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ASSOCIATIONAL CALENDAR

FIRST QUARTERLY MEETING January 2, 1982
Trinity

SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING April 3, 1982
Spring Hill

THIRD QUARTERLY MEETING July 10, 1982
Bethany

ANNUAL ASSOCIATION October 2, 1982
Pleasant Hill

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 Acknowledgements.
6. For reference or deferred business.
7. For Matters of Dealing which are in order to come before 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 or Appointing of Digest Committee.
4. Read Letter.
5. Call for Petition Letters.
6. Appoint various committees.
7. Miscellaneous Business
 Appoint Corresponding Messengers to Sister Associations, Obituaries, Number Minutes to print, Committee Reports, Selections of place for next session, elect Officers, vote of thanks to host church.
8. Election of Executive Committee.

ORDER OF BUSINESS OF QUARTERLY 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. Call for Reports of Committees.
6. Program by Host Church
7. Call for Micellaneous Business.
8. 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 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 acknowledgment 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, Rev. E. C. Grimsley, Rev. H. L. Lumpkin.

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 word, associations were wholly dependent on churches, and churches were not dependent upon associations, notwithstanding the power abrogated to themselves by some modern Baptist Associations, we view them as being nowhere preceded by the primitive usage of any self-created bodies.

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

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

AMMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

1. All candidates to be ordained into the ministry shall be required to come before the ordaining council for examination, before actually being ordained by some other body. All incoming preachers would be required to be examined by said council before the church, that he is to pastor, would be allowed to participate in the business of the Chattahoochee Association.

All incoming preachers would be required to appear before said council before their names would appear on the Ministerial Roll.

Anyone failing to comply with this amendment to our Constitution will not be recognized as a duly ordained minister of the Chattahoochee 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 acknowledgments
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 unreasonable 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 church sees 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 devise 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 therefore an association has no authority over churches or individuals, their only power being to transact business which does not pertain to churches in their ecclesiastical capacity; to promote mutual intercourse, and a concentration of voluntary effort, and to give that advice to churches which might with 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 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 no 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 hear say.

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 and 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 God 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 Savior. 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 not 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, 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 received them by a cordial and obedient faith and that nothing prevents the salvation of the greatest sinner on earth, but this 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 welfare, 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 is it holy, just and good; that the inability which the scriptures ascribe to fallen man to fulfill its precepts, arises entirely from his love of sin; to deliver him through a mediator to unfeigned obedience to the Holy law is one design of the Gospel of the means of grace connected with the establishment of the visible church.

—Matt. 5:13; Luke 10:13-20, 14:17.

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

12. That civil government is of divine appointment for the interest and good order 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 righteous 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.

BY-LAWS OF THE DISTRICT SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

Article I: In order to encourage and inspire our Sunday Schools of the Chattahoochee Association of Free Will Baptist, in a more definite plan of work and to co-ordinate our efforts for a more successful program of teaching God's Word, we set forth the following By-Laws:

Article II: This Convention shall be known as the Sunday School Convention of the Chattahoochee Association of Free Will Baptist.

Article III: The object of the Convention shall be to promote Sunday School work in general among our churches.

Article IV: The membership of this Convention shall be the Sunday Schools of the churches that are members in good standing with the Chattahoochee Association of Free Will Baptist. A mission Sunday School shall hold membership as long as it has the endorsement of a church which represents in said Convention.

Article V: The representation fee for each session shall be determined by the participating churches. The said fee shall be used to defray the expenses of the Convention, and to contribute to our denominational enterprises. The fee is to accompany a letter containing the condition of the Sunday School, average attendance, number of classes, number of departments, number on roll, number of teachers and officers and any other information that the Convention deems pertinent to the growth and efficiency of the local Sunday School.

Article VI: Each Sunday School shall send delegates as deemed appropriate to the Convention. All delegates should be elected from the laity.

Article VII: All pastors of the churches of the local Association and superintendents shall be considered members at large with voting power, but should not be sent as delegates.

Article VIII: The officers of this Convention shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, and Assistant Secretary and Treasurer. All officers shall be elected at the close of the session of the Convention each year.

Article IX: PRESIDENT: The President shall preside over all meetings of the Convention, appoint temporary committees and perform the other duties usually devolving upon said officer.

VICE PRESIDENT: The Vice-President shall preside over meetings in the absence or at the request of the President and assist the President in the general supervision of the Convention.

SECRETARY AND TREASURER: The Secretary and Treasurer shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Convention and record all finances that come as funds into the Convention.

SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE: The Committee shall organize or assist in the organization of new Sunday Schools, the reorganization of existing Sunday Schools that have lapsed into a state of inefficiency. This service being rendered at the request of the local Sunday School.

Article X: Amendments: These By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any regular session.

BY-LAWS SUBMITTED BY:

Rev. Bobby Whittaker
Rev. A. G. Windham
Rev. Hubert Arnold
Bro. Hudson Poole

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCH	PASTOR	MEETING	Number of Baptisms	Received by Statement	Lost by Letter, Death, Revision of Roll, Etc.	Lost to Non FWB Churches	Resident Members	Non-Resident Members	Total Membership	Number of Revivals	Vacation Bible Bible School	Prayer Meetings	Sunday School Enrollment	C.T.S. Enrollment	Women's Auxiliary	Master Men
Bethany	Joel Wainwright	FT	2	2	3	1	15	36	51	1	0	yes	25	0	0	0
Decatur	J. E. Blanton	FT	17	22	8	0	62	0	62	1	0	yes	91	0	yes	0
First Thomaston	Mike Creech	FT	17	26	6	0	85	28	113	1	yes	yes	96	49	yes	yes
Lake Blackshear	Gerald E. Brown	FT	5	6	0	0	16	6	22	0	0	yes	21	0	0	0
Little Bethel	Eugene F. Ross	FT	4	6	4	0	98	0	98	1	0	yes	39	0	yes	yes
Mount Olive	A. G. Windham	FT	2	2	2	0	164	16	180	1	0	yes	96	0	0	0
New Liberty	Jimmy Stubbs															
New Life	Carlton Jordan	FT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Prospect	W. R. Crawley	FT	7	2	1	0	53	0	53	1	0	yes	50	12	0	0
Northside	Ronald Wallace															
Pleasant Hill	H. G. Fowler	FT	2	2	2	1	30	4	34	1	0	0	30	0	0	0
Spring Hill	Joe L. Tyler	FT	4	7	7	4	48	0	48	1	yes	0	30	0	0	0
Trinity	Warren Wyatt	FT	1	0	0	0	38	19	57	1	0	yes	38	0	0	0
Turners Chapel	Charles Clark	FT	6	3	7	0	131	52	183	1	yes	yes	74	24	0	0

FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCH	COUNTY	Total Offering From Any Source	Pastors Salary	Building & Repairs	Literature, Utilities, Revivals, Etc.	Total Local Expenditure	Cooperative Program	F.W.B. Bible College & Childrens Home	Home & Foreign Missions	Paid For Minutes	Total Spent For Outside Courses
Bethany	Marion		1,415.00	2,249.09	2,446.25	6,110.34				10.00	
Decatur	Dekalb	37,110.29	16,189.00			34,237.40	120.00	2,135.00	1,313.88	5.00	5660.61
First Thomaston	Upson		10,085.00	4,128.00	5,330.00	27,690.00	295.00	469.00	1,306.00	10.00	2,666.00
Lake Blackshear	Crisp	23,000.00	4,200.00				120.00			10.00	
Little Bethel	Macon	13,795.32	4,765.00	2,866.56	350.00	9,255.41	1,123.85			15.00	
Mount Olive	Taylor	24,000.00	12,505.00	2,500.00	4,675.00	22,680.00	630.00			15.00	1,775.00
New Liberty	Schley										
New Life	Marion										
New Prospect	Taylor	6,609.26	3,700.00	586.00	854.00	5,490.00				10.00	369.00
Northside	Cobb										
Pleasant Hill	Schley	7,117.51	3,025.00	1,483.00	5,212.20	9,720.20	621.72	200.00	125.00	20.00	305.00
Spring Hill	Marion		2,400.00	2,600.00	1,718.45	6,718.45				10.00	
Trinity	Taylor	19,812.00	6,510.00	4,411.39		13,068.00	900.00		242.00	25.00	
Turners Chapel	Taylor	9,716.59	3,860.00	758.31	1,550.65	6,168.96	882.81	125.84		20.00	

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No Report

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No Report

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No Report

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146TH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE CHATTAHOOCHEE FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The 146th Annual Meeting of the Chattahoochee Free Will Baptist Association met October 3, 1981 in Lake Blackshear Church, Cordele, Ga. at 10:00 a.m. Sis. Foise Bailey led with singing. The welcome was given by Rev. Gerald Brown, pastor of the Host Church.

The Moderator, Rev. J. E. Blanton, announced that the corresponding letters be brought forward and be read by Rev. Ronald Creech and Rev. Paul Ketteman. Delegates were as follows:

1. Bethany - Bro. Wes Tyler, Sis. Bertha Hendricks, Bro. Woodroe Hendricks, Sis. Faith Wainwright
2. Decatur - By Letter
3. First Thomaston - Eudene Pitts, Carla Creech, Kate Watson
4. Lake Blackshear - Foise Baily, Frances Restango, Phyllis Lamb
5. Little Bethel - Ann Ross, Ruby Roy, Mrs. G. A. Fowler
6. Mt. Olive - Bro. James Wilhoite, Sis. Annie L. Windham, Sis. Mary Wilhoite, Sis. Cynthia Jones
7. New Life - Bro. Joe Waller, Sis. Lou Ellen Waller
8. New Liberty - 0
9. New Prospect - Sis. Crawley, Sis. Nellie Lee Wainwright, Sis. Beth Windham, Sis. Florence Windham
10. Northside - 0
11. Pleasant Hill - Geraldine Dillard, Patty Wurtz, Ida Wall
12. Spring Hill - Sis. Myrtle Grier, Sis. Bernice McCall
13. Trinity - Juanita Wyatt, Bess Williams, Josephine Welch, Mae Williams
14. Turners Chapel - Bro. Earnest Heath, Sis. Edna Carroll, Bro. Jesse Carroll, Sis. Nell Heath, Sis. Helen Gilbert, Bro. Eugene McLeod

It was moved, seconded, and carried that the delegates be accepted

The committees were then appointed as follows:

TEMPERANCE:

Edna Carroll
Nell Heath
Josephine Welch

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY:

Mrs. Gleason Fowler

Ann Ross
Eudene Pitts

STATE OF CHURCHES & CHARACTER OF THE MINISTRY

Jesse Carroll
Morris Lawhorn
Dulce Cowan

SUGGESTION:

Frances Restango
Gleason Fowler
Rev. A. G. Windham

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

Rev. Mike Creech
Phyllis Lamb
Annie Windham

OBITUARY:

Earnest Heath
Juanita Wyatt
Faith Wainwright

NOMINATING:

Rev. Eugene Ross
Rev. Warren Wyatt
Rev. Eugene McLeod

FINANCE:

Rev. Roscoe Pitts
Ruby Ray
Carla Creech

ROLL CALL FOR ORDAINING COUNCIL

Dea. E. A. Welch, Jr.
Rev. Eugene Ross
Rev. Mike Creech

ROLL CALL FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Joe Waller - 1 year - Rt. 1, Box 87A, Talbotton, Ga.
Gleason Fowler - 5 yrs. Box 301A, Rupert, Ga.
C. W. Carroll - 4 yrs. - Rt. 2, Box 60B1, Butler, Ga.
Norman Grier - 3 yrs. - Mauk, Ga.
Tyson Ray - 2 yrs. Ideal, Ga.

Rev. Mike Creech gave a good report about the Youth Camp. That 13 young people were saved and there was a balance in the treasure of \$751.19.

It was then moved, seconded and carried to have one again this year.

IT was moved, seconded and carried for Rev. Mike Creech and Rev. Charles Clark in charge of the Youth Camp another year.

STATE BOART REPORTS:

Rev. Mike Creech, in charge of Camp Board, and Rev. J. E. Blanton, in charge of Mission Board, both gave good reports that the camp and missions are both getting better.

Rev. Ronald Creech and Rev. Paul Kettermen, both came from the Free Will Baptist Bible College, and both gave interesting reports.

The service was turned over to the pastor of the host church, Rev. Gerald Brown and the choir.

A special song was sung by the choir.

Rev. Charles Clark asked Rev. Paul Kettermen to take his place for the introductory sermon.

Rev. Kettermen took his text from Ezek. 26: 23 "Gap In The Hedge".

The body was dismissed for lunch with prayer by Rev. Charles Clark.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The singing began at 1:15 p.m. then prayer by Rev. Eugene Ross. A special message was delivered by Rev. Ronald Creech taken from Ecl. 12: 13-14, "Keep Going On", and ended the message with prayer.

The next item was the call for committee reports (see committee reports).

Moved, seconded and carried to receive all reports as presented.

The time and place of next years meetings was made known at this time (see calendar).

A rising vote of "Thanks" was given to the host church.

An offering of \$69.18 was for the "Harvest Drive" in Eldridge, Ala.

It was moved, seconded and carried to adjourn until the First Quarterly meeting on Jnauary 2, 1982 at Trinity Church. We were

dismissed with prayer by Rev. Bobby Whittaker.

Rev. J. E. Blanton, Moderator
C. W. Carroll, Clerk

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ORDAINING COUNCIL:

None

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

We the Executive Committee recommend that no Mission Board be established because no Missions are operating.

TEMPERANCE:

We your committee find in 1st Thessalonians 2:12. "That ye would walk worthy of God who hath called you unto his kingdom and glory."

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY:

The District Woman's Auxiliary Annual Convention met with the Decatur Church, September 12 with 26 members, 3 auxiliaries and 2 missions present.

We your Auxiliary Committee suggest a designated page in the District Minutes to keep people informed of the activities, meeting places and officers. We will pay the page fee. We encourage all churches that do not have an auxiliary to organize one.

STATE OF CHURCHES & CHARACTER OF MINISTRY:

We the committee find them all to be in order and good standing. We feel that God should be the head of each church and should be allowed to do the divine guiding.

SUGGESTION:

Our suggestion committee met with no new suggestions submitted. We, your committee would like to encourage every church to try and participate in all arms of the church.

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

We the Sunday School Committee urges every Church to participate in an active Sunday School program. With Sunday School growth comes church growth, so we recommend that all churches take part in spring and fall enlargement campaigns. It will richly benefit all churches.

OBITUARY:

First Thomaston - Mr. Arthur Maddox, 1-15-81
Little Bethel - Mrs. A. L. Fowler, 9-20-80; Mrs. Mary Lee Stalnaker, 8-28-80; Mr. Kenneth Fowler, 4-9-80
New Prospect - Mrs. Eva Trussell, 7-17-81
Pleasant Hill - Mr. Perry Hugh Wall, 10-19-80
Spring Hill - Sis. Jessica Wall Tyler, 11-12-80; Sis. Nina Daniel Roberts, 9-10-81
Turners Chapel - Mr. Dewey Moore, 1-17-81; Mr. Jesse Felton Posey, 3-1-81; Mrs. Henrietta Spillers Wilder, 12-31-80; Mrs. Mae Wainwright Spillers, 4-14-80; Mrs. Victoria Sams, 5-26-81; Mrs. Mamie Posey Ranow, 7-10-81; Mrs. Ione Windham, 6-3-81; Mrs. Lokie Rodgers, 4-7-80; Mrs. Bell Wainwright, 8-13-79

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

We the nominating committee submit the following recommendationa:

Ordaining Council:

Rev. Gerald Brown, Chairman
Dea. E. A. Welch, Jr.
Rev. Eugene F. Ross

Executive Committee:

Bro. Gleason A. Fowler

State Board:

Mission Board - Rev. J. E. Blanton
Retirement and Insurance - Rev. Warren Wyatt
Board of Trustees - Bro. G. N. Fowler
Education and Camp Board - Rev. Mike Creech
Budget Board - Bro. E. A. Welch, Jr.

Local:

Moderator - Rev. Eugene F. Ross - 2 yrs.
Asst. - Rev. Warren Wyatt
Clerk - Bro. C. W. Carroll
Asst. - Sis. Edna Carroll

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

From Quarterly Meetings	
Balance In Treasure, October	\$325.30
Received from Association	170.00
Offering for Youth Camp	766.19
Balance	\$1261.49
Paid to Moderator	60.00
Paid to Clerk	100.00
Balance	\$1101.49

THE FIRST QUARTERLY MEETING

The First Meeting was held at Trinity Church, Taylor County, Maun, Georgia on January 3, 1981. Song service began at 10:00 o'clock, led by Bro. E. A. Welch, Jr. Prayer by Rev. Carlton Jordan. The Moderator and Assistant Moderator were not present. The Clerk then asked the Association to nominate someone to be Moderator. The pastor of Trinity Church, Rev. Warren Wyatt, was nominated, moved, seconded and carried to be Moderator. Rev. Wyatt then welcomed the visitors at this time and asked for corresponding letters to be read by Rev. Bobby Whittaker and Rev. Carlton Jordan. They were represented as follows:

1. Bethany - Peggy Sawyer, Bro. and Sis. Hendricks
2. Decatur - No
3. First Thomaston - Carla Creech, Faye Howard
4. Lake Blackshear - By Letter
5. Little Bethel - Mary Lee Fowler, Blondell Layfield, Leonard Layfield, Gleason Fowler
6. Mount Olive - Letter
7. New Liberty - No
8. New Life - J. W. Teat, Ruby Stubbs, Rhonda Welch, Dollie Welch
9. New Prospect (Taylor) - Carol Wainwright, Sis. W. R. Crawley, Florence Windham
10. New Prospect (Turner) - Bertha Gibbs, H. E. Davis
11. Northside - By Letter
12. Pleasant Hill - Bro. & Sis. Guy, Frances Wall, Geraldine Dillard, Ida Wall, Earlene Greene, Bro. & Sis. Fred Brewer
13. Spring Hill - Bernice McCall, Myrtle Grier
14. Trinity - Juanita Wyatt, Charlie Gibb, Carol Welch, Bill Smith
15. Turners Chapel - Edna Carroll, Jesse Carroll, Nannie Lou Rodgers
16. Griffin Mission - J. L. Munson

Motioned, Seconded and Carried to accept the letters and seat the delegates.

The committees were appointed next.

STATE OF CHURCHES & CHARACTER OF MINISTRY:

Charlie Gibb

Nannie Lou Rodgers

Bertha Gibbs

FINANCE:

Bill Guy
Myrtle Grier
J. L. Munson

SUGGESTION:

Irene Brown
Florance Wincham
Edyth Guy

Rev. Dowdney gave a good report on state work at this time. Any donations for Northside Church Mission send to him for Wallace account.

Anything to come before the Ordaining Council can be done after lunch hour.

Rev. Ronald Wallace gave a good report on Northside Church that it is getting better.

The morning message was delivered by Rev. Mike Creech about, "Let It Shine", taken from Mathew 5:14. Then an alter call was made.

Roll call for Ordaining Council. Bro. Bill Jones had not attended two meetings. He was dismissed and Bro. E. A. Welch, Jr. elected to take his place.

Floyd Foster, Jr. - Yes
W. T. Williams - No. - 1
Bill Jones - No - 2
Rev. J. E. Blanton - No - 1
Rev. Mike Creech - Yes
Rev. A. G. Windham - No. - 1
Rev. Gene Ross - No - 1

Then Rev. Gerald Brown and Rev. Bobby Whittaker were elected to serve the council for today.

Roll call for Executive Committee:

N. R. Lumpkin - No. - 1
Buddy Taylor - No - 1
C. W. Carroll - Yes
Norman Grier - No - 1
Tyson Ray - No - 1

Dismissed for Lunch

AFTERNOON SESSION

Song service began at 1:00 p.m. Prayer by Rev. Charles Clerk.

The Ordaining Council gave their report at this time. Rev. Ronald Wallace met with the council. Rev. Wallace is from the Northside Church. He comes from the Union Association. We recommend the clerk to write for his letter.

Rev. Charles Clark appeared before the council. He comes to us from the Southern Baptist Denomination and after questions were answered it was motioned, seconded and carried to accept Rev. Clark into full fellowship with our association, since he was ordained in the Free Will Baptist movement originally. A motion was made to accept both reports which was seconded and carried.

Rev. Mike Creech and Rev. Bobby Whittaker gave a good report about the Youth Camp. Rev. Creech suggested that Rev. Bobby Whittaker be Director and Rev. Charles Clark be Assistant Director to be in charge of the young people that attend the Youth Camp this year and for them to be in charge of the Youth Fund. It was then moved, seconded and carried to be accepted.

Rev. Marshall Kelly gave a report on the Griffin Mission. It was then motioned, seconded and carried that a love offering be taken for the Griffin Mission. The amount was \$50.16

A rising vote of "Thanks" was given to the host church.

It was moved, seconded and carried to adjourn. We were dismissed with prayer by Rev. Mike Creech.

Moderator, Rev. Warren Wyatt
Clerk, C. W. Carroll

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE:

Accepted by Letters	\$110.00
For Youth Camp	150.00
Total	\$260.00

SUGGESTION:

We the Suggestion Committee encourage that each church send money to the Association to ensure that we have the camp for our children this summer.

STATE OF CHURCHES & CHARACTER OF MINISTRY:

Several blessings were noted that once again show us the Lord is in the body repair business as well as the soul saving endeavor. We the committee, having no complaints brought to us and having none to report, praise God, for the fellowship being enjoyed by our people.

A motion was made to accept all committee reports as given which was duly seconded and carried.

THE SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING

The Second Quarterly Meeting of the Chattahoochee Association was held at Little Bethel Free Will Baptist Church in Ideal, Georgia, April 4, 1981. The congregation began singing at 10:00 a.m., led by Bro. W. T. Williams. Prayer led by Bro. M. C. Powell.

The Assistant Moderator, Rev. Gene Ross called the body to order for business. He called for corresponding letters with Rev. A. G. Windham and Rev. Bobby Whittaker to read the letters. They were as follows.

1. Bethany - Sis. Bertha Hendricks, Bro. Coot Hendricks, Bro. and Sis. A. W. Tyler
2. Decatur - No
3. First Thomaston - Kate Watson, Eudene Pitts
4. Griffin Mission - No
5. Lake Blackshear - Irene Brown
6. Little Bethel - Sis. Mary Lee Fowler, Sis. Ann Ross, Sis. Ruby Layfield, Sis. Thelma Fowler, Sis. Lavern Cannon
7. Mount Olive - Letter
8. New Liberty - No
9. New Life - Bro. Joe Waller
10. New Propect, Taylor Co. - Sis. Nellie Lee Wainwright, Sis. Florence Windham, Sis. Mary Crawley
11. New Prospect, Turner Co. - No
12. Northside - No
13. Pleasant Hill - Bro. and Sis. Fred Brewer, Sis. Ida Wall, Sis. Earlene Green, Bro. and Sis. William Guy
14. Spring Hill - Bro. Mark Williams, Sis. Nell Foster, Sis. Geraldine Grier
15. Trinity - Bro. Bill Smith, Sis. Josephine Welch
16. Turners Chapel - Sis. Nannie Lou Rodgers, Sis. Myrtle Payne, Sis. Edna Carroll, Bro. Marvin McLeod

It was moved, seconded and carried that the delegates be seated and the letters be accepted.

The committees were then appointed.

FINANCE:

Sis. Eudene Pitts
Sis. Mary Lee Fowler
Sis. Fred Brewer

SUGGESTION:

Sis. Nannie Lou Rodgers
Bro. Mark Williams
Sis. Josephine Welch

STATE OF CHURCHES & CHARACTER OF MINISTRY:

Bro. Joe Waller
Sis. Irene Brown
Sis. Nanie Lee Wainwright

ROLL CALL FOR ORDAINING COUNCIL:

Floyd Foster, Jr. - Yes
W. T. Williams - Yes
E. A. Welch, Jr. - No - 1
Rev. J. E. Blanton - No - 2
Rev. Gene Ross - Yes
Rev. Mike Creech - No - 1
Rev. A. G. Wincham - Yes

Rev. J. E. Blanton had not attended two meetings. He was dismissed and Rev. W. R. Crawley was elected to his place.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

N. R. Lumpkin - No - 2
Buddy Taylor - No - 2
C. W. Carroll - Yes
Norman Grier - Yes
Tyson Ray - Yes

Bro. N. R. Lumpkin and Bro. Buddy Taylor had not attended two meetings. They were dismissed. Bro. Joe Waller was elected to replace Bro. N. R. Lumpkin and Bro. Gleason Fowler to replace Bro. Buddy Taylor

It was moved, seconded for the Executive Committee to examine a letter from Herbert Waid, clerk of Georgia State Assoc. concerning

a Church Ministers Annual Report and a "Ministerial Identification Card" for our Association and the state.

Rev. Bobby Whittaker gave a report about the young people attending the Youth Camp this year. He asked for someone to take his place as Director. It was moved, seconded and carried for Rev. Mike Creech to take his place the rest of this year.

The Moderator, Rev. Gene Ross, gave a warm welcome to the visitors at this time.

The Faith Freewill Baptist Mission gave a good report saying the Mission is growing in grace and sound doctrine.

Rev. Paul Kefferman, Director of Public Relations, from Free Will Baptist Bible College, Nashville, Tenn. gave very interesting report.

Morning service began with a song lead by Bro. W. T. Williams. Prayer by Rev. Homer Fowler. A special song by Sis. Lisa Ross. The morning message was delivered by Rev. W. R. Crawley taken from Eph. 1:3-5. The body was dismissed for lunch with prayer by Bro. Morris Lawhorn.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Singing began at 1:00 p.m. led by Bro. W. T. Williams.

A special by Rev. Gene Ross.

A devotion by Rev. Paul Kettermann.

A report was received from Rev. C. D. Dowdney on State Work.

The Executive Committee recommended the Association accept the letter from Herbert Waid concerning a Church Ministers Annual Report and a "Ministerial Identification Card" for our Association and the state. It was then moved, seconded and carried to be accepted.

The Ordaining Council recommended that Rev. M. C. Powell, Pastor of New Prospect in Turner Co., be accepted pending a letter from the Union Association. Also Rev. Gene Ross be chairman of the Ordaining Council the remainder of this year. They were both moved, seconded and carried.

It was moved, seconded and carried for the Executive Committee to discuss a Mission Board for the Chattahoochee Association and bring before the next meeting.

A rising vote of thanks was given to Little Bethel for the enjoyable day.

It was moved, seconded and carried for a love offering be taken for Mount Olive and delivered to Rev. Bobby Whittaker, the Pastor. The offering was \$100.00.

It was than moved, seconded and carried to adjourn. We were dismissed with prayer by Rev. Hubert Arnold.

Asst. Moderator, Rev. Gene Ross
Clerk. C. W. Carroll

COMMITTEE REPORTS

It was moved, seconded and carried that all reports be accepted.

FINANCE:

	Y.C.F.	Asso.
Balance March 13	\$189.50	\$146.67
Received Y.C.F.	173.00	
Received Assoc.		115.00
Balance	\$362.50	\$261.67
Both Total		\$624.17

SUGGESTION COMMITTEE:

The Suggestion Committee has no suggestions at this time.

STATE OF CHURCHES & CHARACTER OF MINISTRY:

We the committee, know of no complaints against any of the Churches' or ministers and are all in fellowship with one another.

THE THIRD QUARTERLY MEETING

The Third Quarterly Meeting was held at Decatur Church in Dekalb County on July 11, 1981. Song service began at 10:00 a.m. led by Bro. E. A. Welch and prayer by Bro. Gleason Fowler.

The body was declared in order with a call for corresponding letters by the Moderator, Rev. J. E. Blanton. Then Rev. Warren Wyatt and Rev. Gerald Brown were called to read the letters. They were as follows:

1. Bethany - Bro. A. W. Tyler, Sis. Gay Nell Tyler
2. Decatur - Letter
3. First Thomaston - Carla Creech, Earlene Pitts
4. Lake Blackshear - Irene Brown
5. Little Bethel - Ann Ross, Mary Lou Fowler, Mary Williams
6. Mt. Olive - Letter
7. New Liberty - No
8. New Life - Bro. Joe Waller, Sis. Lula Ellen Waller
9. New Prospect (Taylor) - Letter
10. New Prospect (Turner) - Letter
11. Northside - Gary Johnson, Sandi Johnson, Janice Wallace
12. Pleasant Hill - Bro. and Sis. Fred Brewer, Mrs. Harold Dillard, Sis. Blan Wall
13. Spring Hill - Letter
14. Trinity - Josephine Welch, E. A. Welch, Peggy Gibb, Charlie Gibb, Juanita Wyatt, Bett and Mal Williams
15. Turners Chapel - Sis. Edna Carroll, Bro. Earnest Heath

Moved, seconded and carried to accept the letters and seat the delegates.

We received a letter from New Prospect, Turner Co., asking to be transferred from the Chattahoochee Association into the Union Association because of the distance. After several discussions it was moved, seconded and carried for New Prospect to move into Union Association with good standing and fellowship with our association.

Also a request from the Cuyohogalorane County Conference, Cleveland, Ohio asking for letter of dismissal for Rev. Mark Gideon. It was moved, seconded and carried for Rev. Mark Gideon to be dismissed from this association with good standing.

It was then moved, seconded and carried for Griffin Mission to change their name to the Free Will Baptist Mission requested by Rev. Marvin McLeord.

The Committees were appointed as follows:

FINANCE:

Gleason Fowler
Warren Wyatt
Gerald Brown

SUGGESTION:

Gene Ross
Marvin McLeord
Jerry Johnson

STATE OF CHURCHES & CHARACTER OF MINISTRY:

Josephine Welch
Edna Carroll
W. T. Williams

A report was given on the Northside Church at this time by Rev. Ronald Wallace about the driveway and the church is getting better.

Rev. Creech reported the young people will have the Youth Camp, August 9-14. It will cost \$25.00 per person and will need 12 teachers and workers.

Roll call for Ordaining Council:

Floyd Foster, Jr. - No - 1
W. T. Williams - Yes
E. A. Welch, Jr. - Yes
Rev. W. R. Crawley - No - 1
Rev. Gene Ross - Yes
Rev. Mike Creech - Yes
Rev. A. G. Windham - No - 1

Roll Call for Executive Committee:

Joe Waller - Yes
Gleason Fowler - Yes
C. W. Carroll - Yes
Norman Grier - No - 1
Tyson Ray - No - 1

A song was led by Bro. Welch then prayer by Rev. Roscoe Pitts.

The morning message about "Talents" was delivered by Rev. Ronald Wallace taken from Matthew 25: 14-30.

An offering of \$55.50 was taken for Youth Camp Fund.

Dismissed for lunch by Rev. Jerry Johnson.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Singing began at 1:00 p.m. with Bro. Welch leading and prayer by Rev. Warren Wyatt.

After several discussions the Association suggested that the Woman's Auxiliary set their meetings at a different time in order for them to take part in all of the Association meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

It was moved, seconded and carried that all reports be accepted.

SUGGESTION COMMITTEE:

We your Suggestion Committee suggest the following:

1. That our Association back up our ministers in their endeavor to start a church where there is none.
2. That the Ordaining Council be reduced to three (3) members consisting of two ministers and one deacon. Those are: Dea. E. A. Welch, Rev. Eugene Ross and Rev. Mike Creech.
3. Give rising vote of thanks to host church for hospitality shown during this session.

STATE OF CHURCHES & CHARACTER OF MINISTERS:

We the committee of State of Churches and Ministers have received no complaints from any church or any minister. We give the Lord the praise for this.

FINANCE:

7-11-81 Balance \$619.45

YOUTH CAMP	ASSOCIATION
\$387.50	\$231.95
Todays - 90.50	135.00
Balance \$478.00	\$366.95

Total Balance \$844.95

The Executive Committee will give their report on the Mission Board at the next meeting.

IT was then moved, seconded and carried to adjourn. We were dismissed with prayer by Rev. Marvin McLeord.

Moderator, Rev. J.E. Blanton
Clerk, C. W. Carroll

PREACHERS AND DEACONS MEETING

Our Preachers and Deacons Meeting was held at First Thomaston on the 1st Saturday in November, 1981. It was opened with prayer by Bro. Eugene Ross, pastor of Little Bethel. Our host pastor, Bro. Mike Creech made the five churches that was represented welcome and then showed a film on "Discipleship". It was real informative and challenged us to do more for Christ.

Sis. Creech honored us with a special singing just before Bro. Herbert Waid, our State Promotional Secretary Elect, spoke. He preached from 1st Timothy 3: 1-13. During Bro. Waid's message Mrs. Waid came forward with some humor in the form of a reading on, "Looking for the Perfect Pastor".

A delicious lunch was served by the host church and enjoyed by everyone.

After lunch we reassembled for a short period of business. The same officers were re-elected. Bro. Creech, Moderator, Bro. Arnold, Assistant, Bro. Brown, Clerk and Bro. Salter, Assistant.

Our next meeting will be held at Lake Blackshear the 1st Saturday of November, 1982 instead of Little Bethel. They agreed to exchange. Little Bethel will have the meeting the 1st Saturday of November, 1983. Moved, seconded and carried to adjourn.

Bro. Creech, Moderator
Bro. Brown, Clerk

IN MEMORY OF
BROTHER PERRY HUGH WALL

Bro. Perry Wall was born on May 7, 1962, the first born of Hugh and Frances Wall. Perry Made his decision that it would be Christ for him very early in life, and very faithfully followed his Lords command. He was known to the pastor as the "Little Deacon". Since he had such a short time to live, he put everything into his living, for on October 18, 1980 he was in a fatal accident, and two days later he was received up to his Master. He was in his first year of college, but he left all his earthly dreams behind. He was laid to rest in the Pleasant Hill cemetery, leaving mourners behind as he received his joy.

*Pleasant Hill Free Will Baptist Church
Homer G. Fowler, Pastor*

IN MEMORY OF
BROTHER B. R. DENT, SR.

Brother B. R. Dent, Sr. was born on August 30, 1896 and went to his reward on September 18, 1981. He was a faithful member of Mt. Olive Church and served as deacon for over 40 years.

He was neighbor, and friend to the community in which he lived. He visited the sick, comforted the bereaved, prayed for the unsaved and was present when anybody needed help of any kind. He served God by being a friend to man.

"In as much as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my breathern, ye have done it unto me." Mathew 25:40

*Mount Olive Church
Pearlie Hinton, Clerk*

IN MEMORY OF
SISTER MINA DANIEL ROBERTS

Sister Mina Daniel Roberts was born June 13, 1916, died September 10, 1981. She was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Sam Daniel. She was a life long resident of Marion County and a member of Spring Hill Free Will Baptist Church.

Her survivors include her husband, Felton Roberts, a daughter, Mrs. Herbert Phillips and two grandsons.

Sister Roberts will be missed by her many friends and loved ones.

*Bernice G. McCall
Church Clerk*

IN MEMORY OF
SISTER JESSICA WALL TYLER

Sister Jessica Wall Tyler was born November 20, 1902 and passed away November 12, 1980 making her stay on earth 77 years, 11 months and 23 days.

Sister Jessica joined Spring Hill Free Will Baptist Church in August 1924 and remained a faithful member for the rest of her life about 56 years.

She leaves two daughters, one son, thirteen grandchildren, twenty-seven great grandchildren, one sister and other relatives and friends to mourn her passing.

Her presence and devotion will be missed by the church, her family and friends.

*Bernice G. McCall
Church Clerk*

TO THE MEMORY OF
MOTHER
MRS. IONE C. WINDHAM
March 10, 1905 - June 3, 1981

Our Mother loved God, her family and the members of Turners Chapel Church. During her final few minutes, the Rev. Charles Clark arrived, she recognized him, smiled, and left us to be forever with God and is saving a place for the ones she left here.

This poem was written by Mrs. Eula Belle Wainwright and exactly describes the way we fell.

*There's a wideness in God's mercy,
Like the wideness of the sea
There's a kindness in his justice
Which is more than liberty.*

*There is welcome for our Mother
And a home for her with God;
There is mercy with the saviour
He has saved her with his blood.*

*the love of God is broader
Than the measure of man's mind;
And we know that our Saviour
Has a home prepared for all.*

*If we love and trust him fully
And always do what's right;
We shall meet our darling Mother
In that home of love so bright.*

The family of Mrs. Ione C. Windham

IN MEMORY OF
BROTHER JESSE FELTON POSEY

Brother Posey was born May 23, 1914. He went home to be with the Lord, March 1, 1981. He was the son of Joe and Mary Posey. He was a member of Turner's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church, and was laid to rest in the church cemetery.

Brother Felton is greatly missed by his wife, three sons, and a host of relatives and firends.

"We know you're with loved ones who've gone on before,

To sing and rejoice with them evermore, and we're sure that up there your joy is complete,

As you worship with others at Jesus' feet."

*Turner's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church
and Pastor, Rev. Charles Clark*

IN MEMORY OF
SISTER MAMIE POSEY RANOW

Sister Mamie was born August 11, 1902, and departed this life July 10, 1981. She was a member of Turner's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church. She joined early in life and attended when her health permitted. She is greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

*Not a sign at the Post of Duty,
Not a dread to stand the test,
Not a doubt of Heaven's beauty.
She patiently waited for rest.*

*Turner's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church
and Pastor, Rev. Charles Clark*

IN MEMORY OF
SISTER MAE WAINWRIGHT SPILLERS

Sister Mae Spillers went home to be with the Lord on May 14, 1980. She was a member of Turner's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church and was laid to rest in the church cemetery.

Very seldom did she miss church- -she never taught a class or served in any official capacity, but she was one whose presence and smile always brought a blessing to others. She is greatly missed, but what she left with us ever remains fresh and inspiring.

*Turner's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church
and Pastor, Rev. Charles Clark*

IN MEMORY OF
SISTER LOKIE ROGERS

Sister Lokie was born July 15, 1892, and departed this life April 7, 1980. She was a member of Turner's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church and attended as often as her health permitted.

To know her was to know a true friend.

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors: and their works do follow them." Rev. 14: 13

*Turner's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church
and Pastor, Rev. Charles Clark*

IN MEMORY OF SISTER BELL WAINWRIGHT

Sister Bell went home to be with the Lord, August 13, 1979.

She is greatly missed by all, but we feel that our loss was heaven's gain.

*A precious one from us is gone,
A voice we loved is stilled
A place is vacant in our home,
That never can be filled.*

*God used her as his servant,
The tasks she never shunned,
Now her work on earth is over,
Her life crown she has won.*

*Far beyond this land of sorrow,
Our loved one has gone to rest,
Though she'll be missed no less tomorrow,
We all know the Lord knows best.*

*In Loving Memory.
The Family*