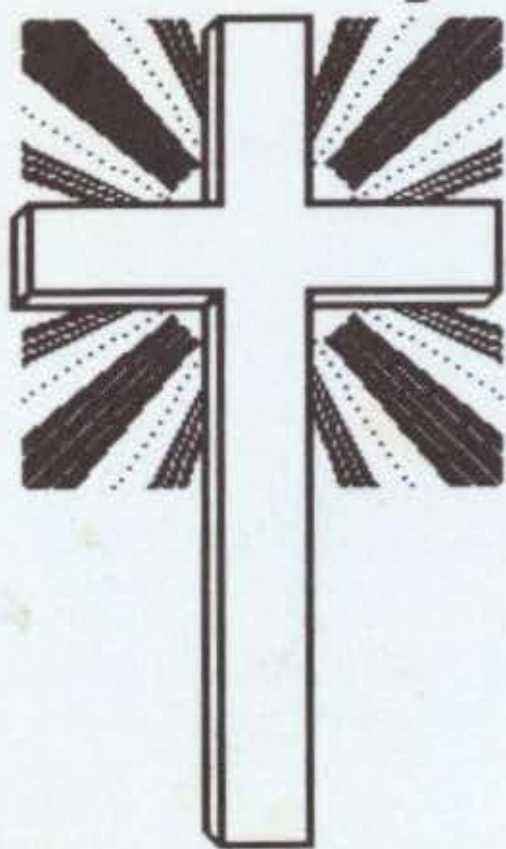


*Minutes
of the
115th Annual Sessions
of
Cahaba River District Association
of
Free Will Baptists*



*Convened at
First Free Will Baptist Church
Sylacauga, AL
March 6, 1993
&*

*Mt. Zion Free Will
Baptist Church
Pell City, AL
October 1 - 2, 1993*

THE
ONE-HUNDRED FIFTEENTH SESSIONS
OF THE
CAHABA RIVER DISTRICT ASSOCIATION
OF
FREE WILL BAPTISTS

convening with

FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
SYLACAUGA, AL MARCH 6, 1993
and
MT. ZION FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
PELL CITY, AL OCTOBER 2-3, 1993

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The 116th Semi-Annual session will be held at
First Free Will Baptist Church, Selma, AL on
March 5, 1994.

The 116th Annual session will be held at the
Shady Grove Free Will Baptist Church in
Adamsville, AL on September 30, and October 1,
1994.

The 40th Annual Woman's Auxiliary will meet at
Forestdale Free Will Baptist Church, Birmingham,
AL on April 2, 1994.

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MINUTES

OF THE 115th SEMI-ANNUAL SESSION OF THE CAHABA
RIVER DISTRICT ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS.

March 6, 1993

The 115th Semi-Annual Conference convened with the
First Free Will Baptist Church, Sylacauga, Alabama.
Pastor.....Rev. Wayne McDaniel.
Moderator..... Rev. Glenn Hood.

The opening song, "At the Cross" was led by
Rev. E. B. Ledlow.

The opening prayer was led by: Rev. Rickey
Patterson.

Congregation sang, "Victory in Jesus."
Moderator, Rev. Glenn Hood, used as his text,
"What is Your Life?" for the moderator's message,
with scripture reading from James 4:13-15.

After prayer, the association was called to
order by Bro. Steve Day, Clerk.

The Credentials Committee reported that from
the twenty-one churches, seventeen letters were in
order, one incomplete, and three sent no letter at all.
The committee recommends each church please complete
letters and sent the proper fee as Article X states.
(Imogene Walker, Pearl Schultz, Mary Staab.) M.S.C.

Roll call and delegates seated.

Visitors were welcomed. (Rev. & Mrs. E. B. Ledlow.)

No Old Business.

Business Committee/Morning Report: Due to the
absence of speakers for the morning message and even-
ing devotion, we recommend Rev. Arlie Bevan for the
message and Rev. Ron Woodard for evening devotion.
Rev. Levy Corey was rescheduled for October 1993.
Bro. Howard Schultz, Rev. Jimmy Youngblood, Rev. J. D.
Wales, Bro. John Ackerman. M.S.C.

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RIVER DISTRICT ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

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Home Missions Board report not available.

Treasurer's Report as follows:

Balance on hand 9/30/92.....	\$2380.98
Offerings (144th session).....	\$ 484.21
Receipts (115th semi-annual).....	1015.00
Balance	\$3880.19
Paid out	1870.32
Balance on hand 2/28/93.....	\$2009.87
Bro. Steve Day	M.S.C.

Board of Christian Education reported that
changes were made in rallies and churches were
encouraged to attend. Schedule for rallies are:
March-Fairview, May-Centerpoint, September-Huff-
man, and November-Selma. Bro. Harold Mayo, M.S.C.

Children's Home report: Bro. Lecil Gardner,
Rev. Corey had eye surgery. One new girl arrived
making total children twenty-one girls and thir-
teen boys. Board voted to raise staff salary and
pay insurance in February. No monies had to be
borrowed this year. Old barn restored at State
expense as historical Museum operated by child-
ren with living quarters upstairs. Work day at
old Cahaba camp site to be announced and date
set for summer camp. Renovations are planned.
Ice maker from camp is being used at Eldridge.
Report accepted as given.

Walk-A-Thon report given by Rev. E. B. Ledlow:

The walk will be in May '93. Material to follow. M.S.C.

Rev. Glenn Hood gave report on "World Report."
Intermission was taken at 10:45.

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After intermission, the congregation sang,
"Heaven's Jubilee". Prayer was led by, Bro. Royce
Grissom.

Sis. Jeanette Harper sang, "Look and Live"

Congregation sang, "He Brought me Out."

Sis Rikki Lee sang, "Worthy."

Rev. Arlie Bevan used the title, "The Church
Today," with scripture reading from II Thess. 2:1-3
for his message.

An offering was taken for Children's Home. (\$512.10)

Dismissed for lunch by prayer.

"Afternoon session"

Congregation sang, "He Set Me Free", and "I
Want To Know Him More"

Devotion: Rev. Ron Woodard used "Wisdom" as
his title with scripture from James 3:13.

Registration committee reported 110 present.

Business committee/Evening report:

Item 1. Clerk is advised to send letters to churches
not complying with Article X of our constitution.

Item 2. Recommend candidates for license and ordin-
ation be thoroughly familiar with the Treatise be-
fore being questioned by Ordaining Council.

Item 3. The host church be given standing ovation
for food and friendliness today. M.S.C.

Ordaining Council requested Rev. E.B. Ledlow be
received into this association by letter from Vernon
association and Rev. Billy Vaughn be licensed to
preach for one year. Rev. Max Feltman, Rev. Robert Rob-
erson, & Rev. Wayne McDaniel. M.S.C.

Everyone shook hands with Rev. & Mrs. Ledlow.
Announcements/Adjourn

END

MINUTES

OF THE 115th ANNUAL SESSION OF THE MINISTERS AND
DEACONS CONFERENCE (CAHABA RIVER ASSOCIATION)

October 1, 1993

The 115th Annual Ministers and Deacons Conference
convened with Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist Church,
Pell City, AL. Rev. J.D. Wales..... Pastor

The conference was opened with a welcome
from the moderator, Rev. Jimmy Youngblood.

Prayer was led by Rev. Max Feltman, asst. mod.

Visitors were welcomed. (Rev. E.R. Mayo, Rev.
Ray Ritch, Bro. Charles Barnette, Bro. David Ricks,
and Bro. Butch Bolton.

Congregation sang, "When We All Get to Heaven
and "There Shall Be Showers of Blessings." led by
Bro. Royce Grissom.

Moderator, Rev. Youngblood, took his text from
John 15:14-15, entitled, "Friend in Jesus."

Rev. Ray Ritch sang, "Old Ship of Zion."

Sis. Jeanette Harper sang, "Touching Jesus."

Moderator called for motion to open conference
and Bro. Steve Day called the 115th session to order.

No old business.

New business included election of 1994 officers
as follows: Moderator-Rev. Max Feltman, Assistant-Mod-
erator-Bro. Howard Schultz.

New members joining conference were: Rev. Larry
Morgan, Bro. Charles Barnett, Bro. William Bolton, Bro.-
David Ricks, and Rev. Ray Ritch. M.S.C.

Song, "I'm In the Gloryland Way." (fellowship)

Offering taken for guest speaker. (\$123.00)

Guest speaker, Rev. E.R. Mayo took his text from
Genesis 42:36 entitled, "All These Things Are Against
Me."

Closing prayer led by Rev. Eugene Howard.

Refreshments were served by host church.

END

MINUTES

OF THE 115th ANNUAL SESSION OF THE CAHABA RIVER
DISTRICT ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS.

October 2, 1993

The 115th Annual conference convened with Mt. Zion
Free Will Baptist Church, Pell City, Alabama

Pastor..... Rev. J. D. Wales

Moderator..... Rev. Glenn Hood

The session was opened with the congregation
singing, "Hallelujah Side."

Bro. Paul Hardwick led in prayer.

Congregation song: "I Never Shall Forget."

Moderator, Rev. Glenn Hood, welcomed everyone to
the conference and used Titus 2:11-15 as he spoke
on the text, "Calvary, Mountain of Change."

Credentials committee reported as follows:

1. Some churches are incompletely filling out the
forms. Examples are: blank spaces, requests for
the certificates of standings omitted from the
"Remarks" column, and financial blanks incomplete.

2. To consider new or revised form.

3. Three men listed for license exam.

4. Deceased were not listed. Suggested list names.

5. All churches paid fees except Central. This church
can not be seated at the State Association.

Bro. Howard Schultz, Rev. Ernest Walker, Bro. James -
Johnson. M.S.C.

Roll call and delegates seated. M.S.C.

Committee members verified and changes made
where needed. Duties explained to each.

Visitors welcomed: Rev. Larry Morgan and Rev.
Ray Ritch.

No Old Business.

Cahaba River Home Missions report: Bro. James
Tyus reported a balance of \$4421.95. (five churches)

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Treasurer's Report

Balance on hand 9/30/92..... \$2380.98

Receipts:

Church fees:	(Semi-Ann.)	(Annual)	
Adamsville	\$30.00	+	\$55.00 = \$ 85.00
Belview	55.00	+	55.00 = 110.00
Bethel	55.00	+	55.00 = 110.00
Calvary	55.00	+	55.00 = 110.00
Centerpoint	55.00	+	55.00 = 110.00
Central	.00	+	.00 = .00
Davis Chapel	55.00	+	55.00 = 110.00
Fairview	55.00	+	55.00 = 110.00
Forestdale	55.00	+	55.00 = 110.00
Friendship	55.00	+	55.00 = 110.00
Fultondale	55.00	+	55.00 = 110.00
Huffman	55.00	+	55.00 = 110.00
Lighthouse	30.00	+	55.00 = 85.00
Mt. Olive	55.00	+	55.00 = 110.00
Mt. Pleasant	55.00	+	55.00 = 110.00
Mt. Zion	75.00	+	75.00 = 150.00
New Life	55.00	+	55.00 = 110.00
Selma	65.00	+	55.00 = 120.00
Shady Grove	65.00	+	.00 = 65.00
Slyacauga	85.00	+	85.00 = 170.00
Union Hill	55.00	+	70.00 = 125.00
Offering (114th Annual session 10/3/92..			484.21
Offering (115th Semi-Annual 3/6/93.....			302.10
Reimburse from Youth Rally (stamps).....			6.96
Total receipts.....		+	\$3063.27
Balance after receipts.....		=	\$5444.25

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DISTRICT ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS.

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<u>Treasurer's Report...continued...</u>	
Balance after receipts.....	\$5444.25
<u>Paid out:</u>	
Rev.Tim Baumgarten.....	27.00
Huffman (food-114th session).....	425.00
Moderator.....	25.00
Asst.Moderator.....	12.50
Treasurer.....	100.00
Asst.Treasurer.....	20.00
Here Am I (mission).....	357.20
Fees to AL State Assoc.....	630.00
Post Office box rent.....	7.25
Supplies.....	10.00
Supplies.....	20.00
Postage.....	11.55
Computer Grapics(print minutes).....	199.35
Officers lunch meeting.....	25.47
Sylacauga (food-115th semi-annual)....	450.00
Children's Home (Eldridge).....	302.10
Postage.....	31.10
Smith Printing (rubber stamps).....	10.48
Supplies.....	3.73
Supplies.....	2.14
Postage.....	25.16
Stamps.....	29.00
Supplies.....	10.00
Officers lunch meeting (program).....	27.26
<u>Total Paid Out</u>	<u>- \$2761.29</u>
Balance on Hand 10/2/93.....	= \$2682.96

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DISTRICT ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS.

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<u>Board of Christian Education Report</u>	
Balance on Hand	\$108.96
Receipts (offering from Huffman)..<	29.81
Balance 10/2/93.....	<u>\$138.77</u>

Jim Martin-Treas.

State participates were:

Centerpoint:

Allison Hood-Solo/Drama/Sextet/Chorale.

Jason King- Sextet/Chorale,

Jamie King-Sextet/Chorale.

Regina Wilson-Sextet/Chorale.

Johnny King-Sextet/Chorale.

Stacy Reese-Sextet/Chorale.

Steven Reese-Chorale.

Christian Hodges-Chorale.

Tracy Teague-Chorale.

Shady Grove:

Jason Mayo-Solo

Mt.Zion:

Jessica Richey-Bible Drill.

Fairview:

Susanne Burtram-Art.

Harold Mayo, Jim Martin, Steve Day, David Reese, and
Tim Trimble reporting. M.S.C.

Children's Home Report :

Bro.Lecil Gardner,Trustee,reported that the home had a sketch of the proposed new building to be built at the home.Each trustee was asked to get five-thousand dollars collected to pay for the project.Carpenters,materials,and labor have been promised.Bro.Gardner said the cost per church to help would be two-hundred-thirty dollars.The two-story building will cost forty-thousand dollars.

M.S.C.

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Rev.E.B.Ledlow reported changes in AL.Home
Missions annual Walk-a-Thon.New prizes for pastors
such as overnight trips jackets,etc.(More at State.)

Rev.Jack Rollins reported how the Jefferson Co.
Commission is trying to make ministers pay an occupa-
tional tax just to preach in their county.If this hap-
pens to you call,David Gibbs,in care of Christian Law-
yers Association and request help,and or infomation.)

Delegates named to represent Cahaba River at the
State Association were: 1.Brenda Morgan,2.Tammy Bryant,
3.Nikki Pickett,4.Alice Hood,5.Polly Roberson,6.Lecil
Gardner,7.Billy Vaughn,8.Louvina Russell,9.Paul Nichols,
10.Philip Cook,11.Claude Nichols,12.Nell Grissom,
13.Pearl Schultz,14.Rosey Baumgarten,15.Harold Mayo.
Association to meet at Forestdale,AL.Nov.11-12,1993.

(Intermission)

Congregation songs:"Won't it be Wonderful There?"
and,"I'd Rather be an Old-Time Christian!"

Business Committee/Partial Report/Morn.Session:*

*Item 1.We recommend the following change in the
Constitution(Article VI-A.)The words,"and The Board
of Christian Education Funds",be added to the sentence,
"except the Home Missions Fund." and to add a section
to Article VI which will become section,"E" and read
as follows:"There shall be a Board of Christian Educa-
tion.The Board shall consist of five members,with
one member coming off each year.When vacancies occur,
the body shall elect.This Board shall elect their own
Clerk-Treasurer which shall keep records of their
meetings and handle all monies belonging to same.
Note* This item was tabled to the evening session.
Complete Business Report given after lunch.

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Congregation sang,"In the Sweet Forever."

Special guest speaker,"Rev.Levy Corey, used
the scripture found in Hebrews 13 to compliment
his message entitled,"Same Today As Yesterday!"

Offering was taken for Children's Home.(\$389.27)

Dismissed for Lunch by,Rev.Wayne McDaniel.

"EVENING SESSION"

Opening song:"Heaven's Jubilee".

Special song by Sis.Jeanette Harper,"Here
I Am."

Rev.and Mrs.Ledlow sang,"I Can Remember the Day."

The Auditing Committee submitted the following
report: The Home Missions Board report had incorrect
figures,but after checking the figures and correcting
them,we find that the balance is \$.05 difference.The
bank had \$4422.00 and the report had \$4421.95. The
report of the Association's treasurer was balanced.
The report of the Christian Education board was correct.
Bettie Wade,Jimmie Duckett,and Jeanette Harper. M.S.C.

Business Committee/evening report:

Item 1 was taken off the table from the morning session
and voted on. M.S.C.

Item 2. Recommend clerk send a letter to the State Assoc-
iation asking for a clarification of Article III,Sec.2 of
the State Constitution concerning membership. The letter
would ask for a church which is not in good standing with
a District Association to be refused membership priviledge
by the State Association also. M.S.C.

Item 3. Recommend clerk draft a letter to Randall House
Publications(and the State Association)recommending
only the "King James Version"of the Bible be used in
their literature. M.S.C.

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Item 4. Recommend association covene with Selma church, March 1994 and with Shady Grove church, October 1994. M.S.C.

Item 5. Recommend at least one ordained person be on any one committee to strengthen that committee. M.S.C.

Item 6. Recommend we offer our Thanks to Mt.Zion for the wonderful food and welcome we received during this 115th session. M.S.C.

Item 7. Recommend the words, "By Profession of Faith," be added to the church letter to the association (in the membership section,) so an accurate account can be reported. M.S.C.

Item 8. Recommend everyone stand for a moment of silent prayer in honor of the deceased. M.S.C.

Rev.Larry Morgan, new pastor of Adamsville, used the topic, "We All Do Things We Want to Do!" His scripture reading was from: Matthew 6:21.

Registration Committee :

The registration committee reported attendance for the Ministers and Deacons Conference, Oct.1,1993. Fourteen ministers, fourteen deacons, six visitors, and nine delegates for a total of forty-three. Attendance for the 115th annual association, Oct.2,1993 was forty-three delegates, twenty-seven visitors, eighteen deacons, and twenty-three ministers making the total of one-hundred and eleven for the day. The host church served on this committee, M.S.C.

Nomination Committee:

The following were nominated and accepted as is:

- 1.Moderator(2yrs.) Rev.Wayne McDaniel
- 2.Asst.Moderator(2 Yrs.) Rev.Wayne Neely
- 3.Asst.Clerk/Overseer(2 yrs.)Rev.Ray Ritch

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Nomination Committee..continued...

4.Executive Board(exp.1995) Dr.Floyd Barber

5.Home Missions (exp.1996) Bro.James Tyus

6.Home Missions (exp.1997) Rev.Charley Weaver

7.Christian Education (exp.1995)Bro.David Johnson

8.Christian Education(exp.1995)Rev.Tim Baumgarten

9.Ordaining Council(exp.1995)Rev.Jim Youngblood

Ordaining Council report:

We, the Ordaining Council, recommend the following:

Item 1. that Bro.Charlie Barnett be accepted as a deacon in Cahaba River Association.

Item 2. that Rev.Ray Ritch be accepted as a minister in this association.Letter to follow from Birmingham Association.

Item 3. that Rev.Larry Morgan be accepted as a minister in this association.Letter to follow from Liberty #2 Association.

Item 4. that Rev.David Reese's license be renewed to preach the gospel .

Item 5. that Rev.Ricky Andrews' license be renewed to preach the gospel.

Item 6. that Rev.Mike Wydemon be licensed to preach the gospel.

Rev.Wayne McDaniel, Rev.Max Feltman, Rev.Eugene Howard, and Rev.Robert Roberson. M.S.C.

Announcement was made inviting everyone to Mt.Zion Church for Thanksgiving service, November 23,1993. The guest speaker will be Rev.Jack Rollins.

Service adjourned with prayer.

End of Minutes.



MINUTES
OF THE
39th ANNUAL CAHABA RIVER DISTRICT
WOMAN'S AUXILIARY
BELVIEW FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
LEEDS, AL.
APRIL 3, 1993

The theme for the convention was entitled,
"Giving From The Heart!"

The weather was absolutely beautiful!

Opening song was entitled, "I Want to be a
Worker for the Lord."

Prayer was led by visitor pastor, Rev. Tim
Baumgarten of Selma church.

President, Polly Roberson, read II Corinthians
chapter 9 and verse 16 for her welcome message. She
recognized the visitors and thanked them for coming.

Rev. Bruce Damron sang, "In His Time", and gave
a special welcome to everyone.

Sis. Jeanette Harper responded with a big, "Thank
You to our host church!"

Kathy Huffstutler and Tammy Bryant sang, "Love
Grew Where The Blood Fell."

The count was taken for the attendance banner.
New Life Auxiliary had 80% of membership present.

Credentials Committee reported all auxiliaries
had completed letters except Belview didn't list
her officers. Report was accepted as read. Serving
this committee were, Sissie Click and Pauline Hood.

Delegates were seated and Banner was awarded.

Committees were appointed as follows: 1. Audit-
ing, Anita Hawthorne & Wanda Damron. 2. Appreciation,
Dot Grimes & Carolyn Boyd. 3. Business, Shirley Pugh,
Gladys Branton, Rosey Baumgarten, & Bettie Wade. 4. The
Program Committee for 1994, President, Secretary, two
from host church, & Pearl Schultz, member at large.
5. Nominating: Jobie Hardwick, Mary Stabb, & Imogene
Walker

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WOMAN'S AUXILIARY MINUTES, continued.....

Lisa Click sang, "Land of Living" as an offer-
ing was taken for convention expense (\$77.47)

Spoken prayer requests were given and all prayed.

Kathy Huffstutler and Tammy Bryant sang,
"Rise Again." Six-year old Kayla Huffstutler sang, "He's
Still Working On Me."

Registration reported forty-four members with eight-
een visitors making a total of sixty-two present. M.S.C.

Nominating committee recommended the following
officers for 1994-95. President-Rosey Baumgarten, Vice-
President-Polly Roberson, Sec./Treas.-Bettie Wade,
Mission Study-Ozzie Seales, Mission Action-Sissy Click,
Mission Prayer-Rachel Barber, Field Worker-Alice Hood,
Asst. Sec./Treas.-N/A M.S.C.

Rosalee Phillips sang, "Marilla's Lesson!"

Our missionary speaker from Japan, Rev. Fred
Hersey used the text, "Walking With God." With a
gift of humor, he spoke of his walk with God in Japan.

Rev. Bruce Damron gave directions for lunch
and asked God's blessings on the food.

After lunch, Jeanette Harper sang, "Give of Your
Best to the Master."

Evelyn Hersey, our missionary from Japan, gave a
wonderful devotion of how God has helped her with
a battle with cancer.

The Auditing committee reported books in order.

The Appreciation committee praised Belview for
the hard work done for lunch and decoration. M.S.C.

The Business committee report as follows:

Item 1. \$ 125.00 go to L.A.M.P., Item 2. \$ 287.50 go
to Franks, Jr., Item 3. \$ 287.50 go to Herseys, Item 4. -
the 1994 convention go to Forestdale, Item 5. the
1995 convention go to Centerpoint, Item 6. the
location of future meetings be decided every two
years, Item 7. each auxiliary try to help WNAC monthly.
report M.S.C.

Love offering to Herseys given by Sylvia Martin
was a cute Bunny Rabbit filled with money. \$156.00.

Libby Willoughby's installation of officers
was well done as usual.

Adjourn with prayer.

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"BY-LAWS OF MINISTERS AND DEACONS CONFERENCE"

1. The Clerk, Assistant-Clerk, or Senior Minister in years may call the meeting to order and 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 (2/3) vote any decision of the Moderator may be over-ruled.
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 not 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-like spirit.
10. The person who desires to speak must first rise and address the Moderator and, (when recognized) proceed.
11. The votes on any question must be counted upon request of one-fifth (1/5) 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. Ministers of this body shall support all Boards and Committees elected by Association.
14. A minister carries a license until he is called to a church or enters full-time Evangelistic work. The license are re-issued each year if the church of his membership makes the request to this association.

END

CONSTITUTION

Article I-The Association shall be known as "Cahaba River Association of Free Will Baptists."

Article II-This association shall be composed of ordained ministers, deacons, and delegates of different churches forming the same. All ordained ministers, active deacons, and officers of the association shall be standing delegates.

Article III- All ministers and churches wishing to become members of this body must willingly submit to the articles of this constitution and all rules of the same.

Article IV- Each church composing this association shall be entitled to three delegates of the first one-hundred members and one for each additional fifty or fraction thereof. Any ordained man that is a member of a mission church sponsored by this association shall have delegate privileges at all conferences.

Article V- All church clerks shall mail church letters to the association clerk no 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: 1. Moderator, 2. Assistant Moderator, 3. Clerk-Treasurer, and 4. Assistant Clerk-Treasurer. These four shall serve two year terms and be elected by the body. The clerk-treasurer shall handle all monies of the association except, The Home Missions Fund and the Board of Christian Education Fund. The clerk-treasurer shall be elected on even numbered years.

(B.) There shall be a Home Missions Board. The board shall consist of seven members with three members coming off each year. When vacancies occur, the body shall elect.

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CONSTITUTION

Article VI-B...continued....

The Home Missions Board shall elect their own Clerk-Treasurer which shall keep minutes of all the meetings of same and handle all monies belonging to same.

(C) There shall be an Executive Board. It shall consist of seven members. These shall be, 1. Moderator, 2. Assistant Moderator, 3. Clerk-Treasurer, 4. Assistant Clerk-Treasurer, and three members elected by the association to serve a three year term with one coming off every year. Any four members of the Executive Board will constitute a quorum. When vacancies occur the body will elect. The moderator will serve as Chairman of this Board.

(D.) There shall be an Ordaining Council. It shall consist of five members with one coming off each year. As vacancies occur the body shall elect. All members of this council shall be ordained ministers or deacons. It shall be the duty of the Council to meet with candidates for licensing or ordination as ministers of the gospel and candidates for ordination as deacons. It shall further be their duty to assure compliance with the By-Laws of the Presbytery.

(E.) There shall be a Board of Christian Education. This Board shall consist of five members with one member coming off each year. When vacancies occur the body will elect. This Board shall elect it's own Clerk-Treasurer which shall keep minutes of their meetings and shall handle all monies of same.

Article VII- All committees shall be appointed in advance by the Moderator. At the end of session their responsibility shall cease.

Article VIII- There shall be a Business, Deceased, Nomination, Credential, Auditing, and Registration Committees. The Credential Committee will meet in advance and be ready to report at the beginning of session.

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Article VIII-continued....

The Auditing and Registration Committees will serve at the annual association only!

Article IX- This association shall meet the first Saturday morning in October and the first Saturday morning in March of each year. The Ministers and Deacons Conference shall meet the first Friday evening in October.

Article X- Each church shall pay a representation fee of ten dollars(\$10.00) each session of the annual and semi-annual conferences for each delegate the church is entitled to according to Article IV of this constitution. Each church must pay for the miniumum of three delegates in order to be seated and reported at the State Association.

Article XI- The Clerk-Treasurer shall be paid one-hundred dollars,(\$100.00)annually. The assistant Clerk-Treasurer shall be paid twenty dollars,(\$20.00) annually. The Moderator shall be paid twenty-five dollars,(\$25.00)annually. The assistant Moderator shall be paid twelve dollars and fifty cents,(\$12.50) annually. All other expenditures shall be the decision of the body.

Article XII- This Constitution shall be amended(or altered),at any regular session of the association by two-thirds,(2/3rd) vote of members present providing proposed admendment (or alteration),be presented in writing to the body and be tabled from the morning session until the evening session,or from the evening session until the next session.

END

"ORDER OF CHURCH CONFERENCE"

- 1.Call for peace and fellowship of church.
 - 2.Opportunity for members.
 - 3.Reading of the minutes of the 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.
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"GUIDELINES 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 does not believe fully the faith and practice of the Free Will Baptist Treatise.
- 4.This association ordains no one that does not believe and practice tithing.
- 5.This association ordains no one that does not believe in the verbal inspiration of the 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 anyone with a bad character with them that are without.
- 9.This association will not ordain anyone that does not believe and practice the ordinances of the church. A.Baptism by immersion;B.Communion; C.Feetwashing.
- 10.This association will not ordain anyone that does not believe a person can apostatize and be lost.

"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 appearances 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 it's poor,and all it's 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.

TREATISE ARTICLES OF FAITH
Chapter 1-The Holy Scriptures

These are the Old and 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 attributed of God

The Scriptures teach that there is only one true and living God, who is spirit, self-existent, eternal immutable, omnipresent, 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 subject far above the understanding of manfinite 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 of 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, 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.

Section II-The Incarnation of Christ

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 has 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 man 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.

Chapter VIII-The Gospel Call

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 fall 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 therefore 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, as 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 stately 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. Qualifications 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 christians to the world, the washing to their souls

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, as 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 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.