homosexuality"

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# BLUE RIDGE ASSOCIATION OF THE ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTIST FIFTY-FIRST ANNUAL MEETING CLYDE F.W.B. CHURCH CLYDE, NC MAY 1, 2004

#### **Preliminaries**

Congregational Singing -Blessed Be The Name

Welcome - Rev. Elisha Fish, Host Pastor

Response- Rev. Harold Webb

Devotion -Rev. Milton Hollifield, Sr. – Spoke about the 50-year history of the Blue Ridge Association. Read Psalm 133: 1-3 and spoke about the need for Unity in all churches and conferences.

#### **Business Session**

Welcome and Recognition of Visitors – Rev. W.L. Kell, Carl Roland Roll Call of Churches – 21 Churches represented

<u>Treasures Report</u> - Sister Carrie Padgett (M/S/C) (See Reports)

Executive Board Report - Rev. Rocky Reese (M/S/C) (See Reports)

Promotional Report - Rev. Milton Hollifield Sr. - (See Reports)

Youth Board Report - Rev. David Mizelle - (See Reports) - (M/S/C)

Ordaining Council Report -Rev. Elisha Fise - (MSC)

Ordained Rev. Jeff Boehm at Associate Pastor - Southside

Mission Board Report - Rev. Leonard Lindsey - (See Reports) - (MSC)

Women Active For Christ Report -(No Report Given)

Credential Committee's Report - Rev. James Lindsey - 75 Total Attendance,

23 - Ministers, 25 - Delegates, 16 - Visitors (M/S/C)

<u>Finance Committee's Report</u> – Offering to go to Rev. Darryl Messer <u>Other Business</u> – (See Reports)

#### Worship

Congregational Singing -"I Can't Feel At Home In This World Anymore"
Prayer - Rev. Randy Stone

Special Singing - Joshua Walsh - "Surely The Presence of the Lord Is In This Place"

Message- Rev. Danny Gasperson - Pastor - Zephyr Hills, Asheville Casualties Of Carnal Christianity Gen. 13: 1-13

#### **REPORTS**

#### Treasure's Report - May 1, 2004 - Sister Carrie Padgett

BLUE RIDGE ASSOCIATION OF THE ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS ANNUAL MEETING - MAY 1, 2004 FINANCIAL REPORT

GENERAL FUND	
Fund Balance - May 3, 2003	\$ 4,490.95
Total Receipts	<u>8,168.28</u>
Sub-Total	\$ 12,659.23
Expenditures:	ger gerger
Clerk's Salary \$ 125.00	
State/National Dues 2,695.00	
Meals (Executive Board meeting) 160.16	
FWB Bible College 250.00	
Harvest FWB Church 250.00	
Postage for Clerk 28.86	
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California Christian School 500.00	Albert British
Home Missions Dept. 848.00	
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Bro. Milton Hollifield, Sr. 2,600.00	
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YOUTH BOARD	•
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 1,707.86
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MISSIONS FUND	
Fund Balance - May 3, 2003	\$14,762.78
Total Receipts	5,956.35
Sub-total	\$20,719.13
Volena Wilson Bible Institute	-10,000.00
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FUND BALANCE	\$10,719.13
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MINISTER'S BENEVOLENT FUND	
Fund Balance - May 3, 2003	\$ 5,066.35
Total Receipts	975.92
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FWB BIBLE COLLEGE LOAN FUND	C 4 620 04
Fund Balance - May 3, 2003	\$ 4,620.04
Total Receipts	304.99
Sub-total	\$ 4,925.03
Loan for Holly Mashburn	<u>- 1,000.00</u>
FUND BALANCE	\$ 3,925.03
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SOUTHEASTERN COLLEGE LOAN FUND	
Fund Balance - May 3, 2003	\$ 2,556.16
Total Receipts	<u>304.96</u>
PUND BALANCE	\$ 2,861.12

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AVERY CREEK CALVARY (Swannanoa) CALVARY (Valdese) CANTON	\$ 20.00 300.00 50.00 193.00	\$ 200.00 150.00 1,201.00 300.00
CALVARY (Valdese)	50.00	150.00 1,201.00
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CANTON	193.00	200-00
CEDAR HILL		728.00
CLYDE		987.50
FAIRVIEW	168.78	656.88
FAITH	229.00	772.00
FELLOWSHIP		
FIRST - MARION		
GETHSEMANE	85.75	436.43
HILL TOP		200.00
HOMER'S CHAPEL	175.00	700.00
LAKEVIEW	101.08	441.77
LENOIR		350.00
LIBERTY	299.00	1,213.20
MEADOWBROOK	266.73	1,375.94
MEADOW FORK		
MT. BETHEL		
NOWLING CHAPEL	425.51	1,669.20
OAKLEY		243.00
PISGAH	235.00	449.00
ROARING CREEK	52.68	371.65
ROCKY PASS	180.00	720.00
SHELBY		90.00
SOUTHSIDE	100.00	300.00
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ZEPHYR HILLS	149.68	559.88
Sub-total	\$3,031.21	\$14,415.45
Milton Hollifield, Sr.	650.00	2,600.00
Offering	147.35	495.40
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Total .	\$3,828.56	\$17,510.85

Respectfully submitted,

Carrie Padgett, Treasurer

#### Treasure's Report Cont'd - May 1, 2004

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The following donations were made to the <u>Volena Wilson Bible</u>
<u>Institute</u> in South India:

Blue Ridge Association (offering last meet Calvary (Swannanoa) Church \$500.00	ting) \$ 147.35
Ladies Auxiliary \$500.00	1,000.00
Faith	1,000.00
Homer's Chapel	1,000.00
Liberty	600.00
Swannanoa	1,000.00
Clyde	1,245.00
Gethsemane	1,000.00
Way of the Cross	
Bro. Milton Hollifield, Sr.	1,000.00
Zephyr Hills	100.00
	500.00
Rocky Pass	1,000.00
Bro. Roger Hayley	350.00
Southside	300.00
Calvary (Valdese)	500.00
Carrie Padgett	100.00
Total	\$10,842.35

#### Note:

Sorry this is not a complete list of the churches that gave. Some gave at the annual meeting and some sent theirs straight in to the national home office. The total offering received was around \$20,000 from the churches plus the \$10,000 gave from the Missions Fund for an amount over \$29,000.

#### Executive Board Report - May 1, 2004 - Rev. Rocky Reese

The Executive Board met on Tuesday, April 20th

The main business was to bring the Constitutional By-Laws up to date, these will be discussed one at a time.

Other business included the changes made for the annual meeting and also discussed the August meeting.

#### Youth Board Report - May 1, 2004 - Rev. Rocky Reese

- 1. We had a great District Competition Meeting it was held at Faith with around 80 in attendance and around 25 young people from about 4 churches competing. We hope for a greater turn out next year.
- 2. Youth Camp will be held at Camp Jacob, June 14<sup>th</sup> thru 19<sup>th</sup> in Clintwood, VA. We look for to a great camp and pray for a spiritual awakening in the lives of our young people.

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#### Promotional Directors Report - May 1, 2004 - Rev. Milton Hollifield Sr.

Preached in 44 different places including 18 in our association, had 4 revivals, 32 funerals and 1 wedding. Meadow Fork wants to rejoin the Blue Ridge Association, Darryl Messer is preaching for them.

#### Mission Board Report - May 1, 2004 - Rev. Leonard Lindsey

Recommends the pastor at Meadow Fork, Rev. Darryl Messer be supported with \$30.00 a week from the Missions Fund.

Had Bro. Milton Hollifield, Sr. to present the pastor at Southside with the deed to the church.

#### Nominating Committee's Report - May 5, 2003

The following Positions and Names were nominated and elected at the Annual meeting. Militar e et valet filo

#### **Executive Board**

Moderator - Rev. Harold Webb Assistant Moderator – Rev. Danny Gasperson Clerk - Rev. Rocky Reese Member At Large -Rev. Jack Ward Member At Large - Tim McFatter Member At Large – Rev. Carl Miller

#### Assistant Clerk

Sister Etta Butler

#### Ordaining Council

Rev. Randy Stone (2009) replacing Rev. Jack Moses

#### Youth Board

Rev. Brian Bird (2009) replacing Rev. David Mizelle Rev. Alan Sailors (2006) replacing Rev. Carl Miller

#### **Home Missions Board**

Rev. Jack Moses (2009) for another term Rev. Billy Jones (2007) replacing Rev. Harold Webb

#### **Youth Camp Directors**

Rev. Zachary Bell

Rev. Rocky Reese

#### Trustee Board

Rev. Howard Pittman replacing Rev. Roger Hayley

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#### Other Business - Proposed Constitutional Questions or Changes

#### Article 3

It currently reads, "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, and all Ministers who are in good standing and of sound doctrine of the Free Will Baptist faith, who are not affiliated with the Blue Ridge Associational Churches, contribute \$1.00 at each meeting for the support of the Benevolent Fund. Each Church shall be entitled to at least (6) six Delegates."

We recommend that we strike the phrase, "contribute \$1.00 at each meeting for the support of the Benevolent Fund." (MSC)

#### Article 6-E

We recommend that we remove the last sentence that reads, "Minutes of the Association shall be sent to all visiting Free Will Baptist ministers." (MSC)

#### **Article 8**

We wonder why the Association has not elected a "Youth Director" for the past several years.

It was discussed and determined that the duties of what the "Youth Director once did had changed.

A motion was made that "Article 8" be amended to read as follows:
"A Camp Director and Assistant Camp Director shall be elected annually. These directors shall be responsible for, and work with the Youth Board in organizing; promoting, and directing youth camp." (MSC)

#### Article 13

We ask for a clarification on the final phrase, "and shall submit a report at each annual meeting."

It was discussed and determined that this refers to the "Ministers Report" form, that is received from the clerk and is to be filled out and returned to the clerk at or by the annual meeting. No change was made.

#### Article 17

It currently reads: "This Association recommends that each Church pay quarterly one percent of their income for the support of this Association, to be designated as follows: General Fund 35%, Missions 38%, Education 5%, Youth Board 14%, Minister's Benevolent 8%."

We recommend the following changes be made to the breakdown: Missions from 38% to 30%, Youth Board from 14% to 25%, Ministers Benevolent Fund from 8% to 5%. (MSC)

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#### Proposed Constitutional Questions or Changes - Cont'd

#### Article 19

It currently reads,

"Anyone who wishes to present any grievance, or any matter that pertains to any person or personality, or persons, first be presented in writing and signed, to the proper committee (Executive or Ordaining Council), whichever the matter concerns."

We recommend that Article 19 be changed to read,

"Anyone who wishes to present any grievance, or any matter that pertains to any person or persons shall first present a written signed statement to the Ordaining Council."

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association, had 4 revivals, 32 funerals and 1 wedding.

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Remarks – Helped in 3 revivals and 3 funerals. Preached at decoration at cemetery. Recovered from heart surgery. Pray to be

better this year.

396 Arrowhead Trail, Marion, NC 28752 Ralph Reep

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Remarks – Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

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Ordained Ministers 1, Total Membership 45, S.S. Enrollment 12.

Calvary – Swannanoa: 2176 Hwy. 70 West, Swannanoa, NC 28778 (828) 298-0409 (Mailing Address: 206 Eastwood Ave., Swannanoa, NC 28778)
Pastor: Rev. Randy Leedy, 9 Campbell St., Greenville, SC 29607 (864) 232-2426
Clerk: Maudine Moody, 409 Wilson Ave. Swannanoa, NC 28778 (828) 686-3663
Ordained Ministers 1, Licensed Ministers 1, Baptisms 4, Members Added 11,
Total Membership 46, S.S. Enrollment 35

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Pastor: Rev. Leonard Lindsey P.O. Box 331, Connelly Springs, NC 28612 (828) 874-4016
Clerk: Denise Seagle 2447 Messer St., Valdese, NC 28690 (828) 874-4489
Ordained Ministers 2, Ordained Deacons 1; Baptisms 16, Members Added 27,
Members Lost 3, Total Membership 157

Canton: 19 Gilbert St, Canton, NC 28716 (828) 648-0272 (Mailing Add: P.O. Box 1346, Canton, NC 28716)
Pastor: Rev. Brian Bird, P.O. Box 1346, Canton, NC 28716 (828) 648-0753
Clerk: Mrs. Helen Hamlett, 26 Flint St., Canton, NC 28716 (828) 648-1452
Ordained Ministers 1, Licensed Ministers 1, Ordained Deacons 4, Members Added 2, Members Lost 2, Total Membership 77, S.S. Enrollment 65

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Ordained Ministers 1, Ordained Deacons 4, Total Membership 62, S.S. Enrollment 52,
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Pastor: Rev. Elisha Fish, 99 Young's Cove Rd., Candler, NC 28715 (828) 667-5656

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Ordained Ministers 1, Ordained Deacons 3, Baptisms 7, Members Added 1,

Membership 40, S.S. Enrollment30, Woman's Aux. Enrollment 4

Fairview: 1708 Stacy Hill Rd., Marion, NC 28752 (828) 925-6593
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Clerk: Mrs. Betty Miller, 43 Randolph Rd., Marion, NC 28752 (828) 652-3360
Ordained Ministers 2, Ordained Deacons 10; Members Added 3, Total Membership 82, S.S. Enrollment 75, Woman's Aux. Enrollment 12,
Master's Men Enrollment 8

Faith: 1308 Jamestown Rd., Morganton, NC 28655 (828) 584-7507
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Clerk: Arzella Clark, 223 Edgewood Cir., Morganton, NC 28655 (828) 437-6815,
Ordained Ministers 1, Licensed Ministers 1, Ordained Deacons 6, Baptisms 6,
Members Added 6, No. Members Lost 3, Total Membership 190, S.S. Enrollment 100,
Woman's Aux. Enrollment 15

Fellowship: 184 New Haw Creek Rd., Asheville, NC 28803 (828) 298-7735
Pastor: Rev. Charles Chandler, 75 Clayton Dr., Asheville, NC 28803 (828) 645-8999
Clerk: Barbara Reece, 310 Reger Ave., Swannanoa, NC 28778 (828) 299-9407
Ordained Ministers 1, Ordained Deacons 2, Total Membership 28, S.S. Enrollment 28, Woman's Aux. Enrollment 7, Master's Men Enrollment 7

Gethsemane: 2252 Nix Creek Rd., Marion, NC 28752 (828) 738-4238 (Mailing Add: 396 Arrowhead Trail, Marion, NC 28752)
Pastor: Rev. Ralph Reep, 396 Arrowhead Trail, NC 28752 (828) 738-4238
Clerk: Linda Reep, 396 Arrowhead Trail, Marion, NC 28752 (828) 738-4238,
Ordained Ministers 2, Licensed Ministers 2, Ordained Deacons 2, Baptisms 7,
Members Added 14, Members Lost 1, Total Membership 75, S.S. Enrollment 51

Hilltop: 1401 Geer Hwy, Travelers Rest, SC 29690 (864) 834-3536 (Mailing Add: P.O. Box 874, Travelers Rest, SC 29690)
Pastor: Rev. Jeff Cassell 111 Hunt St., Travelers Rest, SC 29690 (864) 834-5826 Clerk: Deborah B. Lee 2814 Poinsett Hwy, Greenville, SC 29609 (864) 246-7792 Ordained Ministers 1, Ordained Deacons 2, Baptisms 5, Members Added 3, Total Membership 21, S.S. Enrollment 27

Homer's Chapel: 202 Chapel Rd., Black Mountain, NC 28711 (828) 669-2394 Pastor: Rev. Carl Miller, 202 Chapel Rd., Black Mountain, NC 28711 (828) 669-2343 Clerk: Midgie Rollins 828 Cherokee Ave., Black Mountain, NC 28711 (828) 669-7097 Ordained Ministers 1, Ordained Deacons 2; Baptisms 8, Members Added 10, Members Lost 3, Total Membership 97; S.S. Enrollment 57, C.T.S. Enrollment 12, Woman's Aux. Enrollment 20,

Lakeview: 3855 Johnson St., High Point, NC 27265 (336) 869-6312
Pastor: Rev. Howard Pittman 1016 Lakecrest Ave. High Point, NC 27265 (336) 869-3450
Clerk: Betty Draughn, Old Greensboro Rd., High Point, NC (336) 869-1530
Ordained Ministers 1, Baptisms 6, Members Added 2, Total Membership 30,
S. S. Enrollment 30

Lenoir First: Morganton Blvd, Lenoir, NC 28645 (Mailing Address: 401 Virginia St., Lenoir, NC 28645)
Pastor: Rev. Jack Moses, 2353 Conley Rd., Morganton, NC 28655 (828) 584-1863
Clerk: Nadine Barnett, 401 Virginia St., Lenoir, NC 28645 (828) 754-1874
Ordained Ministers 2, Licensed Ministers 2, Ordained Deacons 2, Baptisms 7,
Members Added 6, Members Lost 10, Total Membership 146, S. S. Enrollment 60

Liberty: 4089 US Hwy. 70 W., Marion, NC 28752 (828) 724-4272 Pastor: Rev. Harold Webb, 4089 US Hwy. 70 W., Marion, NC 28752 (828) 724-9550 Clerk: Mrs. Debra Renfro, 57 McKinney Rd. W. Marion, NC 28752 (828) 724-9036 Ordained Ministers 1, Ordained Deacons 2, Baptisms 3, Members Added 3, Members Lost 9, Total Membership 89, S. S. Enrollment 75, Woman's Aux. Enrollment 12. Master's Men Enrollment 10

Marion First: 965 Baldwin Ave., Marion, NC 28752 (828) 652-0250 (Mailing Add: 951 Baldwin Ave., Marion, NC 28752) Pastor: Rev. Roger Hayley 951 Baldwin Ave., Marion, NC 28752 (828) 652-4513 Clerk: Cynthia Berryhill, 297 Pleasant Hill Rd., Marion, NC (828) 652-4377 Ordained Ministers 2, Ordained Deacons 6; Baptisms 11, Members Added 4, Members Lost 2, Total Membership 80, S.S. Enrollment 75, C.T.S. Enrollment 25, Woman's Aux. Enrollment 20

Meadowbrook: 204 Blue Ridge Rd., Black Mountain, NC 28711 (828) 669-9150 Pastor: Rev. Randy Stone 204 Blue Ridge Rd. Black Mountain, NC28711 (828) 669-2310 Clerk: Linda Rollins, 576 Old Toll Rd., Black Mountain, NC 28711. (828) 669-6031 Ordained Ministers 2, Ordained Deacons 14; Baptisms 15, Members Added 10. Members Lost 1, Total Membership 269, S.S. Enrollment 180, Woman's Aux. Enrollment 18

Mt. Bethel: 290 Shephard Branch Rd. Weaverville, NC 28787 (Mailing Add: P.O. Box 1598 Weaverville, NC 28787) Pastor: Rev. Robert Ballard 208 Mountain Crest Rd. Swannanoa NC28778 (828)686-7175 Clerk: Stephanie Higgins 50 Maney Branch Rd. Weaverville, NC 28787 (828) 645-7044

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Oakley: 614 Marietta St., Asheville, NC 28803 (Mailing Add: P.O. Box 5694 Asheville, NC 28803) Pastor: Rev. Leonard Cutshaw, P.O. Box 1281, Fletcher, NC 28732 (828) 684-9670 Clerk: Michael Lollis, Tanglewood MHP Lot 4, Swannanoa, NC 28778. (828) 686-4442 Ordained Ministers 3, Ordained Deacons 5, Members Added 6, Members Lost 2, Total Membership 64

Pisgah: Chinquapin Rd., Canton, NC 28716 (Mailing Add: 61 Stanley Dr. Canton, NC 28716) Pastor: Rev. Oliver Cagle, 61 Stanley Drive, Canton, NC 28716 (828) 235-8568 Clerk: Elizabeth Pless, 31 Bear Hunter Dr., Canton, NC 28716 (828) 235-8808 Ordained Ministers 3, Licensed Ministers 1, Ordained Deacons 4, Total Membership 103 Roaring Creek: 1736 Roaring Creek Rd., Newland, NC 28657 (828) 733-5389 Pastor: Rev. Willard Pless, 203 Academy St., Canton, NC 28716 (828) 648-8145 Clerk: Sarah Eudy, 225 Elk Hollow Lane, Newland, NC 28657 (828) 733-0563 Ordained Ministers 1, Ordained Deacons 4, Total Membership 39, S.S. Enrollment 39, Women's Aux. Enrollment 7

Rocky Pass: 6988 Harmony Grove Rd., Nebo, NC 28761 (828) 659-6977
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Clerk: Chad Beam, 6141 Hwy.226 South, Nebo, NC. 28761 (828) 659-7441
Ordained Ministers 2, Licensed Ministers 2, Ordained Deacons 11, Members Added 5, Members Lost 5, Total Membership 193, S.S. Enrollment 110,
Women's Aux. Enrollment 26

Shelby: 403 College Ave., Shelby, NC 28152 (704) 482-9744
Pastor: Rev. Mike Carper, 2919 Nicole Dr., Shelby, NC 28152 (704) 471-2001
Clerk: Donna Hamilton, 508 Forest Ridge Dr., Shelby, NC 28152 (704) 434-7181
Ordained Ministers 1, Ordained Deacons 3, Total Membership 155

Southside: 4522 Hwy. 127 South, Hickory, NC 28602 (828) 294-6757
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Ordained Ministers 2, Licensed Ministers 2, Baptisms 5, Members Added 22,
Members Lost 2

Sulphur Springs: 1273 Sulphur Springs Rd. Waynesville, NC 28786 (828) 452-5559 (Mailing Add: P.O. Box 413 Hazelwood, NC 28738)
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Swannanoa: 200 Park St., Swannanoa, NC 28778 (828) 686-1333
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Clerk: Clara Mae Ogle, 133 Dellwood Ave., Swannanoa, NC 28778 (828) 686-3847
Ordained Ministers 2, Ordained Deacons 8, Baptisms 12, Total Membership 80,
S.S. Enrollment 76, C.T.S. Enrollment 60, Woman's Aux. Enrollment 11

The Way Of The Cross: 875 E. Zion Church Rd. Shelby, NC 28150 (704) 487-1006 Pastor: Rev. Alan Sailors, 1689 Eastway Dr., Shelby, NC 28150 (704) 484-3842 Clerk: Barbara Mayhue 405 Monica Dr. Shelby, NC 28150 (704) 484-8787 Ordained Ministers 2, Licensed Ministers 2, Ordained Deacons 1, Total Membership 178; S.S. Enrollment 103, Woman's Aux. Enrollment 15

Zephyr Hills: 283 Shelburne Rd., Asheville, NC 28806 (828) 253-5487
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Clerk: Pat Lipe, 21 Clarks Chapel Ext, Weaverville, NC 28787 (828) 645-9622
Ordained Ministers 2, Ordained Deacons 7, Baptisms 7, Members Added 12;
Total Membership 127, S.S. Enrollment 82, Woman's Aux. Enrollment 20

## CONSTITUTION AND BY LAWS OF THE

# BLUE RIDGE ASSOCIATION OF NORTH CAROLINA AFFILIATED WITH NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

#### Article 1

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 cooperation: 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, and all Ministers who are in good standing and of sound doctrine of the Free Will Baptist faith, who are not affiliated with the Blue Ridge Associational Churches. 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 rights 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 delegate.

#### Article 5

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

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#### Article 6

- A. The officers of the 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 businesslike 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 for services rendered an amount fixed by the Association.
- 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 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.

#### Article 7

At each annual session, the Moderator shall appoint such committees as the Association may direct, except the Nominating Committee which shall be appointed at the third quarterly meeting. It shall be the duty of these committees to report at the appointed time.

#### Article 8

A Camp Director and Assistant Camp Director shall be elected annually. These directors shall be responsible for, and work with the Youth Board in organizing; promoting, and directing youth camp.

#### 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. If business deems it necessary, the Executive Board will meet, otherwise, the Moderator and the Assistant Moderator will plan the quarterly programs. 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 for Ministers and Churches under the authority and recommendations of the local church in this Association, 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 licensing anyone for the Ministry, 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, (which is defined as; a minister who is duly elected to that position by the church and recommended by the pastor), at which time he may be Ordained at the request of the Church of Organization which he is serving.

C. This Association deems it necessary for the protection of the gospel not to accept anyone as a minister who has two living wives. We also deem it necessary to further state that we do not accept a minister whose wife has two living husbands. Each minister must maintain a Christian character, and clean habits, and shall not have a tolerant attitude toward liberalism, modernism, communism, Catholicism, etc.

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

E. Each Minister or Pastor belonging to the Blue Ridge Association, who fails to attend the Associational meetings without just cause, such as sickness, death, or any emergency for a period of one year shall be granted a letter of dismissal.

a. However, if there is just cause for his absence, he may report by Letter.
b. If, however, he does not report or give a justifiable reason for absenteeism, the Ordaining Council will ask for his permission to meet with him in a conciliatory meeting. After said meeting, the Ordaining Council will make report to the Quarterly meeting of the Blue Ridge Association, along with recommendations, etc.

F. Any Church belonging to the Blue Ridge Association who fails deliberately or by neglect to report either by delegation or letter for a period of one year, and does not support the Association financially will be contacted by the Executive Board, after which a report will be made to the next session of the Blue Ridge Association, and action will be taken based upon report, either to drop them from the roll, or to continue to labor with them in love.

G. Any Minister uniting with another Denomination, his Credentials become null and void, and his Ordination papers shall be called for.

#### Article 11

The Youth Board and Mission Board shall consist of 5 men each having a 5-year term. Terms shall be staggered so that one person rotates off each year. A member shall succeed himself only one time.

#### Article 12

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 13

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 and shall submit a report at each annual meeting.

#### Article 14

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 15

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

#### Article 16

This Association shall meet annually on the first Saturday in May.

#### Article 17

This Association recommends that each Church pay quarterly one percent of their income for the support of this Association, to be designated as follows: General Fund 35%, Missions 30%, Education 5%, Youth Board 25%, Minister's Benevolent 5%.

#### Article 18

The Ordaining Council will meet, as duty demands, one week prior to the Associational meetings.

#### Article 19

Anyone who wishes to present any grievance, or any matter that pertains to any person or persons shall first present a written signed statement to the Ordaining Council

#### Article 20

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

#### RULES OF DECORUM

- 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 anyone 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 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.

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#### ARTICLES OF FAITH

- 1. God: We believe there is only one true and living God who is personally the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, equal and harmonious in every divine perfection. There is one God and one mediator between God and man, the man Christ Jesus who gave Himself a ransom for all to be testified in due time. 1 Timothy 2:5.
- 2. The Holy Scripture: We believe that God is the author of the Holy Bible, and its teachings constitute the only infallible doctrine for the government of His church. All scripture is given by inspiration of God and is profitable for doctrine, for re-proof 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 prosperity 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).
- 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).
- 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 are made sorry, but ye sorrowed to repentance: for ye were made sorry after a Godly manner, that ye might receive damage by us in nothing. For Godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death." (2 Corinthians 7:9-10).
- 7. Free 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, a man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?" (Micah 6:8).
- 8. Perseverance: We do not believe, under gospel dispensation, any soul is elected to eternal life unconditionally, but that those who by faith persevere to the end will be saved that it is possible for men who have been converted to make shipwreck of their faith and turn again to sin and finally be lost. "And Jesus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the plough and looking back, is fit for the Kingdom of God." (Luke 8:62).

- 9. Good Works: We believe that good works are the result 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." (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).

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#### 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 our selves 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.

#### LIST OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Blue Ridge Associational Meetings

Place	Date	Devotion	Speaker
Faith	Nov. 6, 2004	Rev. Brian Bird	Rev. Tim McFatter
Gethsemane	Feb. 5, 2005	Rev. Jeff Boehm	Rev. Howard Pittman
Homer's Chapel	May 7, 2005	Rev. James Lindsey	Rev. Jack Ward

Pastor's Retreat

Place Dates and Times
Camp Cragmont January 27 - 28, 2005

Black Mountain, NC 3:00 p.m. Thursday until 12:30 p.m. Friday

**Pastor Fellowship Meetings** 

Place	Date and Time	Coordinator
Homer's Chapel	Aug. 17, 2004 – 11:00 a.m.	Rev. Carl Miller
Homer's Chapel	Sept. 21, 2004 – 11:00 a.m.	Rev. Carl Miller
Homer's Chapel	Oct. 19, 2004 – 11:00 a.m.	Rev. Carl Miller
Homer's Chapel	Nov. 16, 2004 – 11:00 a.m.	Rev. Carl Miller
Rocky Pass	Feb. 15, 2005 – 11:00 a.m.	Rev. Billy Jones
Rocky Pass	Mar. 15, 2005 – 11:00 a.m.	Rev. Billy Jones
Rocky Pass	Apr. 19, 2005 – 11:00 a.m.	Rev. Billy Jones
Rocky Pass	May 17, 2005 – 11:00 a.m.	Rev. Billy Jones

#### **North Carolina State Meeting**

Place Dates

Meadowbrook June 6-7, 2005

Black Mountain

**National Meeting** 

Place Dates

Louisville, KY July 17-21, 2005

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