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Clerk		Bro. C. W. Carroll
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Assistant Clerk		Sis. Edna Carroll
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ASSOCIATION CALENDAR

FIRST QUARTERLY MEETING Mount Olive	January 2, 1993
Sermon by Rev. Paul Smith	
SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING New Liberty	April 3, 1993
Sermon by Rev. Sidney Jones	
THIRD QUARTERLY MEETING New Life	July 10, 1993
Sermon by Rev. Sidney Jones	
ANNUAL MEETING	October 2, 1993
First Thomaston	•
Sermon by Rev. Charles Clark	

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.

- 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	8	2	64	27	0	0	0
First Thomaston	Rev. Terry Pierce	Ft	0	0	2	184	53	0	10	0
Little Bethel	Rev. Sidney Jones	Ft	3	8	7	93	50	0	8	7
Mount Olive	Rev. Tim Hutchinson	Ft	0	5	0	164	60	0	0	0
New Liberty	Rev. Eugene F. Ross	Ft	0	4	0	33	0	0	0	0
New Life	Rev. Arthur Smith	Ft	1	11	21	135	30	0	15	12
New Prospect	Rev. Hubert Arnold	Ft	1	6	6	120	25	0	0	0
Spring Hill		Ft	0	0	3	56	31	0	0	0
Trinity	Rev. Warren Wyatt	Ft	1	1	0	54	34	0	0	0
F	Rev. Charles Clark	Ft	3	4	2	189	60	0	0	0

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157th ANNUAL SESSION OF THE CHATTAHOOCHEE FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The 157th Annual Meeting of the Chattahoochee Association was held at Trinity Free Will Church in Taylor County on Oct. 3, 1992. It was opened at 10:30 A.M., with singing lead by Bro. E. A. Welch, Jr.

Rev. Warren Wyatt, Asst. Moderator and pastor of the host Church, welcomed everyone and Rev. Herbert and Geraldine Waid from the State Association, then turned the business over to the moderator, Rev. Terry Pierce.

The Moderator, took charge, welcomed everyone, then asked for all to stand with Rev. Sidney Jones to open the business with prayer, 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. Martin Windham.

They are as follows:

- Bethany- Sis. Vickie Mathis, Bro. James Grimsley, Sis. Bertha Hendricks, Sis. Ruby Grimsley
- 2 First Thomaston- Sis. Carolyn Baker, Sis. Belyn Pierce, Bro. Roy McHargue, Sis. Elaine Middlebrooks
- 3 Little Bethel- Sis. Mary Lee Fowler, Sis. Ruby Ray, Sis. Ruby Layfield, Sis. Blondell Layfield
- 4 Mount Olive- Sis. Suzan Hutchinson, Sis. Barbara Jean Windham & Sisse, Bro. Syd Crook, Bro. Martin Windham
- 5 New Liberty- Bro. Perry Lundsford, Sis. Sara Lunsford, Sis. Joyce Lunsford, Bro. J. C. Kirkland, Sis. Ann Ross
- 6 New Life- Bro. J. W. Teat, Bro. Dwight Smith, Rev. Arthur Smith, Sis. Arline Smith, Bro. Jr. Smith, Sis Lou Ellen Waller, Bro. Joe Waller, Sis. Kay Stubbs
- 7 New Prospect- Bro. Robert Gresham, Bro. Curtis Kirksey, Sis. Florence Windham, Sis. Angela Gresham
- 8 Spring Hill- Sis. Ruth Amerson, Sis. Myrtle Grier, Sis. Betty G. Conkle, Bro. Houston James, Sis. Lucille James
- 9 Trinity- Sis. Peggy Warr, Sis. Juanita Wyatt, Sis. Alane Patterson, Sis. Josephine Welch
- 10- Turner's Chapel- Sis. Edna Carroll

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 Committee's He appointed the following:

TEMPERANCE:

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Bro. Dwight Smith

Bro. J. C. Kirkland

Sis. Sarah Lunsford

Sis. Betty Sue Conkle

Sis. Ruby Ray

Sis. Suzan Hutchinson

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

Sis. Blondall Layfield

Sis. Edna Carroll

Sis. Juanita Wyatt

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

Rev. Tim Hutchinson

Dea. James Wilhoite

Rev. Gene Ross

OBITUARY:

Sis. Carolyn Baker

Sis. Ruth Amerson

Sis. Kay Stubbs

ROLL CALL FOR ORDAINING COUNCIL

Rev. Sidney Jones	Present
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Rev. Hubert Arnold	Present
Dea. Morris Lawhorn	Present

ROLL CALL FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Dea. Gleason Fowler	Present
Bro. Martin Windham	Present
Dea. Norman Grier	Not Present
Dea. Tyson Ray	Present
Dea. E. A. Welch, Jr	

ROLL CALL FOR SUGGESTION COMMITTEE

Bro. Roy McHargue	Present
Dea. Leonard Layfield	
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Rev. Charles Clark	Present

The Moderator asked for any local or state reports.

Rev. Terry Pierce reported that the Double In A Decade committee has set up a full day of seminars to help Georgia do its part in a ten year campaign to double our denomination membership by the year 2000.

He also reported that the next youth rally will be held at Turner's Chapel on Oct. 24th at 6:30 P.M. following a Walk-A-Thon beginning at 4:00 P.M. at the courthouse in Butler. The proceeds will be in honor of Laura Belle Barnard Day and will be divided in home and foreign missions.

The youth fund has a balance of \$261.70.

Christian Education- no report, Bro. Johnny New was excused because of work that had to be done at his home.

Board of Trustees- Bro. Gleason Fowler reported that the Board of Trustees had a meeting, but has not decided where to build the new State Office.

Camp Mt. Bethel- Bro. Roy McHargue reported that Camp Mt. Bethel is doing real good, looking better with more repair work being done, more young people are attending, then more young people are being saved.

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Rev. Herbert Waid reported that Bro. David Starr will be the Camp Director of 1993. June 6-11, will be High Teen Camp, ages (15-up), July 4-9, will be Chattahoochee and Ga. Union, Jr. Camp and Aug. 1-6, Low Teen Camp, ages 13 & 14.

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

The Moderator turned morning business over to the host Church for morning service. It began with singing, then turned over to Rev. Terry Pierce for the message. Rev. Pierce reported that he is resigning from First Thomaston Church and accepting to be pastor of New Life Church, west of Albany near Morgan, Ga., the first of next month and enjoyed being in the Chattahoochee Association. Then he delivered a wonderful and spiritual message, "What Represents God" on Ephesians 2: 11-22. Then ending with prayer by Rev. Warren Wyatt. Then dismissed for lunch by Bro. Morris Lawhorn.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Singing began at 1:15 P.M.

Prayer by Bro. Martin Windham.

A short devotion was delivered by Rev. Gene Ross from St. John 1:1 called "Fellowship", ending with prayer.

The Moderator asked for any more reports.

Rev. Charles Clark reported the that Board of Missions is doing real good in home and foreign missions.

Bro. Welch reported the Benevolence Fund is still good and that Churches still support it. He received today \$50.0 leaving a balance of \$663.85.

Rev. Waid gave a real good report for the National and State Associations. The next State Meeting will be Nov. 11-14, 1992 at Norman Park, Ga.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Bal. on hand July 11-92	\$844.26
Paid Sis. Heather Clark for 1st Sem	
Received today	\$265.00
Bal. today	

SUGGESTION COMMITTEE:

We the Suggestion Committee have three different items.

It was moved, seconded and carried for each item be seperate.

1-We suggest that we show our appreciation to Rev. Terry Pierce for his faithful service to our Association for his work as Moderator from our Association and for the work he did with our Youth Group Association.

It was moved, seconded, and carried for a rising vote of thanks.

2-We suggest that we receive an offering to go to our National Association for the new office building.

It was moved, seconded, and carried.

3-We also suggest we give the host Church a rising vote of thanks and appreciation for hosting the Annual Association Meeting.

It was moved, seconded, and carried.

Mrs. Dot Gibson-----12- 2-91

Bro. James Harbuck----- 3-24-92

Sis. Mary Milam----- 6- 1-92

Sis. Evelyn Rustin----- 5- 5-92

Mrs. Agnes Wainwright----- 3-22-92

Mr. C. G. Wainwright----- 6-19-92

It was moved, seconded, and carried to stand with silent prayer, then ending in prayer by Bro. E. A. Welch, Jr.

TEMPERANCE:

TURNER'S CHAPEL:

SPRING HILL:

TRINITY:

We the Temperance Committee suggest that each church place special emphasis on our young people to become more involved in Church and the Chattahoochee Association. We would like to recognize the young people today.

We, the leaders of the Church, need to get ourselves prayed up and ready to pray for others in need.

It was moved, seconded, and accepted.

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

We, your Sunday School Committee suggest to everyone to be in Sunday School every Sunday. It helps to study God's word more, and to learn more about his will and way.

Proverbs 22:6 says, "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it." Many times Sunday School is the only time a child hears about Jesus. A good Sunday School is a growing Church.

It was moved, seconded, and accepted.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

Since Rev. Terry Pierce is moving out of the Association, Rev. Warren Wyatt (Asst. Mod.), will automatically fill the term of Bro. Pierce's for 1 year. All the other

Local Officers:
Asst. Moderator1 year
Clerk1 year
Asst. Clerk1 year
Ordaining Council3 years
Executive Committee5 years
Suggestion Committee3 years
Youth Camp-DirTreRev. Tim Hutchinson1 year
Asst1 year
Clerk of Bene1 year
Asst1 year
Double In A Decade1 year
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. 11-14,
1992, all volunteered. They are, Sis. Mary Lee Fowler, Sis. Suzan Hutchinson, and
Sis. Barbara Arnold.
For the Quarterly Meetings to be held next year are volunteered by:
First Quarterly MeetingJan. 2, 1993
Mount Olive
Sermon by Rev. Paul Smith
Second Quarterly MeetingApril 3, 1993
New Liberty
Sermon by Rev. Sidney Jones
Third Quarterly MeetingJuly 10, 1993
New Life
Sermon by Rev. Sidney Jones
The first Saturday in July is the 3rd and the 4th on Sunday, it was moved,
seconded, and carried to change this date to the 10th.
Annual MeetingOct. 2, 1993
First Thomaston
Sermon by Rev. Charles Clark
It was discussed about Pleasant Hill being closed for several years and it be moved
from the Association.
It was moved, seconded, and carried for Pleasant Hill be removed from the
Association.
It was moved and seconded to adjourn.

nominees are from the nominating committee.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

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

Dismissed with prayer by Rev. Charles Clark.

THE FIRST QUARTERLY MEETING

The First Quarterly Meeting was held at Mount Olive Church, Taylor County, Potterville, Ga. on Jan. 4, 1992. Song service began at 10:30 A.M. led by, pastor of the host Church, Rev. A.G. Windham, and then welcomed everyone. Then read a scripture from Philippians 3:7-16. Then prayer by Rev. Gene Ross. Then a special song titled "Higher Ground". Rev. Windham then gave a special welcome to Rev. & Mrs. Herbert Waid from the The State Association. After another song, service was turned over to the Moderator, Rev. Terry Pierce.

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 Bro. Johnny New and Bro. Martin Windham.

They are as follows:

- 1 Bethany-Bro. Tom Bullard, Bro. Gary Beck, Sis. Mary Agnes Beck
- 2 First Thomaston-Bro. Roy McHargue, Sis. Geraldine Taunton, Bro. Clayton Taunton, Sis. Belyn Pierce
- 3 Little Bethel-Sis. Mary Lee Fowler, Sis. Blondell Layfield
- 4 Mount Olive-Bro. Syd Crook, Bro. Johnny New, Sis. Barbara J. Windham, Bro. James Windham
- 5 New Liberty-Sis. Ann Ross, Bro. Perry Lunsford, Sis. Sara Lunsford, Bro. J.C. Kirkland, Sis. Christine Kirkland
- 6 New Life-By letter
- 7 New Prospect-Bro. Lee Sawyer
- 8 Pleasant Hill-No Report
- 9 Spring Hill-Sis. Betty Sue Conkle, Sis. Myrtle Grier, Sis. Bernice McCall
- 10- Trinity-Sis. Josephine Welch, Bro. E.A. Welch Jr.
- 11- Turner's Chapel-Sis. Heather Clark, Sis. Edna Carroll

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. Sidney Jones	Present
Rev. Hubert Arnold	Not Present
Dea. Morris Lawhorn	Not Present

ROLL CALL FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

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

ROLL CALL FOR SUGGESTION COMMITTEE:

Sis. Kathy Cofield------Not Present Dea. Leonard Layfield-------Present Rev. Charles Clark------Present

Rev. Hubert Arnold and Dea. Morris Lawnhorn of the Ordaining Council were not present because of sickness, they were excused for today.

Dea. Curtis Kirksey of the Executive Committee has missed two consecutive meetings with no excuse has to be replaced today. The floor was opened for nominees. Bro. Martin Windham was nominated and after there was no other nominees the floor was closed. Bro. Martin Windham was elected to be on this committee for 4 years.

Sis. Bernice McCall was appointed to take Sis. Kathy Cofield's place on the Suggestion Committee for today.

The clerk read a letter he had received concerning Rev. Ed. Whatley saying:

"I'm the clerk of the First Free Will Baptist in Boomesville. I'm writing concerning Bro. Ed Whatley, is he a minister in good standing with your Association?"

Thank so much,

Pat Cosley (clerk)

I wrote back, that Rev. Ed Whatley had a good standing with this Association. It was moved, seconded, and carried for the Moderator to appoint a Finance Committee. He appointed, Sis. Heather Clark, Bro. Lee Sawyer, and Sis. Ann Ross.

The Moderator asked for any reports.

Rev. Charles Clark gave a good report for the State Missions and also reported that the Walk-A-Thon was real good.

Bro. Gleason Fowler reported for the Executive Committee and the Masters Men.

Bro. Roy McHargue reported for Camp Mt. Bethel.

Bro. Welch reported that the Benevolence Fund is still doing good. The fund has received \$200.00 for Oct., Nov. and Dec. and has sent out \$150.00 leaving a balance of \$602.87.

Rev. Terry Pierce reported that our young people will be at Camp Mt. Bethel this year on July 5-10. He also reported that the Youth Group is doing real good and they are electing their own officer's and the next rally will be Jan. 18, at First Thomaston Church at 7:00.

It was moved, seconded, and accepted for morning.

Rev. A.G. Windham asked for all to stand and sing "Burdens Are Lifted At Calvary" for Rev. Hubert Arnold while he is in the hospital. Then prayer by Rev. Charles Clark for Rev. Arnold and the Association.

Rev. Warren Wyatt took charge, in prayer, then delivered a wonderful message on "Salt Is Good" from Luke 14:34-35, then ended with prayer.

Then dismissed for lunch by Rev. J.C. Grimsley.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Singing began at 1:15 P.M.

The Moderator asked Sis. Heather Clark, daughter of Rev. & Mrs. Charles Clark, if she would report on her trip to Brazil. Sis Heather reported that her trip to

Brazil was real good and the spirit of God was there. She shared with us some of the experiences she had while there, and her desire to go back there, if God leads her to go. She thanked the Association for their support both spiritually and financially.

Rev. Herbert Waid gave a good report for the State and National Associations. The Moderator read a letter from Sis. Debbie Griffin about her trip to Japan.

Finance	Committee	Report:
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Bal. on hand Oct. 5, 1991	\$1,129.34
Paid for Barnard Day	35.50
Paid for State Office building fund	35.50
Paid for State delegates	60.00
Paid for Nat. Assoc. Dues	110.00
Paid for minutes	429.08
Paid for Heather Clark for 2nd sem	20.00
Letter fee's today	150.00
Bal. on hand Jan. 4	589.26
Bal. on hand of Mission fund	\$1045.00
	Sis. Heather Clark
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Sis. Ann Ross Bro. Lee Sawyer

Suggestion Committee Report:

We, the Suggestion Committee have three items to report. It was moved, seconded, and carried for each item accepted separate.

1 - Give the host Church a rising vote of thanks for entertaining the Quarterly conference.

It was moved, seconded, and carried.

2 - Receive an offering today and give it to the Benevolence Fund or as the Association see's fit.

It was moved, seconded, and carried.

3 - We suggest that all Church's observe all ordinances, the Lord's Supper and Feet Washing.

It was moved, seconded, and accepted.

Rev. Charles Clark Bro. Leonard Layfield Sis. Bernice McCall

The offering was received by Bro. Jimmy Wilhoit and Bro. Johnny New. Prayer by Rev. Herbert Waid. The offering was \$36.00.

It was moved, seconded, and carried. Dismissed with prayer by Bro. E.A. Welch Jr.

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

SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING

The Second Quarterly Meeting was held at Turner's Chapel in Taylor County on April 4, 1992. Song service began at 10:30 A.M. led by Sis. Rachel Wainwright.

Rev. Charles Clark, pastor of the host Church, welcomed everyone and asked that all stand and hold hands and pray and was led by Rev. Tim Hutchinson. All sung "That Glad Reunion Day" and service was turned over to the Moderator, Rev. Terry Pierce.

The Moderator took charge with a warm welcome and called for the corresponding letters. It was moved, seconded, and carried for the Moderator appoint two men to read the letters. He appointed Rev. A.G. Windham and Bro. E.A. Welch Jr.

They are as follows:

- 1 Bethany-Bro. Jimmy Lynn
- 2 First Thomaston-Bro. Roy McHargue, Sis. Elaine Middlebrooks, Sis. Maybelle Chandler, Sis. Belyn Pierce
- 3 Little Bethel-Sis. Ruby Ray, Sis. Gleason Fowler
- 4 Mount Olive-Bro. Syd Crook, Bro. Johnny New, Sis. Teressa New, Bro. Martin Windham, Sis. Barbara Jean Windham
- 5 New Liberty-Sis. Sara Lunsford, Bro. Perry Lunsford, Bro. John Kirkland, Sis. Christine Kirkland, Sis. Ann Ross, Sis. Lisa Vissage, Bro. Rodney Vissage
- 6 New Life-Sis. April Wyrich, Bro. Joe Waller
- 7 New Prospect-Sis. Florence Windham, Bro. Stephen Youngblood, Bro. Lee Sawyer
- 8 Spring Hill-Sis. Ruth Amerson
- 9 Pleasant Hill-No report
- 10- Trinity-Sis. Josephine Welch, Sis. Bess Williams
- 11- Turner's Chapel-Bro. Bill Byrd, Bro. Arnold Wainwright, Sis. Rachel Wainwright

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

Rev. A.G. Windham, introduced Rev. Tim Hutchinson to the Association 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 a Finance Committee. He appointed Bro. Arnold Wainwright, Sis. Barbara Windham, Sis. Bess Williams, and Sis. Ruth Amerson

ROLL CALL FOR ORDAINING COUNCIL:

Rev. Sidney Jones	Present
Rev. Hubert Arnold	
Dea. Morris Lawhorn	Present

ROLL CALL FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Dea. Gleason Fowler	Present
Bro. Martin Windham	Present
Dea. Norman Grier	Present
Dea. Monroe Tyson Ray	Present
Dea. E.A. Welch Jr	

ROLL CALL FOR SUGGESTION COMMITTEE:

Sis. Kathy Cofield	Not Present
Dea. Leonard Layfield	Not Present
	Present
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Sis. Kathy Cofield has missed two consecutive meetings with no excuse. It was moved, seconded, and carried to elect someone to take her place. The floor was opened for nomination. Bro. Roy McHargue was nominated and after there were no more nominations, Bro. Roy McHargue was elected to finish Sis. Cofield's term of three years. Bro. Layfield was not present and Sis. Sara Lunsford was appointed for his place today.

The Moderator asked for any reports.

Rev. Charles Clark reported for Board of Missions and the new state Churches. All our association pray for them. He suggested that today's offering be for the National Association Project. He also reported Ministerial Meeting of the county will be held at the court house square, May 7, 1992 at 12:00, and asked that all Churches be present.

Bro. Welch reported that the Benevolence Fund has received this Quarter \$176.00 and sent Mrs. Jordan and Mrs. Childree \$75.00, leaving a balance of \$713.89.

Bro. Gleason Fowler reported that the Master's Men are doing real good and for the Executive Committee hold a meeting today.

Bro. McHargue gave a good report for Camp Mt. Bethel and more repair work will be done. This year for each child will be \$45.00.

Bro. Pierce reported that the Youth Rally are still doing real good and will elect officers each Oct.. He asked for a youth rally in June and who will like to have it. The camp session will still be in July 5-10 this year.

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

It was moved, seconded, and carried for morning service. Singing led by Rev. Clark. The offering for the National Association Project was received by Bro. Bill Byrd and Bro. Leroy Lowe with prayer. The offering was \$67.00.

Rev. Sidney Jones took charge and opened with prayer, then delivered a wonderful message for us all from Ephesians 4:1-16, then ended with prayer.

Then dismissed for lunch with prayer by Bro. Lee Sawyer.

AFTERNOON SESSION

At 1:15 P.M., the Moderator welcomed Rev. Charles McNeese, pastor of 1st F.W.B. Church in Perry, and asked him to deliver a short devotion.

Bro. McNeese reported that he was a missionary and helped build the first F.W.B. Church in Perry, Ga., about a year ago and that the Church is doing real good.

He then delivered a real special devotion based on Nehemiah 4:6 and 6:15. Then ending with prayer.

Bro. Johnny New on the Board of Christian Education gave us a real good report for State Association.

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

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT:

Balance on hand	\$589.26
National offering today	67.00
Letter fee's today	
Balance on hand	

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

SUGGESTION COMMITTEE REPORT:

The committee reported with two different items.

It was moved, seconded, and carried to keep these two items separate.

- 1 The Suggestion Committee sugessted that the Association give the host Church a rising vote of thanks. It was moved, seconded, and carried.
- 2 The Suggestion Committee suggested to give the visiting speaker, Rev. Charles McNeese, \$50.00. It was moved, seconded, and carried.

ORDAINING COUNCIL REPORT:

We the Ordaining Council, having examined Bro. Tim Hutchinson, do recommend that he be accepted into the Chattahoochee Association in full fellowhsip with the recommendation from the Georgia Union Association.

Rev. Sidney Jones Rev. Hubert Arnold Dea. Morris Lawhorn

This report was moved, seconded, and carried.

FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - No report

It ws moved and seconded to adjourn with prayer for New Life Church and the Association with all gathered around the alter. Led by Bro. E.A. Welch Jr.

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

THIRD QUARTERLY MEETING

The Third Quarterly Meeting was held at Little Bethel Church, Macon County, July 11, 1992. Singing began at 10:30 a.m., led by pastor of the host Church, Rev. Sidney Jones. Then prayer by Bro. Gleason Fowler.

Rev. Jones welcomed everyone and reported that Rev. Charles Clark would not be present to deliver the morning sermon and that Rev. Tim Hutchinson will take his place.

The Moderator, Rev. Terry Pierce, took charge and called the meeting in order, asking for the corresponding letters. It was moved, seconded, and carried for him to appoint a committee to read the letters. He appointed Bro. Jr. Welch and Bro. Martin Windham.

They are as follows:

- 1 Bethany-By letter
- 2 First Thomaston-Sis. Belyn Pierce, Bro. Roy McHargue
- 3 Little Bethel-Sis. Ruby Ray, Sis, Ruby Layfield, Sis. Blondell Layfield
- 4 Mount Olive-Bro. Syd Crook, Sis. Barbara Windham, Sis. Suzan Hutchinson, Bro. Martin Windham
- 5 New Liberty-Bro. John Kirkland, Bro. Perry Lunsford, Sis. Sara Lunsford, Sis. Ann Ross, Sis. Lisa Vissage
- 6 New Life-Sis. Kay Stubbs, Bro. Oliver Stubbs, Bro. Joseph Waller, Sis. Luellan Waller, Bro. Arthur Smith Jr., Bro. Arthur Smith, Bro. Dwight Smith, Bro. John Smith, Sis. Arlene Smith, Bro. Richard Anthony
- 7 New Prospect-Bro. Lee Sawyer, Bro. Steven Youngblood, Sis. Florence Windham
- 8 Pleasant Hill-No report
- 9 Spring Hill--Bro. Houston James, Sis. Lucille James, Sis. Ruth Amerson, Sis. Myrtle Grier
- 10 Trinity-Sis. Josephine Welch, Sis. Juanita Wyatt, Sis. Bess Williams
- 11- Turner's Chapel-Bro. Edward Robinson, Bro. Leroy 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.

The clerk read a letter from Bro. Brian K. Fuller that stated. At this time I would like to tender my resignation, to the Chattahoochee Free Will Baptist Association, as a minister effective immediately, May 12, 1992, should you have any questions please don't hesitate to call or write.

It was discussed and then moved, seconded, and carried for the clerk to write a letter to Bro. Fuller to surrender his credential's of the Chattahoochee Association.

ROLL CALL FOR ORDAINING COUNCIL

Rev. Sidney JonesPresent
Rev. Hubert ArnoldNot Present
Dea. Morris LawhornPresent
ROLL CALL FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Dea. Gleason FowlerPresent
Bro. Martin WindhamPresent
Dea. Norman GrierPresent
Dea. Monroe Tyson RayPresent
Dea. E.A. Welch JrPresent
ROLL CALL FOR SUGGESTION COMMITTEE
Bro. Roy McHarguePresent
Dea. Leonard LayfieldPresent
Rev. Charles ClarkNot Present
Rev. Hubert Arnold of the Ordaining Council and Rev. Charles Clark of the
Suggestion Committee were not present. It was moved, seconded, and carried for

Suggestion Committee were not present. It was moved, seconded, and carried for the Moderator to appoint someone for both not present. He appointed Rev. A.G. Windham for the Ordaining Council and Bro. Lee Sawyer for the Suggestion Committee today.

It was moved, seconded, and carried for the Moderator to appoint a Finance Committee. He appointed Sis. Ruth Amerson, Sis. Blondell Layfield, Bro. Oliver Stubbs, and Bro. J.C. Kirkland.

The Moderator asked for any reports:

Bro. Gleason Fowler reported that the State Board of Trustees would like for our Association to decide where they would like to have the new State Office built. It was discussed about 5 different places, but no agreement was decided and no move or second were made. It was then moved, seconded, and carried to accept this report.

Bro. Fowler reported that the Executive Committee found that New Life Church is doing better and will be electing a new pastor. This report was moved, seconded, and carried.

Bro. Roy McHargue and Rev. Terry Pierce gave a fine report for the young people of this Association. They had a fine week at Camp Mt. Bethel and their next rally will be in Oct. this year. This report was moved, seconded, and accepted.

The Association appraised the men and women that took part with the young people at Camp Mt. Bethel this year.

The delegates of New Life Church asked if they could have a meeting with the Ordaining Council this afternoon. There request was accepted.

It was moved, seconded, and carried for morning service. Rev. Sidney Jones took charge and led the singing with the song of "Give Me A Double Portion". Rev. Tim Hutchinson took charge with prayer. Then delivered a wonderful message, telling us how we should "Act". Beginning with Hebrew's 5:12, then closed by Rev. Jones.

Dismissed for lunch, with prayer by Bro. Leonard Layfield.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Singing began at 1:15 p.m., led by Bro. W.T. Williams.

Rev. Arthur Smith, from New Lift Church, delivered a short devotion from Ruth 1:19, then ended with prayer by Rev. A.G. Windham.

The Moderator called for any reports:

Bro. E.A. Welch Jr. reported that the Benevolence Fund has paid for April, May and June to Mrs. Jordon and Mrs. Childree \$75.00 each and received \$100.00 from two Church's. Balance on hand of \$663.89. This report was moved, seconded, an accepted.

Rev. Sidney Jones gave a good report for the Master's Men and also delivered Rev. Tim Hutchinson a Ministeral Identification Card of the Association. This report was moved, seconded, and accepted.

Committee Reports:

Finance Committee:

Bro. Oliver Stubbs
Sis. Ruth Amerson
Sis. Blondell Layfield

Suggestion Committee:

The Suggestion Committee has three different items.

It was moved, seconded, and carried to accept all three items at one time.

- 1 We suggest that each individual Church member do more visiting to tell the word about God.
- 2 We also suggest that each individual that has a concern about the location of the State Office building, write a letter to the State Secretary or member of the executive committee, letting them known their thoughts on the matter.
- 3 We also suggest we give the host Church a standing rise of thanks for our appreciation for having us here. They were accepted.

Bro. Roy McHargue Bro. Lee Sawyer Bro. Leonard Layfield

Ordaining Council:

We the Ordaining Council has examined Bro. Arthur Smith and are satisfied with his qualifications as a minister of gospel. We therefore recommend his ordination and acceptance into our Association.

Rev. Sidney Jones

Bro. Morris Lawhorn Rev. A.G. Windham

This report was moved, seconded, and carried.

It was moved, seconded, and carried for today's offering to go to the missions of Japan.

Prayer by Bro. W.T. Williams and the Offering was \$55.00.

It was moved, seconded, and carried to adjourn. Dismissed with prayer by Rev. Sidney Jones.

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

CHATTAHOOCHEE DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

The Chattahoochee District Woman's Auxiliary Convention met September 12th, 1992 at Little Bethel near Ideal.

Registration began at 10:00 a.m. with Blondell Layfield in charge.

The call to order and Welcome were given by Geraldine Taunton.

Song "Victory in Jesus" was sung by the group.

Special music was by Ruby Ray and Sarah Fowler.

Geraldine Taunton gave a study on the manual.

Minutes and Treasurer's report was accepted as given.

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

The Semi-annual meeting will be held in FirstThomaston Freewill Baptist Church, April 24th at 10:00 o'clock.

The annual meeting will be held at Little Bethel Freewill Baptist Church September 11th, at 10:00 o'clock.

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

After Prayer by Mary Lee Fowler we were dismissed for Lunch.

President - Geraldine Taunton Secretary - Clarice Jinks

LITTLE BETHEL OBITUARY REPORT

- 1 Mr. Randal Jinks --- Deacon 33 years
- 2 Donald Lee Patrick
- 3 Lucy Mae Patrick
- 4 Eva Myrtle Raburn
- 5 Rogers Goodin Strectman
- 6 Mrs. Frances Raburn
- 7 Mrs. Lizzy McCarty

In memory of our dear beloved brothers and sisters, who have passed away since our last Association. We miss them dearly but feel our loss was their gain to a Heavenly home.

To be reunited with loved ones, and best of all to dwell in the presence of our Lord in gloryland where sin, sorrow, and death can never fall!

NEW PROSPECT

Mrs. Dot Gibson entered into her heavenly home on Dec. 2, 1991. She was a loyal and dedicated Christian and will be missed by all. She had been a member of New Prospect, Taylor County, for 10 years. May God bless her family and keep her safe.

Sis. Evelyn Rustin was born Oct. 9, 1920 and departed this life on May 5, 1992. She was a member of Trinity Freewill Baptist Church for many years. She will be missed by her Church family, loved ones and friends. Sis. Evelyn is survived by one daughter, one son, and two grandsons.

"We believe our loss is Heaven's gain"

Josephine Welch Church Clerk

IN MEMORY OF SIS. MARY MILAM

Sis Mary Milam was born March 28, 1917 and departed this life June 1, 1992 after a long illness. She was a faithful member of Spring Hill Free Will Baptist Church as long as health permitted. Sis. Mary is deeply missed by her devoted husband, children, family and friends.

Sis. Bernice McCall Church Clerk

IN MEMORY OF BRO. JAMES (BUSTER) HARBUCK

Bro. James Harbuck was born October 13, 1912 and died March 24, 1992. Bro. James Harbuck, a deacon and a faithful member of Spring Hill Free Will Baptist Church, always had a strong faith and a great love for Christ, his friends and family. He will always be missed by his family and friends.

Sis. Bernice McCall Church Clerk

IN MEMORY OF SIS. AGNES WAINWRIGHT

Sister Agnes Wainwright was born September 1, 1914, and died March 22, 1992. "Sister Agnes", a faithful member of Turner's Chapel Church, always had a strong faith and a great love for Christ, her friends and family. She is deeply missed.

She is survived by her three sons, two daughters, several grandchildren and great-grandchildren, one brother and one sister.

Turner's Chapel Church

In Memory Of Chanley Gray Wainwright

He was born April 4, 1911 and departed this life on June 17, 1992 at the age of 81 years old. He was a lifelong member of Turner's Chapel Church. His survivor's are: Lila R. Wainwright, wife; Frances Pollard, daughter; Jeanette Anderson, daughter; Sarah Casey, sister; Hallie McInvale, sister; and a number of nieces and nephews. Because we have the hope of being with him again one day in heaven we leave this thought in his memory:

Do not stand at my grave and weep;
I am not there, I do not sleep.
I am a thousand winds that blow.
I am the diamond glints on snow.
I am the sunlight on ripened grain.
I am the gentle autumn's rain.
When you awaken in the morning's hush,
I am the swif uplifting rush of quiet
birds in circled flight.
I am the soft stars that shine at night.
Do not stand at my grave and cry;
I am not there.
I did not die.

Author Unknown