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# ASSOCIATION CALENDAR

FIRST QUARTERLY MEETINGTRINITY	January 7, 1995
Sermon by Rev. Sidney Jones	
SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING FIRST THOMASTON	April 1, 1995
Sermon by Rev. Arthur Smith	¥
THIRD QUARTERLY MEETING	July 1, 1995
LITTLE BETHEL	
Sermon by Rev. Jeff Lunsford	
ANNUAL MEETING	October 7, 1995
SPRING HILL	
Sermon by Rev. Herbert Waid	

## 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

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

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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 not 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.
- 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.
- 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 Chost, 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, 1 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.

#### CLERKS

- BETHANY Mrs. Jean Foster; P.O. Box 328 Buena Vista, GA 31803 (912) 649-7945
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Church	County	Tithes &	Values of Church	Minutes	Nat. Assoc.	Represent
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Bethany	Marion	7,200.00	50,000.00	20	25.00 -	25.00
First Thomaston	Upson	29,532.41	350,000.00	20	, 25.00	- 20.00
Little Bethel	Macon	17,701.89	80,000.00	25	25.00	25.00
Mount Olive	Taylor	19,384.64	275,000.00	25	25.00	25.00
New Liberty	Schley	7,000.00	26,000.00	15	25.00	10.00
New Life	Marion	15,020.00	151,000.00	35	25.00	25.00
New Prospect	Taylor	8,500.00	75,000.00	25	25.00	15.00
Spring Hill	Marion	16,000.00	95,000.00	15	25.00	15.00
Trinity	Taylor	30,997.00	200,000.00	25	25.00	25.00

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Church	Pastor	Meeting	Baptism	Members	Members Lost	Total Members	S.S. Enrolled	C.T.S. Enrolled	Woman's Auxilliary	Master's Men
Bethany .		Ft	0	1	0	51	36	0	0	0
First Thomaston	Rev. Jeff Lunsford	Ft	3	6	8	181	34	0 _	8	0
Little Bethel	Rev. Sidney Jones	Ft	2	2	1	96	50	0	8	7
Mt Olive	Rev. Tim Hutchinson	Ft	0	2	5	161	60	0	0	0
New Liberty	Rev. Eugene R. Ross	Ft	1	1	0	33	20	0	0	0
New Life	Rev. Arthur Smith	Ft	0	1	2	136	30	0	15	12
New Prospect	Rev. Hubert Arnold	Ft	0	1	5	122	33	0	0	0
Spring Hill		Ft	0	0	0	57	31	- 0	0	0
Trinity	Rev. Warren Wyatt	Ft	0	0	0	47	36	0	0	0
Turner's Chapel	Rev. Charles Clark	Ft	3	3	3	187	60	0	0	0

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Morris Lawhorn, P.O. Box 661; Butler, GA 31006	(912) 862-3526
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Rev. Hubert Arnold	2 Years
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Dea, Morris Lawhorn	1 Year
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Dea. C.W. Carroll	5 Years
Rt. 2, Box 63; Butler, GA	
Dea. Monroe Tyson Ray	4 Years
P.O. Box 36; Ideal, GA	
Dea. E.A. Welch, Jr.	3 Years
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Dea. Gleason Fowler	
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Bro. Roy McHargue	3 Years
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Rt. 2, Box 63; Butler, GA	
Rev. Arthur Smith	1 Year
Rt. 1, Box 1742; Box Springs,	

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	Rupert, GA 31081 •		
Double In A Decade	,		
Rev. Arthur Smith			I Year
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# 159TH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE CHATTACHOOCHEE FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The 159th Annual Meeting of the Chattachoochee Association was held at New Prospect Baptist Church, Taylor County on Oct. 1, 1994. It was opened at 10:30 A.M., with singing led by Bro. Lee Sawyer.

Rev. Hubert Arnold, 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 an (Interim) pastor, Bro. Edwin Tindall from Bethany Church. The Moderator called for corresponding letters, then appointed Rev. Gene Ross and Rev. Arthur Smith to read them. Rev. Herbert Waid opened the business with prayer. They are as follows:

- 1. Bethany Sis. Vickie Mathis, Sis. Ruby Grimsley, Bro. Edwin Tindall
- 2. First Thomaston Bro. Roy McHargue, Sis. Melissa Lunsford
- 3. Little Bethel Sis. Mary Lee Fowler, Sis. Blondell Layfield, Sis. Ruby Layfield
- Mount Olive Sis. Suzan Hutchinson, Sis. Barbara J. Windham, Sis. Sissy Windham, Bro. Syd Crook, Bro. Martin Windham
- New Liberty Bro. Perry Lunsford, Sis. Sarah Lunsford, Bro. J.C. Kirkland, Sis. Christine Kirkland, Sis. Ann Ross
- 6. New Life Sis. Arline Smith, Bro. Joseph Waller, Sis. Lou Ellin Waller
- 7. New Prospect Sis. Florine Windham, Sis. Hazel Smith, Sis. Barbara Arnold
- 8. Spring Hill Sis. Linda Whitt, Sis. Ruth Amerson
- Trinity Sis. Marilyn Smith, Sis. Melissa Wyatt, Sis. Josephine Welch, Sis. Juanita Wyatt
- Turner's Chapel Bro. Mark Robinson, Bro. Edward Robinson
   It was moved, seconded, and carried to accept the letters as read and seat the delegates.

Four of these letters requested for the Quarterly Meetings for next year. Two asked for the Annual Meeting. It was discussed and will be answered in the afternoon session.

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	Preso
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# ROLL CALL FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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

#### ROLL CALL FOR THE SUGGESTION COMMITTEE

Dea. Leonard Layfield	Present
Bro. Syd Crook	Present
Bro. Roy McHargue	Present

The Moderator appointed these committees as follows:

#### NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Rev. Charles Clark Rev. Jeff Lunsford Bro. Martin Windham

#### TEMPERANCE

Sis Christine Kirkland Rev. Arthur Smith Sis. Barbara Windham

# SUNDAY SCHOOL

Rev. Sidney Jones Sis. Ruby Grimsley Bro. Lee Sawyer

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE

Bro. J.C. Kirkland Dea. Morris Lawhorn Bro. Monroe Tyson Ray

#### **OBITUARY**

Sis. Josephine Welch Bro. Curtis Kirksey Sis. Marilyn Smith

# Volunteers for the State Meeting delegates are:

Sis Suzan Hutchinson Sis. Mary Lee Fowler Sis. Barbara Arnold Sis. Arline Smith

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

Rev. Hubert Arnold called for singing, led by Bro. Lee Sawyer, then called Rev. A.G. Windham to deliver the sermon.

Rev. Windham opened with singing a special song "I'm Free." He read in Isaiah 40:12-18. Then opened with prayer and delivered a wonderful message on "What God Is Like." Then ended with all standing in prayer.

The Moderator called for Bro. Curtis Kirksey and Bro. Lee Sawyer to receive the morning offering. After prayer by Bro. Kirksey the offering was \$78.44. Then dismissed for lunch with prayer by the Moderator.

# AFTERNOON SESSION

At 1:15 p.m. a special song by Sis. Suze Cross.

The Moderator asked Bro. Curtis Kirksey to deliver a short devotion. Bro. Kirksey began with prayer, then delivered a devotion on Hebrews 12:1-11.

The Moderator asked for any reports:

Rev. Herbert Waid gave good reports on Laura Belle Barnard Day, the State Association and where it will be held; that all denominations work together, the Board of Trustees and Camp Mt. Bethel.

Rev. Jeff Lunsford gave a good report for our young people and the next youth rally will be held at Mt. Olive on October 22.

Rev. Tim Hutchinson gave a good report for the Chattahoochee District Youth Rally.

#### 1. Treasury report

Beginning balance	\$158.78
Total deposits	58.35
Total expenditures	7.65
Ending balance	209.48

#### 2. Youth Rallies

(a) July - cancelled due to flooded road conditions.

(b) October 22, 1994 - 7 P.M. at Mt. Olive F.W.B. Church - Drama presentation with Dwayne Peen

(c) Jeff Lunsford / Roy McHargue report on next Youth Rally

#### 3. Youth Camp

Trying to locate place to have camp session next summer

# 4. Teen Camp report - by Rev. Arthur Smith

Rev. Arthur Smith reported for Double-In-A-Decade:

Double-In-A-Decade meeting convened at 10:00 a.m. on September 17th at Camp Mt. Bethel. Chattahoochee Association was well represented with four pastors and one layman attending.

Rev. Glen Poston was the special speaker for the day and gave a very challenging message on accomplishment from Nehemiah 1:1-5.

Bro. Terry Pierce then followed with a message on the goals of Double-In-A-Decade from II Corinthians 4:5-9, 14-16.

These men most certainly left those who attended with a challenge to go home and knock on some doors. The meeting closed with everyone joining hands and praying for revival in our state. I challenge you to pray for revival daily, then expect a miracle from God in our state, and especially in our Association.

# COMMITTEE REPORTS

# **Benevolence Fund Report**

July, August, September	
Paid Mrs. Childree	\$75.00
Paid Mrs. Jordon	
Balance on treasury	683.89

#### **OBITUARY COMMITTEE**

We your Obituary Committee have the following deaths to report:

#### LITTLE BETHEL

Mr. Frank Childree - 1/27/94

#### MOUNT OLIVE

Sis. Irene Windham - 10/15/93

Sis. Janie Lucas - 8/94

Sis. Mattie Peacock - 9/15/94

Bro. Alvin Bloodworth - 5/94

#### **NEW LIFE**

Mrs. Angie Anthony Bone - 2/3/94

Mr. Eugene Adams - 4/21/94

#### SPRING HILL

Mr. Thomas Micky McClellan - 7/27/94

#### TURNER'S CHAPEL

Mr. Lewis Windham - 6/1/94

Mr. Bennie Lewis Allen - 8/22/94

Mr. James Beaumont Rodgers - 9/24/94

Mr. A.J. Robinson - 9/28/93

The Moderator asked all to stand with silent prayer and then ended with prayer.

Sis. Josephine Welch

Bro. Curtis Kirksey

Sis. Marilyn Smith

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL

We suggest that Bro. Jeff Lunsford of First Thomaston contact Bro. Alton Loveless to come and discuss ways to build up our Sunday Schools. Bro. Jeff Lunsford will make all the arrangements and has agreed to host this at First Thomaston.

We the Sunday School Committee suggest that all churches encourage and work with young people and children to get them into Sunday School and to encourage all teachers to be on time for classes.

Let every Church pray on for another.

Sis. Ruby Grimsley

Rev. Sidney Jones

Bro. Lee Sawyer

#### TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

We your Temperance Committee suggest,

- (1) That we exhibit a Christian attitude at all times
- (2) That we abstain from worldly activity
- (3) That we strive to promote harmony among our Christian brethren, encouraging that other Churches are not our enemies.
- (4) That we strive to set a good example of Christian living to the world that is watching us.

Sis. Christine Kirkland

Rev. Arthur Smith

Sis. Barbara Windham

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

Beginning Balance	\$740.26
Received today	415.00
Balance today	1,155.26

Bro. J.C. Kirkland

Bro. Morris Lawhorn

Bro. Monroe T. Ray

#### SUGGESTION COMMITTEE

- We the Suggestion Committee, suggest that the offering today go to the flood relief fund.
- (2) We ask that each person pray for our Camp situation, pray for our Board Members as they meet this November at our State Convention to make a decision about Camp Mt. Bethel.
- (3) We ask that we give the host Church a rising vote of thanks for the fellowship and good food and for hosting our meeting today.

Bro. Roy McHargue

Bro. Leonard Layfield

Bro. Syd Crook

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

# Volunteers for the Quarterly Meetings for 1995 are:

First Quarterly Meeting - January 7, 1995 Trinity Church Sermon by Rev. Sidney Jones

Second Quarterly Meeting - April 1, 1995 First Thomaston Church Sermon by Rev. Arthur Smith

Third Quarterly Meeting - July 1, 1995 Little Bethel Church Sermon by Rev. Jeff Lunsford

Annual Meeting - October 7, 1995 Spring Hill Church Sermon by Rev. Herbert Waid

#### NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We the Nominating Committee nominate the following: LOCAL OFFICES

 Clerk
 Bro. C.W. Carroll
 1 year

 Asst. Clerk
 Rev. Arthur Smith
 1 year

 Ordaining Council
 Rev. Sidney Jones
 3 years

 Exec. Committee
 Dea. C.W. Carroll
 5 years

 Suggestion Committee
 Bro. Roy McHargue
 3 years

 Youth Camp Director/Treasurer
 Rev. Tim Hutchinson
 1 year

 Asst
 Bro. Roy McHargue
 1 year

The Nominating Committee suggested to turn the Benevolence Fund account over to the Association's clerk. After there were no nominees from the floor, it was moved, seconded, voted and carried to accept the nominating request, then the delegates dismissed.

Rev. Charles Clark gave a good report for the Mission Board.

It was moved, seconded and carried to adjourn. Dismissed with prayer by Rev. Charles Clark.

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

#### THE FIRST QUARTERLY MEETING

The First Quarterly meeting was held at Trinity Church, Taylor County, Mauk, GA on January 8th, 1994.

Song service began at 10:30 a.m., led by Dea. E.A. Welch, Jr. Prayer by Rev. Arthur Smith. After another song, service was turned over to the Moderator, Rev. Warren Wyatt.

The Moderator took charge, welcomed everyone, and a special welcome to Rev. Herbert Waid from the State Association. Then called for corresponding letters, with Rev. Charles Clark and Rev. A.G. Windham to read them.

They are as follows:

- 1. BETHANY Sis. Sybal Fuller, Sis. Vicki Mathis, Sis. Peggy Tyler
- 2. FIRST THOMASTON Bro. Roy McHargue, Sis. Efaine McHargue
- 3. LITTLE BETHEL Sis. Mary Lee Fowler, Sis. Ruby Ray, Sis. Ruby Layfield
- MOUNT OLIVE Bro. Martin Windham, Bro. Syd Crook, Sis. Suzan Hutchinson, Sis. Barbara Windham, Sis. Mary Wilhoite
- NEWLIBERTY Bro. Perry Lunsford, Sis. Sarah Lunsford, Bro. J.C. Kirkland, Sis. Christine Kirkland
- 6. NEW LIFE Bro. Joe Waller, Sis. Lou Ellen Waller, Sis. Arline Smith
- 7. NEW PROSPECT Bro. Steven Youngblood
- 8. SPRING HILL Sis. Ruth Amerson, Sis. Linda Whitt
- TRINITY Sis. Alane Ratterson, Sis. Marilyn Smith, Sis. Bess Williams, Sis. Melissa Hearn
- 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. 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 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 SUGGESTION COMMITTEE

Dea. Leonard Layfield - Present

Rev. Eugene F. Ross - Present

Bro. Roy McHargue - Present

The Moderator Appointed the Finance Committee:

Bro. J.C. Kirkland, Bro. Morris Lawhorn, Rev. A.G. Windham.

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

Bro. E.A. Welch Jr. led the singing, then Rev. Hubert Arnold opened with prayer. Then delivered a wise message to us all from Proverbs 30th chapter beginning with verse 24. After several requests for prayer, the Moderator asked for all to stand with Rev. Arthur Smith to lead prayer and also dismiss for lunch.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

Singing began at 1:15 p.m. Prayer by Rev. Grover Bunting.

Rev. Tim Hutchinson opened with prayer, then delivered a short devotion from St. Matthew's 4th and 5th chapters.

The Moderator asked for today's offering. He appointed Rev. Grover Bunting and Rev. Sidney Jones with prayer. The offering was \$50.75.

The Moderator asked for any reports: Rev. Herbert Waid gave good reports for the National Association, Camp Mt. Bethel and special help for the cafeteria. Rev. Charles Clark gave a good report for the Mission Board.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE

Balance on hand 1/8/94	\$220.26
Today	185.00
Total on hand	405.26
Benevolence Fund Report by Bro. Welch	
Balance in Treasury	\$663.89
Paid out Nov., Dec., Jan.	
Mrs. Childree	\$75.00
Mrs. Jordon	75.00
Received from New Liberty	50.00
Received from Trinity	100.00
Balance	663.89
Bro. Gleason Fowler gave a good report for Camp Mt. Bethel.	

# SUGGESTION COMMITTEE

We the Suggestion Committee suggest:

- That we encourage our young people to attend our Association meetings and take more of a role. It was moved, seconded and carried.
- That we have a committee to plan fund raising activities, such as walk-a-thon to raise money for our camp fire fund. It was moved, seconded and carried.
- That our offering today go to the camp fire fund. It was moved, seconded and carried.

4. That we give the host Church a rising vote of thanks for hospitality and good food. It was moved, seconded and carried.

Rev. Tim Hutchinson reported for the Youth Group.

1.	.Treasury Report	
	Beginning balance	\$295.18
	Total deposit / offering	70.73
	Total expenditures	110.15
	Ending balance	
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Last youth rally - at New Life; with Deputy Dawg. 77 present. 8 Churches represented. 41 youth.

 Next rally at Spring Hill, January 29, 1994, 7:00 p.m.
 Video Night - two groups: age 9 and under, age 10 and up It was moved, seconded and carried.

Rev. Eugene F. Ross resigned from the Suggestion Committee. Rev. Grover Bunting volunteered to finish out Rov. Ross' 2 years, 1994 and 1995.

It was moved, seconded and carried.

Bro. Roy McHargue, Rev. Arthur Smith, and Sis. Vickie Mathis all volunteered to be on the fund raising committee for Camp Mt. Bethel's fire funds. This is suggested from the Suggestion Committee.

It was moved, seconded and accepted.

It was moved, seconded and carried to adjourn.

Dismissed with prayer by Rev. Eugene F. Ross.

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

#### SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING

The Second Quarterly Meeting was held at Little Bethel Church, Macon County, Ideal, Georgia April 2, 1994.

Rev. Sidney Jones, pastor of the host church, led the singing at 10:30 a.m., prayer by Bro. Leonard Layfield, Rev. Jones welcomed everyone, then asked for prayer for Bro. Morris Lawhorn led by Bro. Charles Fuller, then turned the business over to the Moderator, Rev. Warren Wyatt.

The Moderator welcomed everyone. A special welcome to Bro. Huckabee and Bro. & Sis. Waid, then prayer by Rev. Charles Clark to open the business. He then called for the corresponding letters and asked Bro. Ralph Windham and Rev. Charles Clark to read the letters.

They are as follows:

- 1. Bethany Sis. Vicki Mathis, Sis. Sybal Fuller, Bro. Charles Fuller
- 2. First Thomaston Bro. Roy McHargue, Sis. Elain McHargue
- 3. Little Bethel Sis. Mary Lee Fowler, Sis. Ruby Layfield, Sis. Blondell Layfield
- Mount Olive Sis. Barbara J. Windham, Bro. Martin Windham, Bro. Syd Crook, Bro. James Windham, Sis. Susan Hutchinson
- New Liberty Bro. Perry Lunsford, Sis. Sarah Lunsford, Bro. J.C. Kirkland, Sis. Christine Kirkland
- 6. New Life Sis. Arline Smith, Sis. Nancy Smith, Sis. Helen Fry
- 7. New Prospect Sis. Barbara Arnold, Sis. Florence Windham
- 8. Spring Hill Bro. Houston James, Sis. Myrtle Grier
- Trinity Sis. Marilyn Smith, Sis. Juanita Wyatt, Sis. Melissa Hearn, Sis. Josephine Welch
- 10. Turner's Chapel Sis. Heather Clark

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

The Moderator appointed Bro. J.C. Kirkland, Bro. Roy McHargue, and Sis. Heather Clark 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

Rev. Hubert Arnold	Present
Dea. Morris Lawhorn	
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# ROLL CALL FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Dea. Monroe Tyson Ray	Present
Dea. E.A. Welch Jr.	Present
Dea Glescon Fourler	Present
Bro. Martin Windham	Present
Dea. Norman Grier	Present

#### ROLL CALL FOR SUGGESTION COMMITTEE

Dea. Leonard Layfield	Present
Rev. Grover Bunting	Not Present
Bro. Roy McHargue	Present
Rev. Grover Bunting was not present today. Th	e Moderator appointed Sis.

Marilyn Smith to take his place for today.

The clerk read a letter from the Twin city Association stating Rev. James Allen has united with our association pending a letter from your association. It was discussed then moved seconded and carried to dismiss Rev. James Allen from this

discussed, then moved, seconded and carried to dismiss Rev. James Allen from this association with good standing.

Bro. Huckabee reported that he had attended many Churches of this association

and was glad to be in this meeting today. He works from the contact Magazine published monthly by the National Association in Tennesee. It would cost only \$12.00 per year.

Rev. Tim Hutchinson reported for the Together Way Each year four Together

Rev. Tim Hutchinson reported for the Together Way Each year four Together Way offerings will be taken for National Ministries. The first of these four offerings will be the Laura Belle Barnard World Mission Offering and it will be on April 24, 1994.

The Moderator called Rev. Jones for morning service. Rev. Jones led singing then called Rev. Arthur Smith to deliver the message. Rev. Smith opened with prayer, then delivered a wonderful sermon to us all on St. John 19:6-19. Then ended with singing.

Dismissed for lunch by Bro. Morris Lawhorn.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

Singing began at 1:15 p.m.

Rev. Jeff Lunsford delivered a short devotion from Acts. 11:24 then ended with prayer.

Rev. Tim Hutchinson reported for District Youth Rally.

# 1. Treasurer's Report

Beginning balance	\$255.76
Total deposits/offering	44.17
Total expenditures	55.15
Ending balance	244.78

# 2. January Youth Rally

"Video Night" - Spring Hill Church Total present: 88; 6 Churches

Total Youth present: 49

# 3. Next Youth Rally

May 7th, 2:p.m. at Dausett Trails

An almost out of school picnic

Rev. Tim Hutchinson then asked for a youth competition. A motion was made, seconded and carried to have a youth competition and to pay the winners fee for the State.

Rev. Arthur Smith reported for the Double-In-A-Decade, then reported that the fund raising committee for the fire fund had turned in \$1,151.90.

Rev. Hubert Waid reported for the State Minutes. On April 24, there will be a Laura Belle Barnard drive for the Foreign Missions. Then a good report for Camp Mt. Bethel's kitchen.

#### SUGGESTION COMMITTEE REPORT

The Committee reported with three different items.

- 1. That we have our offering before our morning worship service. It was moved, seconded and carried.
- That today's offering go to the Laura Belle Barnard Mission offering. It was moved, seconded and carried.
- That we give the host Church a rising vote of thanks for the hospitality and good food. It was moved, seconded and carried.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Balance on hand	\$405.26
Today's balance	185.00
Balance in treasury	590.26
It was moved, seconded and carried to be accepted.	THE CONTRACTOR AND AND ADDRESS OF THE CONTRACTOR AND ADDRESS OF TH

#### BENEVOLENCE FUND REPORT

Spent for Jan., Feb., March	
Mrs. W.J. Childree	\$75.00
Mrs. Polly Jordon	75.00
Balance on hand	613.89
Received today	
Spring Hill	100.00
New Prospect	70.00
Balance today	783.89
It was moved, seconded and accepted.	

Rev. Jeff Lunsford and wife were appointed to be in charge of the youth competition.

Rev. Charles Clark reported for the Mission Board.

# ORDAINING COUNCIL

We the Ordaining Council having shared with Bro. Jeff Lunsford, felt that Bro. Jeff will be a blessing and asset to the Thomaston Church and to our association and the work of God.

We recommend that he be accepted into our Association.

Rev. Sidney Jones Rev. Hurbert Arnold Dea. Morris Lawhorn It was moved, seconded and carried for Rev. Jeff Lunsford to be on the Ministerial Roll of the Chattahoochee Association.

The offering for Laura Belle Barnard Mission was received by Bro. Morris Lawhorn and Bro. Gleason Fowler. Prayer by the Moderator. The offering was \$51.00. It was moved, seconded and carried to adjourn with prayer by Rev. Charles Clark.

Rev. Warren Wyatt, Moderator

C.W. Carroll, Clerk

#### THE THIRD QUARTERLY MEETING

The Third Quarterly Meeting was held at New Life Church, Marion County, July 2, 1994. Rev. Arthur Smith, pastor of the host Church, welcomed everyone. Then prayer by Bro. Gleason Fowler. Rev. Smith led singing, "I'll Fly Away," then turned the business over to the Moderator, Rev. Warren Wyatt.

The Moderator welcomed everyone, then called for corresponding letters. He appointed Bro. E.A. Welch Jr. and Rev. Jeff Lunsford to read the letters.

They are as follows:

- 1. Bethany By letter
- 2. First Thomaston Sis. Melissa Lunsford
- Little Bethel Sis. Mary Lee Fowler, Sis. Ruby Ray, Sis. Ruby Layfield, Sis. Blondell Layfield
- Mount Olive Bro. Syd Crook, Sis. Barbara J. Windham, Sis. Sissy Windham, Bro. Johnny New
- 5. New Liberty Bro. J.C. Kirkland, Bro. Perry Lunsford, Sis. Sara Lunsford
- New Life Sis. Arline Smith, Bro. Oliver Stubbs, Sis. Nancy Smith, Sis. Rachel Bell, Bro. Morrison, Sis. Helen Fye
- 7. New Prospect Bro. Todd Kirksey, Bro. Lee Sawyer
- 8. Spring Hill Sis. Linda Whitt, Sis. Bernice McCall, Sis. Ruth Amerson
- 9. Trinity Sis. Juanita Wyatt, Sis. Marilyn Smith, Bro. E.A. Welch Jr.
- 10. Turner's Chapel By letter

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

The clerk read a letter from the Blue Ridge Association from Asheville, N.C. asking for a good standing on Bro. Willie Summerlin serving the Fairview Free Will Baptist Church. It was discussed, then moved, seconded and carried for Bro. Willie Summerlin be dismissed from this association with good standing.

The Moderator appointed Rev. Charles Clark, Bro. J.C. Kirkland, and Bro. Lee Sawyer 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

Rev. Hurbert Arnold
Dea. Morris Lawhorn
Rev. Sidney Jones
Not present
Present

Rev. Arnold and Dea. Lawhorn were not present because of sickness.

A delegate from New Prospect Church, asked if Dea. Curtis Kirksey should come before the Ordaining Council to be licensed to his local Church. It was discussed, then a motion was made to send the matter concerning the licensing of Bro. Kirksey back to the local Church, and for the clerk to send Bro. Kirksey a minister's questionnaire, so that he can know what he is to be questioned about by the Ordaining Council, it was seconded and carried.

#### ROLL CALL FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Dea. Monroe Tyson Ray	Present
Dea. E.A. Welch Jr.	
Dea. Gleason Fowler	Present
Bro. Martin Windham	Not Present
Dea. Norman Grier	Not Present
The chairman of the committee reported to	hat the two not present would not be

ROLL CALL FOR SUGGESTION COMMITTEE

Dea. Leonard Layfield		Present
Rev. Grover Bunting	Not	Present
Bro. Roy McHargue	Not	Present

Rev. Grover Bunting and Bro. Roy McHargue were not present. Rev. Bunting has missed two consecutive meetings. Bro. Syd Crook was elected to finish out Rev. Bunting's place, Oct. 1995. Sis. Mary Lee Fowler was appointed for Bro. McHargue's place for today.

The Moderator asked for Rev. Charles Clark and Rev. Jeff Lunsford to receive the offering for today. Prayer by Rev. Clark and the offering was \$58.35.

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

Rev. Arthur Smith took charge, led the singing, then called Rev. Sidney Jones for the morning sermon. Rev. Jones delivered a wonderful sermon, "We Need to Grow," from I Peter 2:1-12. Ending with all praying led by Rev. Herbert Waid.

Dismissed for lunch by Rev. Charles Clark.

# AFTERNOON SESSION

Business was opened at 1:15 p.m., with singing led by Rev. Smith.

Bro. Curtis Kirksey, from New Prospect Church, delivered a short devotion.

After prayer his devotion came from Isaiah 58:1-7.

The Moderator asked for any reports:

#### **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Balance on hand	\$590.26
Received today	200.00
Balance today	

#### SUGGESTION COMMITTEE

We the Suggestion Committee, suggest four different items:

- That the district give the youth rally fund \$25.00 each quarterly meeting, for youth rally programs. It was moved, seconded and carried.
- That the offering today go to the youth program. It was moved, seconded and carried.
- That we give Rev. Jeff Lunsford \$50.00 toward his participation in the youth conference competition at the National Association. It was moved, seconded and carried.
- That we give the host Church a rising vote of appreciation. It was moved, seconded and carried.

Rev. Tim Hutchinson reported for the Chattahoochee District Youth Rally. July 2, 1994.

#### 1. Treasury Report

Beginning balance	 \$244.78
Total offering	 109.47
Total expenditures	 195.47

#### 2. Youth Rallies

- a) May 7, 1994 at Dausett Trails Total present: 96
- b) June 24, 1994 at Turner's Chapel the Yet Team from Arkansas performed a musical drama "Hearts of Fire." Total present: 82, plus 16 in the group
- 3. Future youth rallies to be announced
  - a) at New Prospect
  - b) at Mount Olive
  - c) possible retreat

# 4. Camp

We will not be able to work out a Camp session because no camps were available.

# 5. Teen Camp is first week in August

# 6. Jeff Lunsford will represent us in Little Rock

It was moved, seconded and carried.

# BENEVOLENCE REPORT

Received	\$100	0.00
Spent to Mrs. Jordan	75	5.00
Spent to Mrs. Childree	75	5.00
	733	
	100	
Balance today	833	3.89

It was moved, seconded and carried.

Rev. Herbert Waid gave a good report for State, Foreign Missionaries, Camp Mt. Bethel, and the National Association.

It was moved, seconded and carried to adjourn. Dismissed with prayer by Rev. Charles Clark.

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

#### CHATTAHOOCHEE DISTRICT WOMEN'S AUXILLIARY CONVENTION

The Chattahoochee District Women's Auxilliary met at Little Bethel Free Will Baptist Church near Ideal, September 10, 1994.

Registration began at 10:00 a.m.

Ruby Ray gave the welcome, followed with prayer by Mary Lee Fowler.

Song "Bring Them In" was sung by the group. Mary Williams led the devotional taken from Phillipians 4:5,6 & 7. Subject was "Peace of God."

Melissa Lunsford gave a report from the National Convention.

Song "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder."

"Review of District Function" was given by our President, Geraldine Taunton. Then she gave a message "Hour Your Math?" taken from Deuteronomy 23:21,22 & 23, the lesson being "Don't Make Promises You Can't Keep."

The Auxilliary voted to send a gift of cash to the Provision Closet from the District Association.

Spring workshop will be April 22nd, 1995 at First Free Will Baptist in Thomaston, the Annual Meeting, September 9th, 1995 at Little Bethel near Ideal.

Sarah Fowler led the closing prayer.

Lunch was served at 12:00 noon and then we were dismissed.

Geraldine Taunton, President Clarice Jinks, Secretary

# LITTLE BETHEL CHURCH

In Memory of Bro. Frank Childree

Bro. Frank Childree was born November 23, 1933 and departed this life January 27, 1994.

He was a member of Little Bethel Free Will Baptist
Church, he was devoted to his Church, home and family.
He is missed by all that knew him, but the memory left
behind is sufficient for us until heaven's reunion.
"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord."

Church Clerk,
Mrs. Leonard Layfield

# In Memory of Mattie Parker Peacock 1919 - 1994

Mrs. Mattie Parker Peacock was a long time member of Mt. Olive Free Will Baptist Church.

There were many words to describe her faithfulness to her Lord and Saviour, such as: generous, selfless, caring, and giving. Her Christian deeds in our community are legendary. There was no one that she would not help, if possible. She will be greatly missed. May everyone that is called by the name of Christ, imitate her Christlike character.

Mt. Olive Free Will Baptist Church Rev. Tim D. Hutchinson, Pastor

# SPRING HILL CHURCH

Bro. Thomas Mickey McClellan was born November 17, 1935 and departed this life on July 27, 1994. He was a member of Spring Hill Free Will Baptist Church since May 30, 1981. He will be missed by his Church family, devoted wife, children and grandchildren and friends.

Sis. Bernice McCall Church Clerk

## **NEW LIFE CHURCH**

Angie Anthony Bone entered this life on December 10, 1971, and departed on February 3, 1994. Angie was very active in Church and was loved by everyone that knew her. She used to tilt her head back and sing the song "Gone" from the bottom of her heart. Now she is "Gone" but we love and remember her from the bottom of our hearts.

Submitted by her pastor

ubmitted by her pasto Rev. Arthur Smith

Eugene Adams was born May 9, 1907 and died
April 21, 1994. Bro. Adams spent the last several years
in the veterans home of Milledgeville. He never forgot his
church and would occasionally visit the area and
leave some sizeable gift for the Church.
He is sadly missed by his Church, family, and friends.

Submitted by
Rev. Arthur Smith, Pastor

# TURNER'S CHAPEL CHURCH

In Memory of "Daddy"
A.J. Robinson

He was born November 21, 1903 in Tift County to James Patrick Robinson and Ethelene Pearl Pallon. He was married to Queenie M. Robinson, daughter of William Jefferson Robinson and Rommie Narcillis Askew, for 64 years. He raised four sons, Edward, James, Johnny, and Arnold Robinson and two daughters, Marie Moren and Leila Averett.

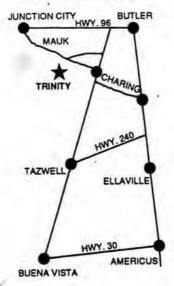
Daddy was best remembered by his neighbors for his woodwork, school bus driver and shoe repairman, by his family for his devoted love.

Jesus took daddy home September 28, 1993.

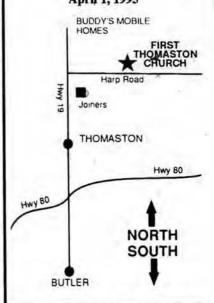
I love you and I miss you so much daddy.

Leila

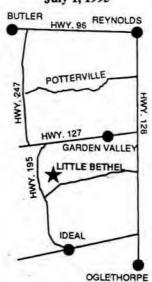
# First Quarterly Meeting Trinity January 7, 1995



# Second Quarterly Meeting First Thomaston April 1, 1995



# Third Quarterly Meeting Little Bethel July 1, 1995



# Annual Meeting Spring Hill October 7, 1995

