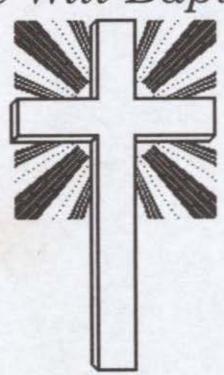
Minutes
of the
116th Annual Sessions
of
Cahaba River District Association

of
Free Will Baptists



Convened at
First Free Will Baptist Church
Broad Street, Selma, AL
March 5, 1994

Fairview Free Will Baptist Church Park Avenue, Moody, AL September 30

> & October 1, 1994

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[PLEASE NOTE]

The 117th Semi-Annual session will meet with Union Hill Free Will Baptist Church, Vandiver.AL March 4,1995.

The 41st Annual Woman's Auxiliary District session will meet with Centerpoint Free Will Baptist Church, Birmingham, AL., April 1,1995.

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205-338-1699	205-338-1699	205-648-5227
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Leeds,AL 35094	Moody,AL 35004	Leeds,AL 35094
205-699-4646	205-640-7981	205-699-3823
Bethel	Rev.Albert Pickett	Dianne Pickett
Rt.4 Box 216	4226 Hwy.10	75 Blossom St.
Montevallo,AL 35115	Montevallo,AL 35115	Montevallo,AL 35115
205-665-1741	205-665-7473	205-665-1741
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	Centerpoint	Rev.Glenn Hood	Carolyn Wilson
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	P.O.Box 9741	Birmingham, AL 35215	Pinson,AL 35126
	Birmingham, AL 35215	205-854-0394	205-681-2671
i	Cornerstone	Rev.Tim Trimble	Barbara Ballard
	2694 Hwy.58	604 King Valley Cr.	1255 Bennett Dr.
	Helena, AL 35080	Pelham,AL 35124	Alabaster,AL 35007
	205-664-4022	205-664-4022	205-664-4022
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	205-640-5003	205-699-6907	205-699-8297

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Montgomery, AL 36116	Montgomery,AL 36116-	Montgomery,AL 36116
205-271-6502	205-271-6502 1336	205-271-6502
Mt.Olive	Rev.Arlie Bevan	Carlene Harris
Hwy.41-N(Dunnavant)	9515 Hwy.41-S(POB755)	121 Willow Creek Cr.
Leeds,AL 35094	Leeds,AL 35094	Leeds, Al 35094
205-699-5418	205-699-5543	205-699-6096
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205-338-3708	205-884-3245	205-338-9325

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New Life	Rev.Ernest Walker	Pearl Schultz
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Leeds,AL 35094	Moody,AL 35004	Odenville,AL 35120
205-640-6838	205-640-7222	205-640-6838
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Selma, AL 36701	Selma,AL 36701	Selma, AL 36703
205-872-5521	205-872-5521	205-872-5529
Shady Grove	Rev.Rickey Patterson	Wanda Hyatt
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"TOTAL YEARLY STATISTICS-OCTOBER '93-OCTOBER'94"

Membership 2108 New members 59 Baptized 74 By letter 22 Dismissed 10 Deceased 8 Sunday School 1860 CTS 145 WNAC 105 Master's Men 23 Ord.mini. 37 Lisc.Mini. 5	Income \$ 648,466.31 Paid Pastor \$ 88,918.59 Evangelist \$ 93918.59 Literature \$ 9971.24 Education \$ 1163.60 Fore.Miss. \$ 30,416.49 Home Miss. \$ 4,873.76 College \$ 1703.03 Child.Home \$ 12,572.69 Conf.Fee \$ 2445.00 Ord.Dea. 60 Prof.Faith 78
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MINUTES

OF THE 116th SEMI-ANNUAL SESSION OF THE CAHABA RIVER DISTRICT ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

MARCH 5,1994

The session began with song: "Victory in Jesus, led by Rev.E.B.Ledlow.

Opening prayer was led by, Rev. Max Feltman.

Welcome was given by pastor, Rev. Baumgarten.

Congregation sang, "Nothing but the Blood."

Special Song, "Don't Ever Lose Sight of Goal."

Assistant Moderator, Rev. Wayne Neely, read Deut. 10:12 and used the theme; "What Does the Lord Require of Thee?"

Clerk, Steve Day called the session to order.

Credentials Committee report given by Howard Schultz as follows:

1.Rev.Tim Trimble presented a letter from his church, Cornerstone, (formerly Central) stating a promise to send delegate/food fee at a later date.Address change is as follows: 2694 Hwy.58, Helena, Al 35080.

2694 Hwy.58, Helena, Al 35080.

2.All other letters were in order.

Committee members were: Howard Schultz,

Pearl Schultz, Imogene Walker, Louise Brasher.

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SEMI-ANNUAL MINUTES. continued

Roll call/Delegate seated.

Visitors welcomed.

Cahaba River Missions report: James Tyus,	
Balance 10-2-93\$4626.	.71
Received from:	
Fairview 40.	.00
Shady Grove 311.	.00
Fultondale 237	.58
Mt.Zion 350	.42
	.80
Huffman	.37
Total received.\$1227	.17
Balance after receipts\$5853	.88
Paid outFred Jones.account 500	.00
Balance 3-5-94\$5353	.88
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Old Business:none	

Old Business:none

Treasurer's Semi-annual report: Stev	e Day
Balance 9-30-93\$2	
Received from:	The state of the state of
Adamsville	55.00
Belview	55.00
Bethel	55.00
Calvary	55.00
Centerpoint	55.00
Davis Chapel	55.00
Fairview	55.00
Forestdale	75.00
Friendship	55.00
Fultondale	55.00
Huffman	55.00
Lighthouse	55.00
Mt.Olive	55.00
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SEMI-ANNUAL MINUTES continued
(Treasurer's report)
Mt.Pleasant
Total receipts
Balance after receipts \$4219.23
Paid out: Moderator fee
Board of Christian Education report:
Jim A.Martin, Treasurer) Balance
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SEMI-ANNUAL MINUTES. continued.....

Children's Home report:Lecil Gardner, trustee

1. Bro.Gardner reported the new building
was ready to be erected and all money was
available for the project.

2. Furniture was needed for the rooms.

3. South Alabama property to be sold and money used for Cahaba Youth Camp project. end of report

Intermission

Business & Deceased Committee report:
John Ackerman., Chairman

Item 1. Recommend offering received this morning be designated for Fred Jones project.

Item 2. Recommend change in Article VIII of constitution as follows: Credentials committee shall be composed of ordained men.

All other committees except, Registration, shall have at least one ordained man on it.

Item 3. Deceased, Bro. Joe Garrison from Shady Grove.

Item 4. Recommend standing ovation to host church for fine meal and hospitality.
Item 5. Recommend all delegates remain standing until all churches are called and all seated at once.

(The above report was tabled to evening session for discussion and vote.)
Committee members: John Ackerman, Howard Schultz, and Rev. J. D. Wales.

end of morning report

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SEMI-ANNUAL MINUTES..continued.....

Congregational Song: "Where the Soul Never Dies"

Offering received: Prayer, Rev. Tim Trimble. Total received. \$180.25

Rev.&Mrs.E.B.Ledlow sang, "Each Step"

Special song: "Come Morning."

Morning Message: Rev. Eugene Howard read from John 3:14-16, with text entitled, "The Way of Life."

Song: "Pass Me Not."

Dismissed for lunch by Rev.Ron Woodard.

"AFTERNOON SESSION"

Song: "Oh, I Want to see Him!"

Special song: Sis. Harper, "Let Me Touch Him!"

Special song: Men's trio from Selma, "Touch Jesus." (Bro. Tim, Bro. John, and Bro. Norman.)

Devotion: Rev. Robert Roberson, read <u>II Corin.</u>-6:17-18, and used the text: "Be Ye Seperate!"

Business Committee: evening report: (items remove from table to be voted upon from morning session, see morning report.)
Items 1,2,&5.M.S.C.

Item 3. Prayer led by Howard Schultz.

Item 4. All stood and applauded. end of evening report

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SEMI-ANNUAL MINUTES .. continued

Registration Committee report: Judy Moreland, and Jerry Moreland, host church.

Delegates 40, Deacons, Ministers, and Mission-aries, 42, and Visitors, 27 totaling 109.

end of report

Ordaining Council report: Rev. Jimmy Youngblood.
Council recommends Bro. Gary A. Loftis be
ordained a deacon from Belview, Leeds.
Council members: Rev. Max Feltman, Rev. Robert
Roberson, Rev. Jimmy Youngblood, and Rev. Eugene
Howard. (Charge was given by Rev. Feltman.)
end of report

Adjourn with prayer by Bro. Paul Nichols.

MINUTES

OF THE 116th ANNUAL MINISTERS AND DEACONS CONFERENCE OF THE CAHABA RIVER DISTRICT ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS.

SEPTEMBER 30,1994

The 116th annual Ministers and Deacons Conference convened with Fairview Free Will Baptist Church, Moody, AL Pastor.....Rev.Robert Roberson Conference Moderator....Rev.Max Feltman

The conference opened with congregation singing, "Victory in Jesus," led by Sister Rosalee Phillips.

Welcome was given by Fairview Pastor Rev. Robert Roberson.

Assistant Moderator Bro. Howard Schultz led in prayer.

Moderator's message was entitled, "Who am I?" Scripture reading was from Matthew 5:13.

Congregation sang"Blessed Assurance."
Clerk Steve Day called the 116th Ministers
and Deacons Conference to order.

Visitors were Rev.Fred Jones, Home Missionary to Prattville, AL. and his wife, Barbara.

Old Business called for None reported.
New business: Motion made and seconded to
ask Business committee to consider suggestion
for a District-wide workshop to study what can
be done to help our churches grow. Carried.

New officers elected as follows: Moderator: Bro. Howard Schultz. Asst. Moderator: Rev. E.B. Ledlow.

Move, seconded, and carried to add new by-law to By-Laws of Ministers and Deacons to read as follows: "The Assistant Moderator will automatically become the Moderator for the following year and a new Assistant Moderator will be elected each year by the body." This by-law is #15.

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MINISTERS AND DEACONS CONFERENCE MINUTES .. continued ..

Rev.Rickey Andrews, Rev.Fred Jones, missionary to Prattville, and Rev.Arlie Bevan were accepted in the conference and given the right hand of fellowship.

Offering was received totaling \$149.48.Prayer

by Rev. Wayne McDaniel.

Guest speaker, Rev. Maxwell Harper read Hebrews: chapter 12 verse 27. the text was "Things That Can Be Shaken and Things That Cannot!"

Song: "Joy Unspeakable."

Adjourn with altar prayer led by Dr.Floyd Barber.Refreshments served by host church.

MINUTES

OF THE 116th ANNUAL SESSION OF THE CAHABA RIVER DISTRICT ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST.

OCTOBER 1,1994

The session opened with a welcome from the pastor, Rev. Robert Roberson.

Congregation sang"He Put A Little Sunshine In: Bro. Howard Schultz leading.

Rev. Fred Jones led in prayer.

Moderator, Rev. McDaniel used the text "Good Gifts Come From God. "Scripture reading from II Peter: 1:3, James 1:17, and John 10:10.

Clerk Steve Day called session to order.

[Credentials Committee report:Rev.Ray Ritch]
Committee reported some letters not complete,
others left off church name, and four only asked
for certificates for ordained men. Recommended
someone study letter and make sure they are correctly filled out and revise form.

Delegates were seated.

Visitors were: Rev. and Mrs. Fred Jones, missionary to Prattville, AL. and Bro. Raphel Yerby.

No old business.

[Cahaba River Missions report:Bro.James Tyus]
Balance of \$6861.94 from 5 churches.

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MINUTES

OF THE 116th ANNUAL SESSION continued	_
[Treasurer's Report:Bro.Steve Day reporting: Balance on hand 9-30-93\$2682. RECEIVED: Churches	.00
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BALANCE\$5734	.40
Asst.Moderator	.00 .27 .00 .80 .25 .53 .02 .25 .00 .00 .16 .28
Balance on hand 9-30-94\$2447	

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Treasurer's report continued]	
Churches reporting for fiscal year 9-30-93 to 9	
1.Adamsville\$	110.00
2.Belview	110.00
3.Bethel	110.00
4.Calvary	110.00
5.Centerpoint	110.00
6.Cornerstone :	55.00
7.Davis'Chapel	110.00
8.Fairview	110.00
9.Forestdale	150.00
10.Friendship	110.00
11.Fultondale	110.00
12.Huffman	110.00
13.Lighthouse	110.00
14.Mt.Olive	110.00
15.Mt.Pleasant	110.00
16.Mt.Zion	150.00
17.New Life	110.00
18.Selma (First) bost	105.00
19.Shady Grove	150.00
20.Sylacauga (First)	170.00
// // // // // // // // // // // // //	125.00
Total receipts from churches\$2445.00 notes:	
Cornerstone (Central)semi-annual fees paid 3-21-94	
Selma (host church) food fee not required for semi-annual	

[Board of Christian Education report-Jim Martin]
The first rally held at Centerpoint had a
total of 88 present. The FWBBC Rejoice team sang.
Offering taken \$13.25 was given to them. Cahaba
River Asso.paid the State fees. (Thanks) The
Chorale from Centerpoint won first place at the
National. (Congratulations) Present balance: \$278.34.

State Delegates: Cherry Pickett, Alice Hood, Lecil Gardner, Paul Nichols, Rosey Baumgarten, Odessa Ledlow, Royce Grissom, and Jeanette Harper.

Rev. Fred Jones reported on Prattville work.

Raphel Yerby reported on Benjamin Randall Offering to be November 20,1994.

Children's Home:no report

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

The Business committee had three Constitutional change recommendations to be lain on the table from morning session to evening session as follows:

(1) that Article VI-C be changed to read, "There shall be an Executive Board. It shall consist of nine members. These shall be, 1. Moderator, 2. Asst.

Moderator, 3. Clerk/Treasurer, 4. Asst. Clerk/Treasurer,

5. Ministers/Deacons Conference Moderator, 6. Ministers/Deacons Conference Asst. Moderator, and three members elected by the Association to serve a three year term with one coming off each year.

Any five members of the Board will form a quorum. When vacancies occur the body will elect. Moderator will serve as Chairman of this Board.

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[Business report continued....]

Item 2.that Article IX be changed to read, "the Ministers and Deacons Conference shall meet Friday evening before the first Saturday in October of each year.

Item 3.that Article X be changed to read, "Each church shall pay a representation fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00) each session of the annual and semi-annual conferences in order to be seated.

[Deceased report]

Four churches reported the following;

<u>Calvary-Frances Gomon, Fairview-Alvin Grimes, Mary Sollie</u>, and Roy Wages, <u>Lighthouse-1</u>, <u>Sylacauga-3</u>.

Intermission prayer: Rev. Ron Woodard.

Song: "Living By Faith." and prayer by Rev. Eugene Howard to begin morning session again.

[Home Missions report-Bro.James Tyus] \$2000.00 given to Fred Jones now and \$125.00 pledged monthly support.

The Ledlows sang, "I'm Longing For Jesus." and Guy Wales sang, "Stepping With Jesus, & Sounds Like Heaven."

Rev.Ray Ritch used I Peter 5:1 and the text entitled: "Is the Pastor the Overseer?"

Offering: \$168.25 Bro.Sanders prayed.

Lunch blessing by Rev. Tim Baumgarten.

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["EVENING SESSION"]

Opening song, "Heaven's Jubilee. "Ledlow leads, and Bro. Sanders prays opening prayer.

Special singing was by, Guy Wales and the Ledlows.

Rev.Rickey Andrews used text of "Glad to go to the House of the Lord." with scripture from Hebrews 10:21 for the evening devotion.

Prayer: Rev. Wayne Neely.

[Business Committee evening report-Ernest Walker]
Three items concerning Constitution from
morning session were taken off the table for vote.
See morning session for details of each item.

(1) Article VI-C carried.(2) Article IX carried.

(3) Article X carried. (4) Thank Fairview Church for food & hospitality. carried. (5) recommend the Executive Board study motion made concerning workshop to help church growth discussed at Ministers/Deacons Conference . carried.(6)that the Moderator, Asst.Moderator, Clerk/Treas., Asst.Clerk/Treas.meet and make changes needed in church letter.carried.

[Auditing Committee report-Polly Roberson/Madelyn Smith.]

The Auditing committee examined the records of the Clerk/Treasurer and Cahaba River Missions and found them in order. Other records were not available.

[Registration-Pearl Schultz and Imogene Walker]
For the Ministers/Deacons Conference the
following were registered:Ministers 17, Deacons 13,
Visitors 15 .Total 45 For the Association the
following were registered:Ministers 21, Deacons 19,
Delegates 38, and Visitors 23 for total of 101.
Total for both sessions were 146.

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The 117th Semi-Annual will meet with Union Hill Free Will Baptist Church, Vandiver, AL Date: March 4,1995.

The Annual District-wide Thanksgiving service will meet with Forestdale Free Will Baptist Church, Hwy.78, Birmingham, AL November 22,1994.

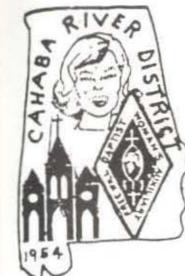
[Ordaining Council report]

The Ordaining council recommend the following men to be ordained as Deacons: 1.Guy Wales, Mt.Zion, 2.Micheal Barber, Mt.Zion, 3.Mack Wilkarson, Selma, 4. Johnny Lovett, Styacauga, 5.George Rogster, Sylacauga, 6. Emanuel Kelly, Sylacauga. (Rev.Larry Morgan gave the charge to Bro.Wilkarson, Bro.Wales, and Bro.Barber.) Bro.Lovett, Bro.Rogster, and Bro.Kelly will be ordained at their church at a later date.

Address for:Rev.Fred Jones (Missionary to
413 Hallmark Prattville,AL)
Prattville,AL 36067
205-361-2990

Adjourn by prayer.

End of Minutes for 116th Annual



MINUTES OF THE 40th ANNUAL SESSION OF

CAHABA RIVER DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUX.

CONVENING WITH FORESTDALE FREE WILL

BAPTIST CHURCH, B'HAM., AL APRIL 2, '94

The 40th session theme was entitled: "The Bible, Light On The Way." The opening song was "Thy Word Have I Hid In My Heart." Prayer was led by, Geraldine Deavers. Congregation sang "Send The Light."

President Rosey Baumgarten gave her test-

timony.

The Credentials Committee reported all letters in order and delegates were seated. Jobie Hardwick and Bernice Ackerman served this committee. Other committees were appointed.

Seven-yr.old Kayla Huffstutler sang"He's Still Working On Me."

Auxiliary count taken revealed a total of 60 present.

Lisa Click sang "He'll Do It Again."
Three devotionals were given entitled,
"The Bible In The Church", by Polly Roberson,
"In The Home, by Alice Hood, and "In Everyday
Living" by Odessa Ledlow.

The young singing group, "Second Generation" sang, "Jesus Built A Bridge, and "Second Time Around."

Offering was taken as congregation sang,

"I Want To Be A Worker For The Lord."

Guest missionary, Rev. Mark Barber told of his work in Aiken, SC and preached from Hebrews 4:12.

Billie Rollins gave instructions for lunch and asked God's blessing on the food.

Evening worship began with song, "I'll

Go Where You Want Me To"

Rev.Barber shared the fact he needed "Everything," when asked "What" he needed.

The Auditing Committee reported all record books in order.Pauline Hood and Elaine Hazelwood served this committee.

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"WOMAN'S AUXILIARY MINUTES"continued

The Appreciation Committee, Rosalee Phillips and Kay James asked everyone to thank Forestdale for their hospitality, beautiful flowers, and abundant food.

The Business Committee reported these items. 1. The project monies be divided between Rev.Barber and Rev.Jones of Prattville. 2. The 1996 session meet with Fairview. 3. We add enough to make the love offering \$150.00. 4. Remind auxiliaries to send monthly reports to sec. 5. Remind auxiliary to send \$10.00 to WNAC. 6. To ask auxiliary to support State financially even if not attending.

Banner Committee awarded Fairview for having 100% of membership present with the banner.

Odessa Ledlow presented Bro. Mark the love gift in a small photo album with pictures of his family. Billie Rollins gave him a small New Testament for the new baby.

Missionary Icy M. Fredwick reported briefly on the work in Haiti. Funds are needed badly.

Pearl Schultz reported on upcoming events. Door prizes were awarded to the winning ladies with correct numbered programs.

Dismissed in prayer.

Bettie Wade Sec./Treas.

Note: All officers stay the same for this year. The 1995 session will be at Centerpoint Free Will Baptist Church, Birmingham, AL April 1,1995. Please come!

"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.

15. The Assistant-Moderator will automatically become the Moderator for the following year and a new Assistant will be elected each year by the body.

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 priviledges 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-A. 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 expect, 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 <u>Home Missions Board</u>. 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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Article VI-B

The <u>Home Missions</u> Board shall elect their own Clerk/Treasurer which shall record minutes of all meetings and handle all monies belonging to same.

VI-C There shall be an Executive Board. It shall consist of nine members. These shall be as follows: (1) Moderator, (2) Assistant-Moderator,

(3) Clerk/Treasurer, (4) Assistant-Clerk/Treasurer,

(5) Moderator-Ministers/Deacons Conference (6) Assistant Moderator-Ministers/Deacons Conference, and three members at large elected by the association to serve a three year term with one to be coming off each year. Any five members will constitute a quorum. When vacancies occur the body will elect. The Moderator will serve as Chairman of this Board.

VI-D There shall be an Ordaining Council. It shall consists 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 liscensing or ordaination as ministers of the Gospel and candidates for ordaination as Deacons. It shall further be their duty to assure compliance with the By-Laws of the Presbytery.

VI-E There shall be a Board of Christian Education. It shall consist of five members with one coming off each year. If vacancies occur the body will elect. It shall elect it's own Clerk/Treasurer to record minutes of meetings and handle all monies belonging to same.

Article VII-All committees shall be appointed in advance by the Moderator. Their responsibility will cease at end of session.

Article VIII-A. Committees shall be(1) Business,(2)Deceased,(3)Nomination,(4)Credentials,(5)Auditing,and(6)Registration. Credentials shall meet in advance and be ready to report at beginning of session.

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Article VIII-B

The Auditing and Registration committees will serve at the Annual Association only!
Article VIII-C

The Credentials committee shall be composed of Ordained men.
Article VIII-D

All other committees except Registration shall have at least one Ordained man on it.

Article IX

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

Article X

Each church shall pay a representation fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00) each session of the annual and semi-annual conferences in order to be seated.

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 decision of the body.

Article XII

This Constitution can be amended (or altered) at any regular session of the association by two-thirds vote of members present providing proposed admendment 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.

"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.

"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 infallable rule and guide to salvation and all christian worship and service.

Chapter II-Being and attributed of God

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, santifier, 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; goverment 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.

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.

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.

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 Santification

l. 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 temtations 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 Resur
rection 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 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 Thrist 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

l. 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 veliever 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 perogative of every believer to observe this sacred ordinance.

l. 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.

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 rightous will enter into eternal life, and the wicked will go

into a state of endless punishment.