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#### ORDER OF CHURCH BUSINESS

- 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, Howmany 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 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 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 indefraying 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 precedented 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.

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- 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 that 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 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 with out 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 bro ther 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 per tain 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, expecially 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 ad minister 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 sal vation 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 fulfillits 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 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.

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#### FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

The 132nd Annual Session of the Chattahoochee Association met at Mt. Olive Church, near Reynolds, Ga. at 10:30 o'clock on Friday, Sept. 29, 1967.

The congregation was led in singing by Rev. A. G. Windham. The opening prayer was by Rev. Harvey Giddens and other prayers were by Rev. V. L. Pritchett and Rev. Hubert Arnold.

The welcome was by Rev. A. G. Windham, past pastor of the Host Church.

Rev. V. L. Pritchett preached the introductory message. He read in the 16th Chapter of St. Mark, 15th and 16th verses, 1st Chapter of Acts, 8th verse and the 22nd Chapter of Revelations, 14th verse. This was a very inspiring message and suited the occasion very well.

After announcements concerning lunch, the body was dismissed for the noon hour, with prayer by Rev. W.R. Lawhorn.

#### FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

After a very enjoyable lunch the body again assembled and after congregational singing, prayer was offered by Rev. Roscoe Pitts.

The Moderator welcomed the body and then read from the 133rd Psalm after which he declared this session open and ready for business.

The first item was to invite visiting brethrens to seats with us. The next was a call for corresponding letters. M.S.C. that Rev. A. G. Windham and Bro. Wilbur Carroll read the letters. They are as follows:

ST. LUKE: Bro. Curtis Greer, Bro. Homer Greer.

FIRST THOMASTON: Sis. Bell Tucker, Bro. Herman Watson NEW PROSPECT (Turner): Rev. V. L. Pritchett (Pastor)

BETHANY: Bro. & Sis. Woodroe Hendrick, Sis. Ruby Grimsley, Sis. Alma Garrett, Sis. Annett Grimsley, Sis. Marguerite Hodge.

NEW LIFE: Bro. & Sis. Horace Lockhart, Bro. & Sis. Zeke Plymale, Sis. Ruby Stubbs, Sis. Mina Roberts, Bro. Robert Stubbs.

NEW LIBERTY: Sis. Rosie Lee Grimsley, Bro. J. C. Kirk-land and wife.

PROVIDENCE: By letter.

TRINITY: Sis. Evelyn Gill, Bro. Bill Smith, Bro. Jack Cobb.

- LITTLE BETHEL: Bro. & Sis. Randall Jinks, Bro. & Sis. Harvey Cromer, Bro. & Sis. Leonard Layfield.
- PLEASANT HILL: Mrs. Frank Williams, Mrs. J. W. Welch, Mrs. Nan Peacock, Mrs. Fred Brewer.
- SPRING HILL: Sis. Myrtle Grier, Sis. Rosa Grimsley, Sis. Gussie Mitchell, Bro. Houston James.
- NEW PROSPECT (Taylor): By Pastor, Rev. W. J. Childree.
- NEW BETHEL: Bro. & Sis. Lewis Massey, Bro. & Sis. Jim Davis.
- MT. OLIVE: Sis. Mary Wilhoite, Sis. Joyce Wilder, Sis. Louise Nelson, Sis. Ethel Windham.
- TURNERS CHAPEL: Sis. Nannie Lou Rodgers, Sis. Jewel Bone, Sis. Gail Carroll, Bro. Jesse Carroll, Bro. C. W. Carroll.
- M.S.C. to receive the letters as read and to seat the delegates. The next item was a call for petitionary letters, there were none.

At this time the Moderator welcomed corresponding messengers. We were glad to have Rev. Harvey Giddens, from the Union Association, Rev. V. L. Pritchett from the South Ga. Association and also Rev. Mance Cason from the Union Association.

The next item was the appointing of committees. M.S.C. that the Moderator appoint the committees. They are as follows:

Preaching: Sis. Louise Nelson, Sis. Randall Jinks, Sis. J. W. Welch, Sis. Norman Grier, Sis. Christine Kirkland.

State of Churches and Character of Ministry: Bro. B. R. Dent, Bro. Lewis Massey, Bro. Horace Lockhart, Bro. Houston James, Bro. J. T. Davis.

Finance: Bro. Hudson Poole, Bro. J. W. Grimsley, Bro. Zeke Plymale.

Sunday School: Rev. A. G. Windham, Sis. Joyce Wilder, Sis. Bell Tucker

Sabbath Observance: Bro. Bill Smith, Sis. Lewis Massey, Sis. Loenard Layfield.

Suggestions: Rev. Hubert Arnold, Bro. C. W. Carroll, Bro. Curtis Greer, Rev. Roscoe Pitts, Bro. J. C. Kirkland.

Temperance: Bro. H. H. Watson, Sis. Ruby Stubbs, Bro. Alvin Bloodworth.

Woman's Auxiliary: Sis. J. T. Davis, Bro. Gene Windham, Sis. Clara Lockhart.

The next item was to ask for volunteer correspondants to sister association. They are as follows:

Ga. Union--Rev. B. T. Gill, Bro. H. H. Watson Little River--By Minute Union--Bro. J. T. Davis, Bro. Lewis Massey Midway--By minute South Ga.--By minute Martin--by minute

The Preaching Committee reported at this time. They chose Rev. Harvey Giddens to Preach Friday night, and Rev. Roscoe Pitts on Saturday morning.

M.S.C. to receive the report of the Preaching Committee and that they be dismissed.

There was no further business to come before the body at this time so the body adjourned until 10 o'clock on Saturday morning. Benediction by Bro. E. A. Welch, Jr.

#### SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

The congregation assembled at 10 o'clock and singing was led by Rev. A. G. Windham. Prayer was offered by Rev. Mance Cason.

The Moderator welcomed the body and he read from the 4th Chapter of 1st John, 7th through 1lth verses, after which he declared the session open and ready for business.

A call was made for obituaries. The congregation stood in silent memory of our deceased brethern in Christ.

We were glad to have with us a Rev. Jim Herald from West Virginia who had been in a revival at the First Thomaston Church.

The Preaching Committee asked, and he agreed, to bring the morning message. This was agreeable with Rev. Roscoe Pitts who was suppose to preach the morning message. As Rev. Herald prepared his message, the moderator extended the right hand of welcome to Rev. Herald, Bro. Henderson, and Rev. Mance Cason.

The First Church of Thomaston, Ga. petitioned for the next session of the Association. The body voted approval, and the delegates from this church chose Rev. J. B. Lumpkin to preach the introductory message and Rev. William Travis as Alternate.

Bro. Leonard Grimsley's time had expired on the executive committee. He was nominated and voted in for a 5 year term.

The Moderator dismissed all committees from the assembly so that they could transact their business.

M.S.C. to have 600 minutes printed. M.S.C. to send the State Association \$10 and the National Association \$7. M.S.C. to pay the Moderator \$20 and the Clerk \$30. The Clerk was authorized to have the circular letter printed in the minutes.

At this time Rev. Mance Cason, our State Promotional Secretary, gave his report. It was very interesting and well prepared as usual.

The regular order of business was suspended for the preaching hour. Rev. Herald, preached a very inspiring message and the body was dismissed for lunch with prayer by Bro. Wilbur Carroll.

#### SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The body assembled at 1:15 p.m. and was immediately called to order by the Moderator. He read from the 10th Chapter of Hebrew-verses 1 through 9.

M.S.C. to hear all reports as they were presented and should be reviewed from time to time by all members of the Chattahoochee Association.

M.S.C to extend the Host Church a rising vote of "Thanks" for their warm hospitality.

The moderator asked for volunteers to the State and National Association. Bro. H. H. Watson and Bro. Gene Windham to the State Association and Rev. William Travis and Bro. H. H. Watson to the National Association.

After some discussion it was voted on and approved for the Chattahoochee Association to entertain the 1968 Session of the Ga. State Association. Next item was the appointing of officers.

Rev. Hubert Arnold, Rev. J. B. Lumpkin and Rev. A. G. Windham were nominated for moderator. Rev. Lumpkin received the majority vote, with Rev. Hubert Arnold as Assistant Moderator.

Bro. E. A. Welch, Jr. was elected Clerk and Bro. John Kirkland Assistant Clerk.

Respectfully Submitted, Rev. W. J. Childree, Moderator Bro. E. A. Welch, Jr., Clerk

## ASSOCIATIONAL CALENDAR

#### 1968

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| Association          | October 3 & 4, 1968<br>Thomaston, Georgia | First Thomaston |
|----------------------|---|-----------------|
| 1st Union Meeting    | March 30, 1968                            | First Thomaston |
|                      | Thomaston, Georgia                        |                 |
| 2nd Union Meeting    | June 29, 1968                             | Trinity         |
|                      | Mauk, Georgia                             |                 |
| 3rd Union Meeting    | September 28, 1968                        | Providence      |
| •                    | Columbus, Georgia                         | •               |
| Ministers & Deacons  | August 31, 1968                           | Turners Chapel  |
|                      | Butler, Georgia                           |                 |
| Woman's Auxiliary    | September 21, 1968                        | Turners Chapel  |
|                      | Butler, Georgia                           |                 |
| Sunday School Conven | tion January 6,                           | Turners Chapel  |
|                      | Butler, Georgia 1968                      |                 |
| Leagues              | Information not availab                   |                 |

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEES

#### SABBATH OBSERVANCE COMMITTEE

We, your committee on Sabbath Observance. The Bible tells us we should remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy. As Sunday is the first day of the week, all men should keep this day sacred, and devote themselves to the worship and service of God.

Mrs. Blondell Layfield Mrs. Lewis Massey Bro. William L. Smith

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Our young people of today, as well as our older ones are faced with problems that cannot be solved by the world nor by any of its forces. We, your Sunday School Committee feel that the true church of God has the answer for all problems that has ever or will ever face mankind. With this in mind we believe that the Sunday School is a strong arm of the church and its true teachings enable mankind to better cope with the problems of life and presents to the church better qualified members to do the work that God has required of us as a church to do.

We, your committee, strongly recommend that our churches, even through small or large in number, support with all means available our established Sunday Schools, and that churches with no Sunday School give serious consideration to the establishment of one in the very near future.

Sis. Joyce Wilder
Sis. Bell Tucker
Bro. A. G. Windham

#### TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

The Scripture tells us to be temperant in all things. So we recommend that all people, especially Free Will Baptists, dress modestly, be careful of their conversation and language, refrain from all alcholic beverages, be careful of the places we go for even this can kill the influence of a Christain life.

Sis. Ruby Stubbs Bro. Alvin Bloodworth Bro. Herman Watson

#### STATE OF CHURCHES AND CHARACTER OF THE MINISTRY

We your committee on State Affairs of Churches and Ministers have no complaint. We feel that all churches and ministers are infellowship with one another.

Bro. L. M. Massey
Bro. H. L. Lockhart
Bro. J. T. Davis
Bro. B. R. Dent, Sr.

#### SUGGESTIONS COMMITTEE

- 1. We, the Suggestion Committee, suggest that the association raise the Clerks' pay \$10 and the Moderator's pay \$5.
- 2. We, the Suggestion Committee, suggest that all churches use the Association letters mailed out by the association clerk and that two copies be made.
- 3. We, the Suggestion Committee, suggest that the Moderator give equal time to any and all motions or nominations before accepting a motion that nominations be closed and that anyone addressing the moderator stand to his or her feet.
- 4. We the undersigned respectfully submit the following suggestion.

During the last union meeting of 1967 which convened with Turner's Chapel Church, a motion was made and carried that restricts the business transactions of the Union Meeting.

This type action, we feel, was strictly out of order and should be nullified immediately, and the Union Meeting restored to its original position in order to transact any and all business pertaining to the body that does not infringe on, or have direct adverse effect upon the local independent churches.

We suggest and recommend that action be taken in this session of the Association to nullify and make void the afore-mentioned transaction and the Union Meeting be restored to its former position.

A. G. Windham
O. M. Williams
John S. Windham
Rev. J. B. Fuller
Rev. Robert E. Stubbs
Larry J. Bell
C. W. Caroll
E. A. Welch, Jr.
Rev. C. H. Bass
Bobby Rodgers
Rev. Hubert Arnold
Rev. Wm. Travis

We accept this letter and suggest that the Union Meetings be restored to their usual form.

Rev. Hubert Arnold

J. C. Kirkland

C. W. Carroll

Roscoe Pitts

#### WOMAN'S AUXILIARY COMMITTEE

Our Chattahoochee Women's Auxiliary district meeting met on September 16, 1967, with the First Free Will Baptist Church of Thomaston. Three auxiliaries reported: Providence, Turner's Chapel, and First Thomaston. 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 (on report to be sent in.)

Pray about organizing an auxiliary and then contact any of the field workers or the President, Mrs. William Travis, 208 Garner Street, Thomaston, Georgia 30286 to organize an auxiliary in your church for furthering the "Kingdom of God," for we are laborers together with God.

Sis. J. T. Davis Sis. Clara Lockhart Bro. Eugene Windham

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE

| Balance in Treasury         | \$142.77 |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Received from Union Meeting | 123.00   |
| Total in Treasury           | 265.77   |
| Received from Churches      | 113.00   |
|                             | \$378.77 |

Hudson Poole

H. W. Grimsley

E. C. Plymale

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

| Received from Finance Committee | \$378.77 |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| EXPENSES                        |          |
| Moderator's Salary              | 20.00    |
| Clerk's Salary                  | 30.00    |
| State Association               | 10.00    |
| National Association            | 7.00     |
| Printing of Minutes             | 174.07   |
| Mailing of Minutes              | 5.00     |
| Total Expenses                  | \$246.07 |
| Balance in Treasury             | 132.70   |

E. A. Welch, Jr., Clerk

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

| Leonard Grimsley           | 5 yrs. | Buean Vista, | Ga. |
|----------------------------|--------|--------------|-----|
| E. A. Welch, Jr., Chairman | 4 yrs. | Mauk,        | Ga. |
| Gene Windham               | 3 yrs. | Reynolds,    | Ga. |
| Norman Grier               | 2 yrs. | Mauk,        | Ga. |
| H. H. Watson               | •      |              |     |

#### CIRCULAR LETTER

This is a circular letter taken from the Minutes of the Seventy-sixth Annual session of the Chattahoochee United F.W.B. Association in the year of 1911 written by the Rev. A. J. Parker.

Brethren, having been appointed to address you through the medium of a circular letter, I will attempt to preform that duty. I will call your attention to the much discussed subject of apostasy, or the sin of blasphemy against the Holy Ghost. As the religious world is very much divided in opinion as to the possibility of apostasy, and all seem to agree that it is possible to commit the sin (blaspheny) against the Holy Ghost, we hope to be able to convince every unbiased reader that if we can sin against the Holy Ghost, that we can apostatize or fall from grace. We find in Matthew 12:31, Jesus, in reproving the Pharisees for many of their sins says, "All manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto men, but the sin of blasphemy against the Holy Ghost shall not be forgiven unto men. We frequently hear the question asked, "What is the sin or the

blasphemy against the Holy Ghost?" We answer, it is apostasy, and we hope to prove conclusively by the word of God that it is apostasy, and that none but those who have received the Holy Ghost can commit the sin or Blasphemy here mentioned. Romans 5:18, the apostle says, "By the offense of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation, even so by the righteousness of one the free gift came upon all men unto justification of life." Now, Christ died once for all, not that He actually saved all, or any by His death, but he took away the sin of the world absolved us from the responsibilities of the federal or Adamic sin, thereby making it possible for any or all men to be saved upon the conditions He presented in His gospel, without respect of persons they are presented freely to all.

Now, if any and every man, can and may come to Him by faith and receive pardon and forgiveness for sins, what is the sin they could commit that would be unpardonable, in that He died once He died for all, and in that unconverted condition there is not a sin man can commit that His blood cannot and will not cleanse, when we repent, believe and submit to Him; if there is, then He is not a perfect Saviour. There would be sin which His blood could not atone; for Paul says, it is a true saying and worthy of acceptation, that Christ died for sinners, of whom He was chief. So we see that all sin that the unconverted man any or can commit, can and will be forgiven him by obeying the gospel; but yet there is a sin that cannot and will not be forgiven. So we see the sinner cannot commit that sin. Well, there are but the two conditions: First the sinner. Second the converted man. Romans 5:13, Paul says, "For until the law sin was in the world, but sin is not imputed when there is no law. So we see when any one is converted, grace or the Holy Ghost becomes the end of the law. To that soul they are no more under the law, but under grace, (the law of the Holy Ghost.) The Holy Ghost then becomes a law unto them- to their souls. How can they sin against something they have not got? When they are converted and receive grace, (the law of the Holy Ghost) then they can sin against it.

Ezekiel 18:24, we read thus, "But when the righteous turneth away from His righteousness, and committeth iniquity, and doeth according to all the abominations that the wicked man doeth, shall He live? All his righteousness that he hath done shall not be mentioned, in his trespass that he hath trespassed, and in his sin that he hath sinned in them shall he die." Is not this plain enough to our minds? The Lord does present possibilities of falling away, (apostasy) losing what we once had. Let us see again, Heb. 6:4, 5, 6, Paul says, and I think he is good authority, for it is impossible for those who were

once enlightened and have tasted of the heavenly gift and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost, and have tasted the good word of God and the powers of the world to come, if they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance, seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh and put Him to an open shame. Is not this sufficient to convince any unbiased mind, for it presents to our mind a conclusive possibility and teaches us also the consequences of this falling away, it is impossible to be restored to repentance. Well, then is not this the sin that cannot or will not be forgiven. This certainly is the sin, for this is the only person in a position to sin against the Holy Ghost. The sinner in the first degree or stage can sin against God and against Christ because God gave himself to the whole world through his ministry and death, but the Holy Ghost is not given to the world, but to the man or woman that is born again (converted.) The whole world has received God and Christ through the law, therefore they can all sin against them, but if they do there is a chance for forgiveness, for the Holy Ghost reproves them for sin, but they have not received the Holy Ghost, nor cannot until they are born again; nor can they sin against it until they receive it, for when they receive it, it becomes a law to their soul and this holy law then places restrictions around the soul, (life) just as God did around our federal parents in Eden. There are certain privileges we can enjoy freely, but there are certain bounds, beyond which we must not go, for if we do, we shall surely die; for there is no forgiveness. We cannot be renewed again unto repentance, for we have crucified the Son of God afresh and put Him to an open shame. There is forgiveness for the crucifixion of Christ in the first stage, but when we open His wounds afresh, there is no pardon. The first is temporal, physical--the second is spiritual. He was first crucified by sinners; the second crucifixion is by those who have been made partakers of the Holy Ghost, and have tasted the powers of the world to come. Now, can you fail to understand how we can become apostles?

Now my dear readers, if you yet have doubts as the possibility of apostasy, go with us a little further. In the second epistle of Peter 2:20, 21, 22, it reads thus: "For if after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, they are again entangled there in and overcome the latter end is worse with them than the beginning, for it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than after they have known it to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them. But is happened unto them according to the true proverb: the dog is turned to his own vomit again and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire."

Now my dear reader, how any man or woman who believes the Word of God can refuse or deny apostasy, for if they believe it possible to sin against the Holy Ghost, they certainly must also believe in apostasy; for have we not proven conclusively, by the Bible, that apostasy is the only unpardonable sin. But we have yet more proof that man can turn away from God after conversion--turn into sin and be forever lost. In James 5:19, 20, we read thus: "Brethren, if any of you do err from the truth and one convert him, let him know that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way, shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins, Now, James says, brethren, if any of you, speaking to the church member, Christians. Let him know that he, by converting him back from his sins, before he crossed beyond the awful bound placed around him by grace, the law of the Holy Ghost, from whence he never could have returned, that he had saved a soul from death, proving the fact that if he had gone far enough he would in so doing have crucified Jesus afresh and put Him to an open shame for which he could not have been forgiven. Now again in the first epistle of John, 5, we read, "If any man see his brother sin a sin which is not unto death, he shall ask and he shall give him life, for them that sin not unto death." There is a sin unto death, I do not say he shall pray for it. All unrighteousness is sin and there is a sin not unto death. To whom is it not unto death? Addressed to the ren, for he says if any man see a brother sin, (a Christian) for no one is our brother, spirtually, but those who with us have accepted Christ. John certainly means the church members and he says there is a sin not unto death, this we shall pray for and he will give us life for their sins. This shows that a man can sin after conversion, don't it? And it teaches us that he can commit sins that will be for given him and it also teaches that he can commit sins that cannot, or will not be forgiven, and we are taught not to pray for that sin.

Now if the converted man cannot, as some men teach, commit a damning sin, I would like for someone to tell me what John means when he says, if we see a brother sin a sin not unto death, does he not unmistakably infer that the brother could and may, commit a sin that is unto death at the same time teaching us that if he does, we need not pray for it, and why; because it will not be forgiven, and why; because it is unto death. Why is it unto death? Because he who committed the sin has crucified the Lord Jesus Christafresh and put Him to an open shame, and remember, he who committed the sin was a brother church member, had been a Christian, had been made a partaker of the Holy Ghost and had tasted the powers of

the world to come, but had fallen away, and Paul says it is impossible to renew them again unto repentance. The dog has returned to his vomit again, and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire. The righteous man has turned away from his righteousness; the individual has gone beyond the bounds, the regions of hope, and the restrictions placed around them by grace, the law of the Holy Ghost.

Kind reader, in conclusion, I hope you understand why we have associated apostasy with the blasphemy against the Holy Ghost, for we have endeavored to show you by the Bible that it is the same sin; if it is not, there would certainly be two sins for which there is no forgiveness. Christ says, all sins shall be forgiven but the blasphemy against the Holy Ghost. Paul says, that man that falls away after conversion cannot be restored. So we see that falling from grace (apostasy) is what the Lord Jesus Christ meant when he spoke to the Paharisees about the unpardonable sin.

Now brethren, sisters and dear readers, we conclude, that the doctrine of once in grace you are forever saved and it is impossible to fall away or to commit a damning sin, one of the most dangerous as well as one of the most unfounded assertions ever made from the sacred stand, because it stands only as a doctrine or assertion of man without the support of the Gospel. In Jude he says the angels that kept not their first estate but left their own habitation, he has reserved in everlasting chains unto darkness unto the judgment of the great day. Angles have fell, apostatized, sinned against the Holy Ghost. They can never be restored to their first estate again; they are reserved under chains unto the judgment of the great day. Now this does not speak of the mere possibility of falling, but of the fact of having fallen, left their own habitation, gone beyond the bounds of divine restriction placed around them by the Holy Ghost, and committed the sin for which there is no pardon; for they are not to receive, and cannot receive pardon, but are kept under chains of darkness until judgment day. In Matt. 5:13 Jesus says, "Ye are the salt of earth, but if the salt have lost its savor, it is thenceforth good for nothing but to be cast out and trodden under foot of men. " Who was he talking to when he said, you are the salt of the earth, which is equal to saying, you, my disciples, whom I have called to be my witnesses, to establish my church; possess grace, knowledge and power through the Holy Ghost, shall, through the power of the Holy Ghost, establish the medium or dispensation through which all people who come to me, or are saved, shall be brought and saved. But if the salt have lost its savor--if you lose what I give you through my life and ministry, and the Holy Ghost, you

are forever worthless to me, thereafter fit for nothing but to be cast out of the kingdom of God, to be trodden under foot of men.

Now, as we conclude, we trust that you will search the Scriptures for truth, with a heart and mind unbiased and unprejudiced by preconceived ideas and notions, and may God help each one to do so, is our prayer.

A. J. Parker

#### FIRST UNION MEETING

The First Union meeting was held at Little Bethel Church, Ideal, Ga. on Saturday, January 28, 1967, commencing at 10:30 o'clock, The congregational singing was led by Rev. Gene Windham. Prayers were offered by Rev. Harvey Giddens and Rev. William Travis.

It was suggested that a Free Will Offering be received for Rev. W. R. Lawhorn who has retired from the ministery and is in bad health. The amount was \$57.25.

Rev. Hubert Arnold brought a most inspiring message. His text was taken from the 22nd chapter of Matthews, 34th through 40th verses, and 15th chapter of St. John, 9th through 15th verse.

After the preaching the congregation shook hands with all the preachers present. Lunch was served by the Host Church.

#### SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The congregation assembled and began singing at 1:15 o'clock. Prayer was offered by Bro. Gene Windham. The devotional was by Rev. W. J. Childree. He read from the 12th chapter of Hebrews.

The moderator declared this session open for business and invited visiting Brethren to seats with us. There were none. Next was a call for corresponding letters. Bro. W. T. Williams and Rev. A. G. Windham read the letters. The delegates are as follows:

- 1. New Prospect, Turner County--Bro. Luther Little, J. L. Wilson, \$3.00.
- 2. New Liberty--Bro. J. C. Kirkland and wife, Sis. Annie Lou Streetman, Sis. Rose Lee Grimsley. \$1.00.
- 3. Mt. Olive--Bro. Hudson Poole, Sis. Myrtice Morrell, Sis. Joyce Wilder, Sis. Louise Nelson. \$5.00.
- 4. Little Bethel--Bro. Morris Lawhorn, Bro. Milton Layfield, Bro. Leonard Layfield, Sis. Bonnie Jinks. \$5.00.
- 5. First Thomaston--Sis. Bell Tucker, Sis. Annie Travis, Sis.

- Sis. Cora Ranow, Sis. Kate Watson. \$5.00.
- 6. St. Luke--Bro. Homer Greer. \$3.00.
- 7. New Life--Bro. John Turner and wife, Bro. E. Z. Plymale and wife, Bro. Robert Stubbs. \$3.00.
- 8. Bethany--Sis. Ruby Grimsley, Sis. Flora Garrett, Sis. Annette Grimsley. \$2.00.
- 9. New Prospect, Taylor County--Bro. and Sis. O. M. Williams, Sis. Mary Williams, Sis. W. J. Childree, Bro. Cecil Childree. \$3.00.
- 10. Turner's Chapel--Sis. Willie Mae Mills, Sis. Lokie Rogers,
- Sis. Nellie Heath, Bro. Ernest Heath, Bro. Ronald Mills. \$3.00
- 11. Pleasant Hill--Sis. Harold Dillard, Sis. Earlene Greene-\$5.00.
- 12. Providence--Sis. Lanie Bass, Sis. Margaret Sizemore,
- Sis. Anne Miller, Sis. Virginia Searcy, Sis. Doris Yancy \$3.00.
- 13. Spring Hill--Sis. Rosa Grimsley, Sis. Myrtle Grier, Sis. Bernice McCall. \$3.00.
- 14. Trinity--Bro. and Sis. Larry Bell, Bro. David Welch, Sis. Josephine Welch. \$3.00.
- 15. New Bethel--by Pastor \$3.00.

M.S.C. to receive letters as read and to seat the delegates.

Several announcements were made at this time. Bro. H. H. Watson made an announcement concerning building a new church in Atlanta. Bro. Gene Windham pleaded for support of our Super Annuation Program. Rev. Bill Travis spoke concerning the Camp Board. Rev. C. H. Bass asked for Free Will support to build new Sunday School rooms at Providence. Bro. E. A. Welch made announcements concerning the Bible institute to soon be held at the camp. He told of the financial need of the Bible Institute. Rev. A. G. Windham suggested that the money be brought and placed on the table. The body responded greatly. The amount received was \$30.61, which was sent to the Board of Christian Education.

There was no further business to come before the body. A move was made and seconded to adjourn. The body was dismissed by prayer.

Total received by letters -- \$50.00

Stamps

1.00

Balance

\$49.00

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

#### SECOND UNION MEETING

This session of the Union Meeting Met with St. Luke Church in Phenix City, Ala. on April 29, 1967, at 10:30 o'clock.

Due to the absence of the Pastor of the Host Church, Rev. William Travis welcomed the body and was in charge of the program until the moderator arrived. Bro. Willis Windham led the body in singing. Rev. Hubert Arnold and Rev. J. B. Fuller lead in prayer.

Rev. William Travis preached the introductory message. He read from the 26th Chapter of Acts. The topic was "We need more visions." After a very well delivered message, Rev. A. G. Windham dismissed the body with prayer and lunch was served by the host church.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

After enjoying a very delicious lunch the body again assembled and was led in singing by Rev. B. T. Gill. Prayer again was offered by Rev. Hubert Arnold.

The Moderator read from 1st Corinthians, 6th ch., 19th and 20th verses.

The session was declared open for business. The moderator welcomed all visitors and invited them to seats with us.

The next item was a call for corresponding letters.

M.S.C. that Rev. William Travis and Rev. A. G. Wind-ham read the letters. They are as follows:

- 1. Little Bethel--By letter--\$5.00.
- 2. New Prospect, Taylor--Bro. E. L. Posey and wife, Bro. Willis Windham and wife, Bro. Cecil Childree and wife. \$3.00
- 3. Spring Hill--Bro. Leonard Grimsley--\$3.00.
- 4. New Life--Bro. Horace Lockhart and wife, Bro. Zeak Plymale and wife, Bro. Robert Stubbs, Sis. Ruby Stubbs. 3.00.
- 5. New Prospect, Turner--Sis. Annie Lawhorn. \$3.00.
- 6. Turner's Chapel-Sis. Helen Gilbert, Sis. Edna Carroll, Sis. Sandra Rodgers, C. W. Carroll. \$3.00.
- 7. First Thomaston--By Pastor--\$5.00.
- 8. Providence--Sis. Lanie Bass, Bro. and Sis. Pearlie Allen, Sis. Lucille Bass, Bro. Robert Allen, Sis. Debbie Searcy, Sis. Dolly Leaks, Sis. Kathlene Carney. \$3.00.
- 9. Trinity--Bro. Larry Bell and Wife, Bro. Jack Cobb and wife. \$3.00.
- 10. St. Luke--Sis. Brenda Greer, Sis. Nell Greer, Sis. Ethel Greer--\$3.00.
- 11. New Bethel--By Letter--\$3.00.

- 12. Bethany--Bro. and Sis. Hoke Garrett, Sis. Margarette Hodge, Sis. Myron May. \$3.00.
- 13. Mt. Olive--Sis. Myrtice Morrell, Sis. Annie L. Windham, Bro. and Sis. Jimmy Wilhoite. \$5.00.
- 14. Pleasant Hill--Sis. Fred Brewer, Sis. William Guy, Sis. Harold Dillard, Sis. Walter Hambrick, Bro. and Sis. Frank Williams. \$5.00.

A motion was made and seconded to receive the letters as read and seat the delegates. The next item was a call for new or miscellaneous business.

It was recommended by Rev. William Travis that the Chattahoochee Association try to organize a Sunday Sunday Convention. A move was made and seconded that the Chair appoint a committee to work toward this and make their report at the next Union Meeting. Those appointed to the committee were Rev. William Travis, Rev. A. G. Windham, Rev. J. B. Fuller.

A special offering was received for the Unified Program, The amount was \$20.00. This will be sent to the State Secretary.

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

After several announcements, a move was made and seconded to adjourn.

Benediction was by Bro. E. A. Welch.

Rev. C. H. Bass, Moderator

Bro. E. A. Welch, Clerk

Total received by letter--\$50.00.

#### THIRD UNION MEETING

The third Union Meeting met with Turner's Chapel on Saturday, July 29, 1967 at 10:30 o'clock.

The congregation was led in singing by Bro. Gene Windham. Prayers were offered by Rev. Mance Cason, Rev. William Travis, and Bro. E. A. Welch.

The Moderator presented Rev. W. J. Owens to the body. He brought a very inspiring message taken from the 6th ch. of St. John 45 verse. His text was "What causes man to see God?" After the sermon, the congregation shook hands with all preachers present. (There were nine present)

Rev. J. B. Fuller, Pastor of the Host Church, made announcements concerning lunch.

The body was dismissed for the noon hour with prayer by Rev. W. J. Childree. Lunch was served by the Host Church.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

The body assembled at 1:15 o'clock and was entertained by special singing that was prepared by groups from the Turner's Chapel Church. Everyone seemed to enjoy this program very much.

The moderator granted Rev. Mance Casona few minutes so that he could report to the body our progress in the field of Unified giving or Cooperative Plan of Support. Rev. Cason introduced to the body Bro. Gay, who serves on the Board of Trustees at the Children's Home in Eldridge, Alabama. Both of these reports were well received.

The Moderator asked Rev. W. J. Childree to bring a brief devotional. He read from 142nd Psalm. This session was declared open for business. The Moderator invited all visitors to seats with us.

Next was the call for corresponding letters. M.S.C. that Rev. W. J. Owens and Rev. William Travis read the letters. They are as follows:

- 1. Turner's Chapel-Sis. Cassie Moore, Sis. Corine Rodgers, Sis. Lelia Averrett, Bro. Bobby Rodgers, Bro. Randolph Averrett. \$3.00.
- 2. Spring Hill--Bro. Norman Grier--\$3.00
- 3. Bethany--Sis. Ruby Grimsley, Sis. Annette Grimsley, Sis. Alma Garrett. \$3.00.
- 4. Mt. Olive--Sis. Louise Nelson, Sis. Myrtice Morrell, Sis. Elmer Dent. \$5.00.
- 5. New Prospect, Turner--By letter. \$3.00.
- 6. New Bethel--By letter \$3.00.
- 7. St. Luke--Sis. Nell Greer, Bro. Homer Greer. \$3.00.
- 8. Trinity--Sis. Josephine Welch, Sis. Wanda Bell. \$3.00.
- 9. First Thomaston--Sis. Cora Renow, Sis. Anne Travis, Sis. Sandra Travis, Sis. Dorothy Travis. \$5.00.
- 10. Pleasant Hill--Sis. William Guy, Sis. Earlene Greene, Sis. Pearl Guy. \$3.00.
- 11. Providence--Sis. Dora Yancy, Sis. Delero Searcy, Sis. Lanie Bass, \$3.00.
- 12. New Liberty--Bro. J. C. Kirkland and Wife, Sis. Jewel Grimsley--\$1.00.
- 13. New Life--Bro. John Turner and wife, Bro. Horace Lock-hart and wife, Bro. Zeak Plymale and wife. \$3.00.
- 14. Little Bethel--Bro. Tyson Ray, Bro. and Sis. Leonard Layfield. \$5.00.
- 15. New Prospect, Taylor--By letter. \$3.00.

A motion was made and seconded to receive the letters as read and to seat the delegates. A vote was taken as to

where the next Union Meetings would be held. They are as follows:

1st--March 30, 1968. First Thomaston. Rev. A. G. Windham Introductory. Rev. Hubert Arnold--Alternate.

2nd--June 29, 1968. Trinity. Rev. William Travis--Intro-ductory. Rev. J. B. Fuller--Alternate.

3rd--September 28, 1968. Providence. Rev. J. B. Fuller--Introductory. Rev. William Travis--Alternate.

A motion was made and seconded that in the future the names of the delegates would be with-held from the church letters until they arrived at the Union meeting and then put only the names of those present on the letter as delegates.

M.S.C. that in the future all Union Meetings will begin at 10 o'clock.

The committee that was appointed at the 2nd Union Meeting to investigate the possibility of forming a Sunday School Convention reported at this time. Their report stated all churches contacted were ready to reactivate our Sunday School Convention.

A move was made and seconded that the body accept the report and to dismiss the committee.

After this motion the committee made suggestions as to how to form the Convention and was called down because it was felt by some present that this was business that should be handled at the Annual Association. After much discussion a motion was made and seconded that the above report be tabled until a future date. It was also moved and seconded that in the future no committees would be appointed at the Union Meetings.

The next item was to appoint officers for the insuing year. They are as follows:

Moderator--Rev. Hubert Arnold
Assistant Moderator--Rev. William Travis
Clerk--E. A. Welch
Assistant Clerk--Herman Watson

M.S.C. to pay the Moderator \$10.00 and the Clerk \$15.00 for their services rendered.

Since Rev. Bass had served in the Moderator's Chair for several years, a motion was made and seconded that the body give Rev. Bass a rising vote of "Thanks" for his years of devoted service.

M.S.C. to give the host church a rising vote of "Thanks"

There was no farther business to come before the body. A motion was made and seconded to adjourn. Benediction by Rev. B. T. Gill.

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

Total received by letters \$49.

#### 1967 FINANCIAL REPORT FOR UNION MEETINGS

| Received by letters                    | \$149.00       |
|--|----------------|
| EXPENSES                               |                |
| Paid Moderator                         | 1 <b>0.</b> 00 |
| Paid Clerk                             | 15.00          |
| Stamps                                 | 1.00           |
| Total Expenses                         | 26.00          |
| Balance in Treasury                    | \$123.00       |
| (To be turned over to the Association) |                |
| E. A. Welch, Jr., Clerk                |                |

#### MINUTES OF MINISTERS AND DEACONS MEETING

This meeting was at the First Church in Thomaston, Georgia on Saturday September 2. The body met at 10:30 o'clock with Bro. Jesse Windham leading in devotion. The Welcome was by Bro. H. H. Watson, and the response by Rev. A. G. Windham.

The morning message was well delivered by our newly called Preacher, Bro. Edward Arnold.

The body was dismissed for lunch with prayer by Rev. A. G. Windham.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

After enjoying a very delicious lunch that was prepared by the Host Church, the body assembled again and Bro. Larry Bell, a newly ordained Deacon, presented a very good message.

The moderator declared the session opened for business to come before this meeting.

The first item was prayer by the Moderator, Rev. Hubert Arnold.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. A special offering was received for the Children's Home. The amount was \$21.03 of which \$20 will be sent to the Home. The balance will remain in the Treasurer.

There were seven preachers and ten deacons present.

Four churches were represented. They were: Mt. Olive, Turner's Chapel, First Thomaston and Trinity.

The next Ministers and Deacons meeting will meet at Turner's Chapel Church on Saturday before the first Sunday in September, 1968.

The election of officers was the next item. The body chose Bro. Earl Bone as moderator, Rev. Hubert Arnold as Assistant Moderator, Bro. Larry Bell as Clerk, and Bro. Woody Nelson as the Assistant Clerk. A rising vote of "Thanks" was extended the Host Church for their splendid hospitality.

The body widely discussed ways in which to make the women folk of our association feel welcome at a Ministers and Deacons meeting. It is not intended that any should feel that they should not take part in this meeting, but that everyone who so desires should come and join in this meeting.

At this time a M.S.C. to invite all lay-members of each church to be present at and take part in all business to come before a Ministers and Deacons Meeting.

There was no further business to come before the body. It was M.S.C. to adjourn.

Rev. Hubert Arnold, Moderator Bro. E. A. Welch, Assistant Clerk

Balance in Treasurer \$3.08

#### WOMEN'S AUXILIARY DEPARTMENT

# PROCEEDINGS OF THE CHATTAHOOCHEE DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY -- EIGHTEENTH SESSION September 16, 1967

The Eighteenth Annual Session of the Woman's Auxiliary Convention convened with the First Free Will Baptist Church of Thomaston, Georgia on September 16, 1967.

THEME: Send out Thy Light to Thy church. Isiah 59:9, 10, 60:1.

10:00--Registration
10:15--Opening song "Send the Light"
Prayer--by Sis. Mamie Chambley
Devotion--by Bro. Herman Watson
Welcome--by Sis. Ruby Wells
Response--by Turner Chapel Auxiliary
10:30--Meeting called to order by President,
Sis. Ann Travis.
Recognition of visitors and ministers

Recognition of visitors and ministers. Roll call of local Auxiliary.

The President then appointed the committees.

Special music by Turner's Chapel Trio Prayer by Sis. Helen Salter Love offering taken \$14.80 11:00 Message by Rev. Wm. Travis 12:00 Dismissed for lunch.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION l o'clock

Song "Jesus Calls Us"

Prayer by Mrs. Joe Wilson

Scripture reading, John 8:12 "I am the Light of the world, he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life."

Topic l--"Need for Light" Scripture--Gen. 1:2, Isiah 14:16,17 by Naomi Bell.

Topic 2--"The Light of Salvation" Scripture--Eph. 5:14 by Sis. Lannie Bass.

Topic 3--"Beaconing Light to the Church" Scripture-- Acts 13:47 by Sis. Mandy Windham.

Special Music by Sis. Ann Travis, "Here Am I, Send Me"

#### **BUSINESS SESSION**

Minutes were read and approved. Delegates were appointed to state convention. They were--Sis. Ruby Wells, Sis. Ann Travis, and Sis. Naomi Bell.

The Committees gave their reports. (See reports.) The Treasure Report was given and we had a move and second to accept it. Turner's Chapel Church will entertain the Convention September, 1968. A move and second to accept the nomination that the Committees report and release the committee.

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

The new officers were led in prayer at the alter by Rev. William Travis. We were dismissed.

#### REPORTS

#### REPORT OF CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

We the Credential Committee submit the following report:

We find the auxiliaries eligable to be seated in the convention.

Turner's Chapel Church-Butler, Georgia
Providence Church-Columbus, Georgia
First Church of Thomaston-Thomaston, Georgia
Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Ruby Wells
Mrs. Lois Allen

#### REPORT OF REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

| Officers   | • |   | • | •  |    | •  |    |    | •  | . • | •   | •  | •  | •   | •  | • | • | • | 6  |
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| Delegates  |   |   | • | •  | •  | •  | •  | •  | •  | •   | •   | •  |    |     | •  | - | • | • | 6  |
| Ministers  |   |   | • |    |    |    | •  |    |    |     | •   | •  | •  | •   | •  | • | • | • | 1  |
| Visitors ' |   | • |   | •  | •  |    |    | •  |    |     |     | •  |    | •   | •  | • | • |   | 12 |
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#### REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

We your Finance Committee find the treasurer books in order.

| Balance brough forward |  | \$ 2.09 |
|------------------------|--|---------|
| Convention Dues        |  | 6.50    |
| Love Offering          |  | 14.80   |
| Total                  |  | \$23.39 |

We recommend the following expenditures—

Love offering for Rev. C. H. Bass—

Home Missions

Minutes

3.00
\$23.00
Balance in Treasurer

Respectfully submitted,
Sis. Ruby Wells,
Sis. Jewell Bone
Sis. Naomi Bell

Sis. Naomi Bell

#### REPORT OF RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

#### Be it Resolved:

- 1. That all auxiliaries support the state project.
- 2. That we continually support the Provision Closet in Nash-ville.
- 3. That we give Rev. C. H. Bass a Love Offering of \$10.00.

  Respectfully submitted,

  Mrs. Mandy Windham

  Mrs. Cassie Moore

#### REPORT OF NOMINATION COMMITTEE

President--Mrs. Ann Travis
Vice President--Mrs. Ruby Wells
Secretary and Treasurer--Mrs. Naomi Bell
Personal Service--Mrs. Vera Moore
Assistant Secretary & Treasurer--Mrs. Kate Watson
Study Course Chairman--Mrs. Mandy Windham
Stewardship Chairman--Mrs. Julia Mauldin
Mission Chairman--Mrs. Cora Ranow
Field Workers--Mrs. Lois Allen, Mrs. Virginia Searcy

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. Lannie Bass

Mrs. Jessie Carroll Mrs. Lois Allen

Mrs. Kate Watson

Mrs. Belle Tucker

#### TREASURERS REPORT

Brought forward

Taken in and paid our from Oct. 66 - Sept. 67 ---- 319.50

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Ruby Wells,

District Treasurer

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#### To The Memory of Sister Etta Rogers Coulter --

For many years a true and loyal member with New Prospect Church, Taylor County, Georgia, ever ready to promote its cause as long as health permitted, and when health failed and disability deprived it was a consolation to hear her testify her love of the Lord and of the hope of an endless rest in the life and world beyond.

Born January 2, 1892, departed this life January 9, 1967 at the age of 75 years and 7 days.

Sleeper at rest from your labor below Soon to awake and arise; Waiting the morn when the trumpet shall blow, When Jesus decends the skies.

Joyful reunion when loved ones we meet, Beyond the valley of tears, Casting our radiance down at His feet In praise through numberless years.

W. J. Childree, Pastor

#### In Memory of Sister Stella Grimsley--

Sister Grimsley was born 1893, and departed from this life July 7, 1967, making her stay on earth 73 years and 9 months.

She was a member of Bethany Church in Marion County Georgia. She was the wife of one of our elderly ministers, Rev. Johnny Grimsley.

Sister Grimsley will be missed from our church and community, but our loss is Heaven's gain.

Rev. Roscoe Pitts, Pastor

#### To The Memory of Brother W. O. McElmurray --

A true and much devoted Deacon member with New Liberty Church, Schley County, Georgia until declining health rendered him unable to fill his place and render the service he loved so well. The life he lived was his testimony thus leaving behind him a sweet memory to live in the heart of his many friends and loved ones. Born August 1, 1894, departed this life May 1, 1967, a stay on earth of 72 years and 9 months.

When the rays of fadeless light,
Shines on that unending day;
And I rise and take my flight,
From the narrow house of clay,
There I'll rest in boundless love,
And its glories ever share
In that mansion bright above,
Blessed home so bright and fair.
W. J. Childree, Pastor

#### In Memory of Brother J. M. Jones--

Bro. J. M. Jones was born February 1, 1888 and died April 14, 1967, making his stay on earth 79 years, 2 months, 13 days. Bro. Jones was a devoted member of Little Bethel Church for many years. He believed in the great cause our Saviour died for.

When our Lord descends from Heaven, Bidding all the Saint arise; Endless praise will then be given; To the King of earth and skies.

His Pastor, Rev. J. B. Lumpkin

#### In Memory of Brother George Rewin--

Uncle George, as better known was a member of New Bethel Free Will Baptist Church and was known and loved by all as a Christian. He was born November 12, 1901, died October 20, 1966.

Uncle George was in failing health during the latter part of his life, but bore it's discomfort of pain and sorrow with great patience as a true soldier of the cross--But the gift of God is Eternal life.

He'll be missed by his wife, children, friends, and Church.

Myrtis Greene, Church Clerk

#### In Memory of Sister Rena W. Jones --

Sister Jones was born June 7, 1885, and died February 11, 1967. Sister Jones was one of our oldest members of New Bethel Free Will Baptist Church. She leaves a vacancy in her Church and her home. She leaves two daughters and a number of grandchildren.

And ever near us through unseen
The dear immortal Spirits tread
For all the boundless universe is life
There is no dead.

Myrtis Greene, Church Clerk

## In Memory of Sister Ida Mae McDonald--

Born March 22, 1909, and died December 24, 1965, Sis. Ida Mae was a member of New Bethel Free Will Baptist Church and was pianist of the church as long as health would permit.

She leaves behind her husband, two sons, and two daughters.

In cherished memory we lament your passing, and abiding hope we'll meet again.

Myrtis Greene, Church Clerk

## FINANCIAL TABLE

| CHURCH          | COUNTY   | Paid<br>Pastor | Paid<br>Evangelist | Gooperative<br>Plan | Building<br>and<br>Repairs | Literature | Children's<br>Home | Paid for<br>Minutes | Miscellaneous | Causes<br>Not<br>Listed | Value of<br>Church<br>Property | Total<br>Expenditures |
|-----------------|----------|----------------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Turner's Chapel | Taylor   | 1,436.86       | 106.00             | 89.60               | 376.44                     | 347.13     | 109.52             | 10.00               | 267.58        | 256.90                  | 16,000.00                      | 2,790.91              |
| Bethany         | Marion   | 126.62         | 41.94              |                     |                            |            |                    | 5,00                |               |                         | 2,500.00                       |                       |
| Spring Hill     | Marion   | 566.40         | 80.00              |                     |                            |            |                    | 5.00                |               | 89.19                   | 10,000.00                      | 735.59                |
| New Prospect    | Taylor   | 292.78         | 100,00             |                     | 161.82                     | 41.71      |                    | 10.00               | 3.40          | 84.52                   | 6,000.00                       | 661.68                |
| Pleasant Hill   | Schley   | 1,139.03       | 100,00             | 183.03              | 784,72                     |            |                    | 10.00               |               | 127.69                  | 7,500.00                       |                       |
| Little Bethel   | Macon    | 650.00         | 100.00             |                     |                            | 60.00      | 35.00              | 10.00               | 156.00        |                         | 5,000.00                       |                       |
| Trinity         | Taylor   | 942.35         | 100,00             | 71.00               |                            |            |                    | 5.00                |               | 30,00                   | 3,000.00                       |                       |
| Providence      | Muscogee | 2,282.00       |                    | 19.00               |                            | 91.70      |                    | 10.00               |               | 354,04                  | 10,000.00                      |                       |
| New Liberty     | Schley   | 260.60         | 74.00              |                     | 14.60                      |            |                    | 3,00                | 37.46         |                         |                                |                       |
| New Life        | Marion   | 322.03         | 75.00              |                     | 410.76                     | 9.00       | 60.00              | 10,00               | 71.11         | 56, 91                  | 7,000.00                       | 1,004.81              |
| New Bethel      | Worth    | 612.70         | 53.00              |                     | 1677.03                    | 33.00      |                    |                     | 38.45         | 40.00                   | 12,000.00                      |                       |
| Mount Olive     | Taylor   | 2,347.50       | 125,00             | 170.00              | 4587.98                    | 149.34     | 120.00             | 10.00               | 285.00        | 1, 188.66               | 22,000.00                      | 8, 973.48             |
| New Prospect    | Turner   | 1,180.00       | 100.00             |                     | 29.78                      |            | 96.00              | 10,00               | 118.02        | 43, 33                  | 10,000.00                      | 1,584.65              |
| First Thomaston | Upson    | 3,900.00       | 152.88             | 135.00              | 174.59                     | 400.93     |                    | 10.00               | 1, 113, 65    | 275, 53                 | 10,000.00                      | 6,228.80              |
|                 |          |                |                    | ····                |                            |            |                    |                     |               |                         | 7,500.00                       |                       |
| St. Luke        | Russell  | 59.65          |                    |                     | 163.89                     | 54.70      | 15.00              | 5.00                |               | 15.00                   | 8, 000. 00                     | 293.24                |

### STATISTICAL TABLE

|                 |          |                   |                     |     |                        |                       |          |          |                     |                  | ENROLLMENT |        |                      |                    |                 |  |
|-----------------|----------|-------------------|---------------------|-----|------------------------|-----------------------|----------|----------|---------------------|------------------|------------|--------|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--|
| CHURCH          | COUNTY   | PASTOR            | Rec'd by<br>Baptism | D 9 | Dismissed<br>by Letter | Rec'd by<br>Statement | Expelled | Deceased | Total<br>Membership | MEETING<br>DA YS | Sunday     | League | Woman's<br>Auxiliary | Prayer<br>Meetings | Master's<br>Men |  |
| Little Bethel   | Macon    | J. B. Lumpkin     | 3                   |     | 3                      |                       |          | 1        | 111                 | 2nd & 4th        | 50         |        |                      | yes                |                 |  |
| New Prospect    | Taylor   | W. J. Childree    |                     |     |                        | 1                     |          | 1        | 52                  | 2nd & 4th        | 45         |        |                      |                    |                 |  |
| New Liberty     | Schley   | W. J. Childree    |                     |     |                        |                       |          | 2        | 26                  | 1st & 3rd        |            |        |                      |                    |                 |  |
| New Prospect    | Turner   | V. L. Prittchette | 3                   |     |                        | 1                     |          | 2        | 171                 | 2nd & 4th        | 25         |        |                      |                    |                 |  |
| First Thomaston | Upson    | William Travis    | 7                   | 7   |                        | 3                     |          | 1        | 108                 | Full Time        | 75         | 45     | 13                   | 30                 | 9               |  |
| New Bethel      | Worth    | Harvey Giddens    |                     | 1   |                        |                       |          | 3        | 91                  | 2nd & 4th        | 48         |        |                      |                    | ·               |  |
| Bethany         | Marion   | Roscoe Pitts      |                     |     |                        |                       |          | 1        | 40                  | lst & 3rd        |            |        |                      |                    |                 |  |
| St. Luke        | Russell  | G. W. Price       |                     |     | 4                      |                       |          |          | 30                  | Full Time        | 15         | 15     |                      | 15                 |                 |  |
| Providence      | Muscogee | C. H. Bass        | 4                   | 5   | 3                      | 2                     |          |          | 114                 | Full Time        | 59         | 34     | 5                    | 25                 |                 |  |
| Turner's Chapel | Taylor   | J. B. Fuller      | 26                  | 10  |                        | 1                     |          | 2        | 159                 | Full Time        | 96         | 65     | 19                   | 20                 |                 |  |
| New Life        | Marion   | J. B. Lumpkin     |                     | 4   |                        |                       |          |          | 86                  | 2nd & 4th        |            |        |                      | 7                  |                 |  |
| Trinity         | Taylor   | Hubert Arnold     | 6                   | 1   | <u> </u>               |                       |          |          | 30                  | 2nd-4th-5th      |            |        |                      | 20                 |                 |  |
| Spring Hill     | Marion   | Price Hayes       |                     |     | 2                      |                       | ·        |          | 24                  | 2nd & 4th        |            |        |                      |                    |                 |  |
| Pleasant Hill   | Schley   | Grady Ethridge    |                     |     | 4                      |                       |          |          | 54                  | 2dn & 4th        |            |        |                      |                    |                 |  |
| Mount Olive     | Taylor   | R. L. Horne       | 6                   | 2   | 3                      |                       |          | 1        | 182                 | Full Time        | 75         | 55     |                      | 35                 |                 |  |