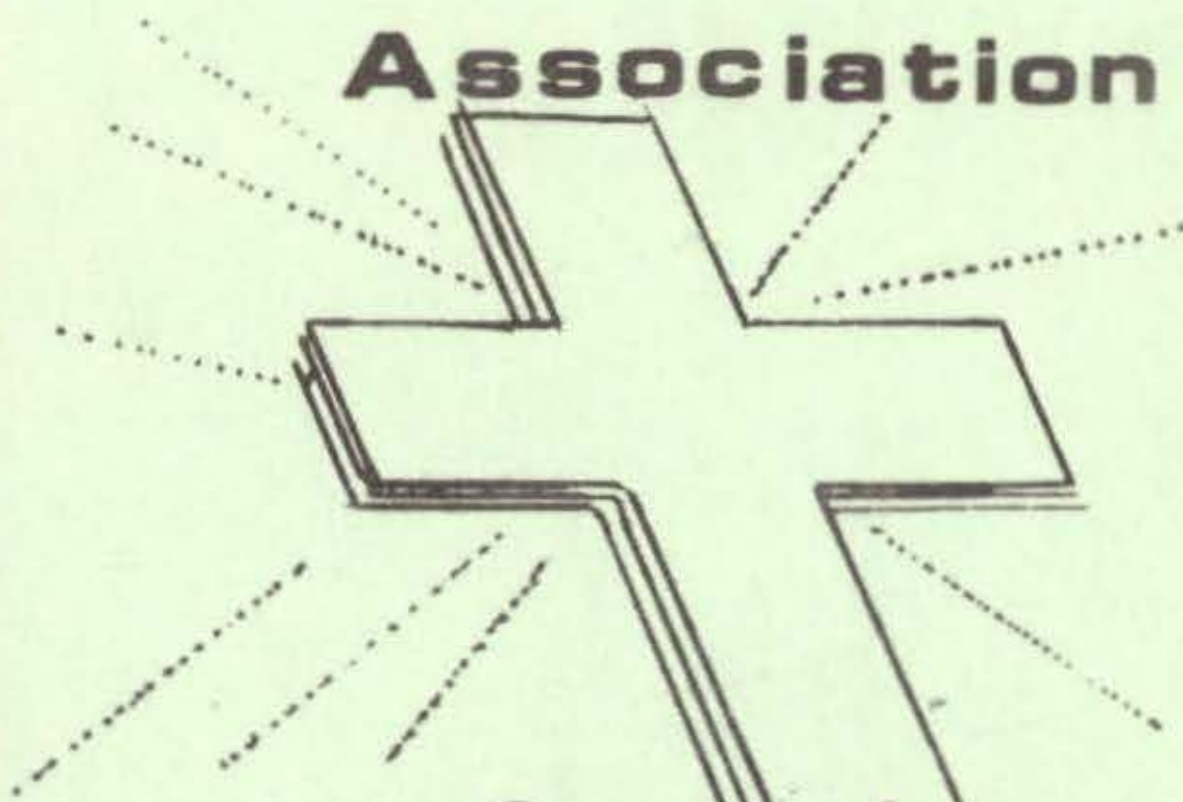


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The 96th annual session of the Cahaba River Free Will Baptist Association to meet on Saturday morning before the first Sunday in October, 1974 at the Cahaba River Free Will Baptist Youth Camp, Route 1, Sterrett, Alabama.

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Graysville, Ala.

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Rev. Dewey Isbell
Rte. 1
Leeds, Alabama
Rev. Jerry Joe Harris
Rte. 1
Leeds, Alabama
Rev. A. D. Lynn
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Rev. Jerome E. Goodwin
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Rev. Marlin Hodgins
Rte. 1
Chelsea, Alabama

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Rev. Carlton Lambert
Eldridge, Alabama

FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE

Rev. R. P. Ritch
Dr. Robert E. Picirilli
Nashville, Tenn.

MOBILE MISSION

Rev. Kenneth M. Walker
727 Iris Avenue
Mobile, Alabama

DEACONS WHO REGISTERED

BELVIEW CHURCH

James F. Johnson
Billy Cummings

BESSEMER CHURCH

Charley Weaver

BETHEL CHURCH

Clarence Pickett

CENTER POINT CHURCH

Joe Kimbrough
Jimmy Simpson

DAVIS CHAPEL CHURCH

Billy Britton
Chester Wydemon
Voyd Howard

EAST BIRMINGHAM CHURCH

Ernest Markham

FAIRVIEW CHURCH NO. 1

Frank Tomlinson

FORESTDALE CHURCH

James Beasley
Lecil Gardner
Howard K. Schultz

FIRST CHURCH, FULTONDALE

Ken Marsh
Tennis Frederick
Artie Frederick

GRAYSVILLE CHURCH

Melvin NeSmith

MEMORIAL CHURCH

V. C. Aycock

MT. OLIVE CHURCH

Johnny C. Harris
Harold Duckett

MT. PLEASANT CHURCH

Roy R. Hodgins

MT. ZION CHURCH

James A. Tyus
Paul H. Hardwick
Royce Grissom

NORTH GADSDEN CHURCH

Andrew W. Robershaw

PLEASANT GROVE CHURCH

Zell Randolph
Wilburn Jordan

PLEASANT VALLEY CHURCH

Cecil Hodgins

SHADY GROVE CHURCH

Johnnie Higgins
Fred C. Smith

FIRST CHURCH, SYLACAUGA

Jack Duffie
Perry Dobson
Gafford Johnson

DELEGATES WHO REGISTERED

BELVIEW CHURCH

Herbert Smith
Johnny C. Alvis
Mrs. Polly Roberson

BESSEMER CHURCH

Rufus Wilson
Nell Weaver

BETHEL CHURCH

Bob Smitherman

CENTER POINT CHURCH

Bill Smith
Billie Smith
Mrs. Alice Hood

DAVIS CHAPEL CHURCH

Mrs. J. J. Staab
Mrs. Geraldine Howard

EAST BIRMINGHAM CHURCH

Mrs. Leona Nichols
Mrs. E. J. Markham
Mrs. J. D. Wales
Paul A. Nichols

FAIRVIEW CHURCH NO. 1

Charlie Prewett
Roy C. Hammock

FAIRVIEW CHURCH NO. 2

Terrie Walker
Gaines Ray
Barbara Ray

FORESTDALE CHURCH

Essie Mae Johnson
Mrs. Bobbie Beasley
Curtis Brake
Steve Johnson

FIRST CHURCH, FULTONDALE

Gouy Ellis
Carl Roberts
Lonny Joe Frederick
Dwade Frederick

GRAYSVILLE CHURCH

Mrs. Doris Freeman
Mr. Teddy W. Johnson

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Harold McNiese
Ralph Reeves

MT. PLEASANT CHURCH

Mason Johnson
Harvey Jones

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Patricia Danner
Shirley Lynn

MT. ZION CHURCH

Jobie Hardwick
Nell Grissom
Mrs. Jerome E. Goodwin

PLEASANT VALLEY CHURCH

Mary Shirley

SHADY GROVE CHURCH

Curtis D. Smith
Jimmy R. Taylor

FIRST CHURCH, SYLACAUGA

Lyman Ogle
Jack Meherg

UNION HILL CHURCH

Mrs. Linda A. Hodgins

MINISTERS REGISTERED	31
DEACONS REGISTERED	32
DELEGATES REGISTERED	45
VISITING MINISTERS	4
OTHER VISITORS	83
TOTAL REGISTERED	195

PROCEEDINGS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1973

8:30 A.M. to 9:00 A.M. — Registration

Service opened with congregational singing with Bro. James Beasley Directing and Sis. Billie Rollins as Pianist. Conference called to order by Clerk. Moderator's message and prayer by Assistant Moderator, Rev. Glen A. Hood using St. Matthew 28:18-20, St. Luke 16:27-28 and St. John 4:32. Credential and Nominating Committees report given and accepted. (see Committee Reports) Roll call of delegates with time allowed for substitution for those delegates that were absent. A motion was passed to accept the substitute delegates. Visitors recognized. Those visiting were Bro. Carlton Lambert, Bro. Ken Walker, Bro. Robert Ritch and Bro. H. W. Grice. A letter from the North Alabama Association of Free Will Baptists, stating that they were satisfied with the operation of the Childrens Home at Eldridge, Ala. was read and accepted as information. Some of the Committee members were replaced where needed by the Moderator. An oral report on the Children's Home was given by Rev. Carlton Lambert. They had an average of 38 children in the home during last year. A motion was passed to receive this report as information. The Home Mission Board report was given by the Chairman, Rev. Max Feltman. A motion was passed to receive this report. The Youth Camp Board of Trustees report was given by the Chairman, Bro. Cecil Gardner. A motion was passed to accept this report. The Sunday Family Devotion Committee report was given and accepted. The Family Devotion Committees report was given and accepted. (see Committee Reports) An oral report was given on the mission Church at Enterprise, Ala. by Rev. E. R. Mayo. An oral report was given on the Selma Church by Rev. Maxwell Harper. A motion was passed to receive these two reports as information. The Deceased Committees report was given and accepted and the congregation stood for silent prayer being ended with a prayer by Rev. E. R. Mayo. (See Committee Reports).

A motion was passed to select delegates to the state association. Those selected were: Polly Roberson, Rufus Wilson, Bob Smitherman, Alice Hood, Mary Staab, Paul Nichols, Mary Nix, Imogene Walker, Steve Johnson, Carl Roberts, Mrs. Kenneth Kirby, Billy Rollins, Patricia Danner, Phoebe Hodgins, Mary Ogle, Sis. Burt Alexander, Margaret Dutton, Jeanette Harper, Sis. Gary Hood, Lyman Ogle and Curtis Brake. Time was allowed for nominations from the floor and a motion was passed to accept the delegates. The Temperance Committee Report was given and accepted. (see Committee Reports).

INTERMISSION

11:10 A.M. Service opened with congregational singing with Bro. James Beasley directing and Sis. Nell Grissom as Pianist. A partial report of the Business Committee was given and accepted. (see Committee Reports) Prayer by Rev. Nix. The congregation sang 'Victory In Jesus'. A report was given by Rev. Ken Walker on the Mobile Mission Church. The morning message was also brought by Rev. Ken Walker using St. Mark 5:1-19, St. John 3:19, St. Luke 13:3 and St. Luke 9:23-24. Subject of the message was 'The World's Greatest Disturber'; Benediction and grace by Bro. Ritch.

LUNCH

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1973 — 1:05 P.M.

Service opened with congregational singing and prayer by Rev. Jack Rollins. A devotional was given by Rev. Ernest Walker using John 1:1-2. A partial report of the Standing of the Ministry Committee was given and accepted. The Auditing Committee report was given and accepted. (see Committee Reports) Congregational singing. The final report

of the Standing of the Ministry Committee was given and accepted. (see Committee Reports) A special was sang by Bro. Steve Johnson. The Business Committee's report was given and accepted. (see Committee Reports) A motion was passed to elect officers. Those elected were: Moderator — Rev. Glen A. Hood, Assistant Moderator — Rev. Jack Rollins, Member of Home Mission Board — Bro. Jimmy Simpson and Member of Executive Board — Rev. B. T. Alexander. Rev. Gary Hood read a letter to the association that he had written, concerning speaking in tongues and the action that was taken at our National Association on this matter. A motion was made and seconded that we suggest that our position be restudied on this matter. This action was ruled out of order by the Moderator and the Moderator's action was approved by the body. The Ordaining Council's report was given and accepted. (see Committee Reports for the names of those that were ordained) A motion was passed that the license of Rev. Marshall Alexander be renewed. A motion was passed that the license of Rev. James Ellison be renewed. The ordination service was held with the charge being given by Rev. J. J. Staab and prayer by Rev. Maxwell Harper. There was a motion that the license of licensed ministers be renewed each year until they are ordained. A motion was passed to table this motion until after the newly ordained men are given hand of fellowship. The newly ordained men and their wives were given hand of fellowship by the congregation. A motion was passed that the license of ministers licensed by this association be reissued each year, if the church of which they are a member makes this request. Item 11 of the 'Guide Lines for Ordination' and Item 14 of the 'By-Laws of Ministers and Deacons' are to be changed so that they will be in accord with this motion. Dismissed with Prayer by Rev. Jerome Goodwin.

5:00 P.M. — SUPPER

6:20 P.M. — Service opened with congregational singing. A report was given on the Youth Camp that was held last summer and slides were shown by Rev. Jerome Goodwin. They had 24 campers at the camp.

6:50 P.M. — RECESS

MINISTERS AND DEACONS CONFERENCE

7:00 P.M. — Service opened with congregational singing and prayer by Bro. Royce Grissom. Scripture reading, 1 John 3:1-2 by Moderator, Rev. J. D. Wales. Altar prayer led by Bro. Fred Smith. Special by Bro. Steve Johnson, 'Who Am I'. Conference called to order by Clerk. Opportunity given for new members. Bro. Johnny Harris from Mt. Olive Church came forward. Bro. Harris was given hand of fellowship. Prayer by Rev. J. D. Wales and offering was received. (offering amounted to \$55.20) A report on the Free Will Baptist Bible College was given by Dr. Robert Picirilli. Message was also brought by Dr. Robert Picirilli using Romans 12:1-2. An invitation was given while congregation sang 'I Surrender All'. Altar prayer. New officers were elected. Rev. J. M. Dutton, Jr. was elected as Moderator and Rev. Jerome Goodwin was elected as Assistant Moderator. A motion was passed to adjourn. Dismissed with prayer by Rev. J. M. Dutton, Jr.

REPORT OF HOME MISSION BOARD

We, the Home Mission Board of the Cahaba River Association want to thank each church that has helped thru prayer and support in this work for God. As Chairman of the Board, I want to thank God for serving on the Board for the past 3 years. We pray that the churches can continue to help the Home Mission. We can see such a great need of God's work being carried on. The Bible teaches us to go into all the world and preach the gospel. Pray for Bro. T. W. McDaniel as he will be Chairman of the Board next year, and Bro. Frank Stewart and whoever this association elects on the Board for the next 3 year term. Lets stand behind them with our prayers. This report prayerfully closed by, Rev. Max Feltman

Rev. T. W. McDaniels

Rev. Frank Stewart

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD

Money received from Oct. 25, 1972 to Oct. 4, 1973

Forestdale F.W.B. Church	\$ 100.00
East Birmingham F.W.B. Church	264.93
Fairview F.W.B. Church	55.00
Fultondale F.W.B. Church	333.14
Mt. Pleasant F.W.B. Church	50.00
Davis Chapel F.W.B. Church	76.00
Center Point F.W.B. Church	59.64
Belview F.W.B. Church	20.00
Sylacauga F.W.B. Church	15.00
Pleasant Valley F.W.B. Church	60.00
TOTAL MONEY RECEIVED	1033.71
Balance on hand, Oct. 25, 1972	965.40
	1999.11
PAID OUT	1306.00
BALANCE	\$ 693.11
PAID OUT:	
Bro. Frank Stewart	1200.00
Alabama State Home Mission Board (5% of money received)	53.00
National Home Mission Board (5% of money received)	53.00
TOTAL PAID OUT	\$1306.00

FINANCIAL REPORT OF YOUTH CAMP

Forestdale	\$ 240.00
East Birmingham	240.00
Shady Grove	353.21
Fairview No. 1	240.00
Center Point	219.73
Mt. Zion	240.00
Bethel	180.00
Belview	55.00
Sylacauga	120.00
Graysville	214.56
Union Hill	120.00
Davis Chapel	110.00
Mt. Olive	110.00
Memorial	60.00
Mt. Pleasant	120.00
Pleasant Valley	120.00
Fultondale	80.00
Fairview No. 2	20.00
TOOK IN FROM CHURCHES	\$2842.50
FROM ASSOCIATION	200.00
PRIVATE DONATION	300.00
TOTAL FOR THE YEAR	3342

TOTAL TOOK IN FOR YEAR	\$3342.50
BROUGHT FORWARD	762.02
	\$4104.52
PAID OUT FOR YEAR OCT. 1, TO SEPTEMBER 31, 1972 & 1973	3331.49
IN TREASURE	\$ 773.03

Paid out for year from Oct. 1, 1972 until Sept 31, 1973:

OCTOBER:	
Bank Note	\$ 192.00
Lights	8.59
Materials for repairs	10.00
NOVEMBER:	
Bank Note	192.00
Lights	10.43
DECEMBER:	
Bank Note	192.00
Lights	7.45
JANUARY:	
Bank Note	192.00
Water lines & repairs for material when lines froze and busted.	75.00
Lights	4.78
FEBRUARY:	
Ice Maker	659.75
Bank Note	192.00
Lights	4.78
Coffee maker and 6 doz. teaspoons	49.50
'Cash & Carry' for door stops & pieces to go under door	9.28
MARCH:	
Bank Note	192.00
Lights	4.78
APRIL:	
Bank Note	192.00
Lights	6.81
MAY:	
Bank Note	192.00
Lights	4.78
JUNE:	
Lights	4.78
JULY:	
Water Filter	40.00
Lights	4.78
Cabin (1/2 payment)	381.20
AUGUST:	
'Goldbrof' Games to be used during camp	45.21
Penneys	56.25
K-Mart	37.71
Pizitz	10.07
Lights	4.78
Cabin (Final Payment)	300.00
Youth Camp Sign, 'Joseph Glass Co.'	25.00

SEPTEMBER:

Association Supplies	\$25.00
Lights	4.78

OCTOBER	\$210.59
NOVEMBER	202.43
DECEMBER	199.45
JANUARY	271.78
FEBRUARY	915.31
MARCH	196.78
APRIL	198.81
MAY	196.78
JUNE	4.78
JULY	425.98
AUGUST	479.02
SEPTEMBER	29.78
TOTAL PAID OUT FOR YEAR	\$3331.49

COMMITTEE REPORTS

(All Committee Reports were accepted by conference)

Credential and Nominating Committee: We have examined 22 church letters and find all of them in order and recommend seating all the delegates.

We nominate the following officers: Moderator - Rev. Glenn A. Hood; Asst. Moderator - Rev. Jack Rollins; Home Mission Board Member - Bro. Jimmy Simpson; Executive Board Member - Rev. B. T. Alexander.

J. D. Wales
L. B. Hallmark
Joe Kimbrough

Auditing Committee: We, the Auditing Committee have examined the Treasure reports and have found all three reports in order; the Home Missions, General Fund and Youth Camp.

Paul Hardwick

Deceased Committee: The Deceased were; Fairview F. W. B. — Bro. C. B. Smith & Bro. Truitt Martin; Graysville F. W. B. — Bro. Roy Kuykendall, deacon; Center Point F. W. B. — Sister Freddie Mae Alexander & Bro. Noble Black; Mt. Pleasant — Tom Rogers, Vego Rogers & Maudie Mae Stone; Sylacauga — 1 member; North Gadsden F. W. B. — Rev. James Wycuff; Union Hill F. W. B. — Sis. Maurine Rylant; Shady Grove — 3 members; East Birmingham F. W. B. — Bro. J. H. McCullough, Deacon.

Lecil Gardner, Chairman

Sunday School and C.T.S. Committee: We, the Sunday School and C.T.S. Committee recommend that we as Free Will Baptist make it a practice to have Sunday School and, or C.T.S. in our churches. We should strive and do our utmost to create an active interest in this work especially for our young people and children, that they may hear and learn to fear the Lord our God for as long as they live, for to fear the Lord is the beginning of knowledge. In Proverbs 1:8 we hear these words, My son hear the instructions of thy father and forsake not the law of thy mother. We believe the key to a successful Sunday School and C.T.S. is good leadership, first in the home and then in the church, and we recommend God as the teacher.

Mason Johnson
Harvey Jones
Phoebe Hodgans

STANDING OF THE MINISTRY:

1. We recommend a gold certificate be given Bro. W. J. Nichols and Bro. Charlie Stone from Mt. Pleasant Church in recognition of their service for the Lord.
2. We recommend that Rev. Don Layton be given a certificate of standing since he returned to the church after the letter had been submitted.
3. Bro. G. N. Benefield and Bro. Peter Lee are not present to be questioned and cannot be considered at this time.
4. We recommend that a letter and a certificate of standing be sent to the Birmingham District Association in regards to Bro. Amos Ragsdale who is now a member and Pastor of the Alton Church.
5. We, the committee for Standing of the Ministry recommend that all ministers and deacons whose name appear on church letters be granted a certificate of standing. The standing of the ministry granted a certificate of standing. The standing of the ministry committee would reserve the right to question any minister or deacon about their character if it is found unbecoming a christian.
6. We recommend that a letter of good standing be sent to the Florida State Line Association for Rev. E. R. Mayo which is now pastoring a church in that area.

Rev. J. M. Dutton, Jr.
Rev. Wayne McDaniel
Rev. Marlin Hodgans
Bro. James Johnson

Temperance Committee: We, the committee on temperance recommend that we follow temperance in all things. That we comply with our church covenant, and that we seek to grow in the richest of his grace. That our outward being show forth the inward dwelling of the holy spirit, and that we always 'Present our bodies a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable unto God which is our reasonable service'. Romans 12:1

Teddy Johnson
Curtis Brake
B. B. Alexander

Family Devotion: In these troubled times, which we live, we believe that family devotions is very important in the upbringing and training of our children. Family devotion helps establish a closer relationship between parents and children. Proverbs 22:6, 'Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it'.

Voyd Howard
Billy Britton
Chester Wydemon

Ordaining council: We recommend that the following men be ordained as deacons: Bro. Norman Hodges and Bro. Johnny Adams from Fultondale Church, Bro. Johnny Harris from Mt. Olive Church and Bro. Teddy Johnson from Graysville Church.

Rev. J. J. Staab
Rev. Jerome Goodwin
Bro. Frank Tomlinson
Rev. Maxwell Harper
Bro. Jack Duffie

Business Committee:

1. We recommend that the association pay Rev. Ken Walker \$50.00 for travel expense.
2. We recommend that an offering be taken at the Ministers and Deacons Conference tonight for the expense of the speaker. If the offering does not total \$75.00 or more, we recommend that the association guarantee a payment of \$75.00.
3. We recommend that we adopt the letter form recommended by the National Association and the letter from the Cahaba River Association.
4. We recommend that the Trustees of the Youth Camp study the situation and need for a swimming pool at the Youth Camp and that the results be brought before our next Semi-Annual Conference.
5. We recommend that all church property deeded to the association be deeded back to the original churches. This recommendation covers local church property, only and would not affect the Youth Camp property.

Rev. Frank Stewart
Rev. Albert L. Pickett
Bro. E. J. Markham
Rev. Dewey Isbell
Bro. Ken March

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REPORT OF TREASURER

GENERAL FUND

BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD, SEPT. 8, 1972 ——— \$608.88

RECEIVED:

East Birmingham FWB Church ———	\$ 80.00
Bessemer FWB Church ———	30.00
North Gadsden FWB Church ———	35.00
Shady Grove FWB Church ———	30.00
Graysville FWB Church ———	60.00
Fairview FWB Church No. 2 ———	30.00
Mt. Pleasant FWB Church ———	40.00
Center Point FWB Church ———	30.00
Belview FWB Church ———	30.00
First FWB Church (Fultondale) ———	423.19
Memorial FWB Church ———	30.00
Mt. Zion FWB Church ———	30.00
Fairview FWB Church No. 1 ———	70.00
Bethel FWB Church ———	40.00
Union Hill FWB Church ———	30.00
First FWB Church (Sylacauga) ———	30.00
Davis Chapel FWB Church ———	88.50
Mt. Olive FWB Church ———	40.00
Pleasant Valley FWB Church ———	40.00
First FWB Church (Pleasant Grove) ———	20.00
First FWB Church (Selma) ———	45.00
Forestdale FWB Church ———	35.00
Special Offering For FWB Childrens Home ———	81.86

TOTAL RECEIVED ——— \$1368.55 \$1368.55

TOTAL BROUGHT FORWARD AND RECEIVED ——— \$1977.43

PAID OUT:

Action Printing Co. (Programs for 1972 Annual Conference) —	\$26.25
Rev. E. R. Mayo (Moderator) ———	25.00
Rev. M. D. Harper (Asst. Moderator) ———	12.50
P. A. Nichols (Clerk-Treasurer) ———	75.00
FWB Childrens Home ———	81.86
Baptist Book Store (Name Tag Holders for 1972 Conf.) ———	23.85
FWB Bible College (Bldg. Fund) ———	100.00
Cahaba River FWB Youth Camp ———	200.00
Ala. State Assn. of FWB ———	110.00
Postage and envelopes ———	14.53
Coker Printing & Letter Serv. (Minutes of 1972 Conf.) ———	302.10
The Printer (Programs for 1973 Semi-Annual Conf.) ———	15.75
Bank Charges ———	1.94
File Cabinet and 48 File Folders ———	26.41
Use of Copy Machine ———	3.15
The Printer (Report Forms) ———	19.96
The Printer (Programs for 1973 Annual Conf.) ———	30.45

TOTAL PAID OUT ——— \$1068.75 \$1068.75

BALANCE, Sept. 21, 1973 ——— \$908.68

Respectfully submitted,
P. A. Nichols, Clerk-Treasurer



CHURCHES	MEMBERS	NEW MEMBERS	BAPTIZED	DISMISSED	DECEASED	ORDAINED MINISTERS	LICENSED MINISTERS	ORDAINED DEACONS	CHURCH VALUATION	PAID PASTORS
BELVIEW	50	8	9	0	0	2	1	1	6,500	900.00
BESSEMER	7	3	2	2	0	1	0		0000	00000
BETHEL	84	18	12	0	2	1	0	1	45,000	2,370.00
CENTER POINT	92	14	4	3	2	2	0	3	35,000	8,020.00
DAVIS CHAPEL	45	5	1	3	0	1	1	5	24,000	1,495.00
EAST B'HAM	182	14	8	7	1	3	1	7	92,000	8,230.00
FAIRVIEW NO.	117	18	11	15	2	2	0	4	35,000	6,977.51
FAIRVIEW NO. 2	55	7	0	0	0	1	0	5	000000	1,870.00
FORESTDALE	163	34	9	6	0	1	1	7	250,000	000000
FULTONDALE	120	10	6	2	0	3	0	9	150,000	2,340.00
GRAYSVILLE	123	8	3	0	1	5	0	5	80,000	3,650.00
MEMORIAL	119	10	8	0	0	3	0	4	18,000	1,605.00
MT. OLIVE	78	5	4	0	0	5	0	3	11,000	400.00
MT. PLEASANT	58	0	0	1	3	0	0	1	30,000	1,170.00
MT. ZION	107	7	0	0	0	1	0	6	30,000	7,800.00
NORTH GADSDEN	20	8	1	0	1	3	1	1	5,000	200.00
PLEASANT GROVE	108	11	0	3	0	3	0	2	55,000	500.00
PLEASANT VALLEY	47	1	0	2	0	1	0	3	10,000	2,450.00
SELMA	33	9	6	1	0	1	0	0	20,000	1,500.00
SHADY GROVE	252	28	4	6	3	1	0	3	150,000	7,560.00
SYLACAUGA	130	13	5	0	1	1	0	3	35,000	4,900.00
UNION HILL	67	9	2	2	1	3	0	1	15,660	2,510.00
TOTALS	2057	240	95	53	17	44	5	79	1,097,160	66,447.51
22 CHURCHES										

PAID EVANGELISTS	MISSIONS	SUPER - ANNUATION	CHILDREN'S HOME	SUNDAY SCHOOL	C.T.S.	AUXILIARY	MASTER MEN	BUILDING REPAIR AND IMPROVEMENTS
100.00	230.00	65.00	55.00	50	0	12	0	2,870.42
00000	00000	0000	0000	10	12	0	0	0000.00
250.00	347.08	116.20	286.47	60	0	0	0	1,331.57
230.00	716.48	00000	35.63	59	44	9	0	1,282.56
220.00	94.50	36.00	163.13	54	32	10	0	794.55
290.00	931.84	236.04	00000	119	40	9	5	0000.00
370.85	295.00	55.00	275.00	122	5	14	0	1,772.40
100.00	20.00	00000	217.00	70	30	11	0	157.05
200.00	2571.72	602.97	1598.92	207	98	21	22	000.00
125.00	584.18	166.66	426.65	82	64	12	0	000.00
274.22	245.88	122.94	00000	120	43	12	10	500.00
307.40	60.00	00000	270.70	80	0	yes	0	53.04
133.57	00000	00000	110.00	44	0	0	0	2,629.86
445.00	240.00	48.78	215.00	40	0	0	0	000.00
125.00	280.00	00000	244.05	83	0	14	12	679.63
70.00	00000	00000	00000	40	21	5	0	500.00
00000	00000	00000	00000	79	35	0	0	000.00
250.00	240.00	00000	144.10	00	0	7	0	365.65
00000	00000	00000	80.00	34	32	0	0	000.00
100.00	1518.92	529.84	00000	199	94	12	0	000.00
150.00	540.00	00000	120.00	122	45	18	12	2,554.25
100.00	100.00	00000	193.70	51	0	0	0	2,496.69
3841.04	9015.55	1979.43	4435.35	1725	635	166	61	17,987.67

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

The 19th session of The Woman's Auxiliary Convention met at Center Point FWB Church on Saturday, April 7, 1973. Theme: 'Proclaim His Name'. Our President, Alice Hood, welcome us to the 19th session of this Convention. Sis. Mary McSpadden was the only lady present who attended all 19 sessions. The session was opened with song 'Take The Name of Jesus With You'. Alter Prayer. Welcome by Rev. Glenn Hood, pastor of the host church. He gave us a thought for the day using John 4:35. Response by Sis. Betty Jo Frederick, Fuitondale Church. Song 'Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus'. Devotion was given by Sis. Marie Goodwin - Mt. Zion using Phil. 2:5-11 and gave time for testimonies. Song 'Blessed Be the Name of the Lord'. Seating of delegates.

Special 'Win the Lost at Any Cost' Duet of Belview — Penny Wright and Peggy Cummings. Special speaker from off the coast of Ceylon — Sis. Cheryl Lewis — She used Phil. 1:6, 1 John 1:9 and 1 Tim. 1:14.

Special — 'Sweet Jesus' Jane Hadley — Shady Grove

Our Missionary Speaker — Sis. Trula Cronk, our missionary to India Since 1948. She used Col. 2:6-10, 1 John 5:1-2. After her message gave time for questions.

Dismiss for the noon hour by Annette Tomlinson.

The host church served a very delicious and attractive meal. Thanks ladies of Center Point.

AFTERNOON SESSION:

Opened with 'Showers of Blessing'.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

REGISTRATION: The registration committee wish to submit the following:

Delegates	22
Pastors	1
Visitors	46

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Sis. Kathleen Smith

Appreciation: We, would like to thank the ladies of the Center Point Church for the lovely dinner prepared for us and for the hospitality shown during this meeting.

Sis. Icy Mae Frederick

Sis. Penny Wright

Attendance Banner: We, the attendance banner committee, wish to submit the following following: Belview Auxiliary won the banner with 9 out of 10 present.

Annette Tomlinson
Sis Levenia Russell

Nominating Committee: We, the nominating committee submit the following report for these offices:

President: Sis. Billie Rollins
Vice-President: Sis. Betty Jo Frederick
Sec.—Treasurer: Sis. Annette Tomlinson
Mission Action Ch. Sis. Jobie Harwick
Mission Prayer Ch. Sis. Libby Willoughby
Study Chairman: Sis. Ruth Hobson
Field Worker: Sis. Marie Goodwin

Sis. Bobbie Beasley, Chairman
Sis. Madelyn Smith
Sis. Mary McSpadden
Sis. Mary Nix
Sis. Nellie Hodges
Sis. Peggy Cummings

Program Committee: President, Sis Billie Rollins

Sis. Rita Hood

Sis Mary Nix

Sis. Icy Mae Frederick

Business: We, the business committee, wish to submit the following:

- (1) We continue the \$100.00 State Project.
- (2) That we divide our money into 3 parts \$470 for Dan Merhk Account
270 for Cronks
100 for our Home Mission project to be put into our Youth of the State (Board of Christian Education).
- (3) For this year we recommend the driver of each car carrying delegates to the State Convention be given \$8.00 gas expense.
- (4) We recommend that the host church be given \$25.00 for food expense.
- (5) We would like a volunteer for the meeting place next year, (Leeds)
- (6) That we continue our \$100.00 mission project.

All six items carried.

Sis. Marie Goodwin, Chairman
Sis. Polly Roberson
Sis. Reba Pennington

Finance: We, the finance Committee wish to submit the following report: The books are in order.

Sis. Jobie Hardwick
Sis. Gladys Reeves
Sis. Sissy Click

Installation of New Officers: Sis. Bobbie Beasley. A very impressive service. The Installation material was written by our own Sis. Libby Willoughby.

Report of Past Officers:

Announcements:

Presentation of money tree to Sis. Trula Cronk and she expressed her appreciation.

Adjourned.

DELEGATES TO THE STATE APPOINTED:

Belview: Polly Roberson

Center Point:

East Birmingham: Jeanette Wales

Fairview Linda Taylor

Forestdale Billie Rollins

Fultondale: Levenia Russell

Graysville:

Mt. Zion: Jodie Hardwick

Pleasant Valley: Clara Brasher

Shady Grove: Essie Mae Johnson

Sylacauga:

District: Marie Goodwin

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MISSION STUDY Sis. Ruth Hobson



TREASURER REPORT

CHURCH	DUES	CONV. EXPENSE	GIFT MISSION	PROJECT MISSION
BELVIEW	12.50		14.00	90.00
CENTER POINT	10.00	5.00	26.00	100.00
EAST B'HAM	11.25	5.00	12.00	100.00
FAIRVIEW	15.00	5.00	65.00	100.00
FORESTDALE	27.50	5.00	42.00	100.00
FULTONDALE	12.50	5.00	14.00	50.00
GRAYSVILLE	7.50	5.00		100.00
MT. ZION	12.50	5.00	33.00	100.00
PLEASANT VALLEY	8.75	5.00	19.01	100.00
SYLACAUGA				
TOTALS	132.50	45.00	275.01	940.00

BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD	\$177.07
DUES	132.50
CONVENTION EXPENSE	45.00
MONEY TREE	275.01
MISSION PROJECT	940.00
	\$1569.58

PAID OUT:

Cronks	\$ 476.01
Merhks	470.00
Lewis	69.00
Dues	110.00
State Project	100.00
Misc. (postage, cards, books, banners, report blanks, flowers for State 1972)	29.94
Food	25.00
Gas (7 cars)	56.00
Christian Education Board	100.00

TOTAL PAID OUT ----- **\$1435.95**

TOTAL MONEY ----- **\$1569.59**

PAID OUT ----- **1435.95**

BALANCE ----- **\$ 133.63**

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT

1973

Name of Auxillary, District, or State: CAHABA RIVER
Treasurer: Annette Tomlinson Address: Rt. 3, Box 680, Leeds, Alabama
Number active members on roll 110
Membership fees enclosed ----- \$ 110.00

OTHER DISBURSEMENTS:

HOME MISSIONS

Pre-Thanksgiving offering ----- 98.14
State missions offering ----- 61.00
Special Projects ----- 60.00

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Pre-Easter offering ----- 200.00
Special projects ----- 1492.08

BIBLE COLLEGES

General Fund ----- 45.10
Special projects ----- 62.90
Student loan funds ----- 60.00

WNAC General Fund (Emphasis Month)

Co-Laborer offering ----- 149.68
Children's Homes ----- 270.00
Retired Ministers ----- 29.00
Youth Camps or Projects ----- 89.41
Auxiliary literature and supplies ----- 128.47
Local church activities ----- 1234.29
Other Special Offerings ----- 125.00

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS ----- \$4215.80

RECORDING SECRETARY'S REPORT

Name of Auxillary, District, or State: CAHABA RIVER DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY
President: Mrs. Alice Hood Address: 113 13th Ave. N.W., Birmingham, Alabama
Secretary: Annette Tomlinson Address: Rt. 3, Box 680, Leeds, Alabama 35094

DELEGATES NAMES: List enclosed

Number of Auxiliaries reporting 10 Number Districts 1
Enrollment at beginning of convention year 94 Present enrollment 110
Attendance at general meeting 82 Number visitors 7
Attendance at group meetings ----- Number visitors -----

Other participating (Include extension members) -----

We wish to entertain the next convention Yes No X

Names and addresses of officers are inclosed Yes X No

GUIDE LINES FOR ORDINATION

1. This Association ordains no man that has more than one living wife, nor a man whose wife has more than one living husband.
2. Every minister carries a license until he is either called to a church or enters full time evangelistic work. The license of ministers licensed by this Association are to be re-issued each year, if the church of which they are a member makes this request.
3. This Association ordains no one that doesn't believe fully the faith and practice of the Free Will Baptist Treatise.
4. This Association ordains no one that doesn't believe and practice tithing.
5. This Association ordains no one that doesn't believe in the verbal inspiration of Word of God.
6. This Association will not ordain women to preach the Gospel.
7. This Association will not ordain anyone that is affiliated with the World Council of Churches.
8. This Association will not ordain any one with a bad character with them that are without.
9. This Association will not ordain anyone that doesn't believe and practice the ordinances of the church.
A. Baptism by immersion
B. Communion
C. Feet Washing
10. This Association will not ordain anyone that doesn't believe a person can apostatize and be lost.

ORDER OF CHURCH CONFERENCE

1. Call for peace and Fellowship of Church.
2. Opportunity for members.
3. Reading of the minutes of last conference.
4. Call for Acknowledgements.
5. Report of the Treasury.
6. Unfinished Business.
7. New Business
8. Report of all committees
9. Motion to adjourn.

BY-LAWS OF MINISTERS AND DEACONS

Conference of Cahaba River Association

1. The Clerk or Assistant Clerk, or the Senior Minister in years, may call the meeting to order and shall have charge until Moderator assumes his place.
2. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to enroll all Ministers present who are in good standing. If there are questionable characters they shall be referred to an appointed Credential Committee for advice but not for trial. They may be seated if found worthy, if not they are referred to their church.
3. Each meeting shall be opened with scripture reading and prayer.
4. By a two-thirds vote any decision of the moderator may be overruled.
5. This meeting shall sit with open doors unless it goes into a committee as a whole.
6. Any person, not a member of the body shall be allowed to take part in discussion, with Moderator's permission, but shall have no vote.
7. All members of the body are expected to be present throughout the session unless excused by Moderator.
8. No person shall be allowed to nominate more than one officer or committeeman if his nomination is elected.
9. The Moderator must not allow any discussion to be carried on in an unchristian spirit.
10. The person who desires to speak, must first rise and address the Moderator and when recognized shall proceed.
11. The votes on any question must be counted upon request of one-fifth of members present.
12. No member shall be allowed to speak more than ten minutes, nor twice on the same subject unless given permission by Moderator.
13. All Ministers belonging to this body are required to support all committees and boards elected or appointed by Association, (such as Home Mission Board, Building Committee, etc.).
14. Every Minister carries a license until he is either called to a church or enters full time evangelistic work. The license of ministers licensed by this Association are to be reissued each year, if the church of which they are a member makes this request.

CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God, by faith in Jesus 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 this solemn covenant.

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

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of the Scriptures, 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 will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship, and the observance of the ordinances of the Gospel; nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor, and all its benevolent work.

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

We will everywhere hold Christian principle 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 effort for the salvation of the world. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

CONSTITUTION

Article I. — The Association shall be known as The Cahaba River Association of The Free Will Baptist.

Article II — The Association shall be composed of Ministers; Deacons, and Delegates of different churches forming the same.

Article III — All Ministers and Churches wishing to become members of this body must willingly submit to the Articles of Constitution and all rules of same.

Article IV — Each church composing this Association shall be entitled to three (3) delegates of the first 100 members and one (1) for each additional fifty (50) or fraction thereof.

Article V — All church clerks shall mail church letters to the Association clerk not later than four weeks in advance of the first day of the beginning of the Association.

Article VI — The officers of the Association shall be composed of Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk-Treasurer, and Assistant Clerk-Treasurer. The Moderator and Assistant Moderator shall serve one (1) year terms, and the Clerk-Treasurer and Assistant Clerk-Treasurer shall serve two (2) year terms. They shall be elected by the body. The Clerk-Treasurer shall handle all money of the Association, except the Home Missions Fund and the Youth Camp Fund. The Clerk-Treasurer and Assistant Clerk-Treasurer shall be elected on even numbered years.

B — There shall also be a Home Mission Board. The Home Missions Board shall consist of three (3) members, each serving a three (3) year term with one member coming off each year. When vacancies occur, the body shall elect. The Home Missions Board shall elect their own Clerk-Treasurer which shall keep minutes of Home Missions Board meetings and shall handle all money belonging to the Home Missions Fund.

C — There shall also be an Executive Board. The Executive Board shall consist of three (3) members, each serving a three (3) year term with one member coming off each year. When vacancies occur the body shall elect.

D — There shall also be a Board of Trustees for the Youth Camp. Each Church that is a member of the Association shall be entitled to one (1) Trustee. Each Church may elect or re-elect a Trustee each year, from their Church and send his name and address in their letter to the Association. The Board of Trustees for the Youth Camp shall elect their own Clerk-Treasurer which shall keep minutes of their meetings and shall handle all money belonging to the Youth Camp Fund. The Board of Trustees for the Youth Camp shall also elect their own Chairman.

Article VII — All Committees shall be appointed in advance by Moderator. At end of session their responsibility shall cease.

Article VIII — The following committees shall meet in advance and be prepared to make their

report at the beginning of session: Credential and Nominating, Deceased, Sunday School and C.T.S., Temperance, and Family Devotion.

Article IX — This Association shall meet on Saturday morning before the first Sunday in October of each year.

Article X — Each church shall pay tithes of their income thus; 25 per cent of tithes to Children's Home 25 per cent of tithes to Annual Association 25 per cent of tithes to Home Mission, 15 per cent of tithes to Foreign Mission 10 per cent of tithes to Superannuation.

Article XI — Dropped from this constitution at the 1968 session.

Article XII — The Clerk-Treasurer shall be paid \$75.00 annually. The Moderator shall be paid \$25.00 annually. The Assistant Moderator shall be paid \$12.50 annually. All other expenditures not specified shall be by decision of the body.

Article XIII — This Constitution may be amended or altered at any regular session of the Association by two-thirds (2/3) vote of members present, provided proposed amendment or alteration be presented in writing to the body and lay on the table from morning session until afternoon session or from afternoon session until evening session.

MINISTER'S REPORT TO ASSOCIATION

No. of Churches Pastored _____ No. of Sermons Preached _____

No. Baptized _____ No. of Funerals Conducted _____ No. of

Marriages Performed _____ No. of Revivals _____ No. of

Miles Traveled _____ Amount of Offerings _____

Expense _____

Elder _____

TREATISE ARTICLES OF FAITH

Chapter I — The Holy Scriptures

These are the Old and the New Testaments. They are written by Holy Men, inspired by the Holy Spirit and are God's revealed word to man. They are a sufficient and infallible rule and guide to salvation and all christian worship and service.

Chapter II — Being and Attributes of God

The Scriptures teach that there is only one true and living God, who is spirit, self-existent, eternal immutable, omnipresent, omniscient, omnipotent, independent, good, wise, holy, just, and merciful, the Creator, preserver, and Governor of the universe; the Redeemer Savior, sanctifier, and judge of men; and the only proper object of worship.

The mode of his existence, however is a subject far above the understanding of man—finite beings cannot comprehend him. There is nothing in the universe that can justly represent him, for there is none like him. He is the fountain of all perfection and happiness. He is glorified by the whole creation, and worthy to be loved and served by all intelligence.

Chapter III — Divine Government and Providence

1. God exercises a providential care and superintendence over all His creatures, and governs the world in wisdom and mercy, according to the testimony of His word.
2. God has endowed man with power of free choice, and governs him by moral laws and motives; and this power of free choice is the exact measure of man's responsibility.
3. All events are present with God from everlasting to everlasting; but His knowledge of them does not in any sense cause them nor does He decree all events which He knows will occur.

Chapter IV — Creation, Primitive State of Man and His Fall

Section I — Creation

1. OF THE WORLD, God created the world, and all things that it contains, for His own pleasure and glory and the enjoyment of His creatures.
2. OF THE ANGELS, The angels were created by God to glorify Him and obey His commandments. Those who have kept their first estate He employs in ministering blessings to the heirs of salvation and in executing His judgments upon the world.
3. OF MAN, God created man, consisting of a material body and a thinking, rational soul. He was made in the image of God, to glorify his Maker.

Section II — Primitive Man and His Fall

Our first parents, in their original state, were upright. They naturally preferred and desired to obey their Creator, and had no preference or desire to transgress His will until they were influenced and inclined by the tempter to disobey God's commands. Previous to this, the only tendency of their nature was to do righteousness. In consequence of the first transgression, the state under which the posterity of Adam came into the world is so different from that of Adam that they have not that righteousness and purity which Adam had before the fall; they are not willing to obey God, but are inclined to evil. Hence none, by virtue of any natural goodness and mere work of their own; can become the children of God, but they are all dependent for salvation upon the redemption effected, through the blood of Christ, and upon being created anew unto obedience through the operation of the Spirit, both of which are freely provided for every descendent of Adam.

Chapter V — Of Christ

Section I

Jesus Christ, the Son of God, possesses all divine perfections. As He and the Father are one, He in His divine nature, filled all the offices and performed the works of God to His creatures that have been the subjects of revelations to us. As man, he performed all the duties toward God that we are required to perform, repentance of sin excepted.

His divinity is proved from His titles, His attributes, and His works.

1. HIS TITLES. The Bible Ascribes to Christ the titles of Savior, Jehovah, Lord of hosts, the first and the last, God, true God, Great God over all, mighty God, and the everlasting Father.
2. HIS ATTRIBUTES. He is eternal, unchangable, omnipresent, omniscient, omnipotent, holy, and is to be worshipped.
3. HIS WORKS. By Christ the world was created. He preserves, and governs it; He has provided redemption for all men and He will be their final judge.

The Word, which in the beginning was with God and which was God, by whom all things were made condescended to a state of humiliation in being united with human nature and becoming like us, pollution and sin excepted. In this state, as a subject of the law, He was liable to the infirmities of our nature, was tempted as we are, but lived our example, perfect obedience to the divine requirements. As Christ was made of the seed of David according to the flesh, He is 'the Son of man', and as the divine existence is the fountain from which He proceeded, and was the only agency by which He was begotten, He is 'the Son of God', being the only begotten of the Father, and the only incarnation of the Divine Being.

Chapter VI — The Atonement and Mediation of Christ

1. The Atonement — As sin cannot be pardoned without a sacrifice, and the blood of beasts could never wash away sin, Christ gave Himself a sacrifice for the sins of the world, and thus made salvation known possible for all men. He died for us, suffering in our stead, to make known the righteousness of God, that He might be just in justifying sinners who believe in His Son. Through the redemption effected by Christ salvation is actually enjoyed in this world, and will be enjoyed in the next by all who do not in this life refuse obedience to the known requirements of God. The atonement for our sin was necessary. For present and future obedience can no more blot out our past sins than past obedience can remove the guilt of present and future sins. If God pardoned the sins of men without satisfaction for the violation of His law it would follow that transgression might go on with impunity; government would be agrogated, and the obligation of obedience to God would be in effect, removed.
2. Mediation of Christ, Our Lord not only died for our sins, but He arose for our justification, and ascended up to Heaven, where, as the only Mediator between God and man, He makes intercession for us, until He comes again.
3. We believe that all children dying in infancy, having not actually transgressed against the Law of God, in their own persons are only subject to the first death which was brought on by the fall of the ~~first~~ Adam, and not that anyone of them dying in that State shall suffer punishment on Hell by the guilt of Adam's sin for of such is the Kingdom of God.

Chapter VII — The Holy Spirit

1. The Scriptures ascribe to the Holy Spirit the acts and attributes of an intelligent being. He guides, knows, moves, gives information, commands, forbids, sends forth, reproves, and can be sinned against.
2. The attributes of God are ascribed to the Holy Spirit.
3. The works of God are ascribed to the Holy Spirit; creation, inspiration, giving of life, and a sanctification.
4. The Apostles assert that the Holy Spirit is Lord and God. From the foregoing the conclusion is that the Holy Spirit, is in reality God, and one with the Father in divine perfections. It has also been shown that Jesus Christ is God — one with the Father. Then these Three: The Father, Son and Holy Spirit, are One God.

The truth of this doctrine is also proved from the fact that the Father, The Son, and The Holy Ghost are united in the authority by which believers are baptized; and in the benedictions pronounced by the Apostles, which are acts of the highest religious worship.

The call of the Gospel is co-extensive with the atonement to all men both by the Word and strivings of the spirit, so that Salvation is rendered equally possible to all, and, if any fail of eternal life, the fault is wholly his own.

Chapter IX — Repentance

The repentance which the Gospel requires includes a deep conviction, a penitential sorrow, an open confession, a decided hatred and an entire forsaking all sin. This repentance God has enjoined on all men, and without it in this life the sinner must perish eternally.

Chapter X — Faith

Saving faith is an assent of the mind to the fundamental truths of revelation, an acceptance of the Gospel, through the influence of the Holy Spirit, and a firm confidence and trust in Christ. The fruit of faith is obedience to the Gospel. The power to believe is the gift of God, but believing is an act of the creature, which is required as a condition of pardon, and without which the sinner cannot obtain salvation, all men are required to believe in Christ; and those who yield obedience to this requirement become the Children of God by Faith.

Chapter XI — Regeneration

As man is a fallen and sinful being, he must be regenerated in order to obtain salvation. This change is an instantaneous renewal of the heart by the Holy Spirit, whereby the penitent sinner receives new life, becomes a Child of God, and is disposed to serve him, this is called in scripture being born again — born of the spirit, being quickened, passing from death unto life, and a partaking of the divine nature.

Chapter XII — Justification and Sanctification

1. Justification. Personal justification implies that the person justified has been guilty before God, and in consideration of the atonement of Christ, accepted by faith, the sinner is pardoned and absolved from the guilt of sin and restored to the divine favor. Christ's atonement is the foundation of the sinner's redemption, yet, without repentance and faith, it can never give him justification and peace with God.
2. Sanctification is the beginning of God's Grace by which the christian man constantly grows in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Chapter XIII — Perseverance of the Saints

There are strong grounds to hope that the truly regenerate will persevere unto the end, and be saved, through the power of divine grace which is pledged for their support, but their future obedience and final salvation are neither determined nor certain, since through infirmity and manifold temptations they are in danger of falling, and they ought there fore to watch and pray lest they make ship-wreck of their faith and be lost.

Chapter XIV — The Sabbath

This is one day in seven, which from the creation of the world God has set apart for sacred rest and holy service. Under the former dispensation, the seventh day of the week as commemorative of the work of creation, was set apart for the Sabbath. Under the Gospel, the first day of the week, in commemoration of the Resurrection of Christ, and by authority of Christ and the Apostles, is observed as the Christian Sabbath. On this day all men are required to refrain from secular labor and devote themselves to the worship and service of God.

Chapter XV — The Church

A Christian Church is an organized body of believers in Christ, who statedly assemble to worship God, and who sustain the Ordinances of the Gospel according to the Scriptures. Believers in Christ are admitted to this church on giving evidence of faith in Christ obtaining consent of the body, being baptized, and receiving the right hand of fellowship.

The Church of God, or members of the Body of Christ, is the whole body of Christians throughout the whole world, and none but the regenerate are its members.

Chapter XVI — Tithing

Both the Old and New Scriptures teach tithing as God's Financial Plan for the support of His work.

Chapter XVII — The Gospel Ministry

1. Qualification of Ministers. They must possess good, natural and acquired abilities, deep and ardent piety, be especially called of God to the work, and ordained by prayer and the laying on of hands.
2. Duties of Ministers. These are to preach the word, administer the Ordinances of the Gospel, visit their people, and perform the work of faithful ministers.

Chapter XVIII — Ordinances of the Gospel

1. Christian Baptism. This is the Immersion of Believers in Water in the name of the Father the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, in which are represented the Burial and Resurrection of Christ, the Death of Christ, the death of Christians to the world, the washing of their soul from the pollution of sin, their rising to newness of life, their engagement to serve God, and their resurrection at the last day.
2. The Lord's Supper. This is a commemoration of the death of Christ for our sins, in the use of bread which He made the emblem of His broken body, and the cup, the emblem of His shed blood, and by it the believer expresses his love for Christ, his faith and hope in Him and pledges to him perpetual fidelity.

It is the privilege and duty of all who have spiritual union with Christ to commemorate His death; and no man has a right to forbid these tokens to the least of His Disciples.

3. Washing the Saints Feet. This is a sacred Ordinance, which teaches humility, and reminds the believer of the necessity of a daily cleansing from all sin. It was instituted by the Lord Jesus Christ, and called an 'example' on the night of His betrayal, and in connection with the institution of the Lord's Supper. It is the duty and happy prerogative of every believer to observe this sacred ordinance.

Chapter XIX — Death

1. Death. As a result of sin, all mankind, is subject to the death of the body. The soul does not die with the body; but immediately after death enters into a conscious state of happiness or misery, according to the character here possessed.

Chapter XX — Second Coming of Christ

The Lord Jesus, who ascended on high, and sits at the right hand of God, will come again, to close the Gospel Dispensation, Glorify His Saints, and judge the world.

Chapter XXI — The Resurrection

The Scriptures teach the resurrection of the bodies of all men each in its own order; they have done good will come forth to the resurrection of life, and they that have done evil to the resurrection of damnation.

Chapter XXII — The Final Judgement and Final Retribution

1. The Final Judgement. There will be a final judgement, when time and man's probation will close forever. Then all men will be judged according to their works.
2. Final Retribution. Immediately after the final judgement, the righteous will enter into eternal life, and the wicked will go into a state of endless punishment.



MINISTERS	CHURCHES PASTORED	SERMONS PREACHED	BAPTIZED	FUNERALS	MARRIAGES	REVIVALS	MILES TRAVELED	OFFERINGS	EXPENSE
WAYNE McDANIEL	1	120	8	7	9	2			
GARY HOOD	0	0	0	0	0	0			
J. M. DUTTON, JR	1	104	0	5	3	1	80	100.00	
KENNETH KIRBY	0	0	0	0	0	0			
JACK L' FOLLINS	1	134	9	3	2	4	23,500		
EARNEST WALKER	1	110	0	1	0	1	16,200	1,820.00	
J. J. STAAB	1	150	1	1	1	1	2,000	16.00	
GLENN A. HOOD	1	157	5	4	1	3	2,495	salary	249.50
ALBERT L. PICKETT	1	100	12	1	3	1	1,000	2,400.00	1800.00
ROBERT ROBERSON	1	78	9	0	0	1			
J. D. WALES	1	153	8	5	5	3	24,000	8,230.00	
DON LAYTON	0	0	0	0	0	0			
L. B. HALLMARK	1	104	6	3	2	0			
MAX FELTMAN	0	15	0	0	0	0			
LONNIE M. GOODWIN	0	22	0	0	0	0			