MINUTES of the 158th ANNUAL SESSION of the

Chattahoochee

Free Will

Baptist

Association

Held with First Thomaston

Thomaston, GA

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# ASSOCIATION CALENDAR

FIRST QUARTERLY MEETING ...... January 8, 1994 TRINITY Sermon by Rev. Hubert Arnold

SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING April 2, 1994 LITTLE BETHEL Sermon by Rev. Willie Sumerlin

THIRD QUARTERLY MEETING NEW LIFE Sermon by Rev. Sidney Jones July 2, 1994

ANNUAL MEETING NEW PROSPECT Sermon by Rev. Grover Bunting

October 1, 1994

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.

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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.

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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 inholiness, 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 Chattahoochee 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. Joe L. Tyler	Ft	7	20	0	50	36	0	0	0	
First Thomaston	Rev. Willie Sumerlin	Ft	0	3	6	183	35	0	6	0	ŀ
Little Bethel	Rev. Sidney Jones	Ft	2	5	2	96	50	0	8	7	
Mt Olive	Rev. Tim Hutchinson	Ft	6	5	5	164	60	0	0	0	]4
New Liberty	Rev. Eugene F. Ross	Ft	0	0	1	32	20	0	0	0	
New Life	Rev. Arthur Smith	Ft	3	2	0	137	30	0	15	12	
New Prospect	Rev. Hubert Arnold	Ft	3	7	1	126	33	0	0	0	
Spring Hill	Rev. Grover Bunting	Ft	0	5	4	57	31		0	0	
Trinity	Rev. Warren Wyatt	Ft	0	0	3	47	31	0	0	0	
Turner's Chapel	Rev. Charles Clark	Ft	0	1	1	189	60	0	0	0	

Church	County	Tithes & Offering	Values of Church & Parsonage	Minutes	Nat. Assoc. Dues	Represent- tion Fee
Bethany	Marion	7,489.79	50,000.00	25	10.00	25.00
First Thomaston	Upson	29,106.59	350,000.00	20	10.00	20.00
Little Bethel	Macon	18,049.93	80,000.00	25	10.00	25.00
Mount Olive	Taylor	19,257.18	275,000.00	25	10.00	25.00
New Liberty	Schley	6,000.00	25,000.00	18	10.00	10.00
New Life	Marion	18,663.00	151,000.00	35	10.00	15.00
New Prospect	Taylor	8,000.00	75,000.00	25	10.00	15.00
Spring Hill	Marion	16,000.00	95,000.00	20	10.00	15.00
Trinity	Taylor	25,562.85	180,000.00	25	10.00	25.00
Turner's Chapel	Taylor	13,598.47	190,000.00	25	10.00	25.00

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Bro. Roy McHargue
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#### 158TH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE CHATTACHOOCHEE FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The 158th Annual Meeting of the Chattachoochee Association was held at First Free Will Baptist Church in Thomaston, Upson County on Oct. 2, 1993. It was opened at 10:30 A.M., with singing led by Bro. Herbert Salter, then prayer by Rev. A.G. Windham.

Rev. Willie Sumerlin, pastor of the Host Church, welcomed everyone and then turned the business over to the Moderator, Rev. Warren Wyatt.

The Moderator welcomed everyone and a special welcome to Rev. and Mrs. Herbert Waid from the State Association and Rev. and Mrs. Glyn Thomas from the Mission Board. Rev. Herbert Waid opened the business of the 158th Annual Meeting with prayer. The Moderator called for corresponding letters, then appointed Rev. A.G. Windham and Bro. Martin Windham to read the letters.

They are as follows:

- 1. Bethany; Sis. Brenda Trivett, Sis. Peggy Tyler, Sis. Vickie Mathis, Sis. Wemonah Lajoie
- 2. First Thomaston; Sis. Geraldine Taunton
- 3. Little Bethel; Sis. Mary Lee Fowler, Sis. Ruby Layfield, Sis. Blondell Layfield
- 4. Mount Olive; Bro. Sid Crook, Bro. Martin Windham, Sis. Barbara J. Windham, Sis. Suzan Hutchinson.
- 5. New Liberty; Bro. Perry Lunsford, Sis. Sara Lunsford, Sis. Christine Kirkland, Bro. J.C. Kirkland
- 6. New Life; Bro. Arthur Smith, Sis. Arline Smith, Bro. Arthur Smith Jr., Bro. Joseph Waller, Sis. Ellen Waller
- 7. New Prospect; Bro. Lee Sawyer, Bro. David Thorpe, Bro. Steven Youngblood, Sis. Barbara Arnold
- 8. Spring Hill; Sis. Myrtle Grier, Sis. Linda Whitt, Bro. Houston James, Sis. Lucile James
- 9. Trinity; Sis. Juanita Wyatt, Sis. Josephine Welch
- 10. Turner's Chapel; Sis. Janice Clark

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

The minutes of the last meeting were read. A correction concerned with the mission board letter was made, then 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. Sidney Jones	Present

#### ROLL CALL FOR THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Dea. Monroe Tyson Ray ..... Present

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

#### ROLL CALL FOR THE SUGGESTION COMMITTEE

Dea. Leonard Layfield	Present
Rev. Eugene F. Ross	
Bro. Roy McHargue	

The Moderator appointed these committees as follows:

TEMPERANCE	FINANCE COMMITTEE
Sis. Mary Lee Flower	Bro. J.C. Kirkland
Sis. Juanita Wyatt	Sis. Myrtle Grier
Bro. Arthur Smith Jr.	Rev. A.G. Windham

SUNDAY SCHOOL Bro. Lee Sawyer Sis. Peggy Tyler Sis. Barbara Windham

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NOMINATING COMMITTEE Bro. Tyson Ray Bro. Martin Windham Bro. E.A. Welch Jr.

#### <u>OBITUARY</u>

Sis. Elaine McHargue Sis. Blondell Layfield Bro. Steven Youngblood

Volunteers for the Quarterly Meetings for 1994 are:	
First Quarterly Meeting:	January 8, 1994
Trinity; Sermon by Rev. Hubert Arnold	•
Second Quarterly Meeting	April 2, 1994
Little Bethel; Sermon by Rev. Willie Sumerlin	-
Third Quarterly Meeting	July 2, 1994
New Life; Sermon by Rev. Sidney Jones	-
Annual Meeting	October 1, 1994
New Prospect; Sermon by Rev. Grover Bunting	

The Moderator asked for any reports. Rev. Glyn Thomas gave a good report of the National Home Board and thanking the Chattachoochee Association for helping and asked us all to remember Benjamin Randall Day, November 21, 1993.

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

Bro. Roy McHargue led one song, then Rev. Charles Clark delivered a wonderful message called, "Loyalty" based on Matthew 6:14-19 and John 6:66-71, then ended with prayer.

Dismissed for lunch with prayer by Bro. Glyn Thomas

#### **AFTERNOON SESSION**

Singing began at 1:15 P.M. led by Rev. Willie Sumerlin followed with prayer by Bro. Roy McHargue.

Rev. Tim Hutchinson delivered a short devotion on Genesis 1: 27-31 based on what "God Said" then ending with prayer.

Rev. Herbert Waid gave a good report for the fire at Camp Mt. Bethel. The insurance has paid \$76,000.00 for the damages and would cost more to build back. The State has a fire fund set aside for this. Any donation from any Church or any person will go to this fund.

He also reported real good for the Free Will Baptist College, the national Association and don't forget Laura Belle Barnard Mission Day, October 10, 1993.

Rev. Tim Hutchinson reported for the Youth Group.

Treasurer Report	
Beginning Balance	\$218.97
Total / Deposits / Offerings	
Total Expenditures	
Ending Balance	

The next youth rally will be Oct. 16, 1993 at New Life Church at 7:00 P.M. Deputy Dawg will present information on drugs, etc. Total attendance at last rally was 73. Churches represented were 6.

Camp Mt. Bethel report for GA Union/Chatta. Association Ca	mp Session.
Average Attendance Each Day	
Total Number of Campers	
Total Number of Workers Counselors	
Number of Rededications and Prayer	15
Number of Salvation Decisions	16
Total Decisions	
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We had approximately half of the Churches who had campers at Camp Mt.Bethel from 50th association of Churches. How many decisions could we have had, if 100% of the Churches had participated in our camp session?

Bro. Welch reported that the Benevolence Fund is still doing good.	
Balance on Hand	\$763.89

Paid July, August, and Septemb	ю
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Mrs. Childree	75.00
Mrs. Jordon	75.00
Balance Today	
Rev. Charles Clark gave a good report for the Mission Bo	
Bro. Gleason Fowler gave a report of Camp Mt. Bethel.	
Rev. Tim Hutchinson gave a good report for the Double	Decade.
All these repoors were moved, seconded, and accepted.	

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sunday School

We the Sunday School Committee report the following:

- 1. We suggest that everyone participate and support your Sunday School. It's not only for young people, it's for adults also.
- 2. Smile in the Lord's house, it's a joy, not a chore.
- 3. If you have a good Sunday School, you have a good Church.

Sis. Peggy Tyler

Sis. Barbara Windham

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Bro. Lee Sawyer

It was moved, seconded, and accepted and the delegates dismissed.

#### **OBITUARY**

We your Obituary Committee have the following deaths to report <u>First Thomaston</u> Ma Wonze Tourter

Mr. Wanza Taunton	
Mr. Richard M. Tarrer	
Mount Olive	
Mr. Frank Peacock	
Mrs. Ollie Hinton	
Mrs. Edna Bartlett	
Mr. John W. Hinton	
Mrs. Susie Smith	
New Liberty	
Mrs. Maude McElmurray	
Trinity	
Mrs. Linda Faye R. Maley	
Mrs. Peggy Joyce D. Warr	
Turner's Chapel	
Mr. Arnold Wainwright	
We would like to have a silent prayer for thes	e people.
<u>.</u> .	Sis. Elaine McHargue
	Sis. Blondell Layfield
	Bro. Steven Youngblood
It was moved seconded and carried and the c	lalagates dismissed

It was moved, seconded, and carried and the delegates dismissed.

#### **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Total Receipts	\$350.00
Benevolence Fund	
National Assoc. Fees	
Local Assoc. Fees	
	Rev. A.G. Windham
	Bro. J.C. Kirkland
	Sis. Myrtle Grier
It was moved, seconded, and carried a	nd the delegates dismissed.
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#### **TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE**

We the Temperance Committee suggests:

Be temperate in all things. Be temperate in speech, in our daily walk, and in the way we dress. The same in strong drinks. Remembering always that the world is watching Christian people, and we should live in a way pleasing unto God.

Sis. Mary Lee Fowler Sis. Juanita Wyatt Bro. Arthur Smith Jr.

It was moved, seconded, and carried and the delegates dismissed.

#### SUGGESTION COMMITTEE

We the Suggestion Committee suggest on three different items following

 The offering today, be split two ways; one half for Bro. Tim Wilhoit at Bible College and the other half for the fire fund of Camp Mt. Bethel. It was moved, seconded, and carried.

2. Each Church send an offering to the fire fund to help the needs of building the new cafeteria.

It was moved, seconded, and carried.

3. Give the Host Church a rising vote of thanks.

It was moved, seconded, and carried and the delegates dismissed.

Two volunteered to receive the offering after prayer by the Moderator. The offering was \$100.00

#### NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We the Nominating Committee nominate the following;

Loc	al Officers
Moderator	Rev. Warren Wyatt 2 Years
Asst. Moderator	Rev. Tim Hutchison 2 Years
Clerk	Dea. C.W. Carroll 1 Year
Asst. Clerk	Sis. Edna Carroll 1 Year
Ordaining Council	Rev. Hubert Arnold 3 Years
	Dea. Monroe Tyson Ray 5 Years
Suggestion Committee	Dea. Leonard Layfield 3 Years
Youth Camp / Director / Treasure	Rev. Tim Hutchinson 1 Year
Asst.	Bro. Roy McHargue 1 Year
Clerk of Benevolence Funds	Dea. E.A. Welch 1 Year
Asst	Sis. Josephine Welch 1 Year
For State Board and Committee Mer	nbers
Board Of Missions	
Board Of Trustees	

#### DOUBLE IN A DECADE

#### ORDAINING COUNCIL REPORT

We the Ordaining Council, having talked and shared with Bro. Grover Bunting, are satisfied that he will be a blessing and asset to the Chattahoochee Association and he has been called of God to serve in our Association. We recommend that he be accepted into our Association, pending his letter to Spring Hill Church.

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

It was moved, seconded, and accepted into this Association. It was moved, seconded, and carried to adjourn. Dismissed with prayer by Bro. Morris Lawhorn.

> Rev. Warren Wyatt - Moderator C.W. Carroll - Clerk

#### THE FIRST QUARTERLY MEETING

The First Quarterly meeting was held at Mount Olive Church, Taylor County, Potterville, GA on January 2, 1993.

Rev. Tim Hutchinson, Pastor of the Host Church, welcomed everyone and requested that the morning service be delivered at the beginning of this meeting instead later.

The request was granted and the business was opened with singing led by Bro. E.A. Welch Jr., then prayer by Rev. Eugene Ross. The Moderator, Rev. Warren Wyatt welcomed everyone and after other song, Rev. Hutchinson introduced Rev. Paul Smith.

Rev. Smith took charge and delivered a wonderful, spiritual sermon to us all. Beginning with the Book of Job 1:6 and then 1st Peter, and ending with prayer.

The Moderator took charge and called for the corresponding letters. It was moved, seconded, and carried for the Moderator to appoint two men to read the letters. He appointed Rev. Charles Clark and Rev. Gene Ross.

They are as follows:

- 1. Bethany Sis. Syble Fuller, Sis. Ruby Grimsley, Sis. Evelyn Trivett, Bro. Stacy Trivett, Bro. & Sis. Clarence Trivett
- 2. First Thomaston Bro. Roy McHargue, Sis. Mabel Chandler
- 3. Little Bethel Sis. Ruby Layfield, Sis. Blondell Layfield
- 4. Mount Olive Bro. Syd Crook, Sis. Barbara J. Windham, Sis. Suzan Hutchinson, Bro. Martin Windham
- 5. New Liberty Sis. Ann Ross, Sis. Lisa Virsage, Bro. John Kirkland, Sis. Christine Kirkland
- 6. New Life Bro. Arthur Smith, Bro. T.W. Teat, Sis. Arline Smith, Bro. Junior Smith, Bro. John Smith, Bro. Joseph Waller, Sis. Lou Ellen Waller
- 7. New Prospect Sis. Angela Gresham, Bro. Lee Sawyer, Bro. Pat Sawyer
- 8. Spring Hill Bro. Houston James, Sis. Lucile James, Sis. Ruth Amerson
- 9. Trinity Sis. Juanita Wyatt, Sis. Josephanie Welch, Sis. Bess Williams
- 10. Turner's Chapel Sis. Edna Carroll

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

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

#### ROLL CALL FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Dea. E.A. Welch Jr. ..... Present

Dea. Gleason Fowler	Present
Bro. Martin Windham	Present
Dea. Norman Grier	Present
Dea. Monroe Tyson Ray	Present

#### ROLL CALL FOR SUGGESTION COMMITTEE

Rev. Eugene Ross	Present
Bro. Roy McHargue	Present
Dea. Leonard Layfield	

The moderator appointed Bro. Morris Lawhorn, Rev. Sidney Jones, and Bro. Tyson Ray for the Finance Committee, then asked for any reports.

Bro. Gleason Fowler reported for the Board of Trustees about the State Office and the Master's Men.

Rev. Tim Hutchinson reported that a Double In a Decade meeting will be held at Double Branch Church and a youth rally will be held at Mount Olive on January 30, 1993, 7:00 P.M.

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

Bro. E.A. Welch Jr. reported for the Benevolence Funds. Mrs. Childree and Mrs. Jordan has been paid \$100.00 for November and December and has received \$150.00 today with a balance of \$763.89.

It was moved, seconded, and accepted.

Rev. Charles Clark, from the Board Of Missions, reported that the Church in Dublin is now on its own and the Walk-A-Thon was real good.

It was moved, seconded, and accepted.

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

### AFTERNOON SESSION

Singing began at 1:00 P.M. led by Rev. A.G. Windham.

A short devotion by Rev. Tim Hutchinson on Psalms 93, beginning with prayer.

The Moderator asked for any reports

#### SUGGESTION COMMITTEE

This Committee reported with four different items. It was moved, seconded, and carried for these items kept separate.

- 1. Give the Host Church a rising vote of thanks for hosting this session. It was moved, seconded and carried.
- 2. Give Bro. Paul Smith \$50.00 for expenses in coming today. It was moved, second, and carried.
- 3. Receive offering for youth fund. It was moved, seconded, and carried. It was received by Bro. T.W. Teat and Rev. Author Smith, with prayer by Bro. E.A. Welch Jr. of \$74.11.
- 4. Encourage our young people to be more active in all of our Lord's work with our Church and local, state, and national meetings. It was moved, seconded,

Bro. Roy McHargue Bro. Leonard Layfield Bro. Gene Ross

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE

Balance on Hand 10/3/92	\$1,089.26
Paid Moderator	90.00
Paid Clerk	
Paid for State Delegates	60.00
Paid National Assoc. Dues	
Paid for Minutes	
Paid to Sis. Clark 2nd Sem	20.00
Balance on Hand	
Received Today	
Balance on Hand Today	

It was moved, seconded, and accepted.

Bro. E.A. Welch Jr., suggested that the association should raise the clerk's salary from \$150.00 to \$200.00 this year. It was discussed and then moved, seconded, and carried.

Rev. Sidney Jones suggested the Moderator have the right to go ahead and appoint the committees that are needed at each meeting. After a brief discussion, it was moved, seconded, and carried.

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

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

#### SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING

The Second Quarterly Meeting was held at New Liberty Free Will Baptist Church, Schley County, Buena Vista, GA, April 3, 1993, 10:30 A.M.. Rev. Eugene Ross, Pastor of the host Church, took charge and opened business, with all singing "The Gloryland Way." Rev. A.G. Windham led in prayer, followed by another song "Victory In Jesus." Rev. Ross welcomed everyone then turned the service to the Moderator, Rev. Warren Wyatt.

The Moderator welcomed everyone, special welcome to Rev. and Mrs. Herbert Waid from the State Association. He then called for the corresponding letters and asked Rev. Arthur Smith and Rev. Eugene Ross to read the letters. They are as follows:

- 1. Bethany Sis. Vickie Mathis, Sis. Brenda Trivett, Sis. Ruth Moore, Sis. Syble Fuller
- 2. First Thomaston Bro. Roy McHargue
- 3. Little Bethel Sis. Ruby Layfield, Sis. Blondell Layfield, Sis. Sarah Fowler
- Mount Olive Sis. Laura Windham, Sis. Mary Wilhoite, Bro.. Syd Crook, Bro. Martin Windham, Sis. Suzan Hutchinson, Sis Frances Mullins, Sis. Florvie Windham
- New Liberty Bro. Perry Lunsford, Sis. Sarah Lunsford, Sis. Ann Ross, Sis. Christine Kirkland, Sis. Joyce Lunsford, Bro. J.C. Kirkland
- 6. New Life Rev. Arthur Smith, Sis. Arline Smith, Bro. Dwight Smith, Bro. Joseph Waller, Sis. Lou Ellen Waller
- 7. New Prospect Bro. Pat Sawyer, Bro. Robert Gresham, Bro. Curtis Kirksey
- 8. Spring Hill Bro. Houston James, Sis. Lucile James, Sis. Myrtle Grier
- 9. Trinity Sis. Bess Williams, Sis. Josephine Welch, Sis. Juanita Wyatt
- 10. Turner's Chapel Bro. Bill Byrd

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

The Moderator appointed Bro. Ralph Windham, Bro. J.C. Kirkland, and Bro. Dwight Smith for the Finance Committee.

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	Present
Rev. Sidney Jones	Present
Rev. Hubert Arnold	

# Dea. E.A. Welch Jr. Not Present Dea. Gleason Fowler Present Dea. Norman Grier Present Bro. Marttin Windham Present Dea. Monroe Tyson Ray Present

#### ROLL CALL FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

#### **ROLL CALL FOR SUGGESTION COMMITTEE**

Rev. Eugene Ross	Present
Bro. Roy McHargue	
Dea. Leaonard Layfield	

The Moderator asked for any reports.

Bro. Gleason Fowler, on the Board of Trustees, reported that the State has not decided where to build a new state office, but are interested in a place in Cordele.

Rev. Tim Hutchinson of Double In A Decade, reported that their meeting at Double Branch Church was canceled and will be set for a later date.

The next Youth Rally will be at Little Bethel at 6:30 P.M., April 24, 1993 and another in August. The youth has a balance of \$285.00.

#### BENEVOLENCE FUND REPORT

Received Since Last Quarterly Meeting	\$100.00
Paid Out Since Last Quarter	150.00
Balance In Treasure	813.89

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

The Moderator called Rev. Sidney Jones for morning service.

Rev. Jones opened with prayer and delivered an inspiring message on "Unction" from 1st John 2. We ended with all standing and praying.

Dismissed for lunch with prayer by Rev. Arthur Smith

#### **AFTERNOON SESSION**

Singing began at 1:15 P.M. led by Rev. Eugene Ross, who delivered a short devotion on "Berdens" from Galations 6:5.

The Moderator took charge and asked for reports.

# SUGGESTION COMMITTEE REPORT

The Committee reported with four different items.

- 1. Each Church attending the Quarterly Meetings send a love offering to our youth to help in the needs of our youth rallies.
- 2. We also start getting our youth ready for Camp Mt. Bethel this summer.
- 3. We take up a love offering for the youth.
- 4. We give the Host Church a rising vote of appreciation.

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

After a rising vote of appreciation was carried, prayer was led by Rev. Tim Hutchinson. Rev. Eugene Ross and Bro. J.C. Kirkland received an offering of \$76.85.

Bro. Roy McHargue gave a good report on Camp Mt. Bethel.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Balance on Hand	. 422.26
Received Today	. 175.00
Balance April 3, 1993	

Rev. Herbert Waid gave a good report for State, Camp Mt. Bethel, Youths, and the youth rallies.

These reports were moved, seconded, and carried. It was then moved, seconded, and carried to adjourn. Dismissed with prayer by Rev. Eugene Ross.

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

The Third Quarterly Meeting was held at New Life Church, Marion County, July 10, 1993. Singing began at 10:30 A.M., then prayer by Rev. Joe L. Tyler.

Rev. Arthur Smith, Pastor of the Host Church, welcomed everyone, led more singing, then turned the service over to the Moderator, Rev. Warren Wyatt.

The Moderator took charge, welcomed everyone and called for corresponding

letters. He appointed Rev. Joe L. Tyler and Bro. Dwight Smith to read the letters. They are as follows:

- 1. Bethany Sis. Syble Fuller, Sis. Vickie Mathis
- 2. First Thomaston Bro. Roy McHarque
- 3. Little Bethel Sis. Ruby Ray, Sis. Ruby Layfield, Sis Blondell Layfield
- 4. Mount Olive Bro. Syd Crook, Sis Suzan Hutchinson, Sis. Barbara Jean Windham, Bro. Ralph Windham
- 5. New Liberty By letter
- New Life Bro. Dwight Smith, Bro. Oliver Stubbs, Bro. Joseph Waller, Sis. Arlene Smith, Sis. Daisy Ervin, Sis. Rachel Bell, Bro. J.W. Treat, Bro. Richard Anthony
- 7. New Prospect Bro. Lee Sawyer, Bro. David Tharpe
- 8. Spring Hill Sis. Myrtle Grier, Sis. Bernice McCall
- 9. Trinity Sis. Bess Williams
- 10. 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.

#### ROLL CALL FOR ORDAINING COUNCIL

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

#### ROLL CALL FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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

#### ROLL CALL FOR SUGGESTION COMMITTEE

Rev. Eugene Ross	Not Present
Bro. Roy McHargue	Present
Dea. Leaonard Layfield	Present
Dea. E.A. Welch Jr. and Bro. Martin Windham were excused for t	oday.
Bro. Syd Crook was appointed to take Rev. Eugene Ross's place for	or today.
It was moved, seconded and carried to accept the Clerk's reports.	

The Moderator appointed Bro. Tyson Ray, Bro. Lee Sawyer, and Bro. Charles Fuller for the Finance Committee.

The Moderator turned the business over to the Host Church for morning service.

Rev. Arthur Smith took Charge, led the singing and called Rev. Sidney Jones for the morning sermon. Rev. Jones delivered a wonderful sermon to us all from Acts 2: 41-47. Then ending with us all singing "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms."

Dismissed for lunch with prayer by Rev. Grover Bunting.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

Prayer by Rev. Tim Hutchinson, opened the business at 1:00 P.M. Singing delivered by the Host Church.

Intern Rev. Grover Bunting from Spring Hill Church, delivered a special devotion based on Acts 3. Prayer by Bro. Gleason Fowler.

The Moderator asked for any reports.

#### THE SUGGESTION COMMITTEE REPORT

We the Suggestion Committee, suggest the following:

1. Take up a love offering for April Danly today to help in her needs.

2. The Association send Heather Clark \$20.00 as a graduation present.

3. We encourage our young people to attend more of our quarterly meetings and become active in them.

4. We all be in prayer for our National Association meeting, our pastors and other leaders attending.

5. We all be in prayer for our camp session in two weeks and many young people will be lead to the Lord.

6. We give the Host Church a rising vote of thanks for the hospitality and good food provided for us today.

They were all moved, seconded, and carried.

Bro. Ralph Windham and Rev. Grover Bunting received the offering after prayer by Rev. Warren Wyatt of \$92.00.

The rising vote of thanks was carried.

Rev. Tim Hutchinson and Bro. Roy McHargue, both gave good reports for Camp Mt. Bethel.

Rev. Hutchinson reported the next rally will be held at Dauset Trails near Jackson, GA on August 14th. All meet at First Thomaston Church at 1:30 P.M. and will leave at 1:45 P.M.

 The Youth Rally on July 10, 1993

 Beginning Balance
 \$221.18

 Expenditures
 180.30

 Offering
 178.11

 Ending Balance
 218.97

He also gave a good report for the Double Decade.

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

Rev. Hutchinson reported that the Mission Board is not supporting the Foreign Missionaries like they should and that our association write a letter to Rev. Herbert Waid, State Executive Secretary, stating:

"Be it resolved that the Chattachoochee Free Will Baptist Association of Churches in Georgia, supports our National Foreign Mission Board. We trust the men whom our denomination has elected to this board. We support their efforts in the implementation of our Church Covenant, doctrines and practices in our overseas mission works. We believe that our missionaries main task is the winning of the lost to Jesus. We instruct any of our delegates to the National Association Meeting to support this position of our Association in this resolution."

Rev. Tim Hutchinson,

Asst. Moderator of the Chattahoochee Association.

It was discussed, then Rev. Herbert Waid recommended we do this. It was them moved, seconded, and carried.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Balance on Hand	\$597.26
Received Today	
Balance Today	
Balance On Mission Fund	
It was moved, seconded, and accepted.	

#### ORDAINING COUNCIL:

We the members of the Ordaining Council, having examined and shared with Bro. Willie Sumerlin, are pleased to bring him to the Association to be accepted and welcomed into our Association. We believe that he will be a blessing unto the Church in Thomaston and to all of us.

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

It was moved, seconded, and carried.

<u>BENEVOLENCE REPORT:</u>	
Balance at beginning	713.89
Received	50.00
Sent to Jordan & Childree	150.00
Balance in Treasure	613.89
It was moved, seconded, and accepted.	

Rev. Herbert Waid gave a good report for Camp Mt. Bethel and stated that he enjoyed attending this meeting.

Bro. Tim Wilhoit reported that he is thinking about attending Free Will Baptist College this year.

It was then moved, seconded, and carried to adjourn.

Prayer was led by Rev. Herbert Waid.

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

#### CHATTACHOOCHEE DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

The Chattachoochee District ladies Auxiliary met at Little Bethel Free Will Baptist Church at Ideal, GA.

Registration began at 10:00 A.M. with 8 members attending.

Meeting was called to order and welcome by President Geraldine Taunton. Song, "Toling On" by all present with Sarah Fowler led with opening prayer.

Devotion was given by Mary Williams.

Program was given by Geraldine Taunton on "What goals of the Ladies Auxiliary" from the manual.

The dates for our spring meeting will be at First Thomaston in Thomaston on April 16th , 1994. Fall meeting will be at Little Bethel Church near Ideal on September 10th, 1994.

Closing prayer was by Geraldine Taunton. Lunch was served by ladies of Little Bethel.

> Geraldine Taunton, Pres. Clarice Jinks, Sec.

# Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Ross Route #1 Ideal, Georgia 31041

# New Liberty Free Will Baptist Church

Mrs. Maude McElmurray, born October 13, 1911, departed this life on August 13, 1993. "Aunt Maude" as she was known by her Church and Community was a very devoted and caring Christian. A long time member of New Liberty F.W.B. Church, she will be missed greatly.

> New Liberty F.W.B. Church Rev. Eugene Ross, Pastor

> > $12 \times 12 \times 12$

# In Memory Of Brother Arnold Jackson Wainwright August 5, 1917-April 8, 1993

Brother Arnold made his profession of faith late in life and became dedicated to the Lord Jesus, his Savior, to his family and to his Church. True humility was his greatest testimony to his wife, daughter, grandchildren, brothers, sisters, Church family and the many friends. He is missed by all that knew him.

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

# IN MEMORY OF SIS. PEGGY JOYCE D. WARR

Peggy was born on April 28, 1929 and departed this life on July 21, 1993. Survived by husband, son, and daughter and four grandchildren. She was a member of Trinity Free Will Baptist Church. Until her health failed her she was faithful in service and works for her Lord.

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

# IN MEMORY OF SIS. LINDA FAYE R. MALEY

Linda Faye was born on January 27, 1947 and departed this life on June 14, 1993. She is survived by her h-6usband, four sons, her father and her brother. She was a member of Trinity Free Will Baptist Church and attended faithfully as long as she lived in this area.

> Death, thou hast conquered me: Twas by thy darts I'm slain; But Christ shall conquer thee, and I shall rise again.

Time Hastens on the hour, The just shall rise and sing; O' grave, where is thy power? O' death, where is thy sting?

Christopher Sower Jr.

Written by: Rev. Warren Watt

