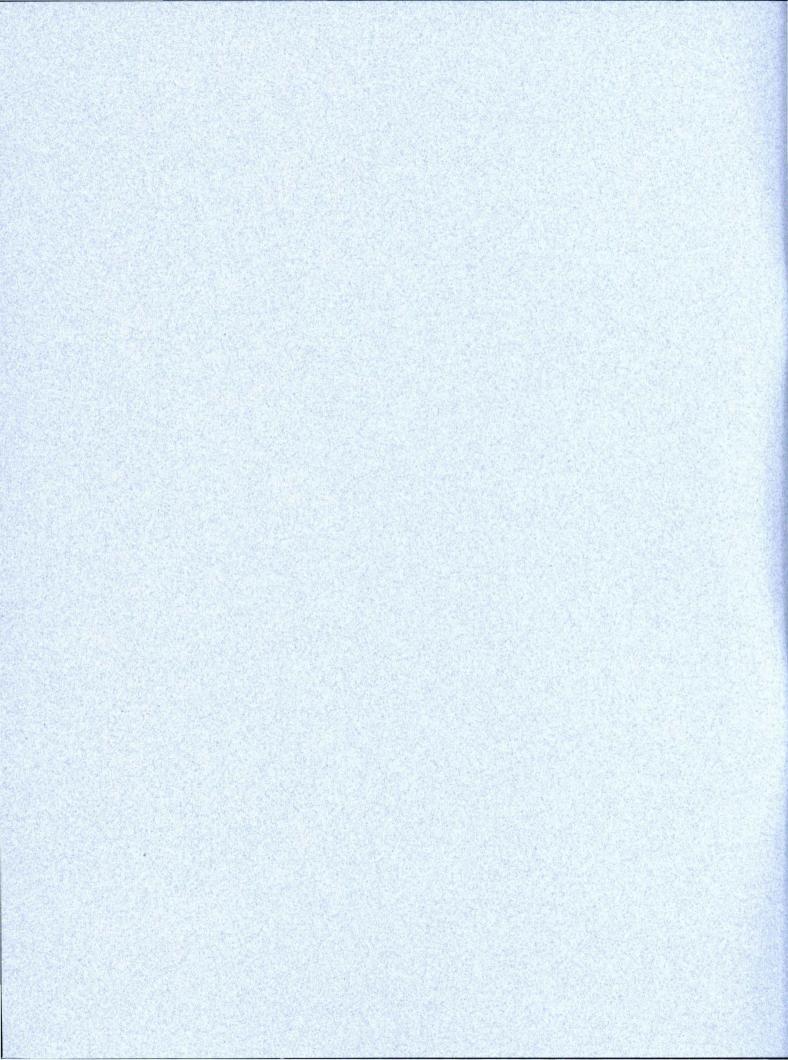
# CHATTAHOOCHEE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

## 184th ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2019

REV. TERRY TRIBBLE MODERATOR BILLY PATTERSON CLERK



## **2020 CALENDER OF EVENTS**

## QUARTERLY MEETINGS 4:00 PM

January 12, 2020 April July 12, 2020 October 11, 2020 Trinity FWB Thomaston FWB

**Turners Chapel FWB** 

## **Men's Breakfast**

4<sup>th</sup> Saturday Jan. – Oct. Cotton Gin Café, Reynolds

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#### DISTRICT YOUTH COMPETITION DIRECTOR

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**MARCH 2022** 

**MARCH 2021** 

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Gerlad Moore 4 Fickling Mill Road Butler, Ga. 31006 **MARCH 2022** 

#### STATE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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#### CHURCH

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#### ACTIVE DEACONS

First Thomaston		
Tim Salter	4131 Jeff Davis Rd., Thomaston, Ga. 30286	(706) 975-4852
New Beginning		
Mike Armour	253 Saddle Trail, Box Springs, Ga. 31801	(229) 649-8158
New Liberty		
New Life		
Dwight Smith	110 Governors Drive, Box Springs, Ga. 31801	(229) 649-7755
Spring Hill		
Mark McAllister	2818 Ga. Hwy 127, Mauk, Ga. 31058	(229) 649-7704
Leonard Stubbs	2719 Ga. Hwy 127, Mauk, Ga. 31058	(229) 649-3304
Tom Wyrick		
Trinity		
David Welch	204 Welch Road, Mauk, Ga. 31058	(478) 862-5976
Turners Chapel		
Jesse Carroll	155 Dillon Road, Butler, Ga. 31006	(478) 862-5880
Gerald Moore	4 Fickling Mill Rd., Butler, Ga. 31006	(478) 214-3880
Rex Robinson	1137 Roberta Hwy., Butler, Ga. 31006	(478) 862-3947
Chris Guine	1427 Roberta Hwy., Butler, Ga. 31006	(478) 951-2148

#### FIRST QUARTERLY MEETING 2019

#### CHATTAHOOCHEE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

The first quarterly meeting of the Chattahoochee Association of Free Will Baptist convened at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 13, 2019, at Trinity FWB Church, Mauk, Georgia. Bro. Billy Patterson led the congregation in song. Bro. Larry Starling welcomed everyone and led in prayer and then introduced Bro. Rick Puente who brought devotion from Ephesians 4:2-6. He spoke about unity and harmony in one spirit. We are called to a life of service but we all have a different call.

Moderator Terry Tribble called the meeting to order and called for corresponding letters.

The clerk read the letters:

Church	Delegates	Deacons
First Thomaston	0	1
New Beginning	1	1
New Liberty	3	0
New Life	0	0
Spring Hill	0	0
Trinity	4	0
Turners Chapel	2	4

The clerk made a 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. Rev. Johnny Brooks and Rev. Shane Suggs were welcomed as visitors.

Committees were strengthened or appointed as follows:

Finance - Sis. Lisa Armour. Nominating- Bro. Larry Starling and Rev. Chris Daniel

Minutes of the 183nd annual session were read. Sis. Marsha Starling made a motion to approve the minutes as read. There was a second and the vote was unanimous.

An offering was received at this time.

#### STATE BOARD REPORTS:

<u>State Executive Committee</u> Rev. Terry Tribble reported that the Executive Committee had met and it was noted that co-operative giving continues to decline. It was also reported that fifteen churches are without pastors and another church has closed.

<u>State Mission Board</u> – Bro. Gerald Moore reported that the sale of the Cartersville Church is complete. The committee has not met and Bro. Shane will give a report today on the church plant in Tifton.

Board of Christian Education - no report.

Board of Trustees – no report.

State Board of Camping – no report.

Bro. Billy Patterson read several proposed constitution amendments that will be re-read and voted on following the break in accordance with the constitution requirements. (stated below)

A short break was taken at this time.

#### ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance	Committee

General Fund Balance	\$10,749.55
Benevolence	7,494.35

Received at this meeting:

Representation Fees	280.00
Offering	125.00
Benevolence	375.00

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

#### **Executive Committee**

The Executive Committee had met and the clerk made the following motions on behalf of this committee:

- 1. A motion that the association pays the National dues for each church. Rev. Phil Bozeman seconded and the vote was unanimous.
- 2. A motion to remove the "earmark" from the youth funds that were transferred in October to the General Fund. Sis. Marsha Starling seconded and the vote was unanimous.

#### Amendment changes:

- 3. A motion that Article VI Section I and Section III be amended to remove the sentence "he also shall receive reimbursement for travel to all official meetings at a rate of \$.20 per mile." Sis. Lavada Lankford seconded and the vote was unanimous.
- 4. A motion that Amendment I have a statement added that "no travel reimbursement shall be allowed unless the CAFB in regular session approves such reimbursement for a specific travel at a rate specified by the CAFB." Bro. Rex Robinson seconded and the vote was unanimous.
- 5. A motion that Article III, Section IV and Section B state that "the office of Youth/Camp Director and Youth Competition Director shall remain vacant until the CAFB reinstates these positions". Sis. Marilyn Smith seconded and the vote was unanimous.

The committee also recommends that the moderator appoint a committee to review the guidelines concerning the benevolence fund.

#### Nominating Committee

On behalf of the nominating committee Bro. Larry Starling presented the following:

Rev. Terry Tribble – Board of Camping Bro. Gerald Moore – State Mission Board

Rev. Dallas Short made a motion to approve the nominations and Sis. Marilyn Smith seconded.

Unfinished Business – none.

#### **New Business**

The moderator appointed the following to serve on the benevolence fund committee:

Bro. Tim Salter, Chair Bro. Mike Armour Bro. Sam Whitt Bro. Rick Puente Bro. Gerald Moore

Rev. Dallas Short made a motion to authorize the moderator to appoint delegates as needed at the State Association Meeting. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Following announcements and reading of a card of thanks from the A.G. Windham family the meeting was adjourned.

The evening worship service was begun by Rev. Terry Tribble introducing special singers Trinity Gospel Trio and guest speaker, Rev. Shane Suggs. Rev. Suggs reported briefly that the Tifton Church is doing well with 16 salvations and an average attendance of 79. Rev. Suggs chose as his text II Cor. 5:15 and spoke on the difference of Justification and Sanctification. The scriptures tell us to examine ourselves and ask "Is Christ living in us – is it all about Jesus". Bro. Tim Salter closed with prayer and blessing on the food and fellowship to follow.

Respectfully submitted, Rev. Terry Tribble

Bro. Billy Patterson, Clerk Approved:

#### SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING 2019

#### CHATTAHOOCHEE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

The second quarterly meeting of the Chattahoochee Association of Free Will Baptist convened at 4:00 pm on Sunday April 14, 2019 at First Thomaston FWB Church, Thomaston, Georgia. Sister Elaine McHargue led in a song followed by a welcome by Rev. Chris Daniels. Rev. Phil Bozeman offered a prayer and brought the devotion from II Corinthians 5:17 and said what a difference God makes in our life. We are made new creations in Christ simply by faith.

Moderator Rev. Terry Tribble called the meeting to order. The clerk read the corresponding letters:

Church	Delegates	Deacons
First Thomaston	0	1
New Beginning	1	1
New Liberty	3	0
New Life	0	0
Spring Hill	0	0
Trinity	4	0
Turners Chapel	2	4

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

Rev. Jacob Frady was welcomed 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:

Finance – Sis. Linda Weldon

Minutes of the First Quarterly Meeting were read and approved.

An offering was received at this time.

#### STATE BOARD REPORTS

<u>State Executive Committee</u> – Rev. Terry Tribble reported that the committee met at the State Association and that two churches closed in 2018 and 13 are without pastors. He also reported

that Jr. and Teen Camp numbers continue to decline and that the board is making plans to meet challenges for the future.

<u>State Mission Board</u> – Bro. Gerald Moore reported that the board had met twice since the last association meeting. The board commended Bro. Josh and Bro. Shane on the progress they are making in Tifton. They plan to have a grand opening for their new facility on September 15<sup>th</sup>. There is a consensus that there is great need for revitalization projects but feel at this time the focus should be on planting new churches. The board will continue to work in both of these areas. The Cartersville property has been sold.

<u>Board of Christian Education</u> – Rev. Phil Bozeman reported that the board had met in January and are continuing to make plans for the various retreats that are offered. They encourage all who can to participate in these retreats.

Board of Trustees – No report.

<u>State Board of Camping</u> – Rev. Terry Tribble reported that although attendance is down preparation work continues for these camps. He reminded everyone that workers must have a background check done through the state office.

A short break was taken at this time

#### ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance Committee	
General Fund Balance	\$11,154.55
Benevolence	7,419.35
Received at this meeting:	
Representation Fees	200.00
Offering	98.00

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

<u>Benevolence Committee</u> – Bro. Tim Salter reported that the benevolence committee had met for the purpose of examining guidelines and qualifications. At the meeting the association clerk gave a brief history of the fund and presented current guidelines. The committee discussed the pros and cons and unanimously reached the conclusion that the benevolence fund should be abolished. Following explanations as to the decision Bro. Tim made a motion to abolish the benevolence fund but continue to pay the current widows. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous. Old Business -None

New Business -None

Following announcements the meeting was adjourned.

The evening worship service began with special music by Rev. Jacob Frady of FWB Family Ministries. He gave a brief report on the Greenville Children's Home and Family Ministries stating that they now have 170 children. He read from Genesis 5:21 and 6:5 and compared present day living to Old Testament times. He closed with Matthew 24:26 stating that no man knows the day of the Lord's return and we should live expecting His coming.

Following the message Rev. Chris Daniels closed the service with prayer. He then invited everyone to convene to the fellowship hall for the evening meal and fellowship . Rev. Randy Lankford asked the blessing on the food.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Terry Tribble, Moderator

Bro. Billy Patterson, Clerk Approved:

#### THIRD QUARTERLY MEETING 2019

#### CHATTAHOOCHEE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

The third quarterly meeting of the Chattahoochee Association of Free Will Baptist convened at 4:00 p.m. on July 14, 2019 at New Beginning FWB Church, Box Springs, Georgia. Bro. Mike Armour welcomed everyone and Sister Stephanie Smith led in song. Bro. Larry Starling offered a prayer. Bro. Mike Armour gave devotion and said blessed is the person who lets God be God. Rev. Terry Tribble called the meeting to order.

The clerk read the corresponding letters:

Church	Delegates	Deacons
First Thomaston	0	0
New Beginning	2	1
New Liberty	4	0
New Life	0	1
Spring Hill	0	0
Trinity	4	0
Turners Chapel	1	4

The clerk made a 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 – Sis. Delois Tribble Nominating – Bro. Jessie Carroll, Rev. Randy Lankford, Sis. Kaye Jackson

Minutes of the Second Quarterly Meeting were read and approved.

Bro. Rick Puente' offered a prayer prior to receiving the offering.

State Executive Committee - No report.

<u>State Mission Board</u> – Bro. Gerald Moore reported that they had not met for this quarter; however, things are going well with the Awaken church in Tifton. The purchase of the building has been finalized and the board voted to make payments through December, 2019. Average attendance has been 65 with 14 baptisms. Board of Christian Education - No report.

Board of Trustees – No report.

State Board of Camping - No report.

Following a short break the meeting reconvened with the following reports:

**Finance Committee** 

Offering

General Fund Balance	\$11,452.55
Benevolence	6,969.35
Received at this meeting:	
Representation Fees	240.00

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

102.00

Bro. Rex Robinson made a motion to not collect the state/national fees and that the association pay for all member churches. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Unfinished Business – None

New Business -

Bro. Billy Patterson has been contacted by Harvest Free Will Baptist Child Care Ministries. Bro. Charles Barnard will be their representative in Georgia beginning August, 2019.

After several announcements the meeting was adjourned.

The worship service was opened by songs led by Sis. Stephanie Smith. Bro. Mike Armour introduced speaker Rev. Randy Lankford. Rev. Lankford read from St. John 20:19 and preached that Jesus said be filled with the Holy Spirit. This is what is missing from our lives, our churches, and our country. We need to all pray to be empowered by the Holy Spirit.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Terry Tribble

Bro. Billy Patterson, Clerk

#### ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING

#### CHATTAHOOCHEE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

The 184<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Chattahoochee Association of Free Will Baptist convened at 4:00 pm. on October 13, 2019 at Turner's Chapel FWB Church, Butler, Georgia. Rev. Terry Tribble welcomed everyone and a congregational song was had. Rev. Dallas Short led in prayer and Rev. Terry Tribble brought the devotion from Mark 1:16-20. He reminded us that there is a difference in respecting Jesus and following Him. We need to yield in humility in the presence of our Father.

Moderator, Rev. Terry Tribble called the meeting to order and welcomed visitor Missionary Debbie Griffin and Rev. Charles Bernard representing Harvest Free Will Baptist Children's Ministry. The clerk read the corresponding letters:

Church	Delegates	Deacons
Thomaston	0	1
New Beginning	1	1
New Liberty	4	0
New Life	0	0
Spring Hill	0	0
Trinity	4	0
Turners Chapel	4	3

Brother Billy Patterson made a 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 – Lisa Armour Temperance – Lavada Lankford, Josephine Welch Sunday School—Betsy Mullins, Delois Tribble Obituaries – none

Minutes of the Third Quarterly Meeting were read and approved.

An offering was received and the following reports were presented:

State Executive Committee - No report.

<u>State Mission Board</u> – Bro. Gerald Moore reported that the Awaken Church in Tifton has moved to their new building and is averaging over 100 per service in attendance.

Board of Christian Education - No report.

Board of Trustees - No report.

<u>State Board of Camping</u> – No report but they are working towards having teens involved in working and helping others.

At this time the association took a recess for committees to meet. Following the break the following reports were presented:

Ordaining Council

No report.

Finance Committee -

General Fund Balance	\$11,834.55
Benevolence	6,819.35

Received at this meeting:

Representation Fees	240.00			
Offering	111.00			

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

<u>Nominating</u> <u>Committee</u> – Sis. Kaye Jackson on behalf of the nominating committee presented the following slate of officers.

Moderator – Rev. Terry Tribble Assistant Moderator – Rev. Phil Bozeman Clerk/Treasurer – Bro. Tim Salter Assistant Clerk/Treasurer – Rev. Chris Daniel Executive Committee – Rev. Randy Lankford Ordaining Council – Rev. Terry Trible Finance Committee – Bro. Rex Robinson, Sister Marilyn Smith

Sis. Kaye Jackson made a motion to elect the slate of officers as presented. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous.

<u>Temperance</u> - Sister Lavada Lankford stated that churches are a light to communities in our nation. Tempers and opinions are raging in our nation. Our churches need to take a stand. Christians must display acts of self-control when giving opinions concerning our nation's troubles and act in a way pleasing to God. This is the only way our nation will survive.

<u>Sunday School</u> – Sis. Betsy Mullins reported that we need to evangelize for our Sunday School. We should invite friends and family, schedule activities to encourage others to attend. Possible activities could include pack a pew Sunday, youth functions and youth speakers focused on Sunday School.

Obituary – no report presented.

#### Association Executive Committee -

Bro. Billy Patterson reported that the Executive Committee had met and the following motions were made on behalf of that committee:

- The Executive Committee recommends that the benevolence funds be transferred to the general fund account and that the clerk maintain a ledger of the funds assigned to benevolence. The clerk will include the ledger and the information supplied to the Finance Committee for inspection and reporting to the body.
- 2. The Executive Committee recommends that all funds be maintained at the current banking facility (Citizens State Bank of Taylor County) and that the physical/mailing address and subsequent banking statements be sent to Trinity Free Will Baptist Church and that they remain unopened until surrendered to the clerk on or before each quarterly meeting.

The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous.

The clerk with approval of the Executive Committee also stated that the moderator should be well versed in the constitution and by-laws and Roberts Rules of Order so that meetings may be conducted in an orderly fashion. Voting members should also be familiar with by-laws and carefully consider items on which they vote. The committee reiterated that church clerks should submit requested information to the association in a timely manner as requested.

(ie. Timely manner is to mean at least five days prior to the meeting so that information may be combined, a delegate list prepared and other necessary preparations made.)

Host churches for next year may be found on the first page of the annual report.

Rev. Charles Barnard of Harvest FWB Chidren's Ministry gave a brief report on the work in South Central Mexico. He is asking for churches to allow him to come and share his information.

After a vote of thanks to the host church and there being no further business the meeting was adjourned to enter the worship service.

Special music was presented by Sis. Debbie Griffin.

Missionary Debbie Griffin reported that she ministered in Japan for 25 years. She returned home in 2011 due to her mother's illness. She now feels the need and God's call to return to her ministry there. She is asking for opportunity to go into churches and raise the funds to return to Japan. She reminded us that God has a purpose for everyone and He wants the whole world to know Him. His name is to be hallowed and to do this we must sanctify, believe, fear Him, keep His commandments and glorify Him.

After the message and prayer the congregation enjoyed a time of food and fellowship.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Terry Tribble, Moderator

Billy Patterson, Clerk

Approved:

## ATTENDANCE 2019 OFFICERS, COMMITTEES, MINISTERS

OFFICERS		JAN	APR	JUL	ост
Moderator	Rev. Terry Tribble	Х	х	Х	х
Asst. Mod.	Rev. Phil Bozeman	Х	Х		
Clerk	Bro. Billy Patterson	Х	X	Х	X
Asst. Clerk	Sis. Alane Patterson	Х	Х	х	х
COMMITTEE'S					
Executive	Bro. Chris Guined	X	х	Х	х
	Rev. Dallas Short	Х	х		х
	Bro. Mike Armour	Х	Х	Х	х
Ordaining	Rev. Dallas Short	Х	Х		х
	Rev. Randy Lankford	Х	х	Х	х
	Rev. Phil Bozeman	Х	X		<b>1</b>
Youth/Camp Dir.	ward generatives				
Youth/Camp Dir.					
Finance	Bro. Rex Robinson	X	Х	Х	X
	Sis. Marilyn Smith	Х	Х	х	X
Christian Ed.	Rev. Phil Bozeman	x	X		
Camping	Rev. Terry Tribble	X	X	X	X
Mission's	Bro. Gerald Moore	X	X	Х	X
Trustees	Bro. Dallas Short	X	X		X
	MINISTERS				
	Rev. Phil Bozeman	X	X	1.	
	Rev. Chris Daniel	X	X		X
	Rev. Randy Lankford	Х	Х	X	X
	Rev. Dallas Short	Х	X		X
	Rev. Terry Tribble	Х	X	X	Х
	Rev. Sam Allen *				
	Rev. Brian Fuller	X		X	

\* Not Ordained by CAFB

#### OBITUARIES

#### We Honor those who have gone before us.

#### **Turners Chapel Free Will Baptist Church**

**Sister Janice P. Clark** was born June 13, 1935 and went home to be with the Lord on August 12, 2019. She was a loyal member of Turner's Chapel Church and a devoted wife to her husband, Rev. Charles Clark, for 50 years, a loving mother and faithful friend. She was an outstanding example for a pastor's wife as they ministered faithfully at Turners Chapel FWB Church for many years. She continued to attend Turners Chapel even after her husband's death. She endured and won a tough battle with breast cancer. She ministered to others through Sunday school and a caring spirit. She was always ready to lend a hand to those in need or just a listening ear, a true prayer warrior. She is truly missed by all who knew her but we can rest assured she is in God's presence.

#### 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 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 Baptist.

#### Article II

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

<u>Section II.</u> The Executive Board shall be composed of the Moderator, Clerk, and three members elected by the body. The term of the office will be three years rotating annually. Members shall not serve consecutive terms. *Amended January 9, 2010* 

<u>Section III.</u> 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 delegates.

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

<u>Section V.</u> 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. The amount can be changed by a majority vote of the convened body in any regular session.

<u>Section VI.</u> In order to pay the Chattahoochee Association annual representation fees for the Georgia State Association and National Association of Free Will Baptist 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

<u>Section I.</u> 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's individual preference, to the greatest extent possible. These members will be elected to the terms designated by the State.

<u>Section II.</u> 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 at each session.
- B. The Finance Committee is to be responsible for counting and verifying all representation fees.
- C. It shall be the responsibility of the Finance Committee to audit the Clerk's records at each session and report the results to the body.

<u>Section III.</u> here shall be an Ordination Council made up of three men who explicitly meet the qualifications 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 years 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.

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

The office of Youth/ Camp Director shall remain vacant until the CAFB reinstates this position. *Amended 1/19* 

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 of 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 be responsible for the successful operation of youth camps. The Director will adhere to all guidelines set forth 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. *The office of Youth Competition shall remain vacant until the CAFB reinstates this position. Amended 1/19* 

- A. It shall be the responsibility of the Youth Competition Director to coordinate all session.
- B. The Director's duties will include acquiring dates for state and national competitions and relaying them to the individual churches.
- C. The Director will promote and plan all District competition events, inform the churches of rule changes as he/she is advised from the state and national organizations.
- D. The <u>churches</u> will be responsible for obtaining guidelines from the National Youth Conference and for training the young people.
- E. All events will be done according to the guidelines published by the national organization under the title of <u>National youth Conference Competition Guidelines</u>.

#### **ARTICLE IV**

**Section I.** All officers, except board and committee members, shall be elected to 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 on 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, businesslike manner according to the rules of Christian conduct as set forth in the New Testament.

**Section VI.** Any standing board of this District Association may appoint proxies to serve in lieu of the absent member.

#### 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. *No travel reimbursement shall be allowed unless the CAFB in regular session approves such reimbursement for specific travel and at a specified rate.* Amended 4/06 Amended 1/10 Amended 1/19

**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 honorarium 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. No travel reimbursement shall be allowed unless the CAFB in regular session approves such reimbursement for specific travel and at a specified rate.

**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.

#### 2006

#### Amendment 06-01

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* 

#### 2007

#### Amendment 07-01

The Youth Camp Director shall be elected for a term of three years. *Approved 10/07* 

#### 2010

#### Amendment 10-01

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 10-02

The Youth Director shall be elected for a term of three years and shall not serve consecutive terms. Approved 1/10

#### Amendment 10-03

Article II, Section 2 to read: Members shall not serve consecutive terms. Approved 1/10

#### Amendment 10-04

Article III, Section 3c to read: and shall not serve consecutive terms. *Approved 1/10* 

#### Amendment 10-05

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

#### 2019

#### Amendment 19-01

Article VI, Section I and Section III to remove the sentence: *He also shall receive reimbursement for travel to all official meetings at a rate of twenty cents per mile.* Approved 1/19

#### Amendment 19-02

Article VI, Section I and Section III add : No travel reimbursement shall be allowed unless the CAFB in regular session approves such reimbursement for specific travel and at a specified rate. Approved 1/19

#### Amendment 19-03

Article III, Section IV to add: The office of Youth/ Camp Director shall remain vacant until the CAFB reinstates this position. Section V to add: The office of Youth Competition shall remain vacant until the CAFB reinstates this position. Approved 1/19

