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1. Open Meeting with Prayer.
2. Invite Visiting Brethren to seats.
3. Open the door of the 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.

ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR ANNUAL ASSOCIATION

1. Call to order by Moderator or Assistant Moderator.
2. Invite visiting brethren to seats 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.

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.

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 dismissal 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 our 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 Savior'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.

CHURCH ORGANIZATION

Preliminaries. When several believers wish to be organized into a church, they request a council from some sister church. This council or committees (commonly called an arm) examines into the Christian character, doctrines and fellowship of the applicants and their ability to sustain a church. If the examination is satisfactory, the organization proceeds as follows:

The Bible is presented as the only rule of faith and practice. A church covenant is read and adopted. A prayer of consecration is offered. The hand of fellowship is given. The church then proceeds to elect its officers, which are a Clerk, a Treasurer, a Pastor, and a board of deacons, who constitute, with the pastor, a committee to promote order, activity, attendance, and the means of grace, benevolence, and sufficient discipline in the church. Deacons should possess sound piety, and good business capacity and large benevolence. They hold office at the pleasure of the church. They assist in baptism and the Lord's Supper, have care of the poor, and conduct religious meetings in the absence of the pastor.

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 restored 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 work, 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 discuss 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 fellowman.

A church has a right to adopt measures only as are in accordance with the Word of God, and such as 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 other writing 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 the 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 remiss 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 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 suppose 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 there

fore 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, being 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 utmost diligence.

9. That the 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 hold 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 observance 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, Psal 116:9.

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.

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MINUTES OF THE CHATTAHOOCHEE ASSOCIATION

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

The 131st Annual Session of the Chattahoochee Association met at New Life Church in Marion County, Ga. at 10:30 o'clock on Sept. 30, 1966.

The congregational singing was lead by Bro. N. R. Lumpkin. Opening prayers were by Rev. William Travis and by Rev. W. R. Lawhorn.

Rev. J. B. Lumpkin, the pastor of the host church, extended a warm welcome to the associational body.

Special singing was by a group from Mt. Olive Church.

Rev. Harvey Giddens, pastor of New Bethel Church, delivered a very inspiring introductory message. He read from the first Chapter of Phillipians 1-20 verses.

After announcements were made concerning the serving of the lunch we were dismissed with prayer by Rev. J. L. Lumpkin.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

After a delicious lunch the congregational singing began at 1:30 o'clock and prayer was offered by our past Moderator, Rev. G. W. Price.

The Moderator explained the functions of the Association. He read the 133rd Psalm and at this time declared the 131st Session open and ready for business.

The first item was to invite visiting brethren to seats with us.

The next item was a call for corresponding letters. They are as follows:

ST. LUKE: Bro. Curtis Grier, Sis. Nell Grier, Bro. Homer Greer.

ST. MARK: By Pastor

NEW LIBERTY: Sis. Rosie Lee Grimsley, Sis. Annie Lou Streetman, Bro. J. C. Kirkland and wife.

NEW PROSPECT: (Taylor), Sis. W. J. Childree, Bro. and Sis. O. M. Williams.

FIRST THOMASTON: Bro. and Sis. Herman Watson, Bro. Jessie Windham, Bro. W. H. Cochran.

LITTLE BETHEL: Sis. Myrtle Raburn, Sis. Clarice Jenks, Bro. W. H. Cromer, Bro. Leonard Layfield, Blondell Layfield.

NEW PROSPECT: (Turner), Bro. J. L. Wilson, Sis. Annie Lawhorn.

MT. OLIVE: Bro. Hudson Poole, Sis. Louise Nelson, Sis. Leila Dent, Sis. Frances Mullins.

NEW BETHEL: Bro. A. J. Cox, Bro. and Sis. Lewis Massey, Bro. and Sis. Jim Davis.
SPRING HILL: Sis. Bernice McCall, Bro. and Sis. Norman Grier.
PROVIDENCE: Bro. Pearlie Allen, Sis. Lois Allen, Sis. Lanie Bass.
TURNERS CHAPEL: Bro. H. S. Moore, Bro. Ernest Heath, Sis. Lokie Rodgers, Sis. Nannie Rodgers, Sis. Lila Pearl Winters.
BETHANY: Bro. and Sis. Woodroe Hendricks, Murry Lee Bullard, Myron Maye, Sis. Annett Grimsley.
PLEASANT HILL: Sis. Fred Brewer, Sis. J. W. Welch, Sis. Frank Williams, Sis. Pearl Guy.
NEW LIFE: Host Church.
TRINITY: Bro. and Sis. Larry Bell, Bro. Robert Bell, Sis. Alane Welch, Sis. Josephine Welch.

M. S. C. that letters be received as read and the delegates be seated.

The next item was a call of petitionary letters, there were none.

Next item was to recognize corresponding messengers from sister Associations. The Union Association was represented by Rev. Harvey Giddens and Rev. Mance Cason. The Moderator extended these brethren the right hand of Christian fellowship.

A move and second that the Moderator appoint the various committees. They are as follows:

Preaching: Sis. Ruby Stubbs, Bro. J. T. Davis, Sis. J. C. Kirkland, Sis. Myrtle Grier, Bro. Fred Brewer.
State of Churches and Character of Ministry: Bro. Hudson Poole, Bro. Norman Grier, Bro. Lewis Massey, Bro. O. M. Williams, Bro. Curtis Grier.

Finance: Bro. B. R. Dent, Bro. H. H. Watson, Bro. N. R. Lumpkin.

Woman's Auxiliary: Bro. William Guy, Sis. Cora Ranow, Sis. William Travis.

Sunday School: Sis. Lewis Massey, Sis. W. J. Childree, Sis. Rosie Lee Grimsley, Sis. O. M. Williams.

Sabbath Observance: Sis. Josephine Welch, Sis. Annie Lou Streetman, Rev. B. P. Hayes.

Suggestion: Bro. W. H. Cromer, Bro. H. W. Grimsley, Rev. J. B. Lumpkin, Bro. G. W. Price.

Temperance: This committee was not appointed by mistake.

M. S. C. to receive the reports as they were presented and to release the delegates.

The next item was the appointing of delegates to the Sis. Associations.

Georgia Union--By minute

Little River--By minute

Midway--By minute

Martin--By minute

Union--By minute

South Georgia--By minute

M. S. C. to send \$10.00 to the State Association and \$7.00 to National Association.

M. S. C. to suspend the regular order of business to attend to miscellaneous business. A letter requesting dismissal was read by the St. Mark Church asking to be dismissed from this association to unite with the East Alabama Association. M. S. C. that the letter be granted and that the clerk write the letter of dismissal and mail it to the St. Mark Church at an early date. The Moderator wished them great success and bid them God's speed. After completing this business the Moderator resumed the regular order of business.

The Preaching Committee reported at this time. They chose Rev. Hubert Arnold and Rev. W. J. Childree to preach on Friday night and Rev. William Travis and Rev. J. B. Lumpkin to preach on Saturday morning.

At this time Rev. Harvey Giddens read the circular letter. It was approved by the body and will appear in the minutes.

M. S. C. that the next circular letter be copied from the year 1911 minutes to be read at the next association, and to appear in the 1967 minutes as our official circular letter. This will be in honor and to the memory of the Rev. A. J. Parker.

Since no church asked for the next session of the Association in the corresponding letters the Moderator asked for the churches that would entertain the next session. Mt. Olive and First Thomaston asked for it but Mt. Olive received the majority vote. Rev. Bill Travis will preach the introductory message on Friday morning and Rev. Walter Keheley will be his alternate.

M. S. C. to suspend business until Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.

Bro. H. H. Watson offered the closing prayer.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

After singing by the Associational body, prayer was offered by Rev. William Travis. The Moderator welcomed the body and read from the 4th chapter of Eph. 1-14 verses. The Moderator recognized visitors from the South Georgia Association and extended to them a warm welcome. They were Rev. C. A. Huckaby and his son, Howard. The next item was a call for obituaries.

The body paused in memory of our deceased and Rev. C. A. Huckaby lead in prayer.

Bro. E. A. Welch's time had expired on the Executive Board. The Moderator asked for nominations to fill this vacancy. Bro. Welch was elected to a five year term on the Executive Board.

M. S. C. that 600 minutes be printed. M. S. C. to pay the clerk \$30.00 and the Moderator \$20.00.

At this time Rev. Mance Cason, our state Promotional Secretary, gave a progress report to the Association and presented awards to five churches in the Association.

The Moderator suspended the order of business and presented Rev. William Travis who delivered the morning message. He was followed by Rev. J. B. Lumpkin. Both of these were wonderful messages and seemed to bring the Associational body closer together, spiritually. We were dismissed for lunch with prayer by Bro. Ottis Pike.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

We had special singing at this time by a group from the New Life Church. The Moderator read from the 20th Chapter of Acts, 22-23 verses. The Moderator asked for volunteer delegates to State and National Association. Rev. William Travis and Bro. H. H. Watson for the State Association and Bro. E. A. Welch and wife, and Rev. J. B. Fuller to the National Association.

M. S. C. that the moderator appoint a committee to draw up a questionnaire and it be filled out by any new preacher coming from another association into the Chattahoochee Association. The committee is composed of:

Rev. William Travis
Rev. J. B. Fuller
Rev. A. G. Windham
Bro. H. H. Watson

M. S. C. that a rising vote of "Thanks" be extended to the host church for their warm hospitality.

The next item was the election of officers for the ensuing year.

Moderator--Rev. W. J. Childree

Assistant Moderator--Rev. J. B. Lumpkin

Clerk--Bro. E. A. Welch

Assistant Clerk--Bro. H. H. Watson

No farther business to come before the body. A move was made and seconded to adjourn to meet with Mt. Olive Church, Reynolds, Georgia on Friday and Saturday before the first Sunday in October, 1967.

Benediction was by Rev. J. B. Lumpkin.

Rev. W. J. Childree, Moderator

Bro. E. A. Welch, Jr. - Clerk

ASSOCIATIONAL CALENDAR

NAME OF MEETING	DATE	CHURCH
	(1967)	
Association -----	Sept. 29 & 30 -----	Mt. Olive Reynold, Ga.
1st Union Meeting ----	Jan. 28, 1967 -----	Little Bethel Ideal, Georgia
2nd Union Meeting ----	April 29, 1967 -----	St. Luke Phenix City, Ala. - South End of 17th Avenue -
3rd Union Meeting ---	July 29, 1967 -----	Turners Chapel Butler, Georgia
Deacon and Preachers -	Sept. 2, 1967-----	1st Thomaston Thomaston, Ga.
Woman's Auxiliary----	Sept. 16, 1967-----	1st Thomaston Thomaston, Ga.
Sunday School Con. ---	Information not available	
League -----	Information not available	

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

SUGGESTIONS COMMITTEE

We your committee on suggestions suggest that the church go by our minutes and decorum.

G. W. Price

SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

We your Sunday School Committee want to say to the Churches that does not have a Sunday School to please organize one. It helps each member to study God's word more, and to learn more about His will and way.

We think it is a real good back ground for the Church. A real good place to meet together every Sunday morning. A good Sunday School is a growing church.

Mrs. O. M. Williams

Mrs. Lewis Massey

Mrs. W. J. Childree

Mrs. Rosie Lee Grimsley

STATE OF CHURCHES AND CHARACTER OF MINISTRY

We the Committee on State of Affairs of Churches and Ministers, have no complaints. We feel that the churches and ministers are all in harmony with one another.

Bro. L. H. Poole

Bro. O. M. Williams

Bro. C. R. Greer

Bro. L. M. Massey

Bro. N. Grier

SABBATH OBSERVANCE COMMITTEE

We as the Sabbath Observance Committee suggest that members of the churches observe our 11th item of Articles of Faith and Doctorial views, which we have accepted as followers of Christ.

That the first day of the week is the Lord's Day, or Christian Sabbath, that is should be kept sacred to religious purposes by abstaining from all secular labor and recreation; by the direct observance 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, Psal. 16:9.

Mrs. Annie Lou Streetman

Mrs. Josephine Welch

Rev. Prince Hayes

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY COMMITTEE

Our Chattahoochee Woman's Auxiliary District meeting met on Sept. 17, at Providence Church with 2 churches,

representing: Thomaston and Providence.

All of our churches need an auxiliary. It will draw the women into closer fellowship and will increase the interest of our people concerning our missionaries.

Our field workers are members of the Providence Church. Pray about organizing an auxiliary and then contact Mrs. Bass, about having the Field Workers come to your church and help organize your auxiliary. For furthering the "Kingdom of God." For we are laborers together with God.

Cora Ranow
William Guy
Ann Travis

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Balance in Treasurer -----	\$110.66
Received from Union Meeting after expenses -----	<u>138.27</u>
Total in Treasurer -----	248.93
Received from Association -----	133.00
Ladies Auxiliary -----	<u>3.00</u>
	\$384.93

Herman H. Watson
B. R. Dent
N. R. Lumpkin

TREASURER'S REPORT

From Finance Committee -----	\$384.93
EXPENSES	
Moderator's Salary -----	20.00
Clerk's Salary -----	30.00
State Association Fee -----	10.00
National Association Fee -----	7.00
Printing of Minutes -----	174.07
Mailing of Minutes -----	<u>5.00</u>
Total Expense -----	\$246.07
Balance in Treasury -----	\$138.86

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

E. A. Welch, Jr.--Chairman--5 yrs. Mauk, Ga.
Gene Windham --- 4 yrs. --- Reynolds, Ga.
Norman Grier ----3 yrs. --- Mauk, Ga.
H. H. Watson ---- 2 yrs. -- Thomaston, Ga.
Leonard Grimsley -- 1 yr. -- Buena Vista, Ga.

CIRCULAR LETTER

"We The Insiders"

I Chorinthians - Chapter 6 - Verse 20

We the Church are bought with a price, the Precious Blood of Christ so then we are God Bodies and Spirits. So let us worship him in spirit and serve him in our Bodies by serving one another. Let us pray the will of God be done. Pray His Grace may provide for life uneven ways. Let us say as David said in Psalm 37 Verse 5, "Commit thy way unto the Lord, trust also in him and he shall bring it to pass, let us seek Him while he may be found and call upon him while He is near." Isaiah 58:14. Then shall thou delight thyself in the Lord and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy father for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it: let us know that it's the Power of weakness that Crucified Him but through the Power of God He was Resurrected.

What a Price, What a God, What a Saviour, our Father sending his only begotten Son into a sinful World and His Son willingly to suffered for our sins and to give His life for us. When the Apostle Paul wrote Philippians letter in Chapter 2: Verse 4: "Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on things of others." Do we have a vision of others that is a lost World without God. Do they not need to know the love of God that takes away sins. Verse 5: "Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus." Verse 6: "Who being in the form of God thought it not robbery to be equal with God." So my Brethern let us go forth into all the world praying, teaching, preaching the love of God and we too will fill our purpose here on earth as our Blessed Saviour did his, may the love of God and the Communion of the Holy Ghost be with you all.

Elder H. W. Giddens

FIRST UNION MEETING

The First Union Meeting was held at Mt. Olive Church on Saturday January 29, 1966, commencing at 10:30 o'clock.

The congregational singing was led by Rev. A. G. Windham; the opening prayer of the session was by Bro. E. A. Welch, Jr.

A warm welcome was extended the body by Rev. Hubert Arnold, The pastor of the Host Church.

Due to the absence of Rev. G. T. Halliman, who was to preach the introductory sermon, a move, was made and second that Rev. C. H. Bass bring the message.

Prayer was offered again at this time by Rev. W. J. Owens; afterwards the body was entertained with special singing by the Mt. Olive Quartet.

Rev. Bass chose for his subject a portion of I John 4th chapter and 17th verse. After an inspirational message the Host pastor made announcements concerning the serving of the lunch. Benediction was by Rev. Mance Cason.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The congregation assembled and begun singing at 1:15 o'clock. Rev. W. J. Childree led the body in special prayer for those that were sick and for special "prayer request."

Time was granted to our Promotional Secretary, Rev. Mance Cason, at this time. He told of the new office equipment that was recently purchased and several other announcements concerning our association.

The Moderator officially declared The First Session of the Union Meeting open for business.

The first item was to welcome all visitors; the next item was a call for corresponding letters. A move and second that Rev. Owens and Rev. Cason read the letters; they are as follows:

1. New Life--Sis. Clara Lockhart, Sis. Ruby Stubbs, Bro. & Sis. E. E. Plymale--\$3.00.
2. Trinity--Sis. Josephine Welch, Sis. Alane Welch--\$3.00.
3. New Prospect (Turner Co.)--By Letter--\$3.00.
4. Mt. Olive--Bro. Hudson Poole, Sis. Myrtice Morrel, Bro. Alvin Bloodworth, Sis. Minnie Bloodworth--\$4.00.
5. Spring Hill--Sis. Myrtle Grier, Bro. Lewis Tyler--\$3.00.
6. Providence--Sis. June Allen, Sis. Lanie Bass, Sis. Peggy Sizemore--\$3.00.

7. New Liberty--J. C. Kirkland & wife, Sis. Rose Lee Grimsley, Sis. Sara Grimsley--\$1.00.
8. New Prospect (Taylor)--Bro. O. M. Williams, Sis. Mary Williams, Bro. Willis Windham, Sis. Eva Trussell--\$3.00.
9. St. Luke--Bro. Richard Mason, Bro. Homer Grier--\$3.00.
10. First Thomaston--By letter--\$3.00.
11. Turner's Chapel--Sis. Nanie Rogers, Bro. Homer Moore, Bro. and Sis. Earl Bone, Sis. Grace Bussey, Bro. Eli Robinson--\$3.00.
12. St. Mark--J. D. Kennedy, Lanara Keeter, Georgia Delany--\$5.00.
13. Pleasant Hill--Mrs. B. C. Brewer, Mrs. Frank Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brewer, Mrs. Nan Peacock--\$5.00.
14. Little Bethel--Bro. and Sis. Leonard Layfield--\$5.00.

M. S. C. that the letters be received as read and the delegates seated. M. S. C. that a Free Will offering be received to be turned over to Rev. Cason to help in paying for the office equipment. The amount was \$33.15.

M. S. C. that the clerk mail out union meeting forms prior to each union meeting.

A rising vote of "Thanks" was extended the Host Church for their very splendid hospitality.

No other business to come before the body, a move was made and second to adjourn.

Dismissal prayer by Bro. J. D. Kennedy.

Received by letters--\$47.00.

Rev. C. H. Bass, Moderator
Bro. E. A. Welch, Clerk

SECOND UNION MEETING

This Union Meeting convened with Little Bethel Church on Saturday May 28, 1966.

Congregational singing began at 10:45 A. M. and was led by Rev. W. J. Childree. The opening prayer was offered by our dearly beloved Bro. Rev. W. R. Lawhorn. Another prayer was offered by Rev. Hubert Arnold.

The pastor of the church, Rev. J. B. Fuller gave the body a warm welcome, he also introduced the speaker for the morning hour, which was Rev. C. H. Bass. He read from the 12th chapter of St. John 24th through 32nd verse. Special emphasis was placed on the 27th verse.

After a most heart warming message the body was dismissed for the noon hour. Benediction by Bro. Gene Windham.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session began at 1:15 o'clock, with congregational singing, afterwards the moderator introduced one of our newly licensed ministers to speak for a few minutes. His name is Bro. Gervis Morrell. He read from 24th Ch. Matt. It was also a very fine message.

The moderator declared this session open for business. He extended a welcome to all visitors.

A call was made for corresponding letters. M. S. C. that Rev. W. J. Owens and Rev. W. J. Childree read the letters. They are as follows:

1. St. Luke--Rev. & Mrs. Walt Keheley--Exp. \$3.00.
2. St. Mark--By letter--Exp. \$5.00.
3. Providence--Sis. Betty Prestwood, Sis. Lois Allen, Sis. Dora Yancey, Bro. Pearlie Allen, Sis. Margaret Sizemore, Sis. Lanie Bass--Exp. \$3.00.
4. Little Bethel--Milton Layfield, Bonnie Harvey, James Harvey, Gervis Morrell, Jr. --Exp. \$5.00.
5. New Bethel--By letter -- Exp. \$5.50.
6. Mt. Olive--Sis. Ethel Windham, Sis. Frances Mullins, Sis. Louise Nelson, Sis. Myrtice Morrell--Exp. \$4.00.
7. Pleasant Hill--Mrs. Bill Guy, Mrs. Earlene Guy, Mrs. Pearl Guy, Mrs. Fred Brewer -- Exp. \$5.00.
8. New Life--Bro. Zeak Plymale & wife, Bro. Howard Watson, Sis. Clara Lockhart, Bro. Robert Stubbs--Exp. \$3.00
9. New Prospect (Turner): By letter -- Exp. \$3.00.
10. Trinity--Josephine Welch, Alane Welch, Wanda Bell--Exp. -- \$3.00.
11. Turner's Chapel--Sis. Nannie L. Rodgers, Sis. Grace Bussey, Sis. Lokie Rodgers, Sis. Jewel Bone--Exp. \$3.00.
12. New Prospect (Taylor)--Rev. W. J. Childree & wife--Exp. \$3.00.
13. Spring Hill--Bro. A. L. Grimsley, Bro. N. C. Grier --Exp. \$3.00.
14. New Liberty--Bro. J. C. Kirkland & wife, Sis. Annie Lou Streetman, Sis. Rosie Lee Grimsley--Exp. \$1.00.

M. S. C. to accept the letters as read and seat the delegates. A free will offering was received at this time in the amount of \$22.44 to be sent to the State Secretary for the unified program.

M. S. C. to give the church a rising vote of "Thanks" for their fine hospitality.

No further business to come before the body. A motion was made and second to adjourn.

Rev. C. H. Bass, Moderator

Bro. E. A. Welch, Jr., Clerk

Received by letters--\$49.50.

THIRD UNION MEETING

This session of the Union Meeting met with New Liberty Church, Tazewell, Georgia, on Saturday, July 30, 1966.

The singing was led by Bro. Gene Windham, and special prayer was offered by Rev. C. H. Bass.

Rev. W. J. Childree, the pastor of the Host Church extended the body a warm welcome.

Special singing was by Rev. A. G. Windham and daughter. Rev. Windham also brought the introductory message for the morning. He was followed by his alternate, Rev. Hubert Arnold. Both messages were very inspiring.

After prayer the body was dismissed for lunch, which was prepared by the Host Church.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The congregation began singing at 1:15 o'clock, being led by Rev. W. J. Childree. Prayer offered by Bro. E. A. Welch, Jr.

The moderator selected a new pastor in our association to bring the Devotional for the afternoon. He is the Rev. Bill Travis of the Thomaston Church. He read from the 5th chapter of James. This also was a well delivered and inspiring message.

The moderator called the session to order and invited all visitors to seats with us.

The Moderator welcomed Rev. Harvey Giddens of the Union Association into our midst for the day.

The moderator called for the corresponding letters.

M.S.C. that Rev. W. J. Owens and Rev. Bill Travis read the letters. They are as follows:

1. New Prospect (Taylor)--By letter--Exp. \$3.00.
2. New Bethel--Bro. Melvin Fowler, Bro. A. J. Cox--Exp. \$5.00.
3. New Life--Bro. Harce Lockhart & wife, Bro. John Turner and wife, Bro. Zeak Plymale & wife--Exp. \$3.00.
4. Providence--Sis. Sizemore, Sis. Yancey, Bro. Robert Allen, Sis. Bass, Sis. Allen, Sis. Miller, Sis. Searcy, Bro. Mike Brilton, Bro. James Arnold--Exp. \$3.00.
5. First Thomaston--Sis. Kate Watson, Sis. Ann Travis, Sis. Cora Ranow--Exp. \$3.00.

6. Bethany--Bro. Woodrow Hendrick, Bro. Woody Hendricks, Sis. Bertha Hendricks, Annette Grimsley--Exp. \$2.00.
7. Pleasant Hill--Mrs. Pearl Guy, Mrs. Walter Hanbrick, Mr. & Mrs. Frank Williams, Mrs. William Guy--Exp. \$5.00
8. St. Luke--Bro. Walter Keheley, Bro. Homer Greer--Exp. \$3.00.
9. St. Mark--Bro. Sam Meredith, Sis. Beatrice Meredith, Bro. Hub Parker, Sis. Bertha Searcy--Exp. \$5.00.
10. New Prospect (Turner)--By letter--Exp. \$3.00.
11. Trinity--Josephine Welch, Alane Welch--Exp. \$3.00.
12. New Liberty--Bro. J. C. Kirkland & wife, Sis. Annie Lou Streetmen, Sis. Rosie Lee and Sis. Jewel Grimsley--Exp. \$1.00.
13. Little Bethel--Bro. S. O. Jones, Bro. & Sis. Gervis Morrell--Exp. \$5.00.
14. Mt. Olive--Sis. Frances Mullins, Sis. Ethel Windham, Bro. B. R. Dent, Bro. Alvin Bloodworth, Bro. Johnny Windham. Exp. \$5.00.
15. Turner's Chapel--Bro. Earl Bone, Sis. Lokie Rodgers, Sis. Earl Bone, Sis. Grace Bussey--Exp. \$3.00.
16. Spring Hill--Bro. A. L. Grimsley--Exp. \$3.00.

M. S. C. to accept the letters as read and seat the delegates. The next item of business was to choose places for the next union meetings. They are as follows: 1st Session-- Little Bethel on Saturday before the 5th Sunday in January. Date--January 28, 1967. Introductory: Rev. Hubert Arnold. Alternate--Rev. A. G. Windham.

2nd Session--St. Luke, Phenix City, Alabama. Saturday before the 5th Sunday in April. Date--April 29, 1967. Introductory--Rev. Bill Travis. Alternate--Rev. J. B. Lumpkin.

3rd Session--Turner's Chapel on Saturday before the 5th Sunday in July. Date--July 29, 1967. Introductory--Rev. Warren Wyatt. Alternate--Rev. W. J. Owens.

A count was taken of the Deacons and Preachers present at this Session. It was 12 preachers and 18 Deacons. M. S. C. to pay moderator \$10.00 and the clerk \$15.00 for their services for this year.

At this time the moderator and clerk was elected for the ensuing year. They are--Rev. C. H. Bass, Moderator. Rev. W. J. Owens, Assistant Moderator. Bro. E. A. Welch, Jr. Clerk. Bro. John Kirkland, Asst. Clerk.

A rising vote of Thanks was extended the Host Church for their hospitality.

A free will offering was received in the amount of \$24.52 to be sent to the Unified Program.

Rev. Bill Travis had information from our National Association. He was urging support of our Bible College expansion program. He also was encouraging people to send trading stamps to the State office so that they may be used to buy automobiles for our missionaries to France.

After several announcements a move and second to adjourn. Benediction by Rev. Harvey Giddens.

Rev. C. H. Bass, Moderator
Bro. E. A. Welch, Jr, Clerk

Total received by letters--\$55.00.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR UNION MEETINGS--1966

Received by letters	-----	\$151.50
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EXPENSES

Paid Moderator	-----	10.00
Paid Clerk	-----	15.00
Total Receipts	-----	151.50
Total Expenses	-----	25.00
Balance in Treasure	-----	126.50

(to be turned over to the Association)

E. A. Welch, Jr., Clerk

MINISTERS AND DEACONS MEETING

The annual meeting of the Ministers and Deacons was held at Mt. Olive F.W.B. Church at Reynolds, Georgia on Saturday Sept. 3, 1966.

The meeting was opened with Congregational singing followed by prayer by Rev. C. H. Bass.

The devotional was brought by Bro. Woody Nelson from James 3:5-12. The welcome was extended by Rev. Hubert Arnold with the response by Rev. J. B. Fuller. Special singing was rendered by the Mt. Olive Quartet. The morning message was brought by Rev. Travis of the First F. W. B. Church of Thomaston.

The afternoon session was opened with congregational singing followed by prayer.

Bro. E. A. Welch, Jr. brought the afternoon message.

The business session was opened and the minutes of the last meeting were read. The treasurers report was given with a total of \$17.05 in the treasurer. M.S.C. to send \$15.00 to the 20 & 8 project.

M.S.C. to hold next session at the First F.W.B. Church

Of Thomaston.

M. S. C. to send all the churches in the association a letter reminding them of the Ministers and Deacons meeting.

New Officers were elected--

Rev. Hubert Arnold--Moderator

Rev. A. G. Windham--Assistant Moderator

Bro. Woody Nelson--Clerk

Bro. E. A. Welch, Jr.--Asst. Clerk

The church was given a rising vote of thanks for the hospitality shown throughout the day.

Motion, second and carried to adjourn.

Woody Nelson, Clerk

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY DEPARTMENT

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CHATTAHOOCHEE DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY--SEVENTEENTH SESSION

September 17, 1966

The Seventeenth Annual Session of the Woman's Auxiliary Convention convened with the Providence Free Will Church of Columbus, Ga. on Sept. 17, 1966.

THEME: We need Free Will Baptist Women for such a time as this. Matt. 6:33.

10:00--Registration

10:15--Opening song "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

Prayer--by Bro. C. H. Bass

Song--"More, More About Jesus"

Devotion--by Sis. Lannie Bass

Welcome--by Host Church, Mrs. Lois Allen

Response--by Sis. Ann Travis

The president then appointed the Credential Committee. They were: Ruby Wells and Mrs. Lois Allen.

Song--"Higher Ground"

We had a move and second that we accept the Credential Committee Report and seat the delegates. Appointment of Committees by president. Love offering was taken which was \$7.76. We then had a wonderful message by Bro. William Travis.

12 o'clock--dismissed for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION

1 o'clock

Song--"I Am Thine O Lord"

Prayer--by Bro. Allen

Devotion--By Sis. Ann Travis using Matt. 25:31-40

Special Song--By Shirley Sims

BUSINESS SESSION

Minutes were read and approved. Delegates were appointed to State Convention. They were--Sis. Ann Travis, Sis. Lanie Bass, Sis. Kate Watson, Sis. Lois Allen, Sis. Cora Ranow.

The Committees gave their reports. (See reports.) The Treasure Report was given and we had a move and second to accept it. First Thomaston Church will entertain the Convention September 1967. A move and second to accept the nomination that the Committees report and release the committee.

A move and second to give the Providence Church a rising vote of "Thanks" for their fine hospitality.

Bro. C. H. Bass and Bro. William Travis prayed a prayer of dedication for the new officers. We were dismissed.

REPORTS

REPORT OF CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

We the Credential Committee submit the following report:

We find the auxiliaries eligible to be seated in this convention.

Providence Church--Columbus, Ga.
First Thomaston Church--Thomaston, Ga.
Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Ruby Wells
Mrs. Lois Allen

REPORT OF REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

District Officers -- 3
Local Officers ---- 6
Delegates ----- 8
Ministers ----- 2
Visitors ----- 8
Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Kate Watson

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

We your Finance Committee find the treasure books in order.

Balance brought forward -----	\$ 3.08
Convention Dues -----	4.25
Love offering today -----	7.76
Total -----	<u>\$15.09</u>

We recommend the following expenditures--

Love offering for Bro. William Travis -----	\$10.00
To pay on minutes -----	3.00
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	\$13.00

Balance in Treasure -----	\$ 2.09
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Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Lanie Bass
Mrs. Ruby Wells

REPORT OF RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

Be it Resolved:

1. That all auxiliaries support the state project.
2. That we continually support the Provision Closet in Nashville.
3. That we give Bro. William Travis a Love Offering of \$10.00

Respectfully submitted.

Mrs. Lois Allen

Mrs. Kate Watson

The officers were nominated from the floor--

President--Mrs. Ann Travis

Vice President--Mrs. Cora Renow

Secretary and Treasure--Mrs. Ruby Wells

Personal Service--Mrs. Lanie Bass

Asst. Sec. & Treas.--Mrs. Kate Watson

Study Course Chairman--Cora Renow

Stewardship Chairman--Mrs. Julia Mauldin

Mission Chairman--Mrs. Ann Travis

Field Workers--Mrs. Lois Allen, Mrs. Virginia Searcy

TREASURERS REPORT

Brought forward -----	\$ 3.08
Taken in paid out from Oct. 1965 till Sept. 1966 ----	308.25

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Ruby Wells,
District Treasurer

In Loving Memory of Brother Bean Bass--

Bro. Bean Bass was born September 24, 1924. Died February 14, 1966. He was a member of Providence Church, in Columbus, Georgia.

Serving his church well, doing whatever he could for his Lord and his fellow men. Never too tired to go when someone was sick or discouraged and called him.

He will be greatly missed by the church he loved, his friends and loved ones. We believe that our loss is Heaven's gain. We hope to meet him again in Heaven.

His pastor and brother in flesh,
C. H. Bass

To the Memory of Brother Jesse L. Waldrep--

Beloved and much devoted member with New Liberty Church, Schley County, Georgia.

As long as health permitted, during the last few years of his life physical health rendered him unable to attend his church, but amid this it was a consolation to hear him give testimony of his Lord and of a blessed hope of a peaceful destiny in the World beyond. Born February 25, 1872. Passed from this life April 5, 1966. A stay on earth of 94 years, 1 month, and 11 days.

Angry waves upon the ocean,
Driven by the winds that blow,
Often tossed in life's commotion,
As you journeyed here below.

Sailing onward bravely sailing,
As you fought to win the prize,
Trusting in the King unfailing,
Far the port up in the skies.

W. J. Childree,
Pastor

To the Memory of Brother Asa Childree--

Born October 7, 1883. Departed this life July 27, 1966. at the age of 82 years, 9 months and 20 days. Was for many years a member with Mt. Olive Church, Taylor County, Georgia. In cherished memory we lament your passing, and abiding hope we'll meet again.

Over the river where the ransom ones gather forever,
to live and rejoice,
Free from all sorrow
on some bright tomorrow
We'll praise him with heart and with voice.

Way over in glory
we'll tell the old story,
Earth's turmoils and trials are o'er,
there with the sages
And saints of all ages,
On yonder eternal bright shores.

W. J. Childree,
Former Pastor

In Memory of Brother Thomas Webb Robbins--

Bro. Tom was born February 17, 1902, died May 28, 1966. He was a faithful member of Mt. Olive Free Will Baptist Church as long as his health permitted; also served as a deacon for many years. He leaves behind a wife; children and several grand children.

Bro. Tom proved his love for the Lord by witnessing daily for him. Even in his last hours on this earth, he said he had a most perfect vision of glory. We do believe this vision is truly a reality to him now.

"And I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and earth were passed away and there was no more sea."

Written by his pastor,
Hubert L. Arnold

In Memory of Sister Vivian Lovick--

Sis. Vivian was born April 12, 1923; died May 19, 1966. She was a member of Mt. Olive Free Will Baptist Church. She had a very lengthy illness before God called her home.

Sis. Vivian leaves one son; two daughters and five grandchildren. We sincerely believe our loss is Heaven's gain.

"Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise her in the gates." Proverbs 31:31

Written by her pastor,
Hubert L. Arnold

In Memory of Brother Daniel Posey--

Bro. Dan Posey was born March 10, 1908; died August 20, 1966. He leaves behind a wife, one daughter, two sons and several grand children to mourn his death. He was a member of Mt. Olive Free Will Baptist Church.

Bro. Dan believed in his Savior and testified to friends how God has blessed him--even in his last confining days on this earth he said he knew he had the key to the kingdom.

"And I will give unto you the keys to the kingdom of heaven and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be lost in heaven."

Written by his pastor,
Hubert L. Arnold

In Loving Memory of Sister Mary Posey--

Sis. Mary Posey departed from this life after a very profitable long life. She was born December 25, 1880, and died December 9, 1966. Sis. Posey was a member of Turner's Chapel Church and a life long resident of the community. She was loved by all that knew her and will be missed by all--enter into the joys of thy Lord.

Her Pastor
A. G. Windham

In Memory of Brother William Scott--

Bro. Scott was a member of Turner's Chapel Church and known by many friends. He was born January 11, 1893 and died August 28, 1966. Bro. Scott was confined to his bed during the latter part of his life, but bore the discomfort of pain and sorrow with great patience as possessed only by a true soldier of the cross--but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

His Pastor,
A. G. Windham

To the Memory of Brother J. D. Fincher--

Bro. J. D. Fincher was born November 26, 1905 and died April 29, 1966, being privileged to live on earth 62 years. He was a great asset to Turner's Cahpel Church and to the community serving well in the capacity of a deacon. Amid all the physical difficulties suffered by Bro. Fincher in his last years he still possessed a great spiritual inspiration for others. Blessed are they that die in the Lord.

His Pastor,
A. G. Windham

In Memory of Brother N. T. McInvale--

Bro. N. T. McInvale a beloved and devoted member of Turner's Chapel Church was born October 12, 1903 and departed from this life November 20, 1965, his stay on earth being 62 years. Bro. McInvale suffered much the latter part of his life but was faithful to the Lord until death, and now resting from his labors.

His Pastor,
A. G. Windham

In Loving Memory of Sallie Viola Pinkey--

Sis. Pinkey was 81 years old, born August 18, 1885. She was a member of St. Mark Free Will Baptist Church. She leaves a vacancy in her church and her home. She leaves two daughters, three stepdaughters, one son, and two stepsons.

She died February 26, 1966.

And ever near us though unseen,
the dear immortal Spirits tread,
For all the boundless universe is Life,
there is no dead.

Her Pastor,
G. T. Halliman

In Memory of Sister Juanita Magdalen Stubbs--

Sis. Juanita Magdalene Stubbs was born September 4, 1948, and died February 2, 1966, making her stay on earth 17 years, 4 months, and 29 days.

God has called Sis. Stubbs by his Glorious Command,
To part from this life,
To take up her new home in that Bright, Promised Land

We know you are free from all trouble,
from sorrow and pain,
And Thru God's mercy, and Wonderful grace,
In Heaven we will meet again.

Her Pastor,
J. B. Lumpkin

To the Memory of Sister Gloria May Stubbs--

Sis. Gloria May Stubbs was born March 18, 1940, died February 24, 1966, making her stay on earth 25 years, 11 months, and 6 days.

God has called Sis. Stubbs into everlasting life,
Where Joy and Love shall never end,
Where there is no Pain,
Death or strife.

We know you rest with Christ our Lord
And King of all Kings,
Oh what Joy to know in Heaven
We will meet again.

Her Pastor,
J. B. Lumpkin

To the Memory of Sister Pearl Stubbs--

Sis. Pearl Stubbs was born November 19, 1883 and died November 19, 1965, making her stay on earth 82 years.

Sis. Stubbs was a faithful member of New Life Church, and will be greatly missed in her home and church. It is a wonderful consolation to know she is at rest with Christ. Because we know we pass from death unto life because we love our brethren.

There is a home lies beyond,
And pass its Golden Door
Awaits the one who's now away
Not Lost--just gone on before.

Her Pastor,
J. B. Lumpkin

FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCH	COUNTY	Paid Pastor	Paid Evangelist	Unfied Program	Building and Repairs	Literature	Children's Home	Paid for Minutes	Miscellaneous	Causes not Listed	Value of Church Property	Total Expenditures
Little Bethel	Macon	600.50	125.00		256.96	53.00		10.00	62.79		5,000.00	
New Prospect	Taylor	493.75	75.00		72.76	42.04		19.00	36.07		6,000.00	
New Liberty	Schley	224.00	51.00					3.00	55.07			
St. Mark	Russell	1271.00	200.00	60.00	563.02	141.61	60.00	10.00	1058.56	115.00	10,000.00	3,479.19
New Prospect	Turner	598.08	134.20		53.42	56.00	60.00	19.00		100.30	10,000.00	1,016.89
First Thomaston	Upson	2675.00	225.00	180.00	359.65	160.36		10.00	1420.00	487.68	10,000.00	5,467.59
New Bethel	Worth	669.95	102.00	47.00				10.00	37.67		10,000.00	
Bethany	Marion	126.37	43.11			9.00		3.00			2,500.00	
St. Luke	Russell	268.30		5.42	250.00	58.33	20.00	5.00		28.62	8,000.00	635.67
Providence	Muscogee	2675.00	100.00		57.85			9.00	27.00	399.24	10,000.00	3,303.66
Turner's Chapel	Taylor	1376.30	140.00	156.28		210.25		10.00	249.00		15,000.00	2,595.08
Mount Olive	Taylor	2222.00	200.00	60.00	185.17	185.22	120.00	10.00	1444.81	425.00	18,000.00	4,542.00
New Life	Marion	387.52	75.00		439.02	9.00	86.29	10.00	150.95	195.14	7,000.00	1,351.92
Trinity	Taylor	246.22	100.00	17.50	452.30	9.00		8.00	29.24		3,000.00	862.26
Spring Hill	Marion	500.25	89.32		27.31			5.00	109.21		10,000.00	731.09
Pleasant Hill	Schley	1114.75	60.00	161.19	57.36			10.00	37.24	144.74	7,500.00	1,585.28

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCH	COUNTY	PASTOR	Rec'd by Baptism	Rec'd by Letter	Dismissed by Letter	Rec'd by Statement	Expelled		Deceased	Total Membership	Meeting Days	ENROLLMENT				
												Sunday School	League	Woman's Auxiliary	Prayer Meetings	Master's Men
Little Bethel	Macon	J. B. Lumpkin	2		1					111	1st & 3rd	50				
New Prospect	Taylor	W. J. Childree	2	2	2					56	2nd & 4th	51				
New Liberty	Schley	W. J. Childree	1	1	1					30	1st & 3rd					
St. Mark	Russell	G. T. Halliman	1	3						54	Full Time	60	40		25	
New Prospect	Turner	V. L. Pritchett	4							170	2nd & 4th	25				
First Thomaston	Upson	William Travis		6	10					91	Full Time	64	33	12	20	9
New Bethel	Worth	H. W. Giddens	5	3	1					89	2nd & 4th	48			15	
Bethany	Marion	Roscoe Pitts								41	1st Sun.					
St. Luke	Russell	W. J. Owens	2							34	Full Time	26	25		15	
Providence	Muscogee	C. H. Bass	6	9	5				1	68	Full Time	53	30	4	20	
Turner's Chapel	Taylor	J. B. Fuller	3						6	127	Full Time	60	65	12	15	
New Life	Marion	J. B. Lumpkin							3	81	2nd & 4th				12	
Trinity	Taylor	Hubert Arnold	5	1	1					24	2nd & 4th					
Spring Hill	Marion	Price Hayes								25	2nd & 4th					
Pleasant Hill	Schley	Price Hayes	1	1						59	1st & 3rd					
Mount Olive	Taylor	A. G. Windham	2	4					5	181	Full Time	116	51		25	