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ASSOCIATION CALENDAR

FIRST QUARTERLY MEETING Mount Olive	January 4, 1992
Sermon by Rev. Warren Wyatt	
SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING	April 4, 1992
New Life	
Sermon by Rev. Sidney Jones	
THIRD QUARTERLY MEETING	July 11, 1992
Little Bethel	
Sermon by Rev. Charles Clark	
ANNUAL MEETING	October 3, 1992
Trinity	
Sermon by Rev. Terry Pierce	

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 Miscellaneous 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, warm the wavering and instruct the young and the ignorer.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

15th. That we will not, knowingly condemn the innocent or favor the guilty and that we strive to prevent strife and factions in the church.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

23rd.Written and adopted at the 1937 session of the Chattahoochee Free Will Baptist Association by Rev. W. H. Emerson, 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 for the poor, and conduct religious meetings in the absence of the pastor.

CONSTITUTION

Resolved, That we form as 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 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, and we promise not to withdraw ourselves from this 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 fellow man.

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.

AMENDMENTS 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 as 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 set 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 acknowledgement 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 the conference when an important question is to be decided; but a member upon his request, may be excused by the church from voting on either side in peculiar cases.
- 25. No member shall leave the house during conference without a sufficient cause nor engage in conversation or whispering without being subject to be called to order by the moderator.
- 26. All discussions in conference must be conducted with calmness and a good feeling, those who speak must rise to their feet and address the moderator, and keep to the point in debate.
- 27. No one shall speak more than three times on the same motion without permission from the moderator, nor shall the remarks of anyone be unreasonably long.
- 28. When the moderator speaks he must nominate some brother in his stead.
- 29. No one shall be interrupted while speaking unless it is necessary to call the speaker to order.
- 30. It shall be the rule of the church to attend to the administration of the Lord's Supper at least four times a year and the expenses are to be paid by the church.
- 31. Members not in good standing shall not commune, but the administration shall not be deferred on account of any.
- 32. Feet washing shall be attended to as the 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.

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- 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 assemble 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 pastor 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 ordinance 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. 19:13; 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, Son, 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, 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 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, Rom. 8:17.
- 6. That the blessings of salvation are made free to all by the Gospel; that 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. 1:20.
- 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. 1:3, 14, 1 Pet. 1:3, 5.
- 10. That the law of God is the eternal, unchangeable rule of the Government, that it is holy, just and good; that the inability which the scriptures ascribe to fallen man to fulfill its precepts, arises entirely from his love of sin; to deliver him through a mediator to unfeigned obedience to the Holy law is one design of the Gospel of the means of grace connected with the establishment of the visible church. Matt. 5:13; Luke 10:13-20, 14:17.
- 11. That the first day of the week is the Lord's Day, or Christian Sabbath, that it should be kept sacred to religious purposes by abstaining from all secular labor and recreation; by the direct observance of all means of grace, both public and private, and preparation, for the rest which remains for the children of God. Ex. 20:8, Heb. 4:9, I 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, I 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 descent 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 forever the final state of man in heaven or hell, on principles of righteousness. John 5:25, Matt. 25:34, 41, 46.

CONSTITUTION

We, the youth of the Chattahoochee Association of Free Will Baptist, desire to promote the cause of Christ as represented by our denomination and to advance the "Kingdom of God" through the training and nurturing of our youth do establish this Constitution:

ARTICLE 1: Name: This organization shall be known as the Chattahoochee Free Will Baptist Youth Group.

ARTICLE 11: Purpose: The purpose of the Chattahoochee Free Will Baptist Youth Group is to train the youth of our association to be the church and denominational leaders of the future.

ARTICLE 111: Members: This Group shall be composed of the youth of the Chattah-oochee Association church members and adults with interest to sponsor and train youth.

ARTICLE IV: Officers: Officers of this group shall be a Director-Treasurer, who shall serve as coordinator between the group and the State Director of Camping and State Youth Director as well as be responsible for the receiving and disbursing of funds and to keep acceptable records of such transactions. A President to preside at all meetings and with help from the committee elected by the Association to appoint any other officer or sub-committee as is needed. A Vice-President to fill the position when the President is not present. General oversight to be provided by the Five (5) member committee elected by the Association at its discretion.

ARTICLE V: Finance: This group shall be supported by special offerings, Associational, Church, and/or Individual gifts.

ARTICLE VI: Meetings: Time and place of meetings for this group shall be arranged by the elected committee and may be changed from time to time without conflicting with this constitution.

ARTICLE VII: Alterations or Amendments: This Constitution may be altered or amended by the Youth Group at any regular meeting by a Two-thirds majority vote of those present.

This Constitution was adopted by the Chattahoochee Free Will Baptist Youth Group meeting at Camp Mt. Bethel on April 19, 1986, and recommend its acceptance by the Chattahoochee Association of Free Will Baptist at its next meeting.

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STATISTICAL TABLE										
Church	Pastor	Meeting	Baptism	Members Added	Members Lost	Total Members	S. S. Enrolled	C. T. S. Enrolled	Woman's Auxillary	Master's Men
Bethany	Rev. J. C. Grimsley	Ft	0	6	8	64	0	0	0	0
First Thomaston	Rev. Terry Pierce	Ft	11	4	1	186	59	0	11	5
Little Bethel	Rev. Sidney Jones	Ft	0	2	2	91	50	0	8	7
Mount Olive	Rev. A. G. Windham	Ft	7	9	5	156	60	0	0	0
New Liberty	Rev. Eugene F. Ross	Pt	0	4	0	30	0	0	0	0
New Life	Rev. Brian K. Fuller	Ft	3	16	5	145	30	0	15	10
New Prospect	Rev. Hubert Arnold	Ft	4	4	0	118	25	0	0	0
Pleasant Hill										
Spring Hill		Ft	0	0	3	59	31	0	. 0	0
Trinity	Rev. Warren Wyatt	Ft	0	0	1	54	35	0	0	0
	Rev. Charles Clark	Ft	3	4	3	187	60	0	O service and an an an analysis of the service and	0

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Bethany	Marion	4,000.00	35,000.00	24	10.00	10.00
First Thomaston	Upson	35,118.22	350,000.00	20	10.00	20.00
Little Bethel	Macon	18,039.42	80,000.00	25	10.00	35.00
Mount Olive	Taylor	18,961.28	122,000.00	25	10.00	25.00
New Liberty	Schley	2,000.00	25,000.00	18	10.00	10.00
New Life	Marion	17,282.00	143,000.00	25	10.00	15.00
New Prospect	Taylor	6,500.00	60,000.00	15	10.00	10.00
Pleasant Hill	Schley					
Spring Hill	Marion	15,000.00	93,000.00	20	10.00	10.00
Trinity	Taylor	24,614.00	140,000.00	20	10.00	25.00
Turner's Chapel	Taylor	14,960.33	90,000.00	25	10.00	25.00

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156th ANNUAL SESSION OF THE CHATTAHOOCHEE FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The 156th Annual Meeting of the Chattahoochee Association was held at First Thomaston Church, Upson County on Oct. 5, 1991. Bro. Herbert Salter started the singing at 10:30 A.M., then opened the business with prayer.

The Moderator, Rev. James Allen, was not prsent, the Asst. Moderator, Rev. Terry Pierce, took charge, welcomed everyone and then called for corresponding letters. It was moved, seconded, and carried for the Moderator to appoint two men to read the letters. He appointed Bro. E. A. Welch Jr. and Bro. Roy McHargue.

They are as follows:

- 1 Bethany-Bro. Jimmy Lynn, Sis. Ruby Lynn, Bro. James Grimsley
- 2 First Thomaston-Bro. Roy McHargue, Sis. Geraldine Taunton,
 Bro. Elton Baker,
 Bro. Charlie Cofield, Sis. Kathy Cofield, Sis. Belyn Pierce,
 Sis. Maybelle Chandler
- 3 Little Bethel-Sis. Ruby Ray, Sis. Ruby Layfield, Bro. Fred Fowler, Sis. Sarah Fowler
- 4 Mount Olive-Bro. Syd Crook, Bro. Johnny New, Sis. Teresa New, Sis. Annie Windham, Sis. Frances Mullins
- 5 New Liberty-Sis. Ann Ross, Sis. Joyce Lunsford, Sis. Christine Kirkland, Bro. J. C. Kirkland, Sis. Sara Lunsford
- 6 New Life-Sis. Doris Daniel, Sis. April Wyrick
- 7 New Prospect-By letter
- 8 Pleasant Hill-No report
- 9 Spring Hill-Sis. Ruth Amerson, Sis. Myrtle Grier, Sis. Bernice McCall
- 10- Trinity-Sis. Josephine Welch, Sis. Bess Williams, Sis. Juanite Wyatt, Sis. Melissa Hearn
- 11- Turner's Chapel-By letter

It was moved, seconded, and carried to accept the letters as read and seat the delegates.

The minutes of the last meeting were read. It was moved, seconded, and carried to be accepted as read.

ROLL CALL FOR ORDAINING COUNCIL

Rev. Hubert Arnold	Present
Dea. Morris Lawhorn	Present
Rev. A. G. Windham	Present
TCA.M.CJ. WINGHISHING-	

ROLL CALL FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Dea. Curtis Kirksey	Not Present
Dea. Norman Grier	
Dea. Tyson Ray	Present
Dea. E. A. Welch, Jr	
Dea. Gleason Fowler	Present

ROLL CALL FOR SUGGESTION COMMITTEE

The Moderator then appointed for the committees:

TEMPERANCE: FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Sis. Sara Fowler Bro. Charlie Cofield

Bro. Elton Baker Sis. Ruby Ray

Sis. Myrtle Grier Sis. Ruth Amerson

SUNDAY SCHOOL: NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

Bro. Robert Gresham Rev. Sidney Jones

Sis. Juanita Wyatt Bro. Roy McHargue Bro. Herbert Salter Bro. Johnny New

OBITUARY:

Sis. Ruby Layfield

Sis. May Belle Chandler

Bro. J. C. Kirkland

The Moderator asked for any local or state reports.

Rev. Charles Clark reported that the State Of Missions, are doing real well, specially in Athens and Dublin.

Bro. E. A. Welch, Jr. reported the Benevolence Fund is doing good. Three Church's of the Association have donated \$350.00. Mrs. Childree and Mrs. Jordan have received \$150.00 in last quarter, leaving a balance of \$627.89.

Bro. Tyson Ray reported that Camp Mt. Bethel is in better shape this year and still getting better. This year has been the best.

Rev. Terry Pierce reported that the young people are doing better, 57 young people attended Mt. Bethel this year. All the buildings are better. The next rally will be at New Life Church, Oct. 19, at 6:00. He also reported that young teens of the State had a real good meeting this year.

Bro. Gleason Fowler reported that the Masters Men need's more help.

Boards of Trustees--No report

Christian Education--No report

Sis. Mary Lee Fowler reported for the Womans Auxiliary and has a letter to be printed in the minutes.

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

The Moderator turned the morning business over to the host Church for morning service. It began with singing, then prayer by Rev. Warren Wyatt. A special song by the ladies of the Church.

Rev. Charles Clark took charge and delivered a wonderful, spiritual sermon starting with the 1st Chapter of Joshua. Then ending with prayer.

The Moderator asked if today's offering could be received and dismissed for lunch. It was moved, seconded, and carried. Prayer by Bro. Johnny New. The offering was \$71.00.

AFTERNOON SESSION

A short and wonderful devotion was delivered by Rev. A. G. Windham on "Faith" from Matthew 26:18.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

TEMPERANCE:

We your Temperance Committee would like to encourage each christian to use temerpance in our daily lives as we may not always get the chance to witness to those around us with words. But with the temperance we use as we speak, work and go about daily living, we may show others Christ in the way in which we live.

Sis. Sarah Fowler Bro. Elton Baker Sis. Myrtle Grier

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

We the Sunday School Committee suggest 4 items.

- 1 We need more involvement in our Sunday School.
- 2 Sunday School visitation program
- 3 All teachers and pastors participate
- 4 Encourage people to come for both Sunday School and Church.

Bro. Robert Gresham Sis. Juanita Wyatt Bro. Herbert Salter

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Bal. on hand July 6, 1991	\$1,063.34
Paid Sis. Heather Clark 1st Sem	\$20.00
Paid Moderator today	\$90.00
Paid clerk today	\$150.00
Received Nat. Assoc. Dues today	\$100.00
Representation fee today	\$155.00
Offering today	\$71.00
Bal. Oct. 5, 1991	\$1,129.34
Bal. of Assoc. Mission Fund	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·

Bro. C. H. Cofield Sis. Ruby Ray Sis. Ruth Amerson

SUGGESTION COMMITTEE:

We, the Suggestion Committee, submit the following report:

- 1 Turner's Chapel invites the Walk-A-Thon, the 26th of Oct. at 9:00 A. M. at the Courthouse in Butler and walk to Turner's Chapel.
- 2 We suggest that the money of the Walk-A-Thon to go to the Laura Barnard Mission and to the State Land and Building Fund.
- 3 The offering today be split between the State Land Fund and Laura Barnard Day.
- 4 A rising vote of "Thanks" to the host Church.

Rev. Charles Clark Sis. Josephine Welch Bro. Leonard Layfield

It was moved, seconded, and carried to accept all these reports.

OBITUARY:

We, your Obituary Committee have the following deaths to report:

BETH	IANY:
Mr	Gary I

prayer by Rev. Warren Wyatt.

Mr. Gary Lynn Grimsley	5-29-1991
Miss. Emmie Cato	•
Mrs. Lille McDaniel	
Mrs. Doris H. Lawrence	10-1-1991
Mr. Lester Grimsley	10-3-1991
Rev. Price Hayes	
First Thomaston:	
Mr. Charles Fetner	11-4-1990
LITTLE BETHEL:	
Mrs. Myrtle Raburn	5-30-1991
MOUNT OLIVE:	
Mrs. Ethel Windham	5-13-1991
Mrs. Jewel Powell	10-13-1990
Mrs. Louise Hobbs	11-24-1990
NEW LIFE:	
Rev. Robert Stubbs	12-11-1990
Mrs. Essie Mae Foster	8-10-1991
Mr. Felton O'Hearn	9-01-1991
TRINITY:	
Mrs. Wynelle Watson Ray	10-21-1990
TURNER'S CHAPEL:	
Mrs. Nell Heath	10-27-1990
Mr. Jesse L. Carroll	2-18-1991
It was moved, seconded, and carried to stand with sile	ent prayer, then ending in

Local Officers:
Moderator2 years
Asst. Moderator
Clerk1 year
Asst. Clerk
Ordaining Council:
Rev. Sidney Jones3 years
Executive Committee:
Dea. Gleason Fowler5 years
Suggestion Committee:
Sis. Kathy Cofield3 years
Local Youth Camp-Director-Treasurer:
Rev. Terry Pierce1 year
Dea. Leroy Lowe, Asst1 year
Clerk of Benevolence Fund:
Dea. E. A. Welch Jr1 year
Sis. Josephine Welch, Asst1 year
STATE, BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS:
Board of Christian Education:
Bro. Johnny New
Board of Camp Mt. Bethel
Bro. Roy McHargue1995
After there were no other nominees from the floor, it was moved, seconded,
voted, and carried to accept the nominating request.
Delegates for the State Meeting to be held at Norman Park, Ga. on Nov. 14-16,
1991 all volunteered. They are Sis. Mary Lee Fowler, Bro. Charlie Cofield, Sis.
Kathy Cofield, and Sis. Belyn Pierce. An alternate, Bro. Roy McHargue.
The appointing places for our meetings for next year are as follows:
First Quarterly MeetingJan. 4, 1992
Mount Olive
Sermon by Rev. Warren Wyatt
Second Quarterly MeetingApril 4, 1992
New Life
Sermon by Rev. Sidney Jones
Third Quarterly MeetingJuly 11, 1992
Little Bethel
Sermon by Rev. Charles Clark
Annual MeetingOct. 3, 1992
Trinity Sermon by Pay Torry Diorce
Sermon by Rev. Terry Pierce It was moved, seconded, and carried to adjourn with prover by
It was moved, seconded, and carried to adjourn with prayer by Dea. E. A. Welch, Jr.
Rev. Terry Pierce, Asst. Moderator
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NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

Rev. Terry Pierce, Asst. Moderator C. W. Carroll, Clerk

THE FIRST QUARTERLY MEETING

The First Quarterly Meeting was held at Trinity Church, Mauk, Ga., on January 5, 1991. The meeting was opened with singing lead by Bro. E. A. Welch. at 10:30 A.M.. Then prayer by Rev. Sidney Jones.

The pastor of host Church, Rev. Warren Wyatt, welcomed everyone, then turned the meeting over to the Moderator, Rev. James Allen.

The Moderator took charge and called for corresponding letters. It was moved, seconded, and carried for the Moderator to appoint two men to read the letters. He appointed Rev. Warren Wyatt and Bro. E. A. Welch Jr..

They are as follows:

- 1 Bethany-Bro. James Grimsley, Sis. Rose Grimsley, Sis. Ruth Moore
- 2 First Thomaston-Bro. Roy McHargue, Sis. Belyn Pierce
- 3 Little Bethel-Sis. Ruby Layfield, Sis. Ruby Ray, Sis. Mary Lee Fowler, Sis. Blondell Layfield
- 4 Mount Olive-Bro. John Arnold, Bro. Syd Crook, Bro. Johnny New
- 5 New Liberty- Bro. Perry Lunsford, Sis. Sara Lunsford, Bro. J. C. Kirkland, Sis. Christine Kirkland, Sis. Jewel McDaniel
- 6 New Life-Sis. Doris Daniel
- 7 New Prospect-Bro. Christopher Cotney
- 8 Pleasant Hill-No Report
- 9 Spring Hill-Sis. Ruth Amerson, Sis. Myrtle Grier, Sis. Bernice McCall, Sis. Anne Allen, Sis. Betty Conkle
- 10- Trinity-Sis. Bess Williams, Sis. Josephine Welch, Sis. Juanita Wyatt, Sis. Peggy Gibb
- 11- Turner's Chapel-Sis. Janice Clark, Sis. Heather Clark, Sis. Edna Carroll It was moved, seconded, and carried to accept the letters as read and seat the delegates.

A letter from New Prospect Church, Ashburn, Ga., Turner County, was read withdrawing their Church from the Association. It was discussed and then moved, seconded, and carried to grant their request.

The minutes of the last meeting were read. It was moved, seconded, and carried to be accepted as read.

ROLL CALL FOR ORDAINING COUNCIL:

Rev. Hubert Arnold	Present
Dea. Morris Lawhorn	
Rev. A. G. Windham	

ROLL CALL FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Dea. Curtis Kirksey	Present
Dea. Norman Grier	Present
Dea. W. T. Williams	
Dea. E. A. Welch Jr	Present
Dea. Gleason Fowler	

Dea. W. T. Williams has missed two consecutive meetings. It was moved, seconded, and carried for Association to elect someone to take his place. The floor was opened for nomination. Dea. Tyson Ray was nominated and after there were no more nominations, Dea. Tyson Ray was elected to finish Bro. Williams term of three years.

ROLL CALL FOR SUGGESTION COMMITTEE:

Dea. Leonard LayfieldPresent
Rev. Charles ClarkPresent
Sis. Josephine WelchPresent
The Moderator then appointed for the Finance Committee; Bro. Syd Crook, Bro.
J. C. Kirkland, Sis. Bess Williams, and Sis. Doris Daniels.

The Moderator asked Sis. Heather Clark, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Charles Clark, if she would testify. Sis. Heather reported that she is a second-year student at the Free Will Baptist Bible College in Tn., preparing to serve God as a foreign missionary. She will be a summer missionary for 10-weeks this summer with the Combs family in Brazil. She is asking for the Association to help her prayerfully and consider any financial support.

Rev. Warren Wyatt suggested that todays offering be this morning for Sis. Heather. This suggestion was carried. The Moderator appointed Bro. J. C. Kirkland and Bro. Elvie Warr to receive the offering. Prayer by Bro. Warr. The offering was \$159.00.

Morning service was turned over to Rev. Terry Pierce. He delivered a wonderful message from Deuteranomy 32: 1-7, telling us that we need to learn more about God and do more for him, then ending with prayer.

We were then dismissed for lunch with prayer by Rev. A. G. Windham.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Began with singing by "The Generations."

The Moderator delivered a short devotion from Acts 3:6.

Then the Moderator asked for the reports to be given. They are as follows: FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Balance October 6, 1991	\$1,250.81
Paid Moderator	\$90.00
Paid Clerk	\$150.00
Paid for minutes	\$377.47
Paid Sis. Heather Clark 2nd Sem	\$20.00
Letter fee's today	\$150.00
Balance on hand Jan. 5, 1991	\$763.34
Association Mission Fund Balance	\$1,045.00

SUGGESTION COMMITTEE:

- 1-To extend to Trinity a rising vote of thanks for the outstanding way they hosted the quarterly conference.
- 2-That we strive to labor together in unity for the upbuilding of God's Kingdom here on the earth.

Sis. Josephine Welch Bro. Leonard Layfield Rev. Charles Clark

YOUTH GROUP:

Rev. Terry Pierce gave a report for the youth camp at Camp Mt. Bethel. He stated the camp session for this year would be held July 7-12, with our Association and Ga. Union. He also reported the next youth rally to be held, January 26th at 7 o'clock at First Thomaston Church. He asked that each Church bring a love offering to the youth rally and it would go toward Heather Clark's Mission Fund.

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION - No report

ORDAINING COUNCIL - No report

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Bro. Gleason Fowler reported that he and Bro. Terry Pierce had discussed and decided that something needed to be done to add by-laws to the constitution to give the Executive Committee more to go on. He suggested that 5 men be appointed for this. After some discussion, it was tabled until the next meeting.

BENEVOLENCE FUND REPORT:

Bro. E. A. Welch Jr. reported he had paid Mrs Jordan \$75.00, and Mrs. Childree \$75.00, leaving a balance of \$727.89. He also reported on the state office building being moved to Macon. He said there was still some tension about this, but it had been voted to go ahead and buy the land, but they would not start building until the money is raised. He encouraged each Church to help financially, asking for \$30.00 per member from each Church.

LADIES AUXILIARY:

Sis. Gleason Fowler gave an interesting report and encouraged other Churchs to participate.

All reports were moved, seconded, and carried.

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

Rev. James Allen, Moderator C. W. Carroll, Clerk

SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING

The Second Quarterly Meeting was held at Little Bethel in Macon County on April 6, 1991. Song service began at 10:30 led by Rev. Sidney Jones, pastor of the host Church, and then he welcomed everyone. Then Bro. Gleason Fowler opened the business with prayer.

The Moderator, Rev. James Allen, took charge with a warm welcome and called for the corresponding letters. It was moved, seconded, and carried for the Moderator to appoint two delegates to read the letters. He appointed Rev. Warren Wyatt and Rev. Brain Fuller.

They are as follows:

- Bethany-Bro. James Grimsley, Sis. Rose Grimsley, Bro. Jimmy Lynn,
 Sis. Ruby Lynn
- 2 First Thomaston-Bro. Roy McHargue, Sis. Carolyn, Bro. Charlie Cofield, Sis. Cathy Cofield
- 3 Little Bethel-Bro. Fred Fowler, Sis. Sarah Fowler, Sis. Clarice Jinks, Sis. Ruby Layfield
- 4 Mount Olive-Bro. Syd Crook, Sis. Barbara Jean Windham, Sis. Francis Mullins, Bro. James Windham, Bro. Johnny New
- 5 New Liberty-Bro. J. C. Kirkland, Sis. Christine Kirkland, Sis. Sara Lunsford, Sis. Ann Ross
- New Life-Sis. Dolly Welch, Sis. Rhonda Teat, Sis. Doris Daniel,
 Sis. April Wyrich, Sis. Ramona Grier
- 7 New Prospect-Bro. Christopher Cotney
- 8 Spring Hill-Sis. Nancy Smith
- 9 Pleasant Hill-No report
- 10- Trinity-Sis. Josephine Welch, Bro. Elvie Warr
- 11- Turner's Chapel-Sis. Edna Carroll, Sis. Janice Clark

It was moved, seconded, and carried to accept the letters as read and to seat the delegates.

It was moved, seconded, and carried for the Moderator to appoint a Finance Committee. He appointed Sis. Gloria Lowe, Sis. Francis Mullins, Bro. Roy McHargue, and Bro. J. C. Kirkland.

The minutes of the last meeting were read. It was moved, seconded, and carried to be accepted as read.

ROLL CALL FOR ORDAINING COUNCIL:

Dea. Morris Lawhorn has missed two consecutive meetings and since there was no meeting for the council, this will be discussed this afternoon.

ROLL CALL FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Dea. Curtis Kirksey	Present
Dea. Norman Grier	
Dea. Tyson Ray	Present
Dea. E. A. Welch Jr	Present
Dea. Gleason Fowler	Present

ROLL CALL FOR SUGGESTION COMMITTEE:

Dea. Leonard Layfield	Present
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Rev. Charles Clark	Present
Sis. Josephine Welch	Present

The Moderator asked for any reports:

They are as follows:

Bro. Welch reported that the Benevolence Fund is doing good and has a balance of \$767.89.

Rev. Charles Clark gave a good report for Sis. Heather Clark and the Bible College.

Bro. Gleason Fowler, chairman of the Executive Committee, asked that Bro. Joe L. Tyler be bought before Spring Hill Church to decide for him to stay on the Ministerial Roll.

Rev. Terry Pierce reported that the last rally had a 125 present and that the rally's are getting better. The next rally will be in Butler on Friday 19th of April at the W. O. W. building. Bro. Horn from Columbus and Sis. Heather Clark from Bible College will be there. The offering at the rally will be for Sis. Clark. For each Church to send \$25.00 to help pay the expense.

It was moved, seconded, and carried to accept all the reports.

The Moderator turned the service over to the host Church for morning service.

It began with singing led by Rev. Sidney Jones. Rev. Brian Fuller took charge and delivered a wonderful message asking for a, double portion, from Acts 8: 5-8. Then ending with prayer and an alter call led by Rev. Jones.

Then dismissed for lunch with prayer by Bro. Tyson Ray.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Song service began at 1:00 P. M. by the host Church.

A short devotion delivered by Dea. Curtis Kirksey from Philippians 3:13-14. Then prayer by Rev. Herbert Waid.

The Moderator welcomed Bro. and Sis. Waid to be in the evening service.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Balance on hand Jan. 5, 91	\$763.34
Received today from Churches	\$150.00
Balance on hand April 6, 91	\$913.34
	Sis. Gloria Lowe
	Sis. Francis Mullins
	Bro. Roy McHargue

SUGGESTION COMMITTEE:

The Suggestion Committee reported with two different items.

- 1- We suggest that we extend to Little Bethel a rising vote of thanks for entertaining the quarterly conference.
- 2- We suggest for today's offering to go to Sis. Heather Clark for her mission trip.

Bro. Leonard Layfield Sis. Josephine Welch Bro. Charles Clark

Bro. J. C. Kirkland

Rev. Terry Pierce and Rev. Sidney Jones received the offering of \$93.00.

Bro. Tyson Ray reported that a State Wide Teens week meeting will be held at Camp Mt. Bethel sometime in June and can let us have the date later.

Bro. Terry Pierce reported that the Youth Group will be held at Camp Mt. Bethel this year on July 7-12.

Bro. Charles Clark on the Board of Missions reported that the State is doing real good.

There was a good report for the Master's Men.

Bro. Morris Lawhorn was dismissed for today.

Spring Hill Church said they will check on Bro. Tyler.

All these reports were moved, seconded, and accepted.

The Moderator asked about the by-laws committee that the Executive Committee asked for at the last meeting and it was tabled until this meeting. It was then moved, seconded, and carried for the Moderator appoint this committee. He appointed Bro. Tyson Ray, Rev. Terry Pierce, Bro. Roy McHargue, Bro. Jimmy Wilhoite, and Bro. Leroy Lowe.

Bro. Herbert Waid then gave a good report for Camp Mt. Bethel, for this year's Roll Call, and for the State.

It was moved, seconded, and carried to accept this report.

It was moved, seconded, and carried to adjourn. Dismissed with prayer by Rev. Warren Wyatt.

Rev. James Allen, Moderator C. W. Carroll, Clerk

THIRD QUARTERLY MEETING

The Third Quarterly Meeting was held at New Prospect, Taylor County, July 6, 1991. Singing began at 10:30 A.M., led by Bro. Lee Sawyer. Then prayer by Bro. Morris Lawhorn. Rev. Hubert Arnold, pastor of the host Church, welcomed everyone, then turned the business over to the Asst. Moderator, Rev. Terry Pierce because the Moderator, Rev. James was not present.

The Asst. Moderator welcomed everyone and called for the corresponding letters. It was moved, seconded, and carried for him to appoint a committee to read the letters. He appointed Bro. Leroy Lowe and Bro. E. A. Welch Jr.

They are as follows:

- 1 Bethany-Bro. James Grimsley, Bro. Jimmy Lynn, Sis. Ruby Lynn, Bro. Randy Lynn
- 2 First Thomaston-Bro. Roy McHargue, Bro. Charlie Cofield, Sis. Kathy Cofield, Sis. Belyn Pierce
- 3 Little Bethel-Sis. Mary Lee Fowler, Sis. Blondell Layfield
- 4 Mount Olive-Sis. Frances Mullins, Bro. Syd Crook, Sis. Barbara Windham, Sis. Nettie Wainwright, Sis. Denise Wainwright, Sis. Kin Wilhoite
- 5 New Liberty-Sis. Ann Ross, Sis. Christine Kirkland, Bro. J. C. Kirkland
- 6 New Life-By letter
- 7 New Prospect-Bro. Lee Sawyer, Sis. Angela Gresham, Sis. Florence Windham
- 8 Spring Hill--By letter
- 9 Trinity-Bro. E. A. Welch Jr., Sis. Juanita Wyatt
- 10- Turner's Chapel-Bro. Bill Byrd, Sis. Gloria Lowe

It was moved, seconded, and carried to accept the letters as read and seat the delegates.

The minutes of the last meeting were read. It was moved, seconded, and carried to be accepted as read.

It was moved, seconded, and carried for the Moderator to appoint the Finance Committee. He appointed Sis. Gloria Lowe, Sis. Denise Wainwright, Bro. Lee Sawyer, and Bro. Charlie Cofield.

ROLL CALL FOR ORDAINING COUNCIL

Rev. Hubert Arnold	Present
Dea. Morris Lawhorn	Present
Rev. A. G. Windham	Not Present
ROLL CALL FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE	
Dea. Curtis Kirksey	Present
Dea. Norman Grier	Not Present
Dea. Tyson Ray	Present
Dea. E. A. Welch Jr	Present
Dea, Gleason Fowler	Present

ROLL CALL FOR SUGGESTION COMMITTEE

Dea. Leonard Layfield	Present
Rev. Charles Clark	
Sis. Josephine Welch	Not Present

The Ordaining council and the Executive Committee reported that they did not have any business for today and would no need anyone for those not present.

The Moderator then appointed Sis. Blondell Layfield and Bro. Roy McHargue for the two not present for the Suggestion Committee.

The Moderator asked for any reports:

Bro. E. A. Welch Jr. reported that the Benevolence Fund is still doing good and had paid \$50.00 per month for the last Quarter, (\$150.00) and has a balance of \$637.89.

Bro. Tyson Ray reported that our youth will be at Camp Mt. Bethel next week and suggested that today's offering go to them. It was moved, seconded, carried for the offering this afternoon.

Rev. Terry Pierce reported that the youth rally's are still doing good. That next week has good help already lined up, but if anyone want's to help, just be there.

The Moderator turned the service over to the host Church. It opened with a special song "Consider The Lillies" by Sis. Lisa Ross. Rev. Gene Ross took charge from 1st Kings 19:9-14. He opened with prayer, then delivered a wonderful message, then closed with prayer.

We were dismissed for lunch with prayer by Rev. Warren Wyatt.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Song service began at 1:00 P.M. then prayer by Bro. Gleason Fowler.

A short devotion by Rev. Wyatt from St. John 1:35. Then ending with prayer. Today's offering for Camp Mt. Bethel was received by Bro. Ralph Windham and Bro. Lee Sawyer. Prayer by Bro. Windham and the offering was \$54.00.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee:

It was moved, seconded, and carried to accept the report and dismiss the delegates.

Suggestion Committee:

The Suggestion Committee has two items.

- 1 We the committee suggest that all the Churches urge the youth of there congregation to attend each of the Quarterly Meetings to better understand the business of our association.
- 2 We also suggest that each Church give New Prospect a rising vote of thanks for hosting the meeting today.

Bro. Leonard Layfield Sis. Blondell Layfield Bro. Roy McHargue

It was moved, seconded, and carried to accept these suggestions and dismiss the delegates.

Sis. Mary Lee Fowler suggested that all the Churches to have a Womans Aux.

It was then moved, seconded, and carried to adjourn. Dismissed with prayer by Rev. Perry Wainwright.

Rev. Terry Pierce, Asst. Moderator C. W. Carroll, Clerk

CHATTAHOOCHEE DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

The Chattahoochee District Woman's Auxiliary Convention met September fourteenth, 1991 at Little Bethel near Ideal.

Registration began at 10:00 a.m. with Clarice Jinks being in charge.

The call to order and Welcome were given by Mary Lee Fowler.

Special music was provided by Belyn Pierce. The hymm "Bring Them In" was performed by the group.

A report from the National Convention was given by Mary Lee Fowler and Belyn Pierce.

Geraldine Taunton gave a study on the "History of the W. N. A. C."

Minutes were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was read and accepted.

A motion was made for, and carried, to keep the same officers for another two years.

The semi-annual meeting will be held in Thomaston on April twenty-fifth, 1991, at 10:00 a.m.

The annual meeting will be held at Little Bethel Church September twelfth, 1992 at 10:00 a.m.

Mary Lee Fowler will be the Auxiliary delegate to the State Convention, with Belyn Pierce as the alternate.

Geraldine Taunton then dismissed for lunch with a prayer.

PRESIDENT-GERALDINE TAUNTON SECRETARY-CLARICE JINKS

IN MEMORY OF GARY LYNN GRIMSLEY

Gary was born August 20, 1956 and was called on May 29, 1991. He was a member of Bethany Free Will Baptist Church.

Gary is deeply missed by his father and stepmother: Mr. & Mrs. Leroy Grimsley, his brothers and their families. James, Kenneth and Guy, and all of his friends and loved ones.

By: Rose Grimsley Church Clerk

IN MEMORY OF MISS EMMIE CATO

Miss Cato was born August 28, 1893 and departed this life to be with the Lord on July 20, 1991. She was a member of Bethany Free Will Baptist Church and is deeply missed by her beloved family. Her sister Eva, and brother Jessie and nephew Carroll. She will also be missed by all her friends.

> By: Rose Grimsley Church Clerk

In memory of Sister Lillie McDaniel, long life member of Bethany Church. She was strong in faith, gave of herself so feely to God and people. And loved and cared deeply for family, loved ones and friends. She is deeply missed by family and her Church. And looking forward to seeing her soon.

Written by: Rev. J. C. Grimsley Clerk: Rose Grimsley

IN MEMORY OF MRS. DORIS H. LAWRENCE

Mrs. Lawrence was born October 24, 1921, and passed from this world on October 1, 1991. Sis. Doris was a member of Bethany Free Will Baptist Church, and will be missed by her Church family and all of her many friends.

IN MEMORY OF LESTER GRIMSLEY

Bro. Grimsley was born Nov. 15, 1915 and departed this life Oct. 3, 1991, making his stay on earth 75 years, 11 months and 6 days.

He was a member of Bethany Free Will Baptist Church and a Deacon for many years. Bro. Lester will be missed by his wife, children, friends, and his Church.

O, what a mighty change,
Shall Jesus followers know,
When O'er the happy plains they range,
Free from pain and woe.
When all our griefs are past,
With Jesus Christ our friend.

By: Rev. J. C. Grimsley
Pastor

LITTLE BETHEL IN LOVING MEMORY

Sis. Myrtle Raburn (better known as Aunt Myrtle to many friends) was born Feb. 23, 1897, died May 30, 1991. Sister Myrtle was a faithful member of Little Bethel Church for many years. She was kind, humble, dependable and devoted to every activity as long as health permitted. Sis. Myrtle is sadly missed by her Christian brothers and sisters, family and friends, but she is with the Lord now.

Church Clerk Mrs. Leonard Layfield

Sis. Wynelle Watson Ray was born Feb. 8,1930- departed this life Oct. 21, 1990.

She was a member of Trinity Free Will Baptist Church. She is survived by one son and 2 daughters. She will be missed by her loved ones.

Sis. Josephine Welch Clerk

NEW LIFE OBITUARY REPORT

IN MEMORY OF REV. ROBERT STUBBS:

Rev. Robert Stubbs was born April 22, 1932 and went to be with the Lord on December 11, 1990. Bro. Robert was a faithful member of New Life Free Will Baptist Church, after his health forced him to retire from pastoring St. Luke Free Will Baptist in Phenix City, Al. Since God took him home, his mother misses their "watching the sunsets" and their special time together. Bro. Robert is missed by his family and friends.

IN MEMORY OF SIS. ESSIE MAE FOSTER:

Sis. Essie Mae Foster was born June 23, 1914 and died August 10, 1991. Sis. Essie Mae, a faithful member of New Life Free Will Baptist Church, always had a strong faith and a great love for Christ, her friends and family. She is deeply missed.

IN MEMORY OF BRO. FELTON O'HEARN:

Bro. Felton O'Hearn was born September 25, 1915 and departed this world on September 1, 1991. He was a member of New Life Free Will Baptist Church. Bro. Felton will always be missed by his family and friends.

Kay Stubbs New Life Free Will Baptist Church Church Clerk

IN LOVING MEMORY OF MRS. NELL WINDHAM HEATH

"Sister Nell" Heath, a devoted Christian, wife, mother and friend to all. She was a very faithful and loving member of Turner's Chapel Church. She was born March 28, 1917, and departed this life October 27, 1990.

She leaves behind her husband, two sons, five grandchildren, 1 brother and two sisters, and a host of friends and loved ones.

She is greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

By a loving sister in Christ

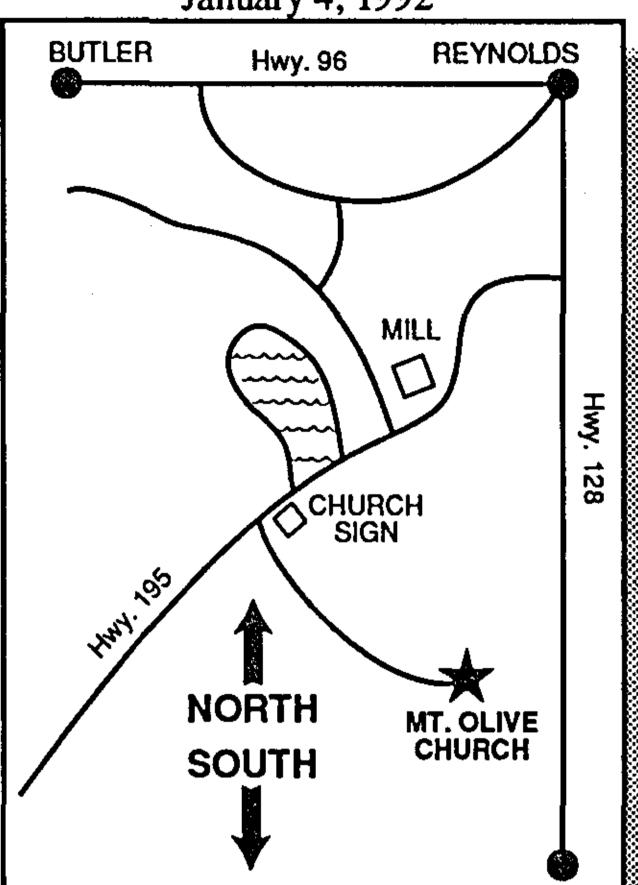
IN LOVING MEMORY OF OUR FATHER

Daddy, Jesse L. Carroll, was born March 3, 1905 and departed this life February 18, 1991. Making his stay on earth 85 years, 11 months and 18 days. He was a faithful member of Turner's Chapel for over the last 22 years.

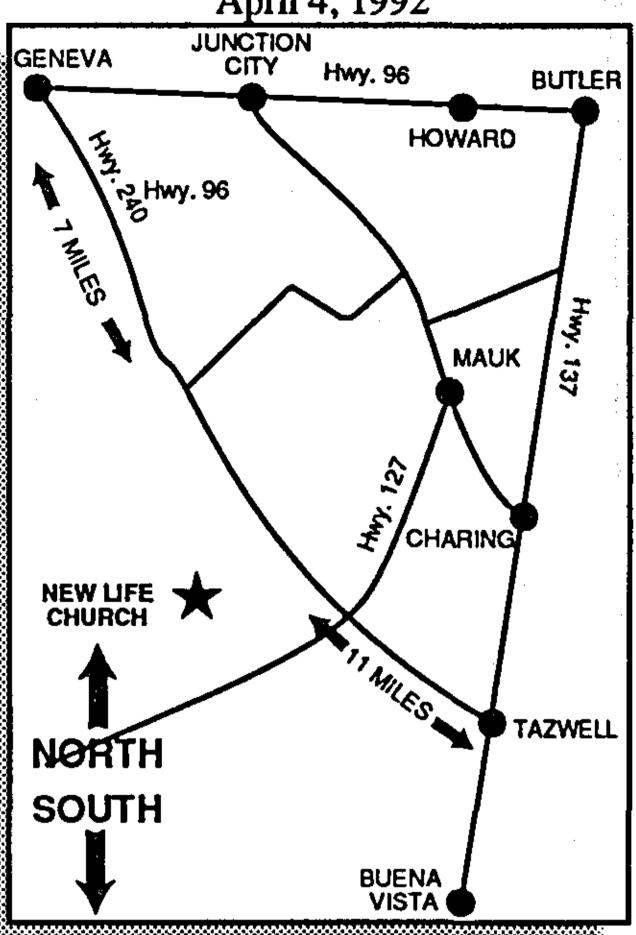
He leaves behind his wife, 3 sons, 2 daughters, 13 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, and many friends and loved ones.

When death has come and taken our loved ones, It leaves our home so lonely and drear, But when we meet him in that bright mansion, We'll understannd it all by and by, Farther along we'll know all about it, Farther along we'll understand why, Cheer up, my brother, live in the sunshine, We'll understand it all by and by.

In loving memory, The Carroll Family First Quarterly Meeting MOUNT OLIVE January 4, 1992

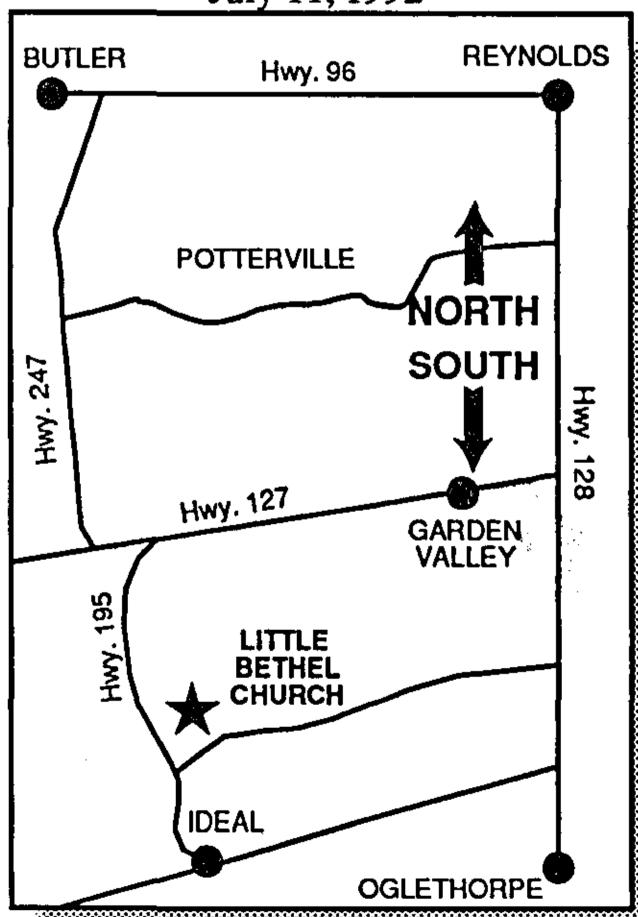


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Third Quarterly Meeting LITTLE BETHEL July 11, 1992

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