

CHATTAHOOCHEE
ASSOCIATION
OF
FREE WILL BAPTIST

177th
ANNUAL
REPORT

2012

REV. PHIL BOZEMAN
MODERATOR

BILLY PATTERSON
CLERK

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- > CALL TO ORDER**
- > CALL FOR CORRESPONDING LETTERS**
- > SEAT DELEGATES**
- > INVITE VISITING BRETHREN TO SEATS**
- > ROLL CALL**
- > CALL FOR PETITION LETTERS**
- > REINFORCE/APPOINT COMMITTEES**
- > APPROVE MINUTES**
- > OFFERING**
- > RECESS**
- > BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**
- > BUSINESS, OLD AND NEW**
- > ADJOURNMENT**

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OF
FREE WILL BAPTIST
2012-2013**

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March 2016

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PRESIDENT: _____

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New Beginning

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New Liberty

New Life

Spring Hill

Trinity

Turners Chapel

Statistical Table

Church	First Thomaston	Mt. Olive	New Beginning	New Liberty	New Life	Spring Hill	Trinity	Turners Chapel	Totals
Ordained Ministers	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	7
Licensed Ministers	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Ordained Deacons	1	3	1	2	1	2	2	4	16
Baptisms	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Members Added	4	2	N/R	0	N/R	0	0	2	8
Members Lost	0	8	14	0	N/R	2	0	N/R	24
Total Members	56	124	24	14	N/R	N/R	38	N/R	256
Sunday School	26	40	1	No	No	20	30	N/R	117
Women's Auxiliary	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	0
Master's Men	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	0

N/R Not Reported

Financial Table

Church	County	City/Rural	Pastor	Budget	Parsonage	Property Value	Annual Tithe
First Thomaston	Upson	City	FT	Yes	Yes	\$435,000	\$14,000
Mt. Olive	Taylor	Rural	Bi-Voc	No	Yes	\$325,000	\$30,755
New Beginnings	Marion	Rural	Bi-Voc	No	No	\$87,000	Not Reported
New Liberty	Schley	Rural	FT	No	No	Not Reported	Not Reported
New Life	Marion	Rural	N/R	No	No	\$150,000	N/R
Spring Hill	Marion	Rural	N/A	No	Yes	\$215,000	Not Reported
Trinity	Taylor	Rural	FT	Yes	Yes	\$385,000	\$38,990
Turners Chapel	Taylor	Rural	FT	No	Yes	\$450,000	\$63,245

N/R Not Reported

FINANCIAL REPORT

GENERAL FUND[illegible]

Benevolence Fund

[illegible]

FINANCIAL REPORT

YOUTH FUND[illegible]

2013 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Quarterly Meetings

January 12, 2013	Trinity Free Will Baptist
April 13, 2013	New Beginning Free Will Baptist
July 13, 2013	Mt. Olive Will Baptist
October 12, 2013	Turners Chapel Free Will Baptist

Youth Rally

January	To be determined
April	
Sept	

State Meeting

March 21 - 22, 2013	New Hope FWB Church, Jessup, GA
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National Meeting

July 21-24, 2013	Tampa, FL
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Homecomings

July 28, 2013	Trinity
July 28, 2013	Turners Chapel
August 18, 2013	New Liberty
September 15, 2013	Mt. Olive

Revival

Oct 20-24, 2013	Trinity
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Youth Camp

Association Picnic

September , 2013	Mt. Olive
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Men's Breakfast
(4th Sat., Jan. - Sept.)

FIRST QUARTERLY MEETING 2012
OF CHATTAHOOCHEE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

The first quarterly meeting of the Chattahoochee Association of Free Will Baptist convened at 9:30 a.m. on January 14, 2012 at Trinity Free Will Baptist Church, Mauk, GA. Bro. Billy Patterson welcomed everyone and led in song. Rev. Dallas Short offered a prayer. Rev. Phil Bozeman called the meeting to order and brought a devotion from Psalms 3. Clerk Billy Patterson read the corresponding letters from the churches.

Bethany	2 delegate	
1st Thomaston	2 delegates	
Mt. Olive	4 delegates	
New Beginning	4 delegates	
New Liberty	0 delegates	
New Life	0 delegates	
Spring Hill	0 delegate	
Trinity	4 delegates	
Turner's Chapel	2 delegates	4 deacons

The Clerk made the motion to accept the letters and to seat the delegates. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous.

The Moderator welcomed visitor Ed Doerr.

Rolls of officers and committees were called by the clerk and a copy is attached as a part of these minutes.

Committees were strengthened or appointed as follows:

Finance Committee Bro. Larry Starling

Minutes of the 176th Annual Session were read and approved.

Prior to the recess an offering was received.

Following brunch and fellowship the meeting reconvened at 10:30 with the following reports:

State Executive Committee - No report.

State Mission Board - Bro. Gerald Moore reported that the mission board met on November 15 to evaluate the Cartersville work. Bro. Bill Crank's contract was extended until December 2012 and his salary was raised back to the original contract amount. The church name will be changed to Lighthouse FWB.

Board of Christian Education - Bro. Billy Patterson reminded the body of the upcoming couples retreat and Georgia State Ministers Retreat. Everyone is reminded to check the promotion bulletin for events.

State Board of Trustees - No report.

State Board of Camping - No report. Teen Camp will be June 3 - 8, 2012.

Ordaining Council - No report.

Finance Committee

General Fund Balance	\$9164.89
Benevolence Fund Balance	6034.44
Youth Camp Fund	2162.86

Received at this meeting:

Representation Fees	\$360.00
Offering	98.00
Benevolence Fund	270.00

Bro. Rex Robinson made a motion to receive the report as presented. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous.

District Youth/Camp Director - Sister Marsha Starling reported that the Youth Board will meet on February 13 at New Beginning to set a date for camp for this year. They recommended that each church appoint an alternate to the Youth Camp Board.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

Delegates for the State Association meeting were called for. Rev. Terry Tribble Tribble and Rev. Ruble Youngblood plan to attend. Sis. Marsha Starling made a motion that the Moderator be authorized to appoint delegates from the association at the meeting. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Hosts for the Men's Prayer Breakfast were set as follows:

April - Bethany	July - Turners Chapel
May - New Beginning	August - Bethany
June - Trinity	September - New Beginning

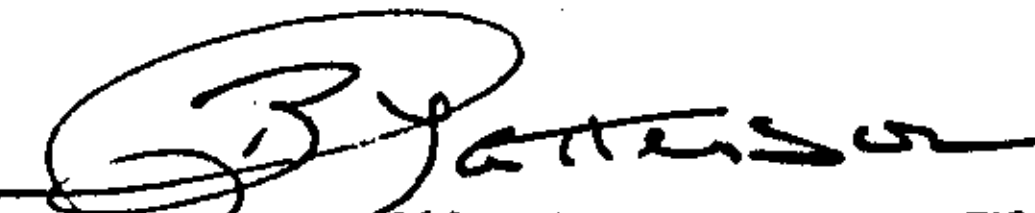
Rev. A. G. Windham reminded everyone to respect the Moderator by standing and addressing him after being recognized. Delegates should address the Moderator and not carry on conversations between themselves.

There being no further business Rev. Dallas Short made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Rev. Terry Tribble read from Jeremiah 14 and said God has become a stranger in America. Our trust is no longer in God.

Respectfully submitted,


Rev. Phil Bozeman, Moderator


Bro. Billy Patterson, Clerk

SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING 2012
OF CHATTAHOOCHEE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

The Second Quarterly meeting of the Chattahoochee Association of Free Will Baptists convened at 9:30 a.m. on April 14, 2012 at Mt. Olive Free Will Baptist Church, Reynolds, Ga. Rev. A. G. Windham welcomed everyone and opened the meeting with prayer. The congregation joined in singing Glory-land Way before the Moderator brought a devotional from I Corinthians 14:33. Rev. Bozeman reminded the Association that God is not the author of confusion but of peace. We should conduct ourselves in an orderly manner being respectful with one another.

Clerk Billy Patterson read the corresponding letters from the churches.

Bethany	0 delegate	
1st Thomaston	2 delegates	
Mt. Olive	3 delegates	3 deacons
New Beginning	4 delegates	
New Liberty	0 delegates	
New Life	0 delegates	
Spring Hill	0 delegates	
Trinity	2 delegates	
Turner's Chapel	0 delegates	3 deacons

A motion was made by Billy Patterson to accept the letters and seat the delegates. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous.

The clerk called rolls of officers and committees and a copy is attached as a part of these minutes.

Visitor Dale Bishop was welcomed.

Committees were strengthened or appointed as follows:

Finance Committee Sister Helen Salter

The clerk read the minutes of the last meeting. A motion was made to accept the minutes. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Prior to the recess an offering was received.

The meeting reconvened at 10:30 with the following reports:

State Executive Committee - No report.

State Mission Board - Bro. Gerald Moore reported that word from Rev. Bill Crank is that Lighthouse Free Will Baptist Church of Cartersville is doing well. They are working hard and God is blessing. The Board will meet again May 15th.

Board of Christian Education - Bro. Billy Patterson reported that the Ministers Retreat is coming up and encouraged churches to send their pastor. He reminded everyone of the upcoming ministers' wives retreat.

Board of Camping - Rev. Terry Tribble reported that the Teen Camp will be held June 3 - 8, 2012 and volunteers are needed.

Ordaining Council - Rev. Terry Tribble made a motion to adopt a transfer of ordination document as presented by the council. This will be for ordained ministers transferring into our association. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous. The ordaining council will also be developing a document to be used in licensing new pastors in the association.

Finance Committee

General Fund Balance	\$8172.89
Benevolence Fund Balance	5854.44
Youth Fund Balance	2002.87

Received at this meeting:

Representation fees	360.00
Offering	92.43
Benevolence Fund	270.00

Bro. Rex Robinson made a motion to receive the report as presented. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Association Youth /Camp Director - Sister Marsha Starling reported that camp dates are set for June 18-21, 2012 at the Starling's. Workers at every level are needed.

Dale Bishop, Missionary to Japan, gave an uplifting report of the work there. There are eight churches in Japan and seven pastors. He reminded everyone of the coin bank donations and said it is due by the end of April.

Old Business - There was no old business.

New Business - Sister Marsha Starling made a motion that the Youth Rallies be held twice a year with Summer camp serving as the summer Youth Rally and the Association Picnic

serving as the fall Youth Rally. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous.

The business session was adjourned.

Bro. Mark Windham sang Hide Thou Me and read from Jeremiah 6:16. He titled the message Hold Up the Standard and reminded us that as Christians we are the standard carriers.

Respectfully submitted,

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Rev. Phil Bozeman, Moderator

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Bro. Billy Patterson, Clerk

THIRD QUARTERLY MEETING 2012
OF CHATTAHOOCHEE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

The Third Quarterly meeting of the Chattahoochee Association of Free Will Baptists convened at 9:30 a.m. on July 14, 2012 at Bethany Free Will Baptist Church, Box Springs, GA. Rev. Ruble Youngblood welcomed everyone and Rev. Dallas Short lead in an opening prayer. Following a congregation song Rev. Phil Bozeman read from Hebrews 10:19 and reminded us that we need to continually draw near to God, holding fast our faith without wavering and loving one another .

Clerk Billy Patterson read the corresponding letters.

	<u>Delegates</u>	<u>Deacons</u>
1st Thomaston	0	0
Bethany	0	0
Mt. Olive	4	3
New Beginning	2	0
New Liberty	2	0
New Life	0	0
Spring Hill	0	0
Trinity	4	0
Turners Chapel	0	5

Bro. Billy Patterson made a motion to accept the letters and seat the delegates. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous.

The moderator welcomed Bro. Buddy Boyd as a visitor.

Rolls of officers and committees were called by the clerk and a copy is attached as a part of these minutes.

Committees were strengthened or appointed as follows:

<u>Finance Committee</u>	Sis. Dianne Short
<u>Nominating Committee</u>	Rev. Dallas Short
	Bro. Ralph Windham
	Bro. Chris Guined

The clerk read the minutes of the last meeting. A motion was made to accept the minutes. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous..

An offering was received and the body was dismissed for a break at 9:50 a.m..

The meeting reconvened at 10:30. The following reports were presented:

State Executive Committee - No report.

State Mission Board - Bro. Gerald Moore reported the board met May 15 with Rev. Crank and he is upbeat about the Light House Church membership being consistent. The Mission Board has pledged full support and will re-evaluate the work in the fall.

Board of Christian Education - No report

Board of Trustees - No report.

State Board of Camping - No report..

Ordaining Council - No report.

Finance Committee -

General Fund Balance	8172.89
Benevolence Fund Balance	5854.44
Youth Camp Fund	2002.87

Received at this meeting:

Representation fees	\$360.00
Offering	92.43
Benevolence	270.00

Bro. Rex Robinson made a motion to receive the report as presented. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Youth/Camp Director - Clerk Billy Patterson presented a report for Sis. Marsha Starling. Camp was a success with 59 youth and 16 adult workers. The theme was "Gold Rush, Discovering the Rock of Ages". They discovered the answer to the most important question ever asked "Who is Jesus?" They learned He is the Creator, Redeemer, Son of God, Messiah, and the Great I Am.

Old Business

Rev. Bozeman temporarily stepped aside as moderator in order to address the assembly concerning the guidelines for licensing of ministers. After resuming the moderator position he opened the floor for discussion. After much discussion a motion was made by Bro. Ralph Windham to reject the guidelines as presented by the Ordination Council. A second was made and the motion to reject passed. Bro. Gerald Moore made a motion to have individual churches identify licensees to the association so they can support and

guide them and that books be given by the association to any new licensee. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous.

New Business

Turners Chapel agreed to host the Association Picnic at a time, place, and date to be set by the host church.

The meeting was adjourned.

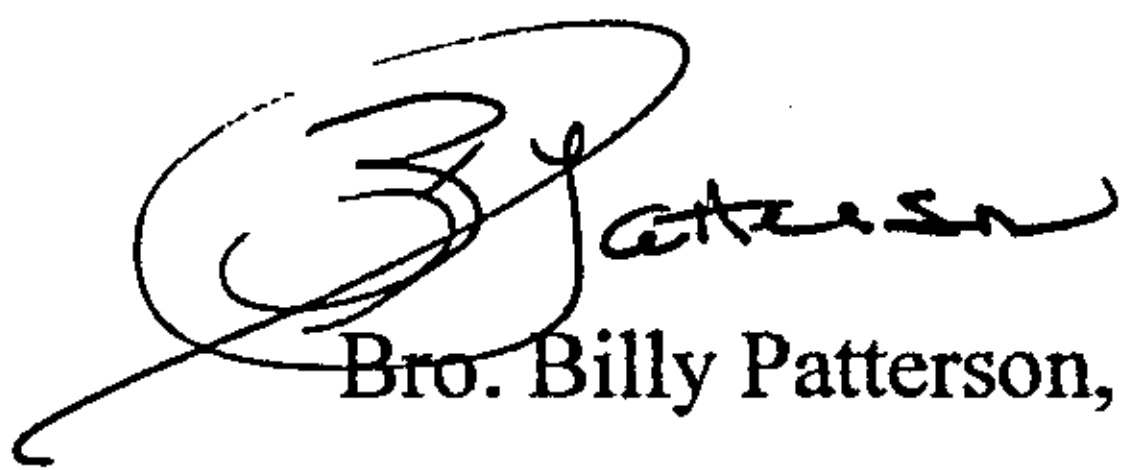
Rev. Ruble Youngblood read from James 1:5 and said Christians are too much like the world today; we are not bearing fruit. We need to get back to serving God. We need to ask God for spiritual wisdom.

Closing song was presented by Sis. Martha Youngblood.

Respectfully submitted,

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Rev. Phil Bozeman, Moderator

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Bro. Billy Patterson, Clerk

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING
OF CHATTAHOOCHEE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

The 177th annual meeting of the Chattahoochee Association convened at 9:30 a.m. on October 13, 2012, at Turner's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church, Butler, GA. Rev.. Phil Bozeman welcomed everyone and Rev. A. G. Windham lean in an opening prayer. Following a congregation song Rev. Phil Bozeman read from Colossians 1:2 and reminded us that Christ reconciles us to God through His death on the cross. We must strive to walk hold with the Lord.

Clerk Billy Patterson read a letter from Bethany Free Will Baptist church signed by pastor Rev. Ruble Youngblood whereby they are resigning from the association. Bro. Billy made a motion to accept with regret their request. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous. Bro. Billy read the corresponding letters.

	<u>Delegates</u>	<u>Deacons</u>
Bethany	0	
First Thomaston	2	
Mt. Olive	4	1
New Beginning	0	
New Liberty	0	
New Life	0	
Spring Hill	0	
Trinity	2	
Turners Chapel	3	4

Bro. Billy Patterson made the motion to accept the letters and seat the delegates. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Rolls of officers and committees were called by the clerk and a copy is attached as a part of these minutes.

Committees were strengthened or appointed as follows:

Finance Committee Sis. Montene Grisham

Temperance Committee Sis. Helen Salter
 Bro. David Spillers
 Sis. Delois Tribble

Sunday School Committee Bro. Jessie Carroll

Sis. Jeraldine Taunton
Sis. Barbara Doer

Obituary Committee

Bro. Billy Patterson

The minutes were read. Rev. Terry Tribble made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded and carried.

Prior to the recess at 10:00 a.m. an offering was received.

The meeting reconvened at 10:45 and the following reports were presented:

State Executive Board - Rev. Phil Bozeman reported that the committee met September 18th in Macon and it was reported that giving has increased for the Acts 1:8 and Cooperative programs. There are currently 19 churches in the state without pastors. There was a discussion on the possibility of having a state Junior Camp, but there was no decision on this at this time.

State Board of Missions - Bro. Gerald Moore reported that the committee met September 11th and heard a report from Bro. Bill Crank at Cartersville Church. His attitude is positive and he is making a lot of contacts in the community. The Board voted to extend his contract until June, 2013.

Board of Christian Education - Bro. Billy Patterson reported that the committee has met and the Youth Competition will be held May 4, 2013 in Albany. Judges are needed for every area for this event. Possible speakers for the 2014 retreats are being contacted.

State Board of Trustees - No report.

State Board of Camping - No report.

Finance Committee -

General Fund Balance	9068.89
Benevolence Fund Balance	5494.44
Youth Fund Balance	1957.57

Received today:

Representation fees	320.00
Offering	75.00
Benevolence Fund	1375.00
National Fees	850.00

Bro. Rex Robinson made a motion to accept this report as presented. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Ordaining Council - No report.

Nominating Committee - They recommended the following:

Assistant Moderator:	Rev. Terry Tribble
Executive Committee	Bro. David Spillers
Ordaining Council:	Rev. Dallas Short
Youth Competition Dir.	Sis. Lydia Bozeman
Finance Committee	Bro. Rex Robinson and Sis. Marilyn Smith
State Mission Board	Bro. Gerald Moore
State Board of Trustees	Bro. Larry Starling

Bro. Chris Guined made a motion to accept these nominations by acclamation. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Youth/Camp Director -No report.

District Youth Competition - Sis. Lydia Bozeman reported that the National Youth Conference will be July 21-24, 2013 in Tampa, FL. The theme will be "Stand: We will not serve your gods". Materials for this competition may be ordered on line.

Temperance Committee - Bro. David Spillers reported that as Christians we should practice self discipline so that those in the world will see Christ in us.

Sunday School Committee - Sis. Jeraldine Taunton reported that we need to emphasize Bible study and encourage people to study and faithfully attend, both student and teacher. We need to be grounded in our faith.

Obituary Committee - Bro. Billy Patterson read the obituaries and they are included in this book of minutes. Those in attendance stood in a moment of silence in remembrance of those gone home.

Old Business There was no old business.

New Business

Moderator Bozeman asked Clerk Patterson to send letters to all churches encouraging participation in the association.

The Quarterly Meetings for 2013 were set as follows:

1st Quarterly Meeting, January 12, 2013	Trinity
2nd Quarterly Meeting, April 13, 2013	New Beginning
3rd Quarterly Meeting, July 13, 2013	Mt. Olive
Annual Meeting, October 12, 2013	Turners Chapel

Youth Rally - Dates to be determined.

Announcements were made by various churches and Bro. Ralph Windham made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Rev. Robert Daniel, pastor of First Thomaston Free Will Baptist Church, read from Nehemiah 1:5. He gave a challenging messages to pastors stating that they need a vision for their church. He challenged all members asking when was the last time we cried for our church and for our country? He reminded us all that Christians are not to be a punching bag of the world but we are to be strong and take a stand for God.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Phil Bozeman
Moderator

Bro. Billy Patterson
Clerk

ROLL CALL -- 2012

ASSOCIATION OFFICERS, COMMITTEES, MINISTERS

		JAN	APR	JUL	OCT
OFFICERS	REV. PHIL BOZEMAN - Moderator	X	X	X	X
	REV. RUBLE YOUNGBLOOD- Assist. Mod.	X	X	X	
	BRO. BILLY PATTERSON - Clerk	X	X	X	X
	SIS. ALANE PATTERSON - Assist. Clerk	X	X	X	X
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE	BRO. RALPH WINDHAM		X	X	X
	BRO. JESSE CARROLL	X	X		X
	REV. TERRY TRIBBLE	X	X	X	X
ORDAINING COUNCIL	REV. TERRY TRIBBLE	X	X	X	X
	REV. RUBLE YOUNGBLOOD	X	X	X	
	REV. PHIL BOZEMAN	X	X	X	X
YOUTH DIRECTOR	SIS. MARSHA STARLING	X	X		
FINANCE COMMITTEE	BRO. REX ROBINSON	X	X	X	X
	SIS. MARILYN SMITH	X	X	X	X
BD./CHRISTIAN ED	BRO. BILLY PATTERSON	X	X	X	X
BD. OF CAMPING	REV. TERRY TRIBBLE	X	X	X	X
STATE MISSION BOARD	BRO. GERALD MOORE	X	X	X	X
STATE BD/TRUSTEES	BRO. LARRY STARLING	X			X
DIST. YOUTH COMP.	SIS. LYDIA BOZEMAN				
	MINISTERS				
	REV. PHIL BOZEMAN	X	X	X	X
	REV. CHARLES FULLER				
	REV. J.C. GRIMSLEY				
	REV. DALLAS SHORT	X	X	X	
	REV. TERRY TRIBBLE	X	X	X	X
	REV. A.G.WINDHAM	X	X	X	X
	REV. RUBLE YOUNGBLOOD	X	X	X	

OBITUARIES

We honor those who have gone before us.

Mt. Olive Free Will Baptist Church

Bro. Frankie Hobbs - Born November 6, 1959, departed this life on March 23, 2012. He is survived by his wife Sister Janice Hobbs, one son and two daughters, also two brothers, three sisters, and four grandchildren. Bro. Frankie was a loving father and grandfather. He is missed deeply by his loving wife, children and grandchildren. He is also missed by his church and community.

Sis. Virginia Childree - Born February 7, 1933, departed this life on January 7, 2012. She was preceded in death by her husband Bro. Jasper Childree. She was a loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother and is greatly missed by her family, her church, and all who knew her.

New Beginning Free Will Baptist Church

Sis. Judy Plyler - Went to be with the Lord on April 16, 2012. She is very much missed by her church, her family, and all who knew her.

First Thomaston Free Will Baptist Church

Sis. Paulene Fetner - She is deeply missed by her family and church, but is at home with the Lord.

Spring Hill Free Will Baptist Church

Sis. Lucile Tyler James - She was born November 18, 1922 and departed this life on March 19, 2012. She was the widow of Bro. Houston James. She was a member of Spring Hill for many years and attended faithfully until her health failed her. She is greatly missed by her family and her church. She leaves behind six children, 18 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren. Her gentle nature will always be remembered and cherished.

Sis. Myrtle Tyler Grier - She was born October 25, 1923 and departed this life on December 19, 2011. She was the widow of Bro. Norman Grier. She was a member of Spring Hill and attended faithfully all of her life. She served as church clerk for a number of years. She attended church faithfully until her health failed her. She is greatly missed by her family and her church. She leaves behind four children, seven grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. Our loss is heaven's gain.

CHURCH COVENANT
Presented to the Churches of the
Chattahoochee Association of Free Will Baptists

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 we will endeavor faithfully to discharge all our Christian duties.

2nd. That we will labor together to remain free from all violations to the Bible doctrines, ordinances, and faith once delivered to the Saints.

3rd. That we will live mutually in fellowship and not estrange ourselves from any of the brethren.

4th. That we will respect each other's liberties of conscience, patiently bear each other's burdens, strengthen the weak, warn the wavering and instruct the young and the ignorant.

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

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

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

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

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

10th. That we will assist in supporting our pastor, in relieving the needy, and 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 around us.

14th. That we will 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.

CHATTAHOOCHEE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

CONSTITUTION

Preamble

We the Free Will Baptist of the Chattahoochee District do ordain this Constitution for the purpose of advancing, promoting and increasing all phases of the cause of Christ. It is with common good in mind that we come together to accomplish collectively those things we could not do alone. This organization shall not have any authority over the individual churches except those delegated to it by the individual churches.

Article I

This assembly shall be known as the Chattahoochee Association of Free Will Baptists.

Article II

Section I. The officers of this organization shall be Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk/Treasurer, and Assistant Clerk/ Treasurer.

Section II. The Executive Board shall be composed of the Moderator, Clerk, and three members elected by the body. The term of office will be three years rotating annually. *Members shall not serve consecutive terms.*

AMENDED January 9, 2010.

Section III. The voting body of this Association shall be composed of Ordained Ministers, Ordained Deacons, and delegates from the participating churches. Each church will be allowed four elected delegates.

Section IV. All delegates from the churches must be elected from the laity of the church sending them.

Section V. Funds for the current expenses of this organization will be paid to the Clerk quarterly. Each church will give a minimum of ten dollars per allowed delegate. This amount can be changed by the majority vote of the convened body in any regular session.

Section VI. In order to pay the Chattahoochee Association annual representation fees to the Georgia State Association and the National Association of Free Will Baptists each church will be responsible to promote, receive, and forward the amounts delegated by the State and National Associations per church per year to the Clerk at, or before, the annual session.

Article III

Section I. Delegates will be elected to serve on Georgia State boards whose responsibility it will be to represent this body and to vote with the wishes of the Chattahoochee Association, not one individual preference, to the greatest extent possible. These members will be elected to the terms designated by the state.

Section II. There shall be a Finance Committee consisting of two persons elected to serve annually and one delegate appointed at each quarterly session.

- A. The finance committee will be responsible for collecting and counting offerings taken each session.
- B. The Finance committee is to be responsible for counting and verifying all representation fees.
- C. It shall be the job of the Finance Committee to audit the Clerks records at each session and report the results to the body.

Section III. There shall be an Ordination Council made up of three men who explicitly meet the qualification required by this body for ordination.

- A. It shall be the duty of the Ordination Council to examine each candidate presented for ordination and to make recommendations to the board.
- B. The Ordination council will be responsible to see that each candidate gets a doctrinal examination booklet and to examine the answers provided.
- C. The Members are to serve three year terms rotating each year *and shall not serve consecutive terms.* *AMENDED January 9, 2010.*
- D. The member having served the greatest portion of a three year term shall be considered the chairman.

Section IV. There shall be a *Youth/ Camp Board which will be chaired by a President selected by the Youth Board .* *AMENDED July 10,2010*

- A. This board will consist of one representative from each member church that has a desire for the spiritual growth of the young people, currently this will be a nine member board. It shall be their responsibility to plan and execute activities for the young people in this association. The board will have its own *Constitution and budget* but will report to the Association. *AMENDED July 10,2010*
- B. The Youth/Camp Director will be elected by the association *for a term of three years and shall not serve consecutive terms* . The Director will assist in planning camps, youth rallies, and fund raising events for the young people of this Association and, will also be responsible for the successful operation of youth camps. The Director will adhere to all guidelines set by this body and will report to the Association at each session.*AMENDED July 10,2010*

Section V. There shall be a Youth Competition Director.

- A. It shall be the responsibility of the Youth Competition Director to coordinate all competitive events involving our young people.
- B. These Director duties will include acquiring dates for state and national competition and relaying them to the individual churches.
- C. The Director will promote and plan all District competitive events, inform the churches of rule changes as he/she is advised from the state and national organizations.

- D. The churches will be responsible for obtaining guidelines from the National Youth Conference and for training their young people.
- E. All events will be done according to the guidelines published by the national organization under the title of national Youth Conference Competition Guidelines

Article IV

Section I. All officers, except board and committee members, shall be elected to serve a term of two years. The Moderator may succeed himself one term.

Section II. Standing boards of the Association have no power or final authority to conduct any business until the matter has been presented to and acted upon by the Association in regular session except where otherwise provided.

Section III. Vacancies on any of the boards between sessions may be filled by appointment of the Moderator until the next business session.

Section IV. Elections of general officers shall take place on the odd years of the calendar.

Section V. If a member of any board fails in the function of his or her duty without good and sufficient reasons, the board of which the delinquent is a member may declare that particular office vacant. Further, this body shall have and does reserve the right to deal with the officer or board member who does not conduct his or her office in a Christian, business like manner according to the rules of Christian conduct as set forth in the New Testament.

Any standing board of this District Association may appoint proxies to serve in lieu of the absent members.

ARTICLE V

Section I. All candidates to be ordained in 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 he would be allowed to participate in the business of the Association. Any minister approved by the Council but is waiting for a letter from his previous Association will be considered approved until the next scheduled session. If no letter has been received the Ordaining Council shall meet and present a recommendation to the body.

Section II. To be considered a standing delegate in this Association all ordained men are required to meet the requirements as set forth in the Book of I Timothy. Any person not living according to these requirements and according to the principles of the New Testament may be removed as a standing delegate until acknowledgments are made and accepted by the body in regular session.

ARTICLE VI

Section I. The Moderator shall be elected to serve a two year term and may succeed himself one time, serving no more than 4 years consecutively. His duties are to moderate all sessions of the Association, represent the Association at State and National functions, and to serve as ex-officio member of all committees. He shall receive an honorarium each year to offset expenses occurred. He also shall receive reimbursement for travel to all official meetings at a rate of twenty cents per mile. This stipend can be changed as needed by a majority vote of the Association.

Section II. The Assistant Moderator shall assume the office of Moderator in the instance of the Moderator not being able to serve out his term. The Assistant Moderator will serve in the Moderator place if for any reason the Moderator has to be absent from a regular business session. The Assistant Moderator will only be compensated if he is fulfilling the duties of the moderator and then he is allowed the same honorium and expenses as the moderator would receive.

Section III. The Clerk/Treasurer shall be responsible for all records of the Association. He/She will be responsible for taking minutes at each session and preparing the Annual book of minutes. This officer will have the authority to purchase supplies as needed and to take whatever steps are necessary to see that the finances of this body are handled in a responsible way. It will be his duty to present a finance report each session that in detail shows the financial position of this body. While it is his responsibility to maintain the records, these records are considered open records and should be made available on request by any member of this Association. The Clerk/Treasure shall receive an annual honorarium to offset his expenses. Also, He shall receive reimbursement for travel expenses occurred in the official duties of his office representing this body at State and National functions. This stipend shall be at the rate of twenty cents per mile and can be changed by majority vote of the Association.

Section IV. The Assistant Clerk shall assume all duties and authorities of the office of Clerk/Treasurer if for any reason the Clerk cannot fulfill the term of his office. The Assistant should assist the clerk at all regular sessions and be familiar with all records.

ARTICLE VII

Section I. The order of succession shall be Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, and then Assistant Clerk. If for some reason none of these officers are present then the senior person from the Executive committee shall serve as moderator at any regular business session.

AMENDMENTS

This constitution may be changed, altered, or amended by a two-thirds vote of all delegates present and voting at any regular session of the Association. Prior to presentation of any amendment, change, or alteration it must be submitted to the clerk in writing and read during the session before the break for committees. After reconvening the amendment, change, or alteration will be read again, discussed, and voted upon.

Amendment I

The reimbursement rate for travel to all official meetings for the moderator and clerk shall be the current IRS rate as reported by the clerk at each quarterly meeting.

Approved 4/06

The reimbursement rate for travel to all official meetings for the moderator and clerk shall be the current IRS rate as reported by the clerk at each annual meeting.

Approved 1/10.

Amendment II

The Youth Camp Director shall be elected for a term of three years.

Approved 10/07

The Youth Director shall be elected for a term of three years and shall not serve consecutive terms.

Approved 1/10

Amendment III

To amend Article II, Section 2 to read: Members shall not serve consecutive terms.

Approved 1/10

To amend Article III, Section 3c to read: and shall not serve consecutive terms.

Approved 1/10

Amendment IV

To amend Article III, Section IV to read: There shall be a Youth/Camp Board which will be chaired by a President selected by the Youth Board

A. The board will have its own Constitution and budget but will report to
The Association

Approved 7/10

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 is 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, subversive 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 assemblies cease 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 on 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 true and orderly body of Christians on earth, that it is fully sufficient for the purpose intended, but that it does not extend to person, property or 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, all the elders are equal in rank, though they perform different functions since some may be bishops, or pastors of particular churches, while others may be simply elders, having no pastoral charge.
10. That the authority of a minister of the gospel extends to teaching, exhortation, and rebuke, but no further; that he cannot perform any acts that belong to the authority of the church—such as the reception of members in the church compact, or the expulsion of offenders; that as a member of the church, he is no more than any other member, and if he is guilty of transgressions 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 advisory help, especially if the minister is to be tried upon a charge of hearsay.
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 of the Saint's feet are ordinances to be observed in the church until the Lord comes.
13. That Elders and Deacons must be set apart to their offices by ordination, or the imposition of the hands of the presbytery and prayer, without which they are not authorized to administer the ordinances pertaining to their respective offices.
14. No preacher shall be ordained unless called to take charge of a church as pastor, or for some other good and sufficient reason.

CHURCH ORGANIZATION

Preliminaries: When several believers wish to be organized into a church, they request a council from some sister church. This council or committee (commonly called an arm) examines into the Christian character, doctrines and fellowship of the applicants, 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 Clerk, Treasure, 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 baptisms and the Lord's Supper, have care of the poor, and conduct religious meetings in the absence of the Pastor.

CHURCH DECORUM

1. The church may choose a pastor annually at the last regular conference in the Associational year, or, if they prefer it may choose a pastor for an indefinite length of time to continue from year to year, so long as they may deem it proper to keep up the connection.
2. When it becomes necessary, a pastor may be chosen at any other time, but if the choice be made at a special conference, the time must be appointed at a monthly meeting of the church.
3. The pastor shall be the moderator of the church, but when he is absent or does not sit as moderator, some suitable brother shall be appointed to sit in his place.
4. There shall be two or more deacons in the church whose duty it shall be to superintend the collection and disbursement of the contribution made by the church for the pastor, etc., and to distribute the bread and wine in the administration of the Lord's Supper.
5. The deacons shall take notice of such members who 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 books, etc., belonging to the Clerk shall be immediately delivered to him by his predecessor.
8. When it becomes necessary, a committee of not less than 3 male members well acquainted with business shall be appointed, whose duty 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:
 - a. Prayer (unless divine service has just been conducted and generally then.)
 - b. Invite visiting brethren to seats.
 - c. Open the door for the reception of members.
 - d. Call for absentees.
 - e. Call for acknowledgements.
 - f. Call for reference or deferred business.
 - g. Call for matters of dealing which are in order to come before the church.
 - h. Miscellaneous business.
13. Visiting brethren, as helps called in from sister churches, shall be allowed to speak and make motions and seconds, but not be 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 until 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 good reasons 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 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 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 of the 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.

ARTICLES OF FAITH AND DOCTRINAL VIEWS

1. We believe that the Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired and is the treasure of heavenly instruction; that 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 that 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 conform. 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, inexpressibly glorious in holiness, worthy of all possible honor, confidence and love, revealed in the personal distinction of Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, equal in every divine perfection, and executing distinct but harmonious offices in the great work of redemption. Exodus 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 the nature utterly devoid of holiness required by the law of God, wholly given to the gratification of the world, 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 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 the very way qualified to be suitable, compassionate and all sufficient Savior. Eph. 2:5, 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 the promise of eternal life, upon principles of righteousness and atonement, and that brings us to a state of most blessed peace and favor with God. Rom. 8:30, Ezek. 18:28, John 3:14, Rom 8:17.
6. That the blessing of salvation are made free to all by the Gospel; that is the immediate duty of all who received them by cordial and obedient faith and that nothing prevents the salvation of the greatest sinner on earth, but his own voluntary refusal to submit to the Lord Jesus Christ, which refusal will subject him to an aggravated condemnation. Mk. 16:16, John 17:20, Is. 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 3:2-8, Matt 3: 8-10.
8. That election is the gracious purpose of God, according to which he regenerates, sanctifies, and saves sinners, it being perfectly consistent with free agency of man, that it comprehend all means with the end; that it is a glorious display of God's goodness, being infinite wise, wholly 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 assurances, 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, I Pet. 1:3,5.
10. That the law of God is eternal, the unchangeable rule of government, that it is a 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 observances 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 Thess. 1:7, Psalm 16:9
12. That civil government is of divine appointment for the interest and good 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 the Prince of the kings of the 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 in his esteem, which such as continue in impenitence and unbelief are in his sight wicked and under his curse, and his distinction holds good among men both in and after death. Matt. 25:46, Mark 16:16
14. That the end of this world is approaching, when Christ will descend from heaven and raise the dead from their graves to final retribution, that a solemn separation will then take place, the righteous be adjudged to everlasting happiness, and the wicked to endless punishment, and this judgment will forever be the final state in heaven or hell, on the principles of righteousness. John 5:25, Matt. 25:34, 41, 46.