

CHATTAHOOCHEE

ASSOCIATION OF

FREE WILL BAPTIST

187th

ANNUAL REPORT

FOR 2022

REV. CHRIS DANIEL

TIM SALTER

MODERATOR

CLERK



RULES OF DECORUM

Any minister or delegate not abiding by these rules of decorum shall be corrected immediately by the Chattahoochee Association.

- A. This Conference shall be opened in singing and with prayer and closed with prayer.
- B. Only one person shall speak at a time and must rise to his feet to address the Moderator.
- C. Each person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in speech except by the Moderator, nor shall the Moderator interrupt unless he or she breaks order.
- D. Persons speaking shall adhere to the question and in no wise cast reflection on the person who spoke before them.
- E. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject without permission of the Moderator.
- F. Members shall address one another as Brother, Brethren, or Sister.
- G. Names of delegates of the Association shall be enrolled and called over as often as the Association deems necessary.
- H. No person shall speak longer than five (5) minutes at a time without permission of the Moderator.
- I. The rights of the minority shall be respected.

2023 CALENDER OF EVENTS
QUARTERLY MEETINGS
4:00 PM

January 08, 2023: Trinity FWBC
April 16, 2023: Thomaston FFWBC
July 09, 2023: Turner's Chapel FWBC
October 08, 2023: Turner's Chapel FWBC

Men's Prayer Breakfast
4th Saturday January – October
8:00 AM at Turner's Chapel FWBC.

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OF
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OCT 2023

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Moderator, Clerk and:

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OCT 2025

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MARCH 2025

BOARD OF CAMPING

(Vacant)

STATE MISSION BOARD

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MARCH 2023

STATE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Billy Patterson
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MARCH 2025

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CHURCH

PASTOR

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Tom Wyrick

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**MODERATOR
REV. CHRIS DANEIL**

**CLERK
TIM SALTER**

December 29, 2021

Greetings fellow Clerks,

Well, another year has flown by, and it has certainly been a whirlwind of a year. I have spoken with the Moderator, Rev Chris Daniel, and after careful consideration a decision was made to cancel the Quarterly Meeting scheduled for January 9, 2022, at Trinity FWBC. This decision was made due to the high positivity rate and contagiousness for the new variant of the Coronavirus. We hope things are better when it is time to meet again in April. Currently the meeting in April is scheduled to be held at Thomaston FFWBC.

Please send your \$40.00 dues for the January meeting to PO Box 302 Thomaston, GA 30286. The yearly books are due to be finished by the printer by the end of this week. Once I have them, I will be mailing them out to each Clerk. Thank You for all you do and if you need anything please don't hesitate to call or email me.

**Tim Salter
Clerk CAFWB**

CHATTAHOOCHEE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING OF 2022

The second quarterly meeting of the Chattahoochee Association of Free Will Baptist was held on April 10, 2022, at FFWBC in Thomaston. The meeting was opened by singing of "When we all get to Heaven." Moderator Rev. Chris Daniel welcomed everyone and opened with prayer. Clerk, Bro. Tim Salter gave a devotion on what kind of a legacy we should leave. We should strive to leave a Godly legacy. Jesus left the ultimate legacy when he died on the cross.

Moderator Rev. Chris Daniel called the meeting to order and called for the corresponding letters.

The clerk read the letters:

CHURCH	DELEGATES	DEACONS
1. First Thomaston	0	1
2. New Beginning	0	0
3. New Liberty	3	0
4. New Life	0	0
5. Spring Hill	0	0
6. Trinity	2	0
7. Turner's Chapel	4	3

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

Visitor Rev. Ashley Kidd and his family were welcomed as guest.

Rolls of Officers and Committees were called by the Clerk and a copy is attached as part of the minutes.

Committees were strengthened as follows:

Finance: Rick Puente

The Clerk read the minutes of the October 2021 Annual Meeting due to the January 2022 Meeting being cancelled due to Covid-19. A Motion was made to approve the previous minutes and seconded. The vote was unanimous. An offering was then received

STATE BOARD REPORTS

State Executive Board: Rev. Chris Daniel reported that the Georgia State Meeting was held in Columbus, Ga. On March 17, 2022. It was reported that 2021 was the largest year financially for the State Association. There was an 11% increase in Coop Giving and a decrease in designated giving. Overall giving was up for 2021. There are currently 17 Georgia churches without pastors and one church closed. Our six Georgia Missionaries have \$450,000.00 in their accounts.

State Mission Board: Bro. Gerald Moore reported that the State Mission Board has submitted changes to the Mission Board Handbook to the State Association and the changes were approved. The changes were related to church revitalization in Georgia.

Board of Christian Education: Rev. Phil Bozeman reported that the CE Board met in Albany on January 25, 2022, for the first time in two years. The Retreat schedule and speakers had to be re-worked due to COVID. The board is thankful to be back on track. The board is working to give scholarships to students who attend Welch College and look to give more to students in the future.

Board of Trustees: Bro. Billy Patterson was not present, but Moderator Chris Daniel gave a report from the State Meeting. The Trustee Board reported that the property in Bainbridge is currently being leased to Southwest Bainbridge Baptist Church and are in the process of buying the property. Mt. Gilead FWBC sold their property and gave the State Association \$114, 712,26

State Board of Camping: Moderator Rev. Chris Daniel gave a report from the State Meeting. It was reported that Summer Camp is being held at Forest Hills Resort in Dahlonega, Ga. The week of July 7-10, 2022.

A short break was taken at this time.

After the break the Association Committees gave the following reports:

ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee

General Fund Balance	\$14,603.83
Received at this meeting:	
Representation Fee	\$ 160.00
Offering	\$ 182.00
Total Received	\$ 342.00

Brother Rex Robinson made a motion to accept Finance Report, the motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Executive Committee: Clerk, Tim Salter advised that a meeting location had not been assigned for the meeting on July 10, 2022. It was discussed and decided that the July meeting to be held at Thomaston.

Old Business: Board of Camping is still vacant. Moderator Rev. Chris Daniel asked if anyone was still interested. There was no answer.

New Business: None

Moderator Rev. Chris Daniel then asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was made and seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Special Music was brought by Rev. Ashley Kidd and his family.

Rev. Ashley Kidd the brought the evening message. Rev. Kidd is the Promotional Secretary for the Kentucky State Association of Free Will Baptist. Rev. Kidd then spoke on the importance of the Associations and what they mean. They serve a vital role in each state. He spoke of the importance of each association and they are a way for members of each church to fellowship and worship.

Moderator Rev. Chris Daniel thanked everyone for coming and dismissed the meeting with prayer. Everyone then enjoyed a time of food and fellowship

Respectfully submitted

Moderator
Rev. Chris Daniel

Clerk
Tim Salter

CHATTAHOOCHEE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

THIRD QUARTERLY MEETING OF 2022

The third quarterly meeting of the Chattahoochee Association of Free Will Baptist was held on July 10, 2022, at FFWBC in Thomaston. The meeting was opened by singing of "I believe in a hill called mount calvary" Moderator Rev. Chris Daniel welcomed everyone, and Rev. Randy Lankford open the meeting with prayer. Rev. Chris Daniel gave a devotion on how we are to diligently seek the Lord.

Moderator Rev. Chris Daniel called the meeting to order and called for the corresponding letters.

The clerk read the letters:

CHURCH	DELEGATES	DEACONS
1. First Thomaston	0	1
2. New Beginning	0	0
3. New Liberty	3	0
4. New Life	0	0
5. Spring Hill	0	0
6. Trinity	2	0
7. Turner's Chapel	2	4

The Clerk made a motion to accept the letters and seat the delegates. The motion was seconded by Sis. Marilyn Smith, and the vote was unanimous.

Rolls of Officers and Committees were called by the Clerk and a copy is attached as part of the minutes.

Committees were strengthened as follows:

Finance: Rick Puente

The Clerk then read the minutes of the April Quarterly Meeting

Rev. Randy Lankford made a motion to approve the minutes and the motion was seconded by Rev. Phil Bozeman. The vote was unanimous.

An offering was then received.

Executive Committee: No report

Old Business: Board of Camping is still vacant. No recommendations.

New Business: Nominating Committee to be created to fill expiring positions. Rev. Randy Lankford's position on the Executive Committee and Rev. Dallas Short's position on the Ordaining Committee.

Moderator Rev. Chris Daniel then formed a Nominating Committee of Bro. Gerald Moore, Bro. Rick Puente and Mrs. Lavada Lankford. Bro. Gerald Moore was made chairperson of the committee.

Announcements: Annual meeting at Trinity, Homecoming Aug. 7 at Trinity, Segos singing in July.

Special Music was brought by Sis. Lavada Lankford in a beautiful performance of How Great Thou Art.

Rev. Phil Bozeman brought the evening message from 1 Corinthians 4:6. Rev. spoke on how the Corinthians were not good people and Paul addressed the problems they had with pride. Paul's desire was to help the Corinthians and was concerned about their attitude and had to use tough love and everyone is accountable to God.

Moderator Rev. Chris Daniel thanked everyone for coming and dismissed the meeting with prayer. Everyone then enjoyed a time of food and fellowship.
Respectfully submitted

Moderator

Rev. Chris Daniel

Clerk

Tim Salter

CHATTAHOOCHEE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

187th ANNUAL MEETING

The 187th Annual meeting of the Chattahoochee Association of Free Will Baptist was held on October 9, 2022, at Turner's Chapel FWBC in Butler, GA. The meeting was opened by singing of "Sunshine in my Soul" Moderator Rev. Phil Bozeman welcomed everyone and open the meeting with prayer. Brother Brett Johnson gave a devotion from Isaiah 43:7 and 2Peter 1:5-10. He spoke on what our purpose in life is. Our purpose is to find ways to Glorify God, accept him as our Savior. We are to be diligent to grow spiritually in prayer, bible study and our service.

Moderator Rev. Chris Daniel called the meeting to order and called for the corresponding letters.

The Clerk read the letters:

Church	Delegates	Deacons
Thomaston	0	1
New Beginning	0	0
New Liberty	3	0
New Life	0	0
Spring Hill	0	0
Trinity	4	0
Turners Chapel	4	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 part of the minutes.

Committees were strengthened as follows:

Finance: Bro. Brett Johnson

Temperance: Sis. Jan Carroll and Bro. Cliff Carroll

Sunday School: Sis. Marsha Starling and Bro. Jimmy Robinson

Obituary: Sis. Alane Patterson and Bro. Rick Puente

The Clerk then read the minutes of the July Quarterly Meeting
Rev. Randy Lankford made a motion to approve the minutes and the motion was seconded by Rev. Phil Bozeman. The vote was unanimous.

An offering was then received.

STATE BOARD REPORTS

State Executive Board: Assistant Moderator, Rev. Randy Lankford attended the State Executive Board meeting on Sept. 21, 2022. The State reports and increase of .66% in COOP giving, an increase of 14.17% in Acts 1:8 and a decrease of 4.08% in Designated Giving. There was a increase of .55% in Total receipts. Doug and Miriam Bishop, Debbie Griffin, Nathan and Linda Snow, Heath and Joni Hubbard are back in Japan. Matt and Christina Price are in France and Chris and Tori Sargent are in Spain. Josh and Ashley Bennett and Jamie Suggs are doing well in Tifton. There are 19 churches without a pastor. The new state office secretary, Dorita McCracken, is working out well. The board recommended a \$1.00 per hour raise in her salary beginning January 2023. State Secretary William Smith has had some recent health issues and is being celebrated for his 25 years of service to the State. Office. Nov. 6 is a prayer and fasting day for the FWB denomination.

State Mission Board: Bro. Gerald Moore reported the board met on Sept. 27, 2022, at Awaken Church in Tifton. Rev. Bennett reported that attendance was up to 130 with 108 salvations. They are having two services on Sunday but giving is down. The board voted to keep making payments on the Awaken church building for one more year to ease the financial pressure on the church. The board also voted to give Josh and Shane a \$1,000.00 Christmas Bonus.

Board of Christian Education: NO REPORT

Board of Trustees: NO REPORT

State Board of Camping: NO REPORT

A short break was taken at this time.

After the break the Association Committees gave the following reports:

ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee

General Fund Balance \$15,071.08

Received at this meeting:

Representation Fee \$ 160.00

Offering \$ 144.00

Total Received \$ 304.00

Sister Marilyn Smith read the financial report and made a motion to accept Finance Report, the motion was seconded by Bro. Billy Patterson and the vote was unanimous.

Executive Committee: NO REPORT

Nominating Committee: Chairperson Bro. Gerald Moore read the recommendation of the Nominating Committee. Rev. Phil Bozeman to go on the Executive Committee, Rev. Randy Lankford on the Ordaining Council. No volunteers still currently for the Board of Camping. Motion was made a seconded to accept the nominations, the vote was unanimous.

Sunday School Committee: Sis. Marsha Starling read the Sunday School Committee report. The committee said Sunday School is to teach us Gods word and not get caught up in the outside world. Deuteronomy 4:10 says to assemble the people before me to hear my word. Learn to love and obey. Learn to study the word and take lessons home. Deuteronomy 11: 16-18 Teach your children, talk with them when you walk along the road, when you sit at home, when you lie down and when you get up.

Temperance Committee: Sis Jan Carroll reported that one of the fruits of the Holy Spirit mentioned in Galatians 5: 22 is self-control. We must practice self-control in our thoughts, actions, and behavior. The Bible commands us to be Christ like. The only way we can become more like Jesus is to read and study God's word and apply it in our lives and spend time in prayer with God.

Obituary Committee: Sis. Alane Patterson read the obituaries. Janet M. Patterson from Trinity FWBC went to her heavenly home on Feb. 7, 2022. She was born on Dec. 5, 1928. She enjoyed coming to church when she was able. She began attending church at Trinity with her son and daughter in law after the death of her husband JW (Bill) Patterson. She enjoyed seeing everyone at church when she could and checked on members by phone when unable to attend. She was a faithful prayer warrior and kept a list of anyone she hears of who had a need Many prayers were answered due to her faithfulness. She is greatly missed by her family, friends and anyone who knew her.

Sister Margaret Robinson Wainwright of Turner's Chapel went to her heavenly home on July 28, 2022. She was born on July 26, 1930. She lived most of her life in Taylor County. She married Walter Wainwright on Dec. 23, 1949. From 1952 to 1960 they lived in Thomaston and worked at Martha Mills. They moved back to Taylor County in 1960. They purchased a small farm and a country store, which Margaret operated for 10 years. They enjoyed raising their 3 children on their farm, working in their garden, and raising cows. Their grandchildren enjoyed visiting the farm, hunting, and fishing, and of course grannies cooking. Margaret worked for many years in the Taylor County School System lunchrooms, becoming manager of the Elementary School lunchroom. She taught Sunday School, worked with VBS and youth. She was also a member of the Ladies church group and enjoyed quilting and activities in the group. She was much loved by all who knew her and will be missed by Turner's Chapel.

After reading of the Obituaries Bro. Rick Puente prayed for those who had lost loved ones this year.

Old Business: Board of Camping is still vacant. No recommendations.

New Business: Location for 2023 meetings, Jan 8 at Trinity, April 16 at Thomaston, July 9 at Turner's Chapel, Oct. 8 at Turner's Chapel.

Announcements: Rev. Randy Lankford mentioned that it is the 25th anniversary of William Smith being the moderator for the state. The state office said anyone, or a church could send Bro. William an honorarium or gift to the state office. Rev. Phil Bozeman made a motion to send a \$1,000.00 honorarium to Bro. William. Motion was seconded by Sis. Marsha Starling. Vote was unanimous. Lady's bible study at Turner's Chapel two Sundays a month is starting. Revival at Trinity the next two Sundays in October at 7PM.

Special Music was then led by Bro. Cliff Carroll. He led the entire meeting in the singing of "He keeps me singing." Bro. Carroll then sang "I'd rather have Jesus."

Moderator Rev. Chris Daniel then closed the meeting and turned the service over to Bro. Ed Sandefur, pastor at Trinity. Bro. Sandefur spoke from Mark Chapter 2. Bro. Sandefur spoke on the story of the paralyzed man who was brought to Jesus by four men and let down from the roof. He spoke on the faith of the four men, and they would do anything to get their friend to Jesus. They demonstrated strong faith in Jesus, and we should show our faith in Jesus. We should refuse to be invisible.

Bro. Cliff Carroll then led the meeting in the singing of Jesus, Precious Jesus. He then closed the meeting in prayer and blessed the meal.

We then enjoyed a time of foo and fellowship.

Moderator

Rev. Chris Daniel

Clerk

Tim Salter

ATTENDANCE 2021 OFFICERS, COMMITTEES, MINISTERS

OFFICERS		JAN	APR	JUL	OCT
Moderator.	Rev. Chris Daniel		X	X	X
Asst. Mod.	Rev. Randy Lankford		X	X	X
Clerk Bro.	Bro. Tim Salter		X	X	X
Asst. Clerk.	Jessica Salter		X	X	X
COMMITTEE'S					
Executive	Jesse Carroll		X	X	X
	Brett Johnson		X	X	X
	Randy Lankford		X	X	X
Ordaining	Rev. Dallas Short				
	Rev. Randy Lankford		X	X	X
	Rev. Phil Bozeman		X	X	X
Finance	Bro. Rex Robinson		X	X	
	Sis. Marilyn Smith		X	X	X
Christian Ed.	Rev. Phil Bozeman		X	X	X
Camping					
Mission's	Bro. Gerald Moore		X	X	X
Trustees Rev.	Billy Patterson				X
MINISTERS					
	Rev. Phil Bozeman		X	X	X
	Rev. Chris Daniel		X	X	X
	Rev. Randy Lankford		X	X	X
	Rev. Dallas Short				
	Rev. Ed Sandefur				X
	Rev. Sam Allen*				
	Rev. Brian Fuller*				

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 ASSOCIATION

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

The Chattahoochee Association uses the King James Version of the Bible as its standard Bible. This version will be used in all questions of doctrine and governance brought before this Organization. Standard rules of decorum will be observed.

ARTICLE II OFFICERS

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 the office will be three years rotating annually. Members shall not serve consecutive terms.

10-03 Amended January 9, 2010

Section III. 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.

06-1 Amended 4/06 10-01 Amended 1/10 19-01 Amended 1/19

Section IV. 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 V. 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.
06-01 Amended 4/06 10-01 Amended 1/10 19-02 Amended 1/19

Section VI. 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.

Section VII. 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.

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

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

ARTICLE III DELEGATES

Section I. 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.

Section II. All delegates from the churches must be selected from the laity of the church sending them.

Section III. 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.

Section IV. 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.

Section V. Any member in attendance may serve on committees but cannot make motions or vote.

ARTICLE IV BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

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

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

ARTICLE V ORDINATION

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. The Chattahoochee Association will not ordain nor recognize the ordination of women. Women will not be permitted to preach nor pastor in churches of this Association. This is in accordance with the Scriptures found in 1 Timothy 2:11-15, Titus 2:3-5, and 1 Corinthians 14:34-35 KJV.

ARTICLE VI ASSOCIATION COMMITTEES

Section I. 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.

Section II. There 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. **10-04 Amended January 9, 2010**
- D. The member having served the greatest portion of a three-year term shall be considered the chairman.

Section III. There shall be a Youth/ Camp Board which will be chaired by a President selected by the Youth Board. **19-03 Amended July 10, 2010**

The office of Youth/ Camp Director shall remain vacant until the CAFB reinstates this position.
19-03 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. **10-05 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.

10-02 Amended July 10, 2010

Section -IV. There shall be a Youth Competition Director. The office of Youth Competition shall remain vacant until the CAFB reinstates this position. **19-03 Amended 1/19**

- A. It shall be the responsibility of the Youth Competition Director to coordinate all sessions.
- 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 churches 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 National youth Conference Competition Guidelines.

ARTICLE VII FINANCIAL

Section I. 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.

Section II. In order to pay the Chattahoochee Association annual representation fees for the Georgia State Association and National Association of Free Will Baptist each church 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 VIII 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.

Approved Amendments 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

2021

21-01: Article 1 add

The Chattahoochee Association uses the King James Version of the Bible as its standard Bible. This version will be used in all questions of doctrine and governance brought before this Organization. Standard rules of decorum will be observed. *Approved 10-21*

21-02: Change (changed elected to selected) *Approved 10/21*

All delegates from the churches must be selected from the laity of the church sending them.

21-03: Add

Any member in attendance may serve on committees but cannot make motions or vote.

Approved 10/21

21-04: Add

The Chattahoochee Association will not ordain nor recognize the ordination of women. Women will not be permitted to preach nor pastor in churches of this Association. This is in accordance to the Scriptures found in 1Timothy 2:11-15, Titus 2:3-5, and 1Corinthians 14:34-35 KJV. *Approved 10/21*

2021

1. The Constitution be reorganized to place subject matter into appropriate Articles and those articles be labeled according to the appropriate subject matter. Approved 10/21
2. The association adopt the following rules of decorum and print said rules on the inside cover of its Annual Report. *Approved 10/21*

RULES OF DECORUM

Any minister or delegate not abiding by these rules of decorum shall be corrected immediately by the Chattahoochee Association.

- A. This Conference shall be opened in singing and with prayer and closed with prayer.
- B. Only one person shall speak at a time and must rise to his feet to address the Moderator.
- C. Each person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in speech except by the Moderator, nor shall the Moderator interrupt unless he or she breaks order.
- D. Persons speaking shall adhere to the question and in no wise cast reflection on the person who spoke before them.
- E. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject without permission of the Moderator.
- F. Members shall address one another as Brother, Brethren, or Sister.
- G. Names of delegates of the Association shall be enrolled and called over as often as the Association deems necessary.
- H. No person shall speak longer than five (5) minutes at a time without permission of the Moderator.
- I. The rights of the minority shall be respected.



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