

Minutes

OF THE

Second Annual Session

OF THE

**Coastal Association of Original
Free Will Baptist**

HELD WITH

**Sherwood Forest
Free Will Baptist Church**

NEW BERN, NORTH CAROLINA



OFFICERS

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Assistant Moderator	Rev. Herbert Bryan Route 1, Columbia, N. C.
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EXECUTIVE BOARD

Clinton Pinner	1964
Winford Gaskins	1965
Liston Parker	1966
Lester Hughes	1967

The next regular session of this Association will meet with the Union Chapel Free Will Baptist Church, Chocowinity, N. C. on Friday and Saturday before the third Sunday in September 1964.

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**ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE COASTAL ASSOCIATION OF
ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTIST**

November 30, 1961

On Thursday Night at 7:30 P.M. at the Ruth's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church, the following Churches met to organize the Coastal Association of Original Free Will Baptist Churches. Union Chapel FWB Church, Palmetto Chapel FWB Church, Ruth's Chapel FWB Church, Fellowship Chapel FWB Church, and First Free Will Baptist Church at Beaufort. The meeting was presided over by Bros. A. L. Hines and Randy Cox. E. A. Mallard was appointed to serve as temporary clerk until such time as one could be duly elected by the body. After a short devotional service, Bro. Cecil Campbell brought an inspiring message for the meeting. There were seven churches represented at the meeting, and sixteen ministers were recognized. Bro. Frank Davenport of Goldsboro, N. C. brought greetings from the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

An examining council of the following members met, Bro. Milton Hollifield, Frank Davenport, Roy Rikard, Sherman Branch, and W. L. Kell, Jr. After meeting with the five churches seeking membership in the Association; they reported back that they find that they are in good standing and should be admitted. They recognized these Churches and also their delegates, and they were properly seated. The following ministers were also seated; Revs. Cecil Campbell, A. L. Hines, Gordon Sebastian, Randy Cox, Milton Worthington, C. M. Dixon, and Melvin Worthington.

After all delegates were seated the following business matters were taken care of. The following were elected to serve as Officers of the Association, Rev. Cecil Campbell, Moderator, Rev. A. L. Hines, Asst. Moderator, and E. A. Mallard, Clerk and Treasurer. The Constitution and by-laws that had been previously passed out for study were adopted. A copy of these are on file with the Clerk of the Association.

Two resolutions were adopted by the Association, they are as follows: No. 1. Whereas the National Association of Original Free Will Baptists, during its 1961 session at Norfolk, Va., asked the State Convention of Original Free Will Baptists of N. C. "to repudiate any and all forms of Connectional Church Government and reaffirm its position in our historic and established form of Church Government"; and whereas the N. C. State Convention of Free Will Baptists, during its 1961 session at Mount Olive, N. C., refused to comply with the above mentioned request of the National Association; therefore be it resolved that we of the Coastal Association of Original FWB of N. C. hereby comply with the request of the National Association of FWB and hereby repudiate any and all forms of Connectional Church Government wherever it may be found among FWB and do hereby reaffirm our belief in Congregational Church Government.

No. 2. Whereas a sworn statement to the contrary gained its basis through a treatise revision of 1899, corrupted with Holiness Doctrines, being changed to read "The annual Conference being the highest tribunal shall have final jurisdiction over the Local Churches", be it resolved; that the Coastal Association of Original FWB of N. C. recognize the historic position of Original FWB Churches, in the area of their autonomy as related to their Association affiliation, as being that set forth in the Treatise of 1883, (in harmony with the treatise of 1812) which states, "But to these Conferences are granted No jurisdictional or appellate powers conflicting with the independence of the local Churches."

On motion and second it was decided to call another meeting of the Association at an early date. This was decided on for Tuesday Night, January 23, 1962, place to be announced at a later date. There being no further business to come before the body, and on motion and second to adjourn, the meeting was closed with the singing of Bless Be the Tie, followed by prayer by Bro. Lee Purifoy.

Rev. Cecil H. Campbell, Moderator

E. A. Mallard, Clerk-Treasurer

SECOND ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COASTAL ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of the Coastal Association of Original Free Will Baptists convened with the Sherwood Forest Free Will Baptist Church, New Bern, N. C., on Friday and Saturday, September 13th and 14th, 1963. There were twenty Ministers present, two visiting ministers, 65 delegates, and 53 visitors in both days of the sessions. The Association was opened with a devotional service led by Bros. Lewis Campbell and Billy G. Outland. The Clerk then declared the Association in session for the transaction of its business.

Letters from the Churches represented were then read by the Clerk, and on motion and second the delegates were seated and the letters were received for information. The Moderator recognized all visitors attending the session from other Churches and organizations outside the Coastal Association. The Moderator then called on the Clerk to read the By-Laws as provided by the Constitution.

On motion and second the Moderator was instructed to appoint a committee on committees; the following were appointed by the Moderator to serve on this committee: Randy Cox, Chairman, Leroy Cutler, John E. Floyd, Sr., Charles Keith, and Bobby Smith. An invitation was then extended to Churches to join the Association. On motion and second Malachi Chapel was received into full fellowship with the Association. The Committee on Committees then gave their report and on motion and second this was received. The Moderator then declared that it was time for the Morning Worship service and all business was then put aside and the Association entered into a very inspirational service. Bro. T. O. Terry brought the message of the hour, and this message was one that stirred the hearts of all present. Following this an altar call was held and many found their way to the altar for the closing prayer. The Association then adjourned for lunch until 1:15 p.m.

The afternoon session was opened with a devotional service led by Bros. Lewis Campbell and Charles Keith. Following this the Moderator called for the business to be acted upon. On motion and second the following Ministers were received for membership into the Association: Rev. Herbert Bryan, Rev. Leslie Rowe, Rev. Neal Hearn, and Rev. Tommy Godley. On motion and second the Moderator was authorized to appoint an examining committee. The following were appointed to serve on this committee: Rev. Randy Cox, chairman, Rev. Leroy Cutler and Rev. Billy G. Outland.

The Moderator then gave a report of the work of Executive Board in as much as no one was present to give their report. Motion was made and second that the General Officers of the Association serve with the Executive Board during the coming year, it being deemed essential for the Officers to sit in on their meetings. Motion was carried. The clerk read a letter of resignation from Bro. Clyde Owens of the Executive Board. Motion and second this resignation was accepted. The treasurer then read his report for the year, on motion and second this report was received by the Association.

The association then had reports on the work of the following Denominational enterprises; Free Will Baptists Witness by Rev. Eugene Waddell, FWB Bible College by Rev. Randy Cox, the Ladies Auxilliary by Mrs. T. O. Terry. The National Association by Ronald Creech and the orphanage and home for the aged by Cecil H. Campbell. The following committees then gave their reports; Digest Committee Herbert Bryan, Mission Committee T. O. Terry, Superannuation Committee Leroy Cutler. On motion and second these reports were received for information. The Christian Education Committee made the following recommendation to the Association; that the Chairman of the following Committees be retained throughout the year as coordinators of their respective work, and

report their year's progress to the Association at its next annual meeting; Missions, Christian Education, Superannuation, Sunday School, and the League. On motion and second this recommendation was adopted. The session was then adjourned until the night session at 7:30 P.M. with prayer by Bro. Leroy Cutler.

The night session convened at 7:30 P.M. with a special emphasis on Missions. An inspiring message was brought by Bro. Owen Ganey using as his subject it is time to move. A special offering was taken for Missions amounting to \$84.88.

On Saturday Morning, September 14th, 1963 the Association reconvened at 9:30 A.M. The meeting was opened with a devotional service led by Bros. Eugene Hales and Alton Hines. The Moderator then called for the business of the session. Minutes of the previous day's session were read by the clerk, these were declared approved as read by the Moderator. The letter from Palmetta Chapel Church was read by the Clerk, motion and second to receive this letter. A request came from the Pleasant Acres Church that Roger Anderson be examined for License. On motion and second this was referred to the Examining Committee.

The following Committees gave their reports; League, Sunday School, Missions, Finance, and Examining. These reports were received on motion and second. The Executive Board gave their report and on motion and second this report was accepted and it was ordered by the Association that their recommendations be carried out. They were as follows; that we continue to offer help to the Churches in the Beulaville area when needed, that the Association stand behind any Church in the Association that might become involved in a legal controversy over their Church property. The following was an amendment to the Constitution; that the Officers of this Association, namely Moderator, Asst. Moderator, Clerk Treasurer shall also be members of the Executive Board and shall meet with the Board and have a vote on any and all matters that shall come before the Executive Board. On motion and second this was tabled until the next yearly session of the Association as provided by the Constitution.

The Nominating committee gave their report and the following Officers were recommended for the next year. To fill the unexpired term on the Executive Board, Liston Parker, for a full term on the Board, Lester Hughes, for Moderator Randy Cox, Assistant Moderator Herbert Bryan, for Clerk Treasurer E. A. Mallard. These were duly elected to serve for the next year by the Association. No place was selected to hold the next association so this was referred to the Executive Board to select a place. Bro. Eugene Hales was selected to bring the Morning Message at the next Association with Bro. Charles Keith serving as Alternate. The following were elected to serve as delegates to the State Association in 1964, Harry Swain, and Fred Hagan. The Clerk was authorized to prepare the letter and send it to the meeting in due time, also he was authorized to prepare and print the minutes of this Association. The Examining Committee reported that they had examined Roger Anderson and recommended that Pleasant Acres Church grant him a License. On motion and second this report was adopted.

There being no further business to come before the session on motion and second the business session was closed. The worship hour was then entered into and the Moderator brought the message of the hour which was inspiring and challenging to everyone. The Association was closed by Prayer by the Clerk.

Rev. Cecil H. Campbell, Moderator

E. A. Mallard, Clerk

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

September 13, 1963

Coastal Association of Free Will Baptists
Convening September 13, 14, 1963
Sherwood Forrest Free Will Baptist Church
New Bern, North Carolina

Brethren:

Christ-centered education is at the very core of the churches endeavor to carry out the commission of her Lord. Without it our denomination would have no growing missionary program today, at home or abroad. Nobody would deny the truth of this statement. However, it seems we are very prone to overlook this truth on the practical level. May we sight an example.

In November of 1962, our Free Will Baptist Bible College was in a financial strait. Upon returning from the Board meeting in Nashville, Tennessee, your board member from this state notified the members of your Christian Education Committee. They in turn notified the pastors of the Coastal Association. Some churches responded with a special gift. Most did not. The largest gift came from Davis Free Will Baptist Church, and the smallest gift which was nothing came from most of the churches. For many years our Bible College has operated with inadequate funds. However, the pressing demands of a growing world-wide ministry clearly indicate that this can no longer be done. A crippled educational program will eventually result in a crippled home and foreign ministry. We cannot afford to let this happen.

Four days ago Free Will Baptist Bible College opened its doors to the young people of our denomination for the 22nd year. Some of those who entered are your own flesh and blood, whom God has called into His service. This gives us an ever greater personal interest in the schools well being.

The budget for Free Will Baptist Bible College, approved by the National Association for this fiscal year calls for some less than \$8,000 per month in gifts to the GENERAL FUND. This is what is needed to do the job right. Buildings and improvements must come above this.

Our state last year fell shamefully below its quota. We were careful to keep up our giving in some areas but most forgot Free Will Baptist Bible College. The goal for general fund gifts this year from our state is \$15,000.00. This averages out to be \$1,250.00 per month over a twelve month period. We can do it if we will.

At present, there is a drive being perpetuated by our Bible College under the slogan "Debt Free in 63." The present indebtedness on our College is \$30,000.00. This was incurred by the purchase of the Belle Haven apartments for much needed dormitory space. The search is for 300 dedicated men, such as Gideon had, who will send to Free Will Baptist Bible College by December 31, 1963 a special gift of \$100.00 marked "Debt Retirement." I pray that many of you pastors will do this. Retiring this debt would enable FWBBC to further develop plans for expansion.

In closing may be be reminded of some words Jesus spoke in Mark 9:34, "If any man desire to be first, the same shall be last of all and servant of all." FWBBC has faithfully served our denomination for 21 years. We have benefitted by its service. It deserves primary consideration in our GIVING and our PRAYING.

Respectfully Submitted,
Christian Education Committee
Randy Cox, Chairman
Mrs. Ruby Barker
Clyde Styron

REPORT OF EXAMINING COMMITTEE

We your Examining Committee make the following recommendation:
That Mr. Roger Anderson be licensed by his local Church to preach the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Respectfully submitted:

Randy Cox, Chairman
Gene Outland
Leroy Cutler
Examining Committee

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

- We your Executive Board make the following recommendations:
- 1—We recommend that we continue to extend a hand of fellowship to the Churches in the Beauliville area, and that the Committee appointed by the Board to act on this matter be retained as long as needed.
 - 2—We recommend that this Association stand behind any Church that is a member of the Coastal Association that may become involved in any legal controversy over their Church Property. This action to be approved by the Local Churches.
 - 3—We recommend that an amendment be made to the Constitution and By-Laws to make the General Officers a part of the Executive Board.

Respectfully submitted:

William Ritter
Clinton Pinner
Winford Gaskins
Executive Board

REPORT OF THE PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

- We your Publications Committee submit the following report:
- 1—We recommend that all of our Churches continue their support of our two Free Will Baptist Publications: Contact and the Free Will Baptist Witness.
 - 2—We urge that each Church family subscribe to and give their support to these publications.

Respectfully submitted:

Charlie Dixon, Chairman
Hilda Beacham
Mrs. Jim Bell
Publications Committee

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We, the Nominating Committee, submit the following recommendations for Officers for the ensuing year:

To fill the unexpired term on the Executive Board

Liston Parker

For a full term on the Executive Board

Lester Hughes

For Moderator Randy Cox

For Asst. Moderator Herbert Bryan

For Clerk E. A. Mallard

Respectfully submitted:

T. O. Terry, Chairman
Lewis Campbell
Julius Willis
Nominating Committee

REPORT OF THE DIGEST COMMITTEE

We your Digest Committee submit the following report, membership at beginning of year 2613, received by profession of faith 57, received by letter 108, received by baptism 199, members dismissed by letter 52, deceased 23, present membership 2897.

Enrolled in Sunday School 2702, attendance at Prayer Meeting 646, League enrollment 802, Woman's Auxiliary 339, Master's Men 123.

Total of Tithes and Offerings for year, \$130,915.96.

Paid out for Evangelistic work \$4112.83, for buildings and repairs \$18,934.13, for literature \$4327.66, for advertising \$205.51, for benevolence \$1,433.45, Miscellaneous \$5,770.34, Foreign Missions \$5,160.53, Home Missions, \$2,830.84, Christian Education \$1,481.96, Superannuation \$408.05, State Superannuation \$79.07, Orphanage work \$457.93, State Missions \$200.47, State Publications \$203.33, State Youth Work \$45.00.

Paid out for Associational work \$254.10, District Missions \$243.14.

Value of Church Property \$719,500.00, parsonages \$99,500.00.

Respectfully submitted:

Herbert Bryan
Fred Hagan
Thomas F. Cox
Digest Committee

REPORT OF LEAGUE COMMITTEE

We your League committee submit the following report:

During the past year consideration has been given to organizing a League Union, however, the general thinking of the various Pastors was, to wait and see what type of Youth Program would be presented at the National Association. We believe that further study should be given to the possibility of a League Union.

Because the League is the training service of our Church we make the following recommendations:

1— In that according to available records, we have fifteen Leagues in the Coastal Association which is composed of Twenty Churches. We recommend that every Church endeavor to have a League and to make it the best League possible.

2— We recommend that our Churches order their League Material including material available and so designed to help improve our Leagues, from the National League Office.

3— We recommend that our Leagues encourage the families in our Churches to use the devotional guide "Depth", and the Leagues should make these devotional guides available to the people. We your committee offer ourselves to help you in any way possible with your League work in your Church.

PART TWO

In that your League Committee was charged with the responsibility of directing the Coastal Association Youth Camp, we submit the following summary of statements relative to our Camp.

Rev. Randy Cox and Rev. Billy G. Outland served as Co-directors for the Camp week, August 12-17, 1963. Approximately 100 campers registered for camp with 92 completing the entire week.

Rev. Leroy Cutler, Rev. Eugene Hales, Rev. J. W. Long, and Rev. T. O. Terry taught subjects in Bible, Evangelism, and Missions. Rev. Gordon Sebastian was the Camp Evangelist, and Mrs. Annie Heath served as Camp Dietician. We had a most successful camp week, and many young people made decisions for Christ.

In the light of this past summer's camp records and as a result of consideration and study, we would like to make the following recommendations:

- 1— We recommend that the Camp fee be reduced to \$12.00 per camper.
- 2— We recommend that we return to the Presbyterian Camp Ground for our Youth Camp next summer.
- 3— We recommend that we endeavor to rent the Camp for Two Weeks in succession next summer.
- 4— We recommend that the name of this Committee be changed to Youth Activities and League Committee.

Respectfully submitted:

Billy Gene Outland
Mrs. Clinton Piner
Mrs. Estelle Parker
League Committee

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

We your Finance Committee submit the following report:

We have a total of \$274.88 to apportion from this Associational meeting.

- 1— We recommend that \$84.88 be placed in the Missions fund as this offering was taken for this purpose.
- 2— That \$50.00 be sent to the National Cooperative Plan.
- 3— That this Association send a donation of \$50.00 to the State Association convening next year in Swannanoa, N. C.
- 4— That we send \$50.00 to the Free Will Baptist Witness.
- 5— That we send \$25.00 to the Carl Johnson Missionary account.
- 6— That the remaining \$15.00 be left in the Treasury for expenses.

Respectfully submitted:

Rev. Eugene Hales Chairman
Rev. J. R. Kennedy
H. P. Swain
Finance Committee

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

We your Committee on Committees make the following report:

We recommend the following to serve on the various Committees: Sunday School Committee, Charles Keith Chairman, Raymond Carrow, and M. E. Cox; League Committee, Billy Gene Outland Chairman, Mrs. Betty Piner, and Mrs. Estelle Parker; Resolutions Committee, John E. Floyd Sr. Chairman, Eldon Hollowell, and Horace Wetherington; Publications Committee, Charlie Dixon Chairman, Hilda Beacham, and Mrs. Jim Bell; Nominations Committee, T. O. Terry Chairman, Lewis Campbell, and Julius Willis; Finance Committee, Eugene Hales Chairman, Harry Swain, and R. J. Kennedy Jr.; Digest Committee, Herbert Bryan Chairman, Fred Hagan, and Thomas Cox; Missions Committee, J. W. Long Chairman, J. K. Rhodes, and Hyman Dixon; Christian Education Committee, Randy Cox, Mrs. Ruby Barker and Clyde Styron; Superannuation Committee, Leroy Cutler Chairman, Guy Hamilton, and Charles Hausel.

Respectfully submitted:

Randy Cox, Chairman
Leroy Cutler
John E. Floyd, Sr.
Charles Keith
Bobby Smith

Committee on Committees

REPORT OF THE DISTRICT MISSIONS COMMITTEE

We your Committee on District Missions feel that there is a need in our State to establish more Churches. We herefore make the following recommendations:

- 1—We should endeavor to do more for District Missions in the future than we have done in the past.
- 2—We must have more cooperation among our Churches.
- 3—We urge each Church to continue to support the Havelock project by giving systematically.

Respectfully submitted:

J. W. Long, Chairman
J. V. Rhodes
Hyman Dixon
Missions Committee

REPORT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

We your Sunday School Committee make the following recommendations:

- 1—Realizing that our Sunday School is a vital part of our Church, we encourage each Church to do everything possible to enlist more in the coming year and to dedicate ourselves afresh and anew to the teaching of God's Word.
- 2—Realizing that the youth of our nation are being deceived by false teachings concerning spiritual things through the Public Schools, that this Association go on record as opposing such and that we combat such by the teaching of the WORD.
- 3—That every Sunday School accept the challenge given by the National Sunday School Board that when a Sunday School reaches 300 average attendance for a Three Months period, the name of the Sunday School will be placed on a Plaque and displayed at the National Association in July 1964; also will be recognized in Contact magazine.
- 4—The Committee recommends that whenever possible we use the Literature from the National Association of Free Will Baptists published by the National Sunday School Board.

Respectfully submitted:

Charles E. Keith, Chairman
M. E. Cox
R. H. Carrow

**COASTAL ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS
TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1962-63**

GENERAL FUND

Balance on hand Sept. 1, 1963	\$ 140.19
Receipts for the Year from Churches	284.80
Total Receipts	\$ 424.99

DISBURSEMENTS FROM GENERAL FUND

National Foreign Mission Board	\$ 52.80
Printing Minutes	96.52
Postage and Supplies	17.43
N. C. State Association	50.00
Lawyer fees and phone calls	48.88
Total disbursements	\$ 265.63
Balance on Hand	\$159.36

MISSIONS FUND

Balance on hand Sept. 1, 1962	\$ 420.85
Receipts for the Year from Churches	
Total Receipts	\$ 429.85

DISBURSEMENTS FROM MISSION FUND

T. O. Terry for Phone Calls	\$ 3.25
Richlands Mission	50.00
Total disbursements	\$ 53.25
Balance on hand	\$ 376.60

YOUTH CAMP FUND

Balance on hand September 1, 1962	\$ 128.74
Registrations and Church Donations	1841.41
Total Receipts	\$1970.15

DISBURSEMENTS FROM CAMP FUND

Camp Expenses for 1963 youth camp	\$1650.60
Total disbursements	\$1650.60
Balance on hand	\$ 319.55

FUNDS ON HAND SEPTEMBER 1ST, 1963

General Fund	\$ 159.36
Missions Fund	376.60
Youth Camp	319.55
Total Funds on hand	\$ 855.51

Respectfully submitted:

E. A. Mallard, Treas.
Coastal Assoc. Free Will Baptists

CONSTITUTION

PREAMBLE:

From long experience we, the Original Free Will Baptist Churches, are convinced of the advantages of cooperative programs and united efforts for advancing the cause of our Lord; do propose to establish and maintain an association of churches for the purpose of spiritual fellowship, united efforts in missions, Christian education and church extension upon the following plan:

I. This association shall be named the Coastal Association of Original F. W. B. churches of N. Carolina and shall be composed of such well regulated F. W. B. Churches as may embody themselves under this constitution.

II. The acting members of this association shall be five (5) delegates from each organized church, chosen by the members of the respective churches while in session, together with all ordained and licensed ministers belonging to any church composing this body, and associational officers.

III. The officers of this association shall be a moderator, an assistant moderator, a clerk who shall be treasurer and shall superintend the printing of the minutes. These officers shall be elected annually, and shall hold their offices until their successors are elected; an Executive Board of four (4) members elected from the laity, whose duty shall be to transact all the business of the Association when this body is not in session, and whose term of office shall be as follows; one elected for one year; one elected for two years, one elected for three years, and one elected for four years; and at the expiration of each of these terms, one shall be elected for four years; And further if any vacancies occur between sessions of the Association the board shall fill such vacancies until the next session of the Association; all of whom shall perform such duties as usually devolve upon such officers, or directed by the Association in setting.

IV. Any regular organized F.W.B. church maintaining gospel order, agreeing with the denomination in doctrine and practice as set forth in the Treatise of Faith and Practice of the National Association, in favor of benevolent enterprises such as S.S., Missions, Temperance, Christian education etc., may be received into this body by presenting a Petitionary letter requesting membership, and by a majority vote of the body in session. Moreover, any church holding membership in this Association reserves the right to participate, or refrain from participating in any of all programs of the body, or may withdraw from the Association at her own pleasure.

V. This Association shall have power to discipline it's churches, exclude them for disorderly conduct, if labor proves unsuccessful; to license and ordain ministers as they are requested to do so by the churches, (such as give evidence of qualification); to settle questions of doctrine and discipline as the churches may refer to it; to make any rules and by-laws necessary to its regulation and not inconsistent with it's constitution, but in no case shall this association reverse a decision of one of it's churches, nor in any way interfere with it's internal regulations, nor exert any ecclesiastical authority over the churches composing this association. (see National Treatise)

VI. The sessions of this association shall convene annually at 9:30 o'clock on Friday and Saturday before the third Sunday in September; and it shall be the duty of the churches composing the association to represent themselves by delegates, and send written reports. The churches shall report their spiritual standing, benevolent work, names and addresses of ministers and clerks, names of their deacons, meeting days and statistics; at which time the association shall act upon questions and topics as may be referred to them through their committees, and transact such other business not repugnant to this constitution, nor to the usages of the denomination, as in their judgment may promote the cause of Christ and the interest of the churches within the limits of the Association.

VII. It is the duty of this association to provide for general union of churches, to point out their interests and to aid them in securing pastors when requested to put evangelists and other ministers in places where the gospel is most needed, and require an annual written report from each minister belonging to this association.

VIII. This constitution may be altered or amended by a two-thirds majority of all members voting at any regular session of the association, written notice having been given at the last previous session.

BY-LAWS

1. At every setting of the Association, business shall be opened and concluded with prayer by the moderator or whomever he may request.
2. These by-laws shall be distinctly read by the clerk immediately after the organization of the association and a copy in the hands of all delegates, both standing and elected.
3. The moderator shall call his assistant to fill the chair when he wishes to speak or otherwise vacate his place.
4. The moderator shall declare out of order any speaker who fails to speak on the subject before the body, or who makes use of unkind personalities.
5. The moderator shall not succeed himself more than once within a period of five (5) years.
6. All committees shall be elected by the body unless otherwise provided for by the association.
7. While the association is in session no member shall absent himself without permission from the moderator.
8. Any one wishing to speak shall arise and address the moderator and be recognized by him before speaking.
9. All visiting brethren may have the privilege to speak on any subject before the body, but not to vote unless ruled otherwise by the body.
10. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject without leave of the association and not longer than five (5) minutes.
11. No subject shall be discussed without a motion and a second and the question stated by the moderator.
12. When a motion has been made and seconded, and stated by the chair, and any member opposes its discussion, the moderator shall put the question "Shall it be discussed," if negative, the question shall be dismissed.
13. A motion shall be put in writing if any member of the body requests it.
14. No report shall be adopted except by motion and second and a vote to that effect.
15. Any member of the association violating any of these rules shall subject himself to the forfeiting of voting privileges for the remainder of the day.
16. A motion shall always be in order to adjourn, but shall not be discussed unless it is necessary to do so.
17. No one shall be ordained to gospel ministry who uses tobacco, alcoholic beverage, narcotics, or has a tolerant attitude toward liberalism, modernism, communism, catholic, etc. Each candidate must carry license for at least one year. Then if request comes from the church to which he belongs and he be found worthy, he may be ordained, provided the candidate has been called to some definite work. All ministers called to pastor churches in this association shall be required to hold certificates of Ministerial Standing in force during their term of service as pastors. This certificate shall be issued upon request of the church in which they hold membership.
18. The associational year shall end in the same month in all our churches, and that month shall be in August.
19. These rules and the order of business may be temporarily suspended or permanently altered by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any regular meeting of the body.

	Membership	Received by Faith	Received by Letter	Received by Baptism	Dismissed	Deceased	Present Membership	S. S. Enrollment	League Enrollment	Woman's Auxiliary	Master's Men	Amount Paid Pastor	Building & Repair	Benevolence	Miscellaneous	Amount for Evangelist
Calvary	99	9	4	16			118	161	36	14		3380.00	5099.00	79.28	1035.35	325.00
Cardinal Village	46	5	4		3		52	59		10		1250.00	1080.00		279.07	25.00
Cove City	90	9	2	9	6		95	90	35	20		1560.00	165.45	64.40		160.00
Davis	99			12	2		109	90	65	26	12	4160.00	25.00	80.00	400.00	90.00
Emmanuel	34	1	3	1	7		31	55	21	9		1239.12		10.00	51.89	206.85
First Beaufort	283		4	12	1		298	353	110	48	32	4411.62	7140.15	69.25	82.50	726.67
First Jacksonville	319	21	5	16	4		336	225	44	25	18	4635.82	2821.50		751.66	430.00
First Morehead City	215	2	8	21	10	3	246	211	60	20		3655.00	140.69	400.00	183.74	271.61
First Washington	287	2	7	8	3	1	300	264	50	42	20	4160.00	150.00	132.87	167.10	150.00
Five Points	35	19	2	8	1		64	84		17		510.00	100.00	163.55	286.50	175.00
Malachi Chapel	343	8	3	8		2	352	226	77			3795.00	612.98	25.30		210.00
Mizpah	84	18	4				106	120	30	25	12	2080.00			200.00	200.00
Palmetta Chapel	103				2	1	100	109	40	27	10					
Pleasant Acres	111		4	6	3		118	138	51	15	12	3640.00	533.06	25.00	450.00	210.00
Reunion Chapel	43	2	2		1		45	46	30			480.00	200.00			100.00
Ruth's Chapel	374		28	41	6	2	435	335	97	30		5200.00	306.04	217.00	1000.00	1288.47
Sherwod Forest	117		27	17	4	1	156	175	75	35	25	4600.00	5920.00	75.00	357.21	270.00
Stacy	208			2		3	207	120	95	19	10	3900.00	3278.07	91.80	1002.38	230.00
Union Chapel	145		5	20	5	9	165	175		19		2640.00	657.12		274.60	200.00
Totals	3035	96	112	197	58	22	3333	3036	916	401	151	55296.56	28229.06	1433.45	6522.00	5268.60

	Literature	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Education	Superannuation	Cooperative Plan	Orphanage	Publications	Youth Work	Associational Work	Value Church Property	Value Parsonage
Calvary	126.35	100.81	119.50							15.00	28000.00	1000.00
Cardinal Village	73.10	72.70	74.54	67.83				39.93		25.00		
Cove City	167.60	425.75	211.35	301.80	102.95		58.00	10.00	15.00	10.00	25000.00	
Davis	250.00	750.00	359.42	352.78	20.75			90.90		20.00	80000.00	10000.00
Emmanuel	190.66	31.95	83.85							10.00	12000.00	
First Beaufort	605.81	369.21	92.23	319.42	19.50		79.43			74.10	112500.00	7500.00
First Jacksonville	647.17	149.36								40.00	47000.00	10000.00
First Morehead City	674.87	452.94	469.99	190.30	48.00					40.00	66000.00	18000.00
First Washington	406.89	477.92	225.00	300.00						10.00	50000.00	16000.00
Five Points	137.06	460.22	319.49	95.00						5.00	1000.00	
Malachi Chapel	23.25	76.00	4.75		10.32		77.50			10.00	20000.00	10000.00
Mizpah	124.00	100.00	50.00							10.00	20000.00	
Palmetta Chapel		300.00	150.00	50.00	20.00					10.00		
Pleasant Acres	350.00	194.38	120.00	50.00				25.00	25.00	10.00	25000.00	9000.00
Reunion Chapel	20.00									5.00		
Ruth Chapel	552.51	1052.51	481.19	75.00	60.00		150.00	37.50		5.00	90000.00	10000.00
Sherwood Forest	555.42	201.85	110.72	43.54	225.60	1106.18				40.00	90000.00	
Stacy	73.14	144.77	15.65	23.29						10.00	65000.00	8000.00
Union Chapel		249.32	93.16				93.00			20.00	35000.00	10000.00
Totals	4977.83	5609.69	2980.84	1868.96	507.12	1106.18	457.93	203.33	40.00	369.10	766500.00	109500.00



