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ORDER OF CHURCH BUSINESS

1. Open Meeting with Prayer.
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 2. Invite Visiting Brethren to seats.
 3. Open the door of Church for the reception of members.
 4. Call for Absentees.
 5. For Acknowledgement.
 6. For reference or deferred business.
 7. For Matters of Dealing which are in order to come before the church.
 8. Miscellaneous Business.
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ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR ANNUAL ASSOCIATION

1. Call to order by Moderator or Assistant Moderator.
 2. Invite visiting brethren to seat with us.
 3. Call for Corresponding Letters.
 4. Read Letters.
 5. Call for Petition Letters.
 6. Appoint various committees.
 7. Miscellaneous Business.
Appoint Corresponding Messengers to Sister Associations, Obituaries,
How many Minutes to Print, Committee Reports, Select Place for
holding next session. Elect Officers. Vote of Thanks to host Church.
Adjourn.
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ORDER OF BUSINESS OF UNION MEETINGS

1. The body called to order by the Moderator if he is present, if not the body may select some suitable member to act as Moderator pro-tem.
2. Call for Corresponding Letters.
3. Invite visiting brethren to seats.
4. Appoint Committees.
5. Appoint time and place of holding next session.
6. Call for Reports of Committees.
7. Program by Host Church.
8. Call for Miscellaneous Business.
9. Election of Moderator and Clerk.
10. Adjournment.

MINUTES OF THE CHATTAHOOCHEE ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Annual Session of the 125th Chattahoochee Free Will Baptist Association held with the First Church of Thomaston commencing Friday morning before the 1st Sunday in October 1960.

Elder W. J. Childree, Moderator—Reynolds, Georgia.

Elder W. A. Olds, Assistant Moderator—705 Shi Place, Macon, Ga.

Elder B. T. Gill, Clerk—Rte. 2, Thomaston, Ga.

E. A. Welch, Assistant Clerk—Rte. 1, Mauk, Ga.

The next session will meet with Emanuel Church, 925 - 53rd. St., Columbus, Ga., commencing Friday before the first Sunday in October, 1961.

The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder W. A. Olds Friday at 11:00 o'clock from Romans 10:18-21. After one and one-half hours for refreshments the body was called to order. Congregation singing "When Jesus Comes." Prayer by Rev. W. R. Lawhorn. The Moderator reading the 133 Psalm after addressing the body the session was declared open for business. The first item of business was to invite visiting brethren to seats. Next called for corresponding letters on motion. Brothers E. A. Welch and J. H. Edwards was appointed to read letters, which were as follows:

First Church Muscogee County. Sis. M. T. Kelley, Sis. Mable Spinks, Eleanor Harris, Bro. Mauris Davis, Perry Walden.

Turners Chapel, Taylor County. Sis. Jewel Bone, Sis. Susie Roberson, Bro. Mack Miller.

Providence Church, Muscogee County. Sis. Lanie Bass, Sis. Peggie Sizemore.

Bethany Church, Marion County. Bro. and Sis. Julian Grimsely, Bro. Woodrow Hendrick, Sis. Alma Garrett.

St. Luke Church, Russell County. Bro. George Jones, Sis. Beulah Story, Sis. Christine Greer.

Emanuel Church, Muscogee County. Sis. Lois Waters, Sis. Vera Newman, Bro. and Sis. Luther Edwards, Bro. Gene Houston, Bro. Edmon Newman.

Pleasant Hill, Schley County. Sis. Geraldine Dillard, Sis. Dorothy Hambrick, Danny Mae Brewer.

White Oak, Bibb County. Sis. J. T. Varnader, Sis. Daniel Moore, Sis. Ernestine Collins, Bro. Cecil Heard.

Trinity Church, Taylor County. Bro. E. A. Welch, Sis. Bunola Watson.

New Prospect Church, Turner County. J. E. Davis, Hubert Parten, Wilson Hufstutler, Bro. Baker.

Spring Hill Church, Marion County. Ed A. Waters, Gussie Mitchel, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hand, Myrtle Greer.

First Church, DeKalb County. Sis. J. R. Davidson.

St. Mark, Russell County. Bro. and Sis. Ward, Bro. and Sis. Edwards, Bro. and Sis. Skinner.

New Bethel Church, Worth County. By Letter.

New Life Church, Marion County. Bro. and Sis. Horace Lockhart, Bro. and Sis. Truman Lockhart.

Little Bethel Church, Macon County. Bro. and Sis. R. C. Cromer, Tyson Ray, Lenard Layfield and wife.

Mt. Olive Church, Taylor County. B. R. Dent, Sis. Annie Windham, Johnny Windham.

New Liberty Church, Schley County. J. E. Kirkland and wife, Sis. Maude McElmurry, Sis. Rosa Lee Grimsley.

First Church, Upson County. Juile Moulding, Thelma Tomlin, Morris Tarrer, Jessie Windham, W. H. Cochran.

New Prospect Church, Taylor County. By Letter.

On Motion. Letters received and delegates seated in he body. Next called for petitionary letters, none received. Next called for corresponding messengers and received Rev. E. C. Morris from the State Association, Rev. and Mrs. Frank Willis from the West Liberty Association of West Florida. On motion the moderator extended righ hand of welcome to the correspondents. On motion the moderator appointed various committees.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

On Preaching: Jessie Windham, L. Layfield, Gussie Mitchell, Donald Moore.

On Finance: J. E. Davis, W. C. Hand, J. H. Edwards.

On State of Churches and Character of the Ministry: J. C. Kirkland, Fred Brewer, H. Moore, Ed A. Waters, G. C. Perry.

On Sabbath School: Rev. J. B. Lumpkin, W. V. Guy, Myrtle Grier.

On Womans Auxiliary: Irene Windham, Cora Renow, Mack Miller.

On Suggestions: Rev. C. H. Bass, Rev. A. C. McKinnon, Rev. B. P. Hays, Hubert Parton, W. O. McElmurry.

On motion the body adjourned until 9:45 Saturday morning.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Session opened by singing "Blessed Assurance". Scripture reading, Ecc. 11th chapter.

First called for Obituaries: The body then stood in silence in remembrance of our dead. Prayer was offered by Rev. A. C. McKinnon. Next the body agreed to have 9 hundred copies of the minutes printed

and the moderator \$20.00 and the Clerk \$30.00 for their services. The Circular Letter was read and ordered printed in the Minutes. Rev. J. R. Davidson was elected to write the next Circular Letter, An offering of \$18.20 for the Bible College, also an offering of \$19.61 for the Unified Program. The body then adjourned until 1:30 p. m.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Opened session by singing "When The Roll is Called Up Yonder". Reading Eph. 5th. Chapter. Led in prayer by Rev. A. C. McKinnon. Rev. E. C. Morris gave a brief talk on the progress of the denominational work.

By vote of the body the Ga. State Association is to meet at White Oak Church, Macon, Ga. November 1961 and each church of the Chattahoochee Association send an offering of \$10.00 to defray the expenses.

On motion to send \$10.00 to the State Association and \$5.00 to the National.

Next item: Appointed Corresponding Messengers to our Sister Association. To the Ga. Union, Rev. K. V. Shutes, Rev. J. R. Davidson. Little River, Rev. K. V. Shutes. To the Union, Rev. W. R. Lawhorn. To the Martin, Rev. W. J. Childree, Rev. J. B. Lumpkin. To the Midway, Rev. W. A. Oulds, Rev. K. V. Shutes. The State Association, Bro. Mack Miller, Bro. Fred Brewer, Bro. Leonard Grimsley.

On motion the body gave a rising vote of thanks to the church for the hospitality given during our sojourn with them. An offering of \$9.75 was given to defray mailing expenses of the Minutes.

On motion the body adjourned to meet with Emanuel Church, Columbus, Ga., October 1961. Rev. C. H. Bass to preach the Introductory Sermon Friday 11:00. Rev. W. J. Childree alternate.

REV. W. J. CHILDREE, Moderator
REV. B. T. GILL, Clerk

PREACHING COMMITTEE

Friday night, Rev. E. C. Morris; Saturday morning, 10:30, Rev. A. C. Trulock; at 11:00, Rev. J. R. Davidson.

Jessie Windham, Chm.

COMMITTEE ON STATE OF CHURCHES AND CHARACTER OF THE MINISTRY

We, your committee wish to report, we find that all of the churches and ministers are in order.

Fred Brewer, Chm.

COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOL

We your committee make the following report. We find that a few churches do not have Sunday School. We feel that the Sunday School is an important teaching to our youth.

Rev. J. B. Lumpkin, Chm.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

On hand in Treasury	\$94.55
Paid in from Churches	\$118.35

TOTAL

\$212.90

J. E. DAVIS, Chm.

TREASURER'S REPORT

In Treasury	\$212.90
Paid by Union Meeting	\$27.00
Quarterly Meeting	\$5.00
League Convention	\$5.00

Total in Treasure

\$249.90

Paid Out:

Printing Minutes	\$170.00
Ga. State Association	\$10.00
National Association	\$5.00
Moderator	\$20.00
Clerk	30.00

Total Paid out

\$235.00

Balance in Treasury

\$14.90

B. T. GILL, Treas.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

B. R. Dent—Two years	Reynolds, Ga.
E. A. Welch—One year	Mauk, Ga.
H. H. Watson—Two years	Thomaston, Ga.
Bennie Louring—Two years	Columbus, Ga.
W. V. Guy—Three years	Butler, Ga.

DIGEST COMMITTEE

E. A. Welch
H. H. Watson

Mack Miller
D. W. Moore

H. W. Grimsley

MINISTERIAL ROLL

Elder Odell Harris	612 - 44th. St., Columbus, Ga.
Elder B. P. Hayes	Pecan St., Columbus, Ga.
Elder W. J. Childree	Rt. 4, Reynolds
Elder T. W. Casey	Rte. 2, Butler, Ga.

Elder W. R. Lawhorn	Rte. 2, Butler, Ga.
Elder C. H. Bass	1008 - 20th. St., Phenix City, Ala.
Elder A. C. McKinnon	Peabody, Apt. 15, Columbus, Ga.
Elder G. W. Nobles	1871 - 3rd. St., Macon, Ga.
Elder John Grimsley	Juniper, Ga.
Elder W. J. Owens	Reynolds, Ga.
Elder G. W. Price	1105 - 17 Ave., Phenix City, Ala.
Elder J. B. Lumpkin	Junction City, Ga.
Elder J. D. Payne	Danville, Ga.
Elder B. T. Gill	Rte. 2, Thomaston, Ga.
Elder W. A. Olds	705 Shi Place, Macon, Ga.
Elder R. B. McFadden	1070 Rose St., Macon, Ga.
Elder G. W. Baker	Sycamore, Ga.
Elder J. R. Davidson	29 Clay St. S. E., Atlanta, Ga.
Elder A. W. Ellenwood	3077 Bean St., Columbus, Ga.
Elder G. T. Holliman	1813 - 10th. Ave., Phenix City, Ala.
Elder A. S. Oswalt	Fortson, Ga.
Elder K. V. Shutes	323 - E St., Thomaston, Ga.
Elder Larry Williams	Reynolds, Ga.
Elder Roscoe Pitts	Thomaston, Ga.

LICENSED MINISTERS

Rev. T. J. Driver	Columbus, Ga.
Rev. Lindbury Thorne	942 Burr St., Columbus, Ga.

CHURCHES, CLERKS & POST OFFICES

First Church,	John A. Grant, 4901 - 18th. Ave., Columbus, Ga.
Turners Chapel	Mrs. J. B. Rogers, Rte. 2, Butler, Ga.
Providence	Mrs. Peggy Sizemore, 4515 Arm St., Columbus, Ga.
Bethany	Clyde Grimsely, Rte. 1, Mauk, Ga.
St. Luke	Christine Grier, Rte. 1, Phenix City, Ala.
Emanuel	Edman Newnan, 5147 Adkins Ave., Columbus, Ga.
Pleasant Hill	Betty Ann Brewer, Rupert, Ga.

White Oak	D. W. Moore, 4040 LaFayette Dr., Macon, Ga.
Trinity	Mrs. E. A. Welch, Mauk, Ga.
New Prospect	Hubert Partain, Rte. 3, Ashburn, Ga.
Spring Hill	Miss Hatie Lou Brady, Rte. 1, Mauk, Ga.
First Church, Atlanta	Robbin Reeves, 871 Person Ave., Atlanta, Ga.
St. Mark	Ethyl Wilson, Rte. 2, Phenix City, Ala.
New Bethel	M. C. Roberts, Rte. 2, Sylvester, Ga.
New Life	Clara Lockhart, Box Springs, Ga.
Little Bethel	W. H. Cromer, Ideal, Ga.
Mt. Olive	Willis Windham, Reynolds, Ga.
New Liberty	J. C. Kirkland, Box 107, Ellaville, Ga.
First Church, Thomaston	Leon Windham, 264 R St., Thomaston, Ga.
New Prospect	Eva Trussell, Reynolds, Ga.

DEACON AND PREACHERS MEETING

The Deacon and Preachers meeting convened with the first church of Thomaston Saturday before the first Sunday in September, 1960. The introductory was preached by Rev. W. A. Olds. Churches represented were follows: White Oak, Trinity, Thomaston Turners Chapel. The next session will meet with White Oak Church Saturday before the first Sunday in September 1961. Rev. K. V. Shutes to preach the introductory. A vote of thanks was given the church for the generous entertainment given us.

REV. W. A. OLDS, Moderator
 REV. K. V. SHUTES, Asst. Moderator
 REV. B. T. GILL, Clerk

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The Sunday School Convention will convene with Providence Church Saturday before first Sunday in June of 1961.

President John A. Grant, 4901 - 18th Ave., Columbus, Ga.
 Vice President Mrs. Brown Sizemore, 4515 Evans St., Columbus, Ga.
 Sect. & Treas. Mrs. Price Hays, 2926 Pecan St., Columbus, Ga.

CALENDAR OF MEETINGS FOR 1961

First Union meeting to convene with St. Luke Church Saturday before the first Sunday in January, 1961.

Second Union meeting to convene with Spring Hill Saturday before the fifth Sunday in April, 1961.

Third Union meeting to convene with Little Bethel Saturday before the 5th Sunday in July.

First Quarterly meeting to convene with the First Church, Columbus, Saturday before the 2nd Sunday in January, 1961.

Second Quarterly meeting to convene with First Church, Atlanta, Saturday before 2nd Sunday in April.

Third Quarterly meeting to convene with Emanuel Church, Columbus Saturday before the 2nd Sunday in July.

The Ladies Auxiliary will meet with White Oak Church Saturday before the 3rd Sunday in September.

CIRCULAR LETTER FOR CHATTAHOOCHEE ASSOCIATION

"The Presence of God's Power"

Luke. 5:17

The verse of scripture we have under consideration is one that should challenge every Christian and especially every minister to face the question; is my ministry power filled? Have I given my life to God as an instrument through which His power may be manifest to a dying world? Some men trying to explain the absence of God's power make all kind of excuses; some have substituted intellectualism others emotionalism and fanaticism as the undergirding force in their lives. Our text states plainly that where Jesus gathered together with people." the power of God was present to heal them."

Since the voice of the prophets had ceased the men of the world had drifted into spiritual sleep and indifference. They had forgotten the thunder of Malachi and the fire of Elijah, being content to worship the forms and in the traditions of the fathers. Serving the letter rather than the spirit of God's law. Like people of today they were willing to substitute something else for the reality and power of God in their life. The world had lost respect for their God and their profession not being willing to tie themselves to a dead form or to a wild emotional fanaticism. Therefore the world was staggering along in sin and in ignorance, headed toward eternity without hope of redemption.

Then Jesus came upon the scene, the living, moving, miraculous power of the living God. Like a clap of thunder in the quiet of day to offer the reality of salvation from sin and redemption from it's bondage. He brought a message of power that put the Devil to flight and caused the demons to tremble in their dens. He healed the sick and cripples, cleansed the lepers and saved sinners from the awful damnation of Hell.

He challenged men to live Holy, Godly lives; to love one another and let the beauty of God be seen in them. He called men to preach a message of power (Christ) that could turn defeat into victory, sorrow into joy, and death into life for all who would believe. He scared the religious big shots half to death and had the doctors and scribes of the law wondering what was coming to pass. Then as today men paused to marvel at the demonstration of God's power. Many believed and

accepted the living Christ and rejoiced in the redemption He offered a dying world.

His disciples took up the challenge and preached Christ to men of all nations; they saw miracles worked and souls saved. Rulers, kings, harlots, thieves men from all walks of life came weeping their way to Jesus and found redemption and joy in this message of power. This was possible because they preached Christ and not themselves, truth rather than tradition, facts instead of fiction. In a short time the message spread to a large part of the known world; from person to person, from village to village, from nation to nation this message of God's power to save swept into men's lives to save and heal them.

We can see the same things happen today, if we preach Christ and put Him first in our lives. Once again our text reminds us that where Jesus is the power of God is present to heal.

UNION MEETINGS OF CHATTAHOOCHEE ASSOCIATION

First Union Meeting

The first Union Meeting of the Chattahoochee Free Will Baptist Association convened with New Life Free Will Baptist Church, Mauk, Georgia on Saturday before the Fifth Sunday in January, 1960.

Bro. Albert Ellenwood, the Pastor of the Host Church, gave a welcome followed by a Testimony given by Bro. B. T. Gill. The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Bro. B. P. Hayes.

Following the morning services dinner was served by the Host Church.

The afternoon session was called to order by the Moderator, Bro. W. J. Owens. Bro. Owens gave a short devotional.

First item of business was to call for corresponding letters. Letters were read, accepted and delegates seated as follows:

Little Bethel: Bro. Leonard Layfield and wife, Bro. R. C. Cromer and wife, Bro. G. C. Perry and wife.

New Liberty: Bro. C. C. Franklin, Bro. J. C. Kirkland and wife, Sister Myrtice Grimsley, Sister Thelma Grimsley.

Turner's Chapel: Bro. J. D. Fincher, Bro. Homer S. Moore, Sister Nannie Lou Rodgers, Bro. Earl Bone.

First Thomaston Church: Bro. Herman Watson, Sis. Kate Watson, Sis. Ruby Wells.

New Life: Sis. Ruby Anthony, Sis. Gladys Ellenwood, Sis. Kathleen Daniel, Sis. Clara Lockhart.

Trinity: Sis. Josephine Welch, Bro. E. A. Welch, and Bro. Buford Watson.

St. Luke: Sis. Frances Moody, Sis. Sandra Storey, Sis. Delilah Storey and Bro. Ted Holland.

Spring Hill: Bro. Monroe Grier and wife, Sister Gussie Mitchell.

Mt. Olive: Bro. Eugene Windham, Bro. and Sis. Willis Windham, Sis. Shirley Owens.

Pleasant Hill: W. T. James.

Providence: Sis. Bass, Sis. Spires, Sis. Weaver, Bro. and Sis. B. T. Sizemore and Sis. Sizemore.

Received by letters an offering of \$16.00.

Received for Unified Program \$20.00.

Offering for Sis. Alma Garrett \$33.12.

A rising vote of thanks was extended to the Host Church. It was moved to adjourn until the Saturday before the next fifth Sunday.

REV. W. J. OWENS, Moderator

REV. B. P. HAYES, Clerk

SECOND UNION MEETING

The Second Union Meeting of the Chattahoochee Union Meeting convened with Bethany Free Will Baptist Church, Marion County, Georgia, on Saturday before the fifth Sunday in May, 1960.

The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Rev. W. J. Childre, followed by Rev. J. B. Lumpkin. After the morning services, dinner was served by the Host Church.

The afternoon session was opened with the singing of "Be Ye Ready". Devotional was delivered by Rev. W. J. Owens.

Letters were read, approved, and delegates seated as follows:

St. Mark: L. B. Skinner, Geo. Jones, Beatrice Meredith, S. G. Meredith and S. B. Killingsworth.

Little Bethel: Bro. G. C. Perry and wife, Bro. R. C. Cromer and wife, Bro. Randal Janks and wife.

Pleasant Hill: Sister Harold Dillard, Sister B. C. Brewer and Sister Fred Brewer.

Trinity: Bro. E. A. Welch and Bro. Buford Watson.

Bethany: Sister Alma Garrett and Sister Ruby Grimsley and Woodrow Hendricks.

New Life: Sister Sally V. Foster, Sis. Ruby Anthony, Sis. Estell H. Hill and Sis. Kathleen Daniel.

Turner's Chapel: Bro. Homer S. Moore, Sis. Nannie L. Rodgers and Sister Jewel Bone.

Mount Olive: Bro. Johnnie Windham, Bro. Eugene Windham, Sis. Myrtice Morrell, Bro. and Sis. Willis Windham.

Providence: Bro. and Sis. B. T. Sizemore, Sis. Lanie Bass and Sis. Peggy Sizemore.

St. Luke: Bro. and Sis. Zander Fortune, Sis. Lillian Sawyer, Sis. Ruth Holland, Sis. Christine Greer.

Emanuel: Bro. L. Thorne, Bro. Leroy Grimsley.

First Thomaston: Bro. Jesse Windham, Bro. Herman Watson, Bro. Wm. Cochran.

New Liberty: H. W. Grimsley and wife, Bro. Curtis Grimsley, Sis. Thelma Grimsley, Bro. J. C. Kirkland.

Spring Hill: Sister Gussie Mitchell, Bro. Norman Grier, Bro. Thad Lawhorne.

New Prospect, Turner County: Bro. W. Giddens, J. E. Davis, Martin Holcomb, Wilson Hufstettler, and Hubert Parten.

Bro. Johnny Grimsley gave a talk as the program for Bethany. Bro. W. J. Childre arranged a program of special music presenting Joyce Holland and Bob Hayes.

It was moved and carried to begin to have afternoon preaching services.

Received special offering for Emanuel Church \$35.26.

Received from letters \$18.00

Extended rising vote of thanks to Host Church and Adjournment was in order.

REV. W. J. OWENS, Moderator

REV. B. P. HAYES, Clerk

Third Union Meeting

The Third Union was convened with Pleasant Hill Freewill Baptist Church, Schley County, Georgia, on the Saturday before the fifth Sunday in July.

The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Bro. Homer Willis. After the Morning Services dinner was served by the Host Church.

The afternoon session was opened by the singing of "Draw Me Nearer". A Devotional was delivered by Rev. W. J. Owens. Letters from the corresponding churches were read, approved, and delegates seated as follows:

New Life: Sister Gladys Ellenwood, Sister Clara Lockhart.

Emanuel: Bro. Martin Bronson.

St. Mark: Bro. and Sis. Luther Skinner, Bro. and Sis. Edwards and Bro. Killingsworth.

St. Luke: Bro. George Jones, Sis. Lucile Storey, Sis. Ethel Greer, Bro. Billy Hollis.

First Thomaston: Jesse Windham, W. H. Cochran, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. McElheny and Helen Tomblin.

Pleasant Hill: Bro. Walton Hambrick, Bro. Blan Wall, and Sister Blan Wall.

New Prospect: Bro. Jimmy Davis, Bro. Wilson Jufstettler, Bro. J. L. Taylor and Sister Nellie Taylor.

Little Bethel: Bro. Randall Jinks and wife, Bro. Leonard Layfield and wife, and Sister R. G. Streetman.

Spring Hill: Sister Katilu Brady, Sister Gussie Mitchell.

Trinity: Bro. E. A. Welch and Bro. Buford Watson.

Bethany: Sister Alma Garrett, Sister Margariete Garrett, and Bro. Julius Grimsley.

Mount Olive: Sis. Agnes Albritton, Bro. and Sis. Oswald Williams, Sis. Myrtice Morrell, Sis. Florence Windham.

Providence: Sis. Lanie Bass, Sis. Margaret Sizemore and Sister Peggy Sizemore.

New Liberty: Bro. W. O. McElmurray and wife, Bro. C. C. Lumpkin, Bro. J. C. Kirkland and Sister Rosa Lee Grimsley.

The Host Church presented a stirring program "Back to the Bible", which was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Officers were elected for the ensuing year as follows:

Rev. J. B. Lumpkin, Moderator.

Rev. W. R. Lawhorne, Assist. Moderator.

Rev. B. P. Hayes, Clerk.

Bro. Jack Welch, Asst. Clerk.

The body gave a rising vote of thanks to the retiring moderator, Rev. W. J. Owens.

Time and place of next year's Union Meetings were appointed as follows:

First Union Meeting to convene with St. Luke on Saturday before the fifth Sunday in January, 1961. Introductory Sermon by Rev. B. P. Hayes.

Second Union Meeting to convene with Spring Hill on the Saturday before the fifth Sunday in April. Introductory Sermon by Rev. B. P. Hayes.

Third Union Meeting to convene with Little Bethel on the Saturday before the fifth Sunday in July, 1961. Introductory Sermon by Rev. W. R. Lawhorne.

Received from letters \$18.00.

Received from Unified Program \$18.65.

Paid to Moderator \$15.00

Paid to Clerk \$10.00.

Rising vote of thanks was given to Host Church.
It was then moved and carried to adjourn.

REV. W. J. OWENS, Moderator
REV. B. P. HAYES, Clerk

Total Balance turned over to Association — \$27.00

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY DEPARTMENT

Proceedings of the Chattahoochee District Woman's Auxiliary Convention Eleventh Annual Session—September 17, 1960

The Eleventh Annual Session of the Chattahoochee District Auxiliary Convention of Georgia convened with the First F.W.B. Church in Columbus, Georgia, September 17, 1960.

The theme for the convention was, "Mission's." We opened the meeting with a song "Jesus Saves". Brother Bass led us in prayer.

Mrs. Peggy Sizemore of Columbus, Georgia led us in our morning devotional thought using Matthew 28:18-20 for her scripture. We then had a special prayer for our missionaries. It was led by Mrs. Cora Renow.

The convention was called to order by the president, Mrs. Shutes, and the following committees were appointed by the president:

Registration Committee: Mrs. Ruby Kelly.

Credential Committee: Mrs. Ruby Wells, Mrs. Peggy Sizemore, Mrs. Lannie Bass.

Resolution Committee: Mrs. Voncile Bryant, Mrs. C. H. Bass, Mrs. Cora Renow.

Finance Committee: Mrs. Ruby Wells, Mrs. R. H. Dowdy, Mrs. Ruby Kelly.

Nominating Committee: Mrs. Peggy Sizemore, Mrs. Ruby Cobb, Mrs. C. H. Bass, Mrs. Kate Lovering, Mrs. Caro Renow.

The Achievement Chart was then explained by Mrs. K. V. Shutes. Then we had the reports of the standing chairman.

Brother Odell Harris led us in Singspiration. Brother Shutes brought the message on "Mission's".

The love offering was taken up for the Mission's. It was a total of \$14.67.

We had prayer at the alter by Brother Bass. We were then dismissed for lunch by Sister Kelly.

The afternoon session was opened by the congregation singing "The Kingdom is Coming."

Mrs. K. V. Shutes, Thomaston, Georgia brought the message for the afternoon session. She used Exodus 14:13 for her text.

The first Church in Columbus had a playlet on Missions. We then sang "Bring Them in."

The Secretary gave her report. It was voted to accept it. The treasurer's report was read and accepted. We voted to accept the other reports. (see reports).

Mrs. Shutes appointed delegates to the State Convention.

They are: Mrs. H. J. Kelly, Mrs. Johnnie Grant, Mrs. C. H. Bass, Mrs. Ruby Cobb, Mrs. Ruby Wells, Mrs. Odell Harris.

There was a motion and a second that the Convention meet at White Oaks Church in Macon, Georgia for it's 1961 session which will be held the third Saturday in September.

There was a motion and a second to give the host church a rising vote of thanks.

We were dismissed with prayer by Brother Ellenwood.

REPORT OF VARIOUS COMMITTEES

REPORT OF CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

We the Credential Committee submit the following report. We have examined the reports from the Local Auxiliaries and found the following auxiliaries eligible to be seated in this convention.

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| 1. White Oaks, Macon, Ga. | 4. Emanuel Church, Columbus, Ga. |
| 2. First Church, Thomaston Ga. | 5. Providence Church, Columbus, Ga. |
| 3. First Church, Atlanta, Ga. | 6. Turner's Chapel, Butler, Ga. |

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. RUBY WELLS
MRS. PEGGY SIZEMORE
MRS. LANNIE BASS

Report of Registration Committee:

8 District Officers; 5 Delegates; 2 Local Officers; 4 Ministers; 5 Visitors.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. RUBY KELLY

Report of Finance Committee:

We, your finance committee submit the following reports. We found the Treasurer's Books in order. There was 67c in the treasure at the beginning of the year. There has been \$437.40 taken in and paid during the year. We have a balance of \$3.92 in the treasure now. The Love Offering for today was \$14.67. It will be sent to help pay Dr. and Mrs. Miley's expense to the mission field.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. RUBY WELLS
MRS. RUBY KELLY
MRS. R. H. DOWDY

Report of Resolutions Committee:

Be It Resolved:

1. That the Woman's Auxiliary Convention of the Chattahoochee District adopt the W.N.A.C. 1961 project for supplying medical facilities and equipment for use on the mission field in Africa and that this District raise at least \$100 on this project that the following quotes be given to the local Auxiliary.

First Church, Thomaston	\$25.00	Turner's Chapel	\$10.00
First Church, Columbus	\$25.00	Providence	\$10.00
White Oaks, Macon	\$25.00	Emanuel	\$5.00

2. That the each District Convention be urged to elect field workers to promote the W.N.A.C. work in their locality.

3. That each Auxiliary in the Convention receive a copy of the minutes of the District Convention.

4. That each local Auxiliary make regular contributions to the Co-Labor Fund. All money sent through the District Treasure.

Respectfully submitted
 MRS. VONCILE BRYAN
 MRS. CORA RENOW
 MRS. LANNIE BASS

Report of the Nominating Committee:

We, your nominating committee submit the following report. We submit the following names that have been nominated for the 1961 officers:

President — Mrs. K. V. Shutes

Vice President — Mrs. H. J. Kelly

Secretary & Treasurer — Mrs. Ruby Wells

Assistant Secretary — Miss Betty Dumas

Youth Chairman — Mrs. Peggy Sizemore

Study Chairman — Mrs. Voncile Bryan

Stewardship Chairman — Mrs. C. H. Bass

Personal Service Chairman — Mrs. Cora Renow

Field Workers — Mrs. Kate Lovering, Mrs. Ruby Cobb; Mrs. J. L. Varnedore, Mrs. Lois Walters.

Respectfully submitted,
 MRS. PEGGY SIZEMORE
 MRS. RUBY COBB
 MRS. C. H. BASS
 MRS. CORA RENOW
 MRS. KATE LOVERING

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I. Name

This organization shall be known as the Woman's National Auxiliary Convention of the National Association of Free-Will Baptists.

ARTICLE II. Purpose

The purpose of the Woman's National Auxiliary Convention shall be twofold: First, to cooperate with and to promote the work of our denomination as set up by the National Association of Free-Will Baptists.

Second: To distribute missionary information and to secure earnest, sympathetic cooperation of women and young people through state Woman's Auxiliary Convention in supporting all missionary endeavors of the denomination.

ARTICLE III. Officers and Executive Committee

The officers shall be a President, Vice-President, who shall serve as enlistment chairman, Recording Secretary, Assistant Recording Secretary, Executive Secretary-Treasurer, Youth Auxiliary Chairman, Study Course chairman, Stewardship-Prayer chairman, and Personal Service chairman; also Promotional chairman and Literature chairman, who shall be recommended by the Executive Secretary-Treasurer, approved by the Executive Committee, and elected by the W.N.A.C. These shall constitute the Executive Committee, seven of whom shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE IV. Membership

This Convention shall be composed of the officers of said Convention together with the Field Secretary and President of each State Convention, and ten (10) delegates from each state which has paid in full its membership and representation fee.

ARTICLE V. Annual Meeting

The National Auxiliary Convention shall meet annually at a time and place selected by the National Association of Free-Will Baptists subject to the approval of the Executive Committee of the W.N.A.C.

ARTICLE VI. Amendments

This Constitution may be amended at any annual meeting of the Convention by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I.—Duties of Officers.

Section 1. President.—The President shall preside over all meetings, appoint such committees as may be needed, call the Executive Committee together when necessary, be ex officio member of all standing committees, and perform all duties usually pertaining to such an office.

Section 2. Vice President.—The Vice President shall act as President in the President's absence or by request. She shall serve as chairman of the enlistment committee and shall help state officers in organizing and strengthening State Auxiliary Conventions. She shall also

serve as chairman of the registration committee.

Section 3. Recording Secretary.—The Recording Secretary shall keep an accurate record of all proceedings of the Convention and Executive Committee meetings, preserve all valuable papers and turn same over to her successor in office.

Section 4. Assistant Recording Secretary.—The Assistant Recording Secretary shall serve as chairman of the Credentials Committee. In the absence of the Recording Secretary, the Assistant Recording Secretary shall serve in her place.

Section 5. Executive Secretary-Treasurer.—The Executive Secretary-Treasurer is entrusted with the general administration of the whole W.N.A.C. Plan of Work. She shall edit and supervise publications of all W.N.A.C. literature. She shall keep an accurate account of all receipts and disbursements for each W.N.A.C. publication, and also shall receive directly from the state treasurers and other donors all Co-Laborer Fund receipts, convention fees, weeks of prayer, offerings, etc., and shall present a detailed written report of all these accounts to each annual meeting. She must be bonded and all books audited annually.

Under her supervision, the promotional chairman shall conduct the promotional work of the Convention, cooperate with all denominational activities, prepare and circulate whatever publicity is needed to promote the Convention Plan of Work.

The literature chairman, also under the supervision of the Executive Secretary-Treasurer, shall be responsible for the preparation of the program books. She shall prepare or secure other literature needed at the suggestion of the Executive Secretary-Treasurer.

The Executive Secretary-Treasurer shall be given the power to employ an office secretary to work in the W.N.A.C. office when necessary.

Section 6. Youth Auxiliary Chairman.—The Youth Auxiliary Chairman shall have general oversight of youth organizations of the Woman's National Auxiliary Convention. She shall cooperate with national and state study course chairmen and youth auxiliary chairmen in promoting missionar education of Free-Will Baptist Youth.

Section 7. Study Course Chairman.—The study course chairman shall suggest and plan all study courses for the year. She will select and recommend textbooks to be used. It shall be her duty to prepare suggested themes for quarterly workshops and secure the cooperation of state chairmen in promoting such workshops in their states.

Section 8. Stewardship-Prayer Chairman.—The success of all Christian endeavor depends on being good stewards, not only of money, time and talents, but the spending of much time in prayer as well. The W.N.A.C. revolves on this axle. Therefore it is the duty of the stewardship-prayer chairman to promote good stewardship in all of these things and to promote family altars and special seasons of prayer.

Section 9. Personal Service Chairman.—The personal service chairman shall encourage state personal service chairmen in assigned and directed community missions which include soul-winning efforts, benevolences, orphanage work, and ministerial relief.

Section 10. Executive Committee.—The Executive Committee shall hold annual and semi-annual meetings for the transaction of business and shall report through the Secretary at each Annual Session of the W.N.A.C. what has been done toward carrying out the purpose of the organization. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to maintain an oversight of the work at large, have authority to call extra sessions of the committee when necessary and act for the Convention, to introduce recommendations to the Convention concerning any matter deemed important to the interests of the Convention and its committees, to prepare the program for the regular annual meeting of the Convention, to fill any vacancies occurring between elections.

ARTICLE II—Chairmen of Standing Committees

The standing committees are composed of the national chairmen and the state chairmen of each department of work as set up by the W.N.A.C. working together as co-laborers, i.e., the national vice-president is chairman of the enlistment committee which is composed of all state enlistment chairmen. The national chairmen of these committees shall plan and direct work in their departments in harmony with the W.N.A.C. Plan of Work. These committee plans shall be arranged and presented to the Executive Committee Meeting at its regular session prior to the Annual Convention. Plans approved will then become recommendations to the Convention.

Each chairman will secure and compile facts and reports from the state chairman concerning her committee's work which will be informative and inspirational to the national convention.

ARTICLE III.—Elections.

The general officers shall be nominated by a nominating committee and elected every two years by acclamation, unless there are other nominations. In case of more than one nominee for any particular office, a vote will be taken on each. All elections shall be held at the closing business session of the annual convention.

ARTICLE IV.—Expenses.

An appropriation toward the expenses of the general officers to all official meetings may be made from the national treasury provided it does not exceed the sum of Fifteen Dollars (\$15). An honorarium to the Recording Secretary for transcribing minutes and salaries for the W.N.A.C. executive department shall be recommended by the Finance Committee and approved by the National Convention each year. All field promotional work is subject to the W.N.A.C. Executive Committee, who must approve all itineraries made by W.N.A.C. Officers in the interest of W.N.A.C. work, as well as the expenses for same.

Postage and stationery shall be furnished the general officers. Other appropriations may be decided upon by the Finance Committee and passed upon by the Convention.

ARTICLE V.—Committees.

Section 1. Nominating Committee.—The Nominating Committee shall be composed of one member from each state to be nominated from the floor and elected by the body.

Section 2.—Credentials.—The Assistant Recording Secretary shall be chairman of the credentials committee, and other members may be

appointed by the President.

Section 3. Finance.—The Executive Secretary-Treasurer shall be Chairman of the Finance Committee and four other members shall be appointed by the President.

Section 4. Registration.—The Vice-President shall be chairman and two other members may be appointed by the President.

ARTICLE VI.—Fees.

Ten cents (10c) per active member shall be paid yearly to the Woman's National Auxiliary Convention by the State Conventions for membership and Convention representation fees.

ARTICLE VII.—Amendments.

These By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of members present at any regular meeting of the National Auxiliary Convention.

ARTICLE VIII.—Gifts.

The Co-Laborer offerings sent monthly to W.N.A.C. Executive Secretary-Treasurer and offerings for missions sent following each special week of prayer constitute the gift plan of the Woman's National Auxiliary Convention.

III. Points of Emphasis

The point of emphasis that should be pointed out in this chapter is the difference in the reading of Article II of the By-Laws in the above National Constitution and the reading of Article II of the By-laws of both the District and the State Constitutions. Essentially the same thing is said, hence there should be no conflict in interpretation.

Questions for Review

1. Discuss four things that show the importance of the Woman's National Auxiliary Convention?
2. What are some of the duties of the Executive Secretary-Treasurer?
3. How is the Nominating Committee formed?
4. How is the membership of the national convention formed?
5. How many delegates are allowed from each state?

CHATTAHOOCHEE DISTRICT FREE WILL BAPTIST LEAGUE CONVENTION

The Chattahoochee District Free Will Baptist League Convention met on August 13, 1960, at the First Church of Columbus.

The meeting was opened by singing led by Rev. Harris. The welcome was given by Maurice Davis and the response to the welcome was given by Mrs. K. V. Shutes. After the welcome and response, Mrs. Betty Owens led the morning devotional period.

Mrs. K. V. Shutes was appointed to oversee the Convention and act as President until officers were elected. The minutes of the last meeting were read at the request of the President.

The different Leagues presented their reports and after the reports from the Churches were read the committees were appointed by the President.

Nominating: Mrs. Barron, Junior Spires and Mrs. E. E. Bone.

Resolutions: Rev. Harris, Billie Lovering and Rev. Olds.

Digest: Rev. K. V. Shutes, Mrs. Kate Lovering, and Deborah Shutes.

Finance: Bro. John Grant, Gail Moore, and Rudeen Moore.

Before the morning message a general discussion of problems confronting the different Leagues was held.

The Morning Message was brought by Rev. Olds of White Oak Church in Macon. His scripture for the day was taken from II Timothy Chapter 3. His message was on the League's needs and uses.

After the message we were dismissed for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session was opened by singing led by Rev. Charles Clark. After the singing Rev. Clark led the afternoon devotional.

After the devotional the host Church presented a playlet on "Can't-Itis" which was most enlightening to everyone.

The Sword Drill was led by Diane Harris with the following contestants from the Intermediate Department: Judy Harris, Deborah Shutes, Norma Jean Fuller, and Helen Rogers. There were no members to represent the other department.

Deborah Shutes was the winner of the Drill and will represent us in the State Convention.

We then went into the business session. The committees gave their reports and they were approved and accepted.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

DIGEST COMMITTEE

Report of Digest Committee to the 1960 League Convention in First Free Will Baptist Church, Columbus, Georgia, August 1960.

1. Number of Leages — 4
2. Number Enrolled — 195
3. Average attendance — 34
4. Number of Visitors in Leagues — 275: Average — 138
5. Number of new members — 42: Average — 21
6. Total offering — \$263.00: Average — \$131.50
7. Number of Preachers present — 4
8. Number of visitors, besides delegates — 10
9. Number of delegates — 17.

Let us strive to make 1961 a greater year in our League work. Please make it an object of your prayers.

REV. K. V. SHUTES, Chairman
DEBORAH SHUTES, MRS. KATE LOVERING

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

The committee submitted the following staement:

That due to the circumstances and condition of the Chattahoochee Convention and lack of interest that we knew of no resolution that the Convention could carry out due to the lack of co-operation in the Association. The only resolution they could offer would be to try to get the officers to function properly in their offices and to try to interest the people in the League Convention.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

We the Finance Committee submit the following report:

Balance in Treasury from 1959	\$18.00
Dues Received Today	\$12.00

It was decided that the executive committee would be responsible for the programs for the League Conventions.

A motion was made to give the president sufficient funds to use at her own discretion. An offering of \$4.75 was taken to cover this purpose.

Bro. Harris was appointed to make out an unified report blank to send to the different Leagues in order that we might have more accurate reports.

A motion and second was made to give the host Church a rising vote of thanks for their wonderful hospitality.

The next meeting will be held at Turner's Chapel on the Saturday before the second Sunday in August, 1961.

The meeting was dismissed by prayer.

MRS. K. V. SHUTES, President Protem
HELEN TOMLIN, Secertary & Treas.

Total to account for \$30.00

We recommend the following distributions:

1. Entertainment of National League Conference \$10.00

2. State Convention Dues \$10.00

3. Minutes \$5.00

Total Paid out \$25.00

Total to account for \$30.00

Total left in Treasury before offering was taken \$5.00

Offering taken for President's use \$4.75

Total left in Treasury \$9.75

NOMINATION COMMITTEE

President Sis. Kate Lovering

Vice President Glenda Moore

Secretary & Treasurer Helen Tomlin

Choirster Diane Harris

Pianist Peggy Fincher

Field Worker Bro. W. A. Olds

Sword Drill Leader Evelyn Toler

Respectfully,
JEWEL J. BONE
JUNIOR SPIRES
JOSIE M. BARRON

NEXT MEETING: Saturday before Second Sunday in August, 1961 at Turner's Chapel Church.

QUARTERLY MEETING OF CHATTAHOOCHEE FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Progressive Quarterly meeting held at First Free Will Baptist Church, Thomaston, Georgia, on Saturday, July 9, 1960

Opening song — Come Thou Fount

Prayer by Bro. Bennie Lovering

Devotional — Bro. Odell Harris , St. Matthew 23:13.

Moved and carried that Moderator appoint someone to read letters. Appointed were Rev. K. V. Shutes and Bro. Donald Moore.

Moved and carried to adopt letters and delegates be seated.

Amendment to accept Atlanta Church letter and delegates.

The following committees were appointed:

Digest Committee: Bro. Morris Davis, Bro. Fincher, Bro. Lindberg Thorne.

Finance Committee: Bro. Donald Moore, Sis. K. V. Shutes, Sis. Davidson.

Song: My Faith Looks Up To Thee.

Morning Message: Bro. Davidson, Scripture taken from Hebrews 11:23.

Song: At The Cross.

Dismissed in Prayer.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Song: The Way of The Cross Leads Home.

Prayer: by Rev. B. P. Hayes.

Devotional: Rev. Olds, Acts 5:29.

Digest Committee: Moved and carried to receive Digest Committee report as read.

Finance Committee: Moved and carried to adopt Finance Committee report as read.

Moved and Carried to adopt standard letter forms from Free Will Baptist Press.

Ordination Council examines Bro. Lindberg Thorne and finds him worthy and recommends him to preach the gospel for 1 year.

Moved and carried to grant Bro. Thorne License for 1 year.

Moved and carried to grant ordination certificates to the deacons of Frist Free Will Baptist Church of Columbus.

Afternoon Mesage: Rev. Earl Presley, St. Matthew 3:1-2, 4:17.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Nomination for Moderator — Rev. K. V. Shutes.

Moved and carried that nomination close and Bro. Shutes be elected by acclamation.

Nomination for Assistant Moderator — Rev. B. P. Hayes and Rev. Davidson.

Moved and carried that nomination cease. Rev. Davidson is asst. moderator.

Moved and carried to retain the same clerk for another year.

Nomination for assistant clerk — Sis. Glenda Fleming.

Moved and carried that nomination cease. Sis. Fleming is elected by acclamation.

Nomination for Minister to take 3 year term on Ordination Council in Rev. Harris' place.

Nomination for Rev. Harris to succeed himself.

Moved and carried that nomination cease — Rev. Harris is elected by acclamation.

DELEGATES TO ASSOCIATION

Moved and carried that Moderator appoint a delegate from each

church to association from Quarterly.

Macon Church — Bro. D. L. Giffen

Turners Chapel — Sis. Jewel Bone.

First Church of Columbus — Sis. Mary Jean Spinks.

First Church of Thomaston — Sis. K. V. Shutes

Emanuel Church — Bro. Edward Newnan

Atlanta — Sis. J. R. Davidson

Moved and carried that the Executive Committee be in charge of programs for next year.

Scheduled as follows:

January — First Church of Columbus

April — First Church of Atlanta

July — Emanuel Church of Columbus.

Moved and carried to adopt the following resolution.

The Progressive Quarterly Meeting of the Chattahoochee Association of Free Will Baptist of Georgia, while in session at the First Free Will Baptist Church in Thomaston, Georgia, moved and carried to adopt the following resolution;

Inasmuch as Mr. Ralph McGill, publisher of the Atlanta Constitution, Atlanta, Georgia, published an article in the Magazine section of the Constitution on Sunday, June p6, 1960, on the Sacred Rite of Feet washing, and; inasmuch as Mr. McGill so very accurately described the Gospel Ordinance as practiced by Free Will Baptist, and inasmuch as Mr. McGill included accurate information relative to Free Will Baptist history and present status of our work, thereby voluntarily and freely affording reputable advertising for the cause of the Lord as promoted by Free Will Baptist, and;

Inasmuch as Mr. McGill placed special emphasis on Spiritual benefits to be derived by carrying out the Sacred Rite of Feet Washing, be it therefore resolved; 1st., That the Progressive Quarterly Meeting of the Chattahoochee Association of Free Will Baptist of Georgia, go on record as being especially appreciative of this service rendered by Mr. McGill; 2nd. That we join in prayer for a revival of Biblical practices of this Gospel Ordinance throughout the ranks of Free Will Baptists; 3rd. That a copy of these resolutions be placed in the records of this Quarterly Meeting and; 4th. That a copy be mailed to Mr. McGill, that he be authorized to publish whatever part of these resolutions as he deems wise, and; 5th. That these resolutions be duly signed by the Moderator and Clerk of this Progressive Quarterly Meeting.

REV. WARREN OLDS, Moderator

EDWARD NEWMAN, Clerk

Moved and carried to give a rising vote of thanks to Pastor and church of Thomaston for wonderful entertainment provided and carried out.

Moved and carried to give rising vote of appreciation to out-going officers.

Moved and carried to adjourn.

Dismissed in Prayer by Bro. Warren Olds.

REV. WARREN OLDS, Moderator

EDWARD NEWMAN, Clerk

**MINUTES OF THE PROGRESSIVE QUARTERLY MEETING HELD AT
WHITE OAK CHURCH, MACON, GEORGIA, ON SATURDAY, JAN. 9, 1960**

Opening song — Coming

Devotional by the Moderator — Phil 1:27

Called for letters

Moved and carried the Secretary read letters.

Moved and carried the Quarterly Meeting receive letters, and seat delegates.

Moved and carried visitors be seated.

The following were appointed to serve on finance committee by the chair: Bro. Watson, Thomaston Church; Bro. Newman, Emanuel Church; Sis. Johnson, First Church in Clumbus.

The following were appointed to serve on Digest Committee by chair: Bro. Giffen, White Oak Church; Bro. McIlhenny, Thomaston Church; Sis. Lang, Atlanta Church.

Moved and carried the chair appoint ordaining council for rest of the year: Rev. Odell Harris, Rev. K. V. Shutes, Rev. J. R. Davidson.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

Song — "Footsteps of Jesus."

Bro. Truluck delivered morning message, Scripture taken from Matt. 16:24-28.

Dismissed for noon hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Song — "Just Over In The Glory Land."

Bro. J. R. Davidson brought a wonderful message on Missions, taken from John 4:35-36 and John 7:37-38.

Report of Digest Committee.

Churches represented , 6; Woman's Auxiliary 5; Sunday Schools 6; Prayer Meetings 6; Master's Men 3; G. T. A.'s 3; Y. P. A.'s 5; Received by Baptism 11; By letter 13; Dismissed by letter 11; and 1 deceased.

BRO. WILLIE McELHENNY

BRO. D. L. GIFFEN

SIS. JOHNNIE W. LANG, Digest Committee.

Moved and carried to accept Digest Committee's Report.

Report of Finance Committee:

Bible College \$10.00; Unified Program \$10.00; Foreign Missions \$10.00; Home Missions \$10.00; Youth Camp \$10.00; and Children's Home \$5.00.

Moved and carried to accept Finance Committee's report.

Ordination Report:

The Council examined Bro. Earl C. Presley, after satisfactory examination, he was recommend to Quarterly Meeting for ordination.

Moved and carried to accept Ordination Committee's report.

New Business:

Moved and carried the Quarterly Meeting go on record as promoting or endorsing a Bible Conference 4th Sunday in April with details to be worked out.

A rising vote of thanks was given for church hospitality.
Moved to adjourn.

Treasurer's Report

Balance in Treasury	\$19.24
Offering in last meeting	\$13.32
Rec'd from churches	\$28.00
Total in treasurer	\$60.56
Sent Bro. Moris to cover report of Finance Committee	\$55.00
Balance in treasure	\$5.56

NADINE BARRON, Secretary

THE PROGRESSIVE QUARTERLY MEETING HELD AT TURNERS CHAPEL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, BUTLER, GA., APRIL 9, 1960

The meeting was opened with gospel singing. Prayer by Bro. Alva Brunson.

Meeting declared in order by Moderator.

Scripture reading was taken from Gal. 4:1-11, by Moderator.

Moved and carried that Moderator appoint clerk for remainder of year. Edward Newman, was appointed.

Minutes of previous meeting stands approved as read.

Moved and carried that clerk read church letters.

Moved and carried to receive letters from churches, and delegates be seated.

Moved and carried to invite, and seat visiting Brethren.

Moved and carried Moderator appoint necessary committees.

On Finance Committee:

Bro. Watson, Chairman; Sis. Kelly; Sis. Moore.

On Digest Committee:

Bro. Lang, chairman; Sis. Nannie Lou Rodgers; Sis. Lois Walters.

Moved and carried to receive letter from Atlanta, and delegates be seated.

Bro. J. R. Davidson was nominated, and accepted, to fill expired term of Bro. L. E. Sheffield, which is one year, on Executive Board.

Bro. J. D. Fincher, was nominated and accepted to fill expired term of Bro. Dowdney, which is three year term, on Executive Board.

Moved and carried nomination close.

Congregation sang, "We Will Understand It Better By and By."

Morning message brought by Rev. Odell Harris. Scripture reading Neh. 6:3.

Dismissed for Noon lunch hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Opening song — "Rescue The Perishing."

Moved and carried to accept the finance report as read.

Moved and carried to accept Digest Report as read.

Moved and carried that Progressive Quarterly Meeting pay for Ordination certificates for Deacons, and Preachers Licenses.

Moved and carried that Moderator and Clerk look through the church forms that we have and if they find one suitable, have some printed. If they are not suitable, draw up one and have some printed for churches to make Quarterly reports.

The Ordination Council examined Bro. Clarence Mayes, and reported they found him worthy, and recommended we license him to preach the Gospel for one year.

Moved and carried to grant license to Bro. Clarence Mayes.

Moved and carried that a representative from the Sunday School interests of the Progressive Quarterly Meeting, the Free Will Baptist League, Woman's Auxiliary, Master's Men, and one from the Quarterly Meeting be designated by the Asst. Moderator as program committee, to plan the work of this Quarterly Meeting, including a plan for the Sessions of the Quarterly Meetings, and that these be responsible for seeing to it that Programs are planned and copies be sent to each church in time for sufficient plans to be made for necessary representation to be sent to the Sessions.

Moved and carried to authorize Asst. Moderator to appoint this committee.

Bro. McMiller, chairman of committee representing Quarterly Meet.

Sis. Kelly, representative of Woman's Auxiliary.

Bro. Giffen, representative the Sunday School.

Bro. Bobby Childree, Thomaston, to represent F.W.B. League.

Bro. Alva Brunson, represents Master's Men.

Afternoon message brought by Bro. Clarence Mayes, Scripture reading, John 19:16.

Moved and carried to give Turners Chapel a rising vote of thanks for lunch, and use of church.

Treasurer's Report

Balance Brought Forward	\$5.56
Offering today	\$12.24
Received from churches	\$26.00

TOTAL	\$43.90
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Recommended from finance	
Committee to designate Bible College	\$10.00
State Unified Program	\$10.00
Home Missions	\$10.00
Foreign Missions	\$10.00

TOTAL	\$40.00
Balance in Treasure	\$3.90

EDWARD NEWMAN, Clerk
REV. ODELL HARRIS, Asst. Moderator

IN MEMORY OF BROTHER ALTON POSEY

Born November 16, 1916 — Died January 19, 1960. Brother Posey was a member of Turners Chapel Free Will Baptist Church. He was loved by the members of the church. He leaves to mourn his death a good number of relatives and friends. So sleep on till we meet again.

Rev. W. R. Lawhorn, Pastor

IN MEMORY OF SISTER ADA LEE WOODELL BYRD

Born August 31, 1904 — Died October 21, 1958. Sister Byrd was a member of Turners Chapel Free Will Baptist Church. She was true and loyal to her church. She is missed at Church but above all she is missed in her home. Rest on sister till we meet again. Rest on Sister Byrd for you are out of all trials. We as members hope to live to meet you.

Rev. W. R. Lawhorn, Pastor

IN MEMORY OF BRO. DAVID DANIEL

The Lord called to rest Bro. David Daniel on March 25, 1959. His stay on this earth was 65 years 11 months, 3 days. He will be greatly missed by his Family and Friends. He leaves to mourn his death, his wife, sons and daughters, relatives and friends.

He was a member of New Life Free Will Baptist Church, Marion County, Ga. Rest on Dear Bro. till we meet again in the beautiful city above.

Rev. Albert W. Ellenwood, Pastor

IN MEMORY OF BRO. SAM DANIEL

The Lord called to rest Bro. Sam Daniel on May 18, 1960. His stay on this earth was seventy three years, one month and five days. Bro. Sam was a member of New-Life Free Will Baptist Church, Marion County, Ga.

He leaves to mourn his death his lovely wife and daughter, his son-in-law, granddaughter and husband, other relatives and friends.

He is greatly missed at church and in his community. But is missed more in his home. We feel our loss is Heaven's gain. So sleep on Bro. Sam until we meet in Heaven's Bright Home.

Rev. Albert W. Ellenwood, Pastor

IN MEMORY OF BRO. TOM COLWELL

Born December 4th., 1887 — Died January 7th., 1960. Bro. Tom was a devoted member of Providence Church for many years, was loved by all who knew him, but we know without a doubt our loss is Heaven's gain.

Rev. C. H. Bass, Pastor

IN LOVING MEMORY OF WALLACE J. HEATH

On December 9, 1959, the Lord called to his eternal reward Wallace J. Heath, 26, after a long and painful illness of cancer of the brain. Brother Heath was a beloved member of White Oak Free Will Baptist Church and was active in our youth activities at church until that dreadful uisease began to take effect.

Through his pain, his testimony was that there was nothing that stood between him and his Lord.

He is survived by his wife, the former Miss Yvonne Collins; a baby son; his mother, Mrs. H. L. Heath; five brothers and three sisters.

We believe that Wallace is now free from his pain and suffering and is at rest with Jesus.

MRS. GLENDA FLEMING

IN MEMORY OF LESTER RABURN

Born: March 16, 1871 — Died: March 5, 1960

He was a member and also a Deacon of Little Bethel Freewill Baptist Church. He was a faithful member and a good deacon as long as his health permitted him to attend church. He is missed in his home and in his church and community. He leaves his children to mourn his death. Weep not for him, but for those around you. Farewell, Brother, till we meet on Heaven's bright shore. He leaves our hearts all desolate. He plucks our fairest, sweetest flowers to adorn immortal bowers.

REV. W. R. LAWHORN, Pastor

IN MEMORY OF SISTER ARTIE BUSSY

Born: March 30, 1890 — Died: October 30, 1959

She was a member of Little Bethel Freewill Baptist Church. She was a good Christian woman and was loved by all who knew her. It was hard to say farewell to Sister Bussy, but God needed her to make His Throne more beautiful. Oh, Children, prepare to meet her in that Heavenly Home. We think of her as one who sleeps from all sorrow and grief and pain. We hope the happy day will come when we can meet again. Never will her memory fade like flowers. Our thoughts will linger around the grave where she was laid.

REV. W. R. LAWHORN, Pastor

IN MEMORY OF BROTHER WILLIE COOPER BUSSY

Born: February 4, 1889 — Died: August 14, 1960

He was a member of Little Bthel FreeWill Baptist Church, also a Deacon of the church. He was faithful to his church as long as his health permitted. We miss Brother Bussy, but we trust that our loss will be Heaven's gain. A place in his church and in his home is vacant that can never be filled, but a brighter thought that comes to us that in Heaven we will meet again. He is not dead, but sleeping, awaiting the Resurrection Morning, waiting as the faithful waits, when Jesus shall return to gather the faithful unto Him.

REV. W. R. LAWHORN, Pastor

IN MEMORY OF SISTER EFFIE COLWELL

Wife of Bro. Tom Colwell. Born July 31st., 1888 — Died Septemeber 2nd., 1960 — Was a devoted member of Providence Church. She was loved by all who knew her. But we know without a doubt, our loss is Heaven's gain.

Rev. C. H. Bass, Pastor

IN LOVING MEMORY OF R. N. McINVALE

Born: August 5, 1875 — Died: January 13, 1960

He lived on this earth 84 years, 5 months and 8 days, and was a Deacon of Little Bethel Freewill Church 40 years as I remember. He was faithful and true to his church as a member and as a Deacon. As long as health permitted him to be so. We feel that hi sfaithful service now accords him a peaceful rest, so rest on, Dear Brother, till we meet again in that better world above. He leaves his wife and children to mourn his loss. Weep not for his loss is Heaven's gain.

REV. W. R. LAWHORN, Pastor

TO THE MEMORY OF SISTER KATE HOBBY WISHAM

Born March 10, 1869, passed from this life October 2, 1960, a stay on earth of 91 years, 6 months and 22 days. Sister Wisham was a true and much devoted member with New Bethel Church, Worth County, Georgia for many years, during which time she has sown seed in her life of service that will perpetuate her living in the life of those left behind and survive beyond the grave.

Asleep to wake from all sorrow and care
In a land where there never comes night,
O glorious Mansion so bright and so fair
In that beautiful city of light.
Asleep to wake when the Saviour shall call,
And He bids all the sleepers arise,
Prepare for the summons, it's coming to all.
When He comes from His home in the skies.

WILLIAM J. CHILDREE, Former Pastor

TO THE MEMORY OF SISTER SALLIE LAWHORN CROMER

Born January 9, 1876, departed this life January 11, 1960, a stay on earth 84 years and 2 days. In early life Sister Cromer united her Christ-ion fellowship with Little Bethel Church and later became a charter member with Buelah Church and remained a true and loyal member until death. Her life was one of service and devotion and as such we feel that she is now at rest with the redeemed.

Now the day of toil is done,
May your soul forever rest.
Wear the life crown you have won
With the faithful and the blest.
Some sweet day, some fairer morn,
When we from slumber rise,
And meet the one our sorrow born
In mansions in the skies.

By request

WILLIAM J. CHILDREE

CHURCH COVENANT**Presented to the Churches of the
Chattahoochee Free-Will Baptist Association**

We, the Free Will Baptist Church of Christ, hereby Covenant and agree:

1st. That we will remain united together in Church capacity and that we will not demand a letter of dismission without giving a sufficient reason and that we will endeavor, faithfully to discharge all our Christian duties.

2nd. That we will labor together to remain free from all violations to the Bible doctrines, ordinances, and faith once delivered to the Saints.

3rd. That we will live mutually in fellowship and not estrange ourselves from any of the brethren.

4th. That we will respect each other's liberties of conscience, patiently bear each other's burdens, strengthen the weak, warn the wavering and instruct the young and the ignorant.

5th. That we will watch over each other for good and give our Brethren timely warnings if we see them exposed to danger or about to be led astray.

6th. That we will not expose or ridicule out brethren because of their imperfections, neither will we report evil of any one unless we know they are guilty.

7th. That our daily conversation shall be edifying and such that is becoming for the Saints.

8th. That we will avoid all improper intercourse of all ungodliness that we will not visit places where our Christian influence will be impaired.

9th. That we will attend all meetings of the church for the preaching of the Gospel, the administration of the ordinances, the church conferences and all religious meetings, unless we have a sufficient reason for absence.

10th. That we will assist in supporting our pastor, in relieving the needy, and in defraying the expenses of our churches according to our several abilities.

11th. That we will in all cases and under all circumstances endeavor to walk according to our Saviour's Golden Rule: "Do Unto Others As You Would Have Them Do Unto You."

12th. That we will exercise our spiritual gifts as well as we are able for the instruction and edification of our brethren and sisters.

13th. That we will strive to cultivate deep and uniform piety in our hearts and encourage the same all around us.

14th. That we strictly administer the government of the church laboring always to promote its purity and holy influence.

15th. That we will not, knowingly condemn the innocent or favor

the guilty and that we strive to prevent strife and factions in the church.

16th. That if any among us shall be guilty of gross sins he shall be excluded from our fellowship. An acknowledgement convincing the church that he has repented will restore him back to the fellowship of the church.

17th. If an officer or deacon be guilty of such sins, he shall not hold his office, at the pleasure of the church, any longer. If he convinces the church that he has sorrowfully repented of these sins the church may then restore him to his former position.

18th. That we will strictly pursue the case pointed out in the Gospel, should any of our brethren trespass against us. Matt. 18-15.

19th. That we will not delay to acknowledge our improper conduct to church in conference, should we go astray.

20th. That we will go immediately to any member of the church against whom we may hear unfavorable reports and inform him of the same without bringing it up in conference unless necessary.

21st. That we will abstain from all sinful conformities to the world. That we will refrain from all evil amusements of the world.

22nd. That we will not traffic in ourselves, nor furnish to others intoxicating drinks as a beverage, and that we will not sustain such in the church.

23rd. Written and adopted at the 1937 session of the Chattahoochee Free Will Baptist Association by Rev. W. H. Emerson.

CONSTITUTION

Resolved, That we form an Association upon the principles laid down in the Holy Scriptures, to-wit: Associations appear from Scripture and ecclesiastical history to have originally been formed, not from any positive injunction, either from Christ or His Apostles, but from mere expediency for the purpose of concentrating the efforts of individual churches and bringing them to bear with greater energy upon the subject designed to be accomplished by those churches. They were also considered as advisory council, and resorted to as such, but never claimed any right or lording it over God's heritage, nor was their advice considered binding on the churches. In a word, associations were wholly dependent on churches, and churches were not dependent upon associations, notwithstanding the power abrogated to themselves by some modern Baptist Associations, we view them as being nowhere preceded by the primitive usage of any self-created bodies.

We, the delegates from our respective churches, being authorized by our churches, to agree to form ourselves into an association to be known by the name of the **Chattahoochee Free-Will Baptist Association** without first stating our reasons to the body for such intended withdrawal.

It is proposed by the Association, first to promote revivals of religion by camp and protracted meetings. Secondly, to take an active part in Home Missions. It is not intended by this Association to dis-

cuss queries. It is not the design of this Association to interfere in any way with the independence of churches composing it. It was not intended to establish creeds, rules of discipline, or make any law whatsoever to bind the churches, but to leave each church to regulate its own affairs.

We, as an Association, take the Old and New Testament as our confession of faith, as relates to the independency.

We believe that a duly organized church consists of a congregation of saints, baptized upon a creditable confession of faith in Christ. Christ is the only Christian lawgiver and supreme head of the churches, and the Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and practice. Every man has an inalienable right to private judgment in concern of religion, and an equal right to express his opinion in any way which will not violate the laws of God or the rights of his fellow-man.

A church has a right to adopt measures only as are in accordance with the Word of God, and such are deemed necessary to carry into effect the great system of practice.

The church is the highest ecclesiastical tribunal on earth, from whose decision there is no appeal.

No change, alteration or amendment shall be made to this Constitution until such change, alteration or amendment shall have been presented to all the churches composing this association, and when two-thirds of all the churches composing this Association shall have adopted or recommended in two of their regular conferences successively such changes, the alteration or amendments shall then become a part and parcel of this Constitution.

Read and adopted the above as the Constitution of the **Chattahoochee Free-Will Baptist Association.**

CHURCH DECORUM

1. The church may choose a pastor annually at the last regular conference in the Associational year; or, if they prefer it may choose a pastor for an indefinite length of time to continue from year to year, so long as they may deem it proper to keep up the connection.

2. When it becomes necessary, a pastor may be chosen at any other time; but if the choice be made at a special conference, the time must be appointed at a monthly meeting of the church.

3. The pastor shall be moderator of the church, but when he is absent or does not sit as moderator, some suitable brother shall be appointed to sit in his place.

4. There shall be two or more deacons in the church whose duty it shall be to superintend the collection and disbursement of the contribution made by the church for the pastor, etc., and to distribute the bread and wine in the administration of the Lord's Supper.

5. The deacons shall take notice of such members as refuse or neglect to partake of the Lord's Supper and endeavor to ascertain

the cause, that the same may be laid before the church in conference if necessary.

6. Some suitable member shall be appointed Clerk and it shall be his duty to do all the recording and otherwriting pertaining to the business of the church, and to preserve a file of minutes of the Association.

7. When a new Clerk is appointed, all he books, etc., belonging to the Clerk shall be immediately delivered to him by his predecessor.

8. When it becomes necessary, a committee of not less than 3 male members well acquainted with business, shall be appointed, whose duty it shall be to give advice to brethren who apply to them relative to cases of dealing, etc., with the church.

9. The church shall hold a two-day meeting monthly, embracing Saturday and the Lord's Day following the first of which shall be the regular time of Conference.

10. It shall be the duty of every member, male and female, to attend each conference meeting if they can, for on that day the pastor is expected to instruct the church in spiritual manner by giving plain and pointed lessons on doctrine, discipline and the rule of holy living.

11. Any male member who shall fail to attend three successive conferences, and any member whatever who may be generally remise in attending the meetings of the church according to the covenant (Article 10), he shall be cited to appear in conference and answer for his neglect, but the church may exempt members from this rule if necessary.

12. Conferences shall be opened and conducted as follows:

1. Prayer (unless divine service has just been conducted and generally then). 2. Invite visiting brethren to seats. 3. Open the door for the reception of members. 4. Call for absentees. 5. For acknowledgements. 6. For reference or deferred business. 7. For matters of dealing which are in order to come before the church. 8. Miscellaneous business.

13. Visiting brethren as helps called in from sister churches, shall be allowed to speak and make motions or seconds, but not allowed to vote.

14. Any orderly member of the Baptist church who does not hold this church in membership, may be received into the church without a letter, when it is made apparent that his Christian character is unimpeachable, and that he has applied for a letter and could not obtain it because he desired to join this or some sister church. All other members must join by letter or by baptism.

15. No member shall be received without the unanimous consent of the members present but unreasonable objections shall not be valid, and unless withdrawn the member who makes them shall be liable to be taken under dealing by the church.

16. When the moderator calls for absentees, the clerk shall inform the church that members have been absent for three successive

conferences, and the moderator shall appoint some brother or brethren to cite each of them to the next conference.

17. No member shall be expelled unless he has been cited verbally or in writing to attend this trial; provided his residence be known to the church.

18. When a witness, not a member of the church, is introduced he shall not be examined till the question has been put to the church: "Will you hear the testimony of this witness?"

19. The evidence in every case of dealing and acknowledgment shall be minuted in the church book.

20. Members dismissed from the church by letter who become disorderly or continue to hold their letter without a good reason shall be cited to the conference to answer for their conduct.

21. Expelled members may be restored to fellowship on their petition if their walk since expulsion has convinced the church that they have sincerely repented of their former evil.

22. A vote shall not be taken on any question without a move and a second and in all important questions the votes shall be taken by rising to their feet.

23. No other motion shall be considered while a previous motion and second is before the conference.

24. It shall be considered disorderly for a member to absent himself from conference when an important question is to be decided; but a member upon his request, may be excused by the church from voting on either side in peculiar cases.

25. No member shall leave the house during conference without a sufficient cause nor engage in conversation or whispering without being subject to be called to order by the moderator.

26. All discussions in conference must be conducted with calmness and a good feeling; those who speak must rise to their feet and address the moderator, and keep to the point in debate.

27. No one shall speak more than three times on the same motion without permission from the moderator, nor shall the remarks of anyone be unreasonably long.

28. When the moderator speaks he must nominate some brother in his stead.

29. No one shall be interrupted while speaking unless it is necessary to call the speaker to order.

30. It shall be the rule of the church to attend to the administration of the Lord's Supper at least four times a year, and the expenses are to be paid by the church.

31. Members not in good standing shall not commune, but the administration shall not be deferred on account of any.

32. Feet washing shall be attended to as the churches see proper.

33. Public fasting, humiliation and prayer shall be observed on proper occasions.

34. This Decorum may be amended or altered by the vote of two-thirds of the members present at any two successive monthly meetings.

GOVERNMENT AND ORDINANCES

1. We believe that a Gospel Church, or a church of Christ is a congregation of Christians constituted and governed according to the rules laid down in the New Testament.

2. That those rules require churches to preserve the form of government and the ordinances of the first Christian churches and to be composed of baptized believers in Christ.

3. That the visible church as the aggregate or whole number of Gospel churches, and that the invisible church is composed of the redeemed now in heaven, and of such Christians on earth as are not attached to the visible church, according to the Gospel rules.

4. That the establishment of central or catholic government over the invisible church, or any part thereof, is a device of earthly ambitions repugnant to the Word of God, subservient to the churches and dangerous to the liberty of men.

5. The Gospel Churches are the only ecclesiastical bodies or tribunal authorized by the Scriptures; that each church has the unrestricted right to administer its own government without supervision or interference, being under Christ essentially, independent and absolute; and that if this right be surrendered to superintending jurisdiction by delegation or otherwise, the assembly ceases to be a Gospel Church.

6. That churches may nevertheless, we supposit meet by delegates, form an association and declare the terms upon which they will keep up the Correspondence; but that the right and authority of churches being inalienable, or in no wise compromised or hindered by entering into an association, and therefore an association has no authority over churches or individuals, their only power being to transact business which does not pertain to churches in their ecclesiastical capacity; to promote mutual intercourse, and a concentration of voluntary effort, and to give that advice to churches which might equal authority be given by an individual.

7. That the authority of the churches is designed for the perpetuation of the true religion of the gospel, and for the preservation of a true and orderly body of Christians on earth, that it is fully sufficient for the purpose intended, but that it does not extend to persons, property or the conscience of men in any manner whatever.

8. That the only requisites to church membership are faith in Christ and obedience to the Gospel; that faith in Christ necessarily exists in connection with the belief in the fundamental truths of Christianity, and that to prescribe any other requisite of such membership is an assumption of authority on the part of the church and a departure from the Gospel plan.

9. That the officers of a church are elders and deacons; that the elders are also called bishops or pastors; and all the elders are equal in rank, though they perform different functions—since some may be bishops, or pastors of particular churches, while others may be simply elders, having no pastoral charge.

10. That the authority of a minister of the Gospel extends to teaching, exhortation and rebuke, but no further; that he cannot perform any acts that belong to the authority of the church—such as the reception of members into the church compact, or the expulsion of offenders; that as a member of the church, he is of more than any other members, and if he is guilty of transgression he is to be brought to trial before his brethren and convicted or acquitted in the same manner as if he were a private person; yet we think it prudent to call in advisory help, especially if the minister is to be tried upon a charge of hearsay.

11. That Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water, in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

12. That the Lord's Supper and washing the Saints feet are ordinances to be observed in the church until the Lord comes.

13. That elders and deacons must be set apart to their offices by ordination, or the imposition of the hands of the presbytery and prayer, without which they are not authorized to administer the ordinances pertaining to their respective offices.

14. No preacher shall be ordained unless called to take charge of a church as pastor, or for some other good sufficient reason.

ARTICLES OF FAITH AND DOCTRINAL VIEWS

1. We believe that the Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired and is a treasure of heavenly instruction; that it has God for its author, salvation for its end, the truth without any mixture or error for its matter; that it reveals the principles by which good will judge us, and there it shall remain with us to the end of time the true center of Christian union and the supreme standard to which all human conduct and opinion confirm.—Rev. 13:14; John 5:39.

2. That there is one true and living God, whose name is Jehovah, the maker and ruler of heaven and earth, inexpressible glorious in holiness, worthy of all possible honor, confidence and love, revealed in the personal distinction of Father, and Holy Ghost, equal in every divine perfection, and executing distinct but harmonious offices in the great work of redemption.—Ex. 6:3; Psalm 33:18.

3. That man was created in a state of holiness under the law of his maker, but by voluntary transgression fell from that holy and happy state, in consequence of which men are now sinners, not by constraint, but by choice, being by nature utterly devoid of holiness required by the law of God, wholly given to the gratification of the world, to Satan, and their own sinful passions, and therefore are under just condemnation to eternal ruin without defense or excuse.—Gen. 1:27, 2:7, 3:6, 19:23.

4. That the salvation of sinners is wholly of grace, through the mediatorial office of the Son of God, who took upon himself our nature, yet without sin, honored the law by His own personal obedience, and made atonement for sin by his death; being risen from the dead, he is now enthroned in heaven, and uniting in his wonderful person the tenderest sympathies which divine perfection is every way qualified to be suitable, compassionate and all sufficient Saviour. Eph. 2:5, 5:8, Rom. 7:11.

5. That the Gospel blessing which Christ in his fullness bestows on such as believe in him, is justification. That this justification consists in the pardon of sin and promise of eternal life, upon principles of righteousness, that is bestowed not in consideration of anything we do but solely through his own righteousness and atonement, and that brings us into a state of most blessed peace and favor with God.—Rom. 8:30, Ezk. 18:28, John 3:14, 16, Rom. 8:17.

6. That the blessings of salvation are made free to all by the Gospel; that it is the immediate duty of all who receive them by a cordial and obedient faith and that nothing prevents the salvation of the greatest sinner on earth, but his own voluntary refusal to submit to the Lord Jesus Christ, which refusal will subject him to an aggravated condemnation.—Mark 16:16, John 17:20. Isa. 20.

7. That in order to be saved we must be regenerated, or obedient to the Gospel; and that its evidence is found in the holy fruits which we bring forth to God.—John 3:3-8; Matt. 3:8-10.

8. That election is the gracious purpose of God, according to which he regenerates, sacrifices and saves sinners, it being perfectly consistent with the free agency of man, that it comprehend all means with the end; that it is a glorious display of God's goodness, beoing infinitely wise, holy, unchangeable; born again; that regeneration consists of giving a holy disposition to the mind and is affected in a manner above our comprehension by the power of the Holy Spirit, producing voluntarily that it utterly excludes boasting and promotes humility, prayer, praise, trust in God and active imitation of his free mercy, that it encourages the use of means in the highest degree; that it is the foundation of Christian assurance, and that to ascertain it with regard to ourselves demands and deserves our tumost diligence.

9. That thee preserving attachments of true believers to Christ is the grand mark which distinguishes them from superficial possessors; that a special Providence watches over their wealth, and that they are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.—Eph. 1:1-2.

10. That the law of God is the eternal, unchangeable rule of the Government, that it is holy, just and good; that the inability which the scriptures ascribe to fallen man to fulfill its precepts, arises entirely from his love of sin; to deliver him through a mediator to unfeigned obedience to the holy law is one design of the Gospel of the means of grace connected with the establishment of the visible church.—Matt. 5:13; Luke 10:13-20, 14:17.

11. That the first day of the week is the Lord's Day, or Christian Sabbath, that it should be kept sacred to religious purposes by abstaining from all secular labor and recreation; by the direct observ-

ance of all means of grace, both public and private, and preparation, for the rest which remains for the children of God.—Ex. 19:8; Heb. 4:9; Thes. 1:7; Psa. 16:9.

12. That civil government is of divine appointment for the interest and good of human society, that magistrates are to be prayed for conscientiously, honored and obeyed in all things not contrary to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the Lord of the Conscience and Prince of the King on earth.—Ex. 23:7; Acts 23:5; Tim. 5:17.

13. That there is a radical and essential difference between the righteous and the wicked; that such only as are justified by faith in the name of the Lord Jesus, and sanctified by the Spirit of God are truly righteous in his esteem, while such as continue in impenitence and unbelief are in his sight wicked and under his curse, and his distinction holds good among men both in and after death.—Matt. 25: 46; Mark 16:16.

14. That the end of this world is approaching, when Christ will descend from heaven and raise the dead from their graves to final retribution, that a solemn separation will then take place, the religious being adjudged to everlasting happiness, and the wicked to endless punishment, and this judgment will fix forever the final state of man in heaven or hell, on principles of righteousness.—John 5:25, Matt. 25:34; 41:46.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCH	COUNTY	PASTORS	Received by Baptist	Recd. by Letter	Dismissed by Letter	Received by Statement	Expelled	Died	Total Membership	Paid for Minutes	Paid Pastor	Meeting Days
First Church	Muscogee	Odell Harris	6	12	18	.....	.....	1	86	10.00	3640.00	Full Time
Turners Chapel	Taylor	W. R. Lawhorn .....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	1	165	5.00	467.36	2nd Sun.
Providence	Muscogee	C. H. Bass	8	3	2	1	.....	2	74	5.00	3175.88	Full Time
Plaesant Hill	Schley	A. C. Truluck	3	2	3	.....	.....	.....	71	5.00	650.00	2nd & 3rd
St. Luke	Russell	C. B. Downey	9	21	31	2	.....	.....	42	3.00	656.25	Full Time
Emanuel	Muscogee	B. P. Hays	4	19	10	.....	.....	.....	31	3.00	520.00	Full Time
Bethany	Marion .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	36	3.00	40.00	1st Sun.
White Oak	Bibb	W. A. Olds	8	8	9	.....	18	1	129	5.00	2715.00	Full Time
Trinity	Taylor	R. B. McFadden .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17	5.00	252.96	4th Sun.
New Prospect	Turner	G. W. Price	1	4	3	.....	.....	.....	179	5.00	460.69	1st & 3rd
Spring Hill	Marion	W. J. Childree	1	1	.....	.....	.....	1	25	3.00	285.00	2nd & 4th
First Church	DeKalb	J. R. Davidson	3	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	29	5.00	640.71	Full Time
St. Mark	Russell	A. W. Ellenwood	5	5	3	.....	.....	.....	117	5.00	607.00	Full Time
New Bethel	Worth	H. W. Giddens	1	3	.....	.....	.....	1	99	10.00	572.13	2nd & 4th
New Life	Marion	J. B. Lumpkin	8	5	1	.....	.....	2	49	5.00	551.55	2nd & 4th
Little Bethel	Macon	W. R. Lawhorn .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	10.00	635.00	1st & 3rd
Mt. Olive	Taylor	Frank Willis	2	1	6	5	.....	.....	163	10.00	1619.80	Full Time
New Liberty	Schley	W. J. Childree	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	26	7.35	125.82	Third Sun.
First Church	Upson	K. V. Shutes	8	5	2	100	10.00	3120.00	Full Time
New Prospect	Taylor	E. V. Skipper	4.00	125.00	1st Sun.

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