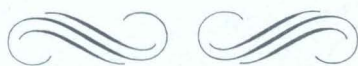


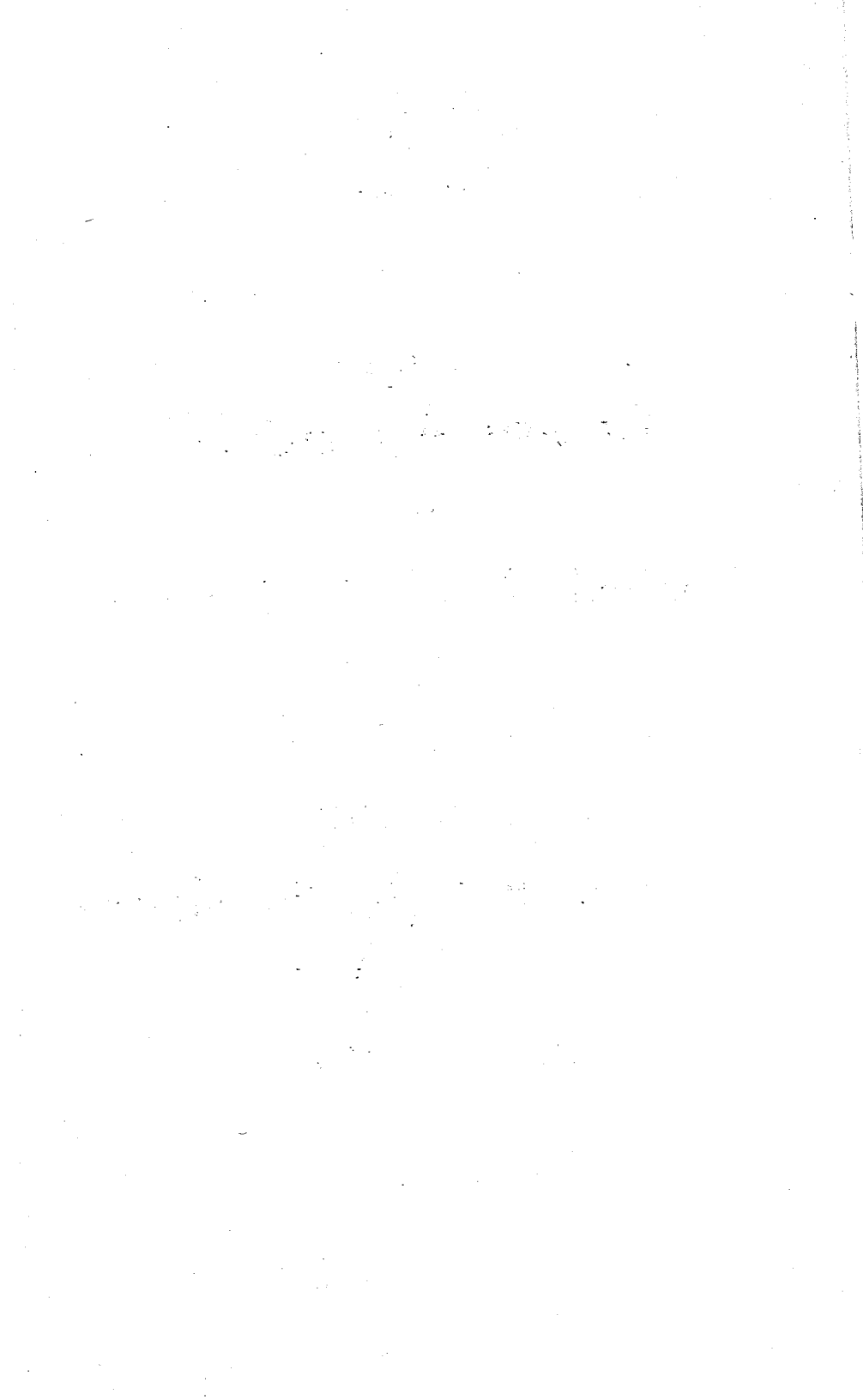
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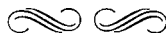
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OFFICERS

Moderator	Rev. Eddie Riddick New Bern, N. C.
Assistant Moderator	Rev. Fred Hall Chocowinity, N. C.
Clerk	Rev. Jerry McClary Washington, N. C.
Assistant Clerk	Rev. Robert Burke Pinetown, N. C.
Treasurer	Rev. Freeman Edwards Jacksonville, N. C.
Assistant Treasurer	Rev. Billy Jackson Jacksonville, N. C.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

LeRoy Banks	1978
Lee Zegelen	1979
Bobby Potter	1980
Harry Swan	1981

MINISTER'S ROLL - COASTAL ASSOCIATION

1. **BURKE, Robert** - Rt. 4, Box 342-C; Washington, N. C. 27889
2. **CHANDLER, Bobby** - Rt. 2; Grimesland, N. C. 27837
3. **COMBS, Larry** - Rt. 3, Box 398; Jacksonville, N. C. 28540
4. **CRAFT, Don** - Rt. 1, Box 336; Vanceboro, N. C. 28586
5. **DILDA, Sigbee** - P. O. Box 478; New Bern, N. C. 28560
6. **DIXON, Charlie** - P. O. Box 143; Chocowinity, N. C. 27817
7. **DIXON, James** -
8. **DUNN, Frank** - 1516 Spencer Avenue; New Bern, N. C. 28560
9. **EDWARDS, Freeman** - 507 Cheyenne Road; Jacksonville, N. C. 28540
10. **GILL, Larry** - 2122 Market Street; Wilmington, N. C. 28401
11. **GOSS, Johnny** - 334 West Avenue; Plymouth, N. C. 27962
12. **HALL, Fred** - Rt. 1, Box 597; Chocowinity, N. C. 27817
13. **HAMM, P. E.** - Rt. 2, Box 664; Jacksonville, N. C. 28540
14. **HARRIS, O'Dell** - Rt. 2; Jacksonville, N. C. 28540
15. **IVEY, Ron** - 208 East 9th Street; Washington, N. C. 27889
16. **JACKSON, Billy** - 13 White Oak Street; Jacksonville, N. C. 28540
17. **JOHNSON, J. V.** - Rt. 2, Box 264; Jacksonville, N. C. 28540
18. **KELLUM, William** - Rt. 5, Box 454; Jacksonville, N. C. 28540
19. **LUKE, Harvey** - New Bern, N. C. 28560
20. **McCLARY, Jerry** - Rt. 3, Rosedale; Washington, N. C. 27889
21. **MILES, Donnie** - P. O. Box 568; Beaufort, N. C. 28516
22. **MILES, Edwin** - P. O. Box 1131; Williamston, N. C. 27892
23. **MILES, Washington** - P. O. Box 1131; Williamston, N. C. 27892
24. **MOBLEY, Bill** - Rt. 3; Washington, N. C. 27889
25. **MORGAN, A. C.** - Rt. 1, Box 183; Columbia, N. C. 27925
26. **OUTLAW, Rudolph** - 100 White Oak Street; Jacksonville, N. C. 28540
27. **PADGETTE, Danny** - Rt. 3, Box 356-BB; Jacksonville, N. C. 28540
28. **PAGE, Leon** - Rt. 2, Box 145-B; Richlands, N. C. 28574
29. **PURIFOY, Lee** - 102 Ellington; New Bern, N. C. 28560
30. **RACKLEY, Jerry** - 901 Everette Street; Ahoskie, N. C. 27910
31. **REAGAN, Bill** - P. O. Box 866; Morehead City, N. C. 28557
32. **RIDDICK, Eddie** - P. O. Box 1006; New Bern, N. C. 28560
33. **ROLEN, Thomas** - P. O. Box 247; Stacy, N. C. 28581
34. **ROLLINS, Albert** - Rt. 3, Box 83; Plymouth, N. C. 27962
35. **SEALY, William** - P. O. Box 146; Cove City, N. C.
36. **STEVENS, Larry** - 2909 Old Cherry Pt. Road; New Bern, N. C. 28560
37. **WALKER, Delmus** - Davis, N. C. 28524
38. **WIGGS, Dennis** - P. O. Box 409; Beaufort, N. C. 28516

BOARDS OF THE COASTAL ASSOCIATION

EXAMINING BOARD

Rev. Bill Reagan1978
Rev. A. C. Morgan1979
Rev. Dennis Wiggs1980

MISSIONS BOARD

Rev. Jerry Rackley1978
Rev. James Dixon1979
Rev. Ron Ivey1980

CHURCH TRAINING AND YOUTH RELATIONS BOARD

Rev. Washington Miles1978
Rev. William Sealy1979
Rev. Larry Stevens1980

CONSTITUTION

Preamble:

From long experience we the Original Free Will Baptists Churches, are convinced of the advantages of cooperative programs and united efforts for advancing the cause of our Lord; do purpose 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 North 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 who appear on the roll of Ministers of the association, 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 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 such officers, or directed by the Association in setting. The Officers of the Association, namely Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk-Treasurer shall also be members of the Executive Board, and shall meet with the Board and shall have a vote on any and all matters that shall come before the Executive Board.

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 upon examination and recommendation of the Examining Committee, 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 the power to discipline its 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 bylaws necessary to its regulation and not inconsistent with its constitution, but in no case shall this association reverse a decision of one of its churches, nor in any way interfere with its internal regulations, nor exert any ecclesiastical authority over the churches composing this association. (See National Treatise)

VI. This association shall convene quarterly at 10:00 a.m. on the fourth Saturday in January, July and October for fellowship and the conducting of such business as may be deemed necessary. The annual business meeting shall be on the fourth Saturday of April beginning at 9:30 a.m. at which time the association shall act upon questions and topics as may be referred to it through its committees, and transact such other business not repugnant to this constitution, or 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. The churches shall make such reports of their works as required by 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. A Minister seeking membership in the Association shall present a petitionary letter to the Association, and after he has been recommended and approved by the Examining Board, and upon a majority vote of the Body in session, his name shall be placed on the roll of Ministers of the Association. Each new minister coming into the Coastal Association shall be contacted by the Examining Board and notified of a date to appear before the Board for approval. This shall be done within two (2) months after he has arrived and begun his Pastorate in the Association.

18. No one shall be licensed or ordained to the gospel ministry or received into our association who is divorced and remarried, or married to a divorcee, one who uses tobacco, alcoholic beverages, narcotics or has a tolerant attitude toward liberalism, modernism, communism, catholicism and tongues speaking as a part of the practice of the Christian life and evidence of the Holy Spirit's presence and approval. One who seeks to be licensed to preach, his local church should recommend him to this body for membership. He should possess the same standards as the ordained minister. The license must be for one year.

19. The ministers are required to attend the Coastal Association meetings, unless prohibited by a legitimate reason, approved by the body. If a minister does not report to the meetings over a continuous period of two years by presence or letter or he begins to pastor a church outside of the Coastal Association, his name shall be dropped from the roll. Before the name is dropped, the moderator must contact him.

20. Each member church shall be required to make an annual report to the association. Any church failing to report for two consecutive years shall be declared out of fellowship with the association until such time as report is made. Churches affected by this action shall be notified by the clerk and given one month to report. If the church fails to respond, a visit will be made by the General Officers to the pastor. Those churches then failing to comply shall be notified that they are out of fellowship until such time as they report.

21. 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.

PROPOSED GUIDELINES FOR ORGANIZING AND ACCEPTING NEW CHURCHES INTO THE COASTAL ASSOCIATION OF NORTH CAROLINA FREE- WILL BAPTISTS:

- I. WHEN A CHURCH OR A MISSION CHURCH DESIRE THE FELLOWSHIP WITH THE COASTAL ASSOCIATION, THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURE SHOULD BE FOLLOWED:
 - A. The church present a written request at a regularly scheduled associational session.
 - B. The church provide representatives from the church for this session.
 - C. The representatives of the church meet with the Examining Board for questioning pertaining to the church's former association, present organization, purpose, and doctrine and practices.
- II. IF THE EXAMINING BOARD RECOMMENDS THE CHURCH TO OUR FELLOWSHIP, THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURE SHOULD BE FOLLOWED:
 - A. The church coming from other denominations or associations be taken under the watchcare of the association for one year.
 - B. The church submits a statistical report to the Examining Board's chairman at the end of each six months.
 - C. After one year watchcare, the Examining Board may recommend that the church be taken into full fellowship of the Coastal Association.
 - D. During the year of watchcare, the church should send non voting representatives to the Coastal Association.
- III. WHEN A MISSION CHURCH DESIRES FELLOWSHIP WITH THE COASTAL ASSOCIATION, THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURE SHOULD BE FOLLOWED:
 - A. The mission church should follow the above guidelines, with the exception of the one year waiting period, plus:
 - B. After becoming established enough to operate as a church and having twenty-five charter members, organize into a church with an organizational service. The Coastal Association Moderator, Chairman of the Mission Board, and Examining Board should participate in the service.
 - C. Recognize the KJV Bible as the only rule of faith and practice.
 - D. Adopt the Free Will Baptist Church Covenant.
 - E. Adopt a Constitution and By-Laws based upon the National Association Treatise.
 - F. Request to be accepted by the Coastal Association in full fellowship at the next session.



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The fifteenth annual session of the Coastal Association of Free Will Baptists met at the Hope Free Will Baptist Church, Plymouth, North Carolina, on April 23, 1977, with Rev. Eddie Riddick serving as moderator.

Rev. Fred Hall led in the congregational song, "Heavenly Sunlight". Rev. Leon Page led in prayer. Morning devotions was given by Rev. O'Dell Harris, from Acts 4:19, 20; 5:42 on the subject, "What the Early Church Lost".

A welcome was given by the host Pastor, Rev. John Goss.

The Coastal Association was called into order by the reading of the minutes of the previous meetings. MSC to receive as read. The by-laws and the roll call of ministers and churches were read.

The moderator was given responsibility to appoint the following committees:

DIGEST
William Sealy
Leon Banks
O'Dell Harris

FINANCE
Washington Miles
Calvin Harell
Charlie Dixon

RESOLUTIONS
Ron Ivey
Annie Heath
R. Reynolds

The treasurer's report was given by Rev. Freeman Edwards.
TREASURER'S REPORT (April 1, 1976 - April 21, 1977)

General Fund: Balance Brought Forward \$ 232.14

Receipts:

Dues and Offerings 1,302.01

Expenditures:

Promotional Department 250.00
 Stamps and Supplies 72.06
 State Dues 30.00
 Minutes (April, 1977) 141.44
 Missions - Fulcher 150.50
 Missions - Barker 50.00
 National Home Missions 50.00
 State Missions 100.00
 Free Will Baptist Bible College 150.00
 Rest Home 50.00
 Youth Camp 80.00
 Rev. Harvey Dupree 88.10

Total Expenditures: \$1,212.10

Balance On Hand \$ 322.05

Youth Fund: Balance Brought Forward \$ 528.24

Receipts:

Fees \$5,363.15
 Rallies 63.65
 General Fund 80.00
 Camp Offering 105.17
 Gift 10.00

Total: \$5,621.97

Expenditures:

Camp Fees \$5,112.50
 State Youth Board 85.00
 C.T.S. Awards 74.94
 Materials 89.24
 Bobby Aycock 105.17
 Refunds (Overpaid) 157.50
 Camp Deposit 50.00
 Returned Check Service Charge 5.55

Total: \$5,679.91

Balance On Hand \$ 470.30

Mission Fund: Balance Brought Forward \$ 108.19

Expenditures:

Cedar Point Mission 45.02
 Cedar Point Mission 49.90

Total: \$ 94.92

Balance On Hand \$ 13.27

Total On Hand - Checkbook Balance \$ 805.62

Rev. Ronald Creech, the state promotional secretary, gave a good report of his work and then informed the association that he had resigned.

The 11:00 A.M. service was opened by Rev. Fred Hall leading the congregation in singing "The Light Of The World Is Jesus" and "His Way With Thee". Rev. Washington Miles led in prayer and Sister Betty Elks sang "Blood Stains On The Mountain". Rev. Jerry Rackley, pastor of the Ahoskie Free Will Baptist Church, brought the morning message from I Samuel 4:21, 22, entitled "Ichabod". The service was dismissed in prayer by Bro. Harvey Luke.

The afternoon session began with Rev. Jerry Rackley leading in the congregational singing with "At Calvary". Rev. Donnie Miles led in prayer. The afternoon devotions were given by Rev. Charlie Dixon, pastor of the Faith Mission in Washington, from Matthew 6:28-33 and Ephesians 3:20, entitled "Warning About Tomorrow".

The Digest Committee gave the following report: Of 23 churches reporting, 322 members were received, 161 were dismissed; with a total membership of 4,252 and average mid-week service attendance of 962. Sunday School enrollment of 2,587 and average attendance of 1,690; C.T.S. enrollment of 583 and average attendance of 421; Womans Auxiliary enrollment of 385 and average attendance of 301; and Master's Men enrollment of 56 and average attendance of 45. Total church income was \$817,587.14; with amount disbursed for local causes \$568,341.49; and amount disbursed for other causes \$45,855.79.

The Finance Committee gave the following report:

Contributions from Churches	\$281.00
Morning Offering	75.13
Balance Left On Hand	<u>322.05</u>
	Total: \$678.18

Allocations:

Fulchers Account	\$ 50.00
To Be Left in Treasury	50.00
North Carolina Promotional Department	500.00
Faith Free Will Baptist Mission, Washington.....	<u>78.18</u>
	Total: \$678.18

The Resolutions Committee gave the following report:

- (1) Whereas the influence of the church appears to be waning:
Be it resolved, that pastors be more diligent in teaching that true faith in Christ produces godliness in believers and this godliness must be lived as well as taught in order that worldly influence in the churches be halted.
- (2) Whereas, Rev. Ronald Creech has served our state and has been an inspiration to the Coastal Association for the past eleven years:
Be it resolved, that we give Brother Creech a standing vote of thanks in appreciation for his faithful service.
- (3) Whereas the Hope Free Will Baptist Church has graciously provided food and fellowship in hosting this year's meeting:
Be it resolved, that the Hope church be given a standing vote of thanks in appreciation for their Christian thoughtfulness.

The Youth Relations Board gave the following report:

Part I

We thank the Lord for His blessings during the past year and for the privilege of service to Him in the area of youth relations and the youth camp program.

We appreciate the interest and labor that some of our churches put into this important work. We believe that there are those young people who yield their lives to Christ because of their work and interest.

We are now making final preparations for the final youth competition in competitive activities and music and arts. This will be held April 30, 1977, to determine those who are to compete on the State level of competition. Please pray for these youth that they might first and foremost bear witness for Christ.

Youth Camp dates for this year are set for August 1-6, both Junior and Senior week, as this past year.

A note of appreciation is due to the Morehead City and Sandy Acres Free Will Baptist Churches for hosting our Youth Banquets this past year. We do appreciate all who had any part in making it a success.

Part II

We offer one recommendation: That our churches continue to support the youth work with some financial help.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sigbee Dilda
William Sealy
Washington Miles

The Examining Board submitted the following recommendations:

- (1) That Mike Gladson, having been examined by the Examining Board, and licensed by Palmetto Chapel Free Will Baptist Church, and having been accepted to Free Will Baptist Bible College for the fall semester, be added to our roll of licensed ministers.
- (2) That Bill Kellum, having been examined by the Examining Board, and ordained by the Faith Free Will Baptist Church of Maysville, North Carolina, be added to our roll of ordained ministers.
- (3) Since our by-laws state that a minister who does not report in person or by letter for a period of two years will be dropped from our rolls, after having been contacted by the Moderator; we recommend that our Clerk and Moderator review our rolls and attendance of ministers and act accordingly and report their findings and actions at the next associational meeting.

The Nominating Committee reported and the following were elected to office:

Moderator - Eddie Riddick
Asst. Moderator - Fred Hall
Clerk - Jerry McClary
Asst. Clerk - Robert Burke
Treasurer - Freeman Edwards
Asst. Treasurer - Billy Jackson

Executive Board - Harry Swan, 1981
Examining Board - Dennis Wiggs, 1980
Mission Board - Ron Ivey, 1980
Church Training and Youth Relations -
Larry Stevens, 1980

Submitted by:
Bill Reagan, Chairman
A. C. Morgan
Fred Hall

The visitors were recognized, which were: Rev. Thomas Rolen, new pastor at the Stacy Free Will Baptist Church; and Rev. Ronald Creech, State Promotional Secretary.

MSC to combine the business minutes and annual minutes of the Coastal Association in the annual report.

MSC to put in writing the responsibilities of each board and what they are to do in each area. (To be done by the Executive Committee.)

Delegates to the State Meeting were to be appointed at the State Meeting by the Moderator.

Rev. A. C. Morgan gave a very moving testimony concerning missions in the state, encouraging all to do as much as possible for state missions.

The Mission Board gave the following report:

The mission work in the Coastal Association and in our state continues to make progress. Although the Coastal Association Mission Board has not been actively involved in any particular mission project this year we have tried to promote our mission work at our Quarterly meetings and among our churches whenever possible.

The Faith Free Will Baptist Mission in Washington is doing well under the leadership of the new missionary, Rev. Charlie Dixon. The Swansboro Mission is an organized church now. They have bought land on the east side of Swansboro just off Highway 24 in Quail Haven Sub-division. They have \$20,000 in the bank to build their new church, and construction should start within the next thirty days by Rev. Bill Kellum. Rev. Rudolph Outlaw is doing a fine job as pastor of this work.

West Craven Free Will Baptist Church needs our prayers because their pastor, Mike Gladson, will be leaving for Bible College this fall.

Please pray for all of our missions in the whole world.

Submitted by:

Billy Jackson, Chairman

Jerry Rackley

James Dixon

A letter was received and read from Rev. James Dixon asking to be excused from today's meeting because of conflict in his work schedule.

The next Quarterly Meeting will convene at the Mt. Olive Free Will Baptist Church on the fifth Saturday in July, 1977.

MSC to adjourn.

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Leon Page.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. Eddie Riddick, Moderator

Rev. Robert Burke, Asst. Clerk

The following Woman's Auxiliary report was not submitted during the above annual meeting, but was turned in later for inclusion in the minutes:

The Coastal Woman's Auxiliary met in two regular sessions plus a workshop during the year of 1976-1977. The first session was held with the Friendship Free Will Baptist Church in Wilmington on October 14th with 15 churches reporting and 104 present. The theme was "Women, Different Women". Rev. Clint Morgan, missionary to Ivory Coast, Africa, was our guest speaker. Our second session has hosted by the First Free Will Baptist Church in Washington on April 14th. There were 19 churches reporting and 125 present. Our speakers challenged us with the theme, "The Lord Is Good". Rev. Bobby Poole, missionary to Brazil, shared with us the work of the Lord there and challenged us to be involved in declaring the goodness of the Lord.

The Cove City Free Will Baptist Church hosted a workshop for the Coastal district in January. A challenging workshop on the subject of stewardship in the home, at church, and in our personal lives was presented.

There are approximately 350 members of our Coastal Woman's Auxiliary. We give special praise to the Lord for the following gifts given to missions this year through our auxiliaries:

National Home Missions.....	\$ 799.60
State Home Missions	443.90
Foreign Missions	2,819.05

There was also over \$320 given to our North Carolina Woman's Auxiliary state project. The project consisted of purchasing a film projector and Moody Science Films for use in Brazil and helping purchase a walk-in freezer for the Bible College. Our new state project this year includes completing the purchase of the walk-in freezer for our Bible College and buying furniture for missionaries Clint Morgan and Ron Callaway.

We covet the prayers of all that we might be true to our purpose of promoting missions in the local church.

Respectfully Submitted,
Carolyn Riddick, President



	Membership	Members Added	Received by Baptism	Dismissed by Letter	Deceased (etc.)	Present Membership	Sunday School Enrollment	C.T.S. Enrollment	Woman's Auxiliary	Master's Men	Local Expenditures	Amount Paid Pastor	Miscellaneous
Ahoskie.....	145	3	5	3	3	148	160	45	10	0	\$ 72,734	\$ 8,230	\$ 64,504
Calvary.....	77	29	17	0	4	103	107	0	19	0	19,550	6,230	10,336
Cardinal Village...	104	4	4	0	0	119	120	0	14	0	13,148	6,149	5,999
Cedar Grove	131	16	8	1	1	150	117	0	18	12	9,351	8,050	9,351
Cove City	135	0	0	4	5	128	81	45	28	0	19,482	7,880	6,737
Davis.....	146	0	5	1	4	150	105	56	23	0	30,503	6,270	23,235
Emmanuel	89	21	33	0	29	105	105	0	0	0	5,169	5,731	5,169
Faith-Maysville ...	----	12	9	0	9	36	----	0	12	0	5,206	1,300	2,222
Faith-Washington .	----	0	4	0	1	----	38	0	8	0	----	----	----
First-Beaufort	429	15	10	5	17	470	228	----	28	0	----	8,840	----
First-Jacksonville .	----	0	0	2	0	186	----	----	----	0	39,157	8,380	25,031
First-Morehead ...	312	9	6	0	2	324	192	58	21	18	18,585	8,320	11,227
First-Washington .	387	8	27	0	9	402	397	50	72	30	38,435	7,348	6,719
Five Points.....	170	11	3	8	11	173	111	15	20	12	41,118	7,800	5,318
Friendship	92	22	4	3	16	79	----	0	11	0	29,336	5,720	10,349
Hope	----	----	----	----	----	----	(NO REPORT)					----	----
Mount Olive.....	159	2	0	0	0	150	96	30	36	6	11,405	7,900	3,505
Palmetta Chapel ..	45	4	0	0	0	36	39	7	12	0	5,500	4,200	100
Peace Chapel	92	4	15	0	4	107	168	34	23	0	36,314	7,800	18,504
Pleasant Acres ...	307	24	14	3	0	321	213	68	15	0	35,930	7,228	21,792
Richlands	107	1	11	12	0	85	74	13	25	0	6,109	4,804	872
Ruth's Chapel	207	7	1	0	5	209	264	89	22	0	109,797	9,790	87,829
Sandy Acres	177	5	3	0	9	174	113	----	----	0	37,236	7,818	6,459
Sherwood Forest..	261	4	5	6	9	261	118	45	22	8	31,736	10,335	9,595
Stacy	211	0	9	0	2	214	78	52	35	0	18,508	8,840	1,086
Union Chapel.....	543	15	10	2	12	584	----	61	----	0	36,100	7,600	21,100
West Craven	24	0	0	0	2	19	10	0	6	0	8,998	3,110	2,450

	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Education	Super- annuation	Cooperative Plan	Association Work	Value of Church Property
Ahoskie	\$ 256	\$ 231	\$ 336	\$ 420	\$ 300	\$ 381	\$200,000
Calvary	229	0	0	0	79	251	75,000
Cardinal Village	713	99	0	0	0	150	----
Cedar Grove	850	150	570	0	0	450	65,000
Cove City	1,420	1,545	404	44	0	0	78,000
Davis	2,762	2,500	2,700	0	0	375	160,000
Emmanuel	544	465	0	0	0	0	50,000
Faith-Maysville	128	103	0	0	0	173	30,000
Faith-Washington	151	0	0	0	0	0	75,000
First-Beaufort	8,000	2,000	2,500	0	0	0	750,000
First-Jacksonville	2,888	40	0	0	0	0	----
First-Morehead	6,270	630	975	615	0	625	173,500
First-Washington	2,026	914	1,683	9	0	1,250	198,000
Five Points	2,003	450	400	0	0	0	175,000
Friendship	100	38	0	0	0	0	100,000
Hope	----- (NO REPORT) -----						
Mount Olive	366	50	60	0	0	0	----
Palmetta Chapel	100	50	50	0	0	0	----
Peace Chapel	180	180	180	0	0	270	112,000
Pleasant Acres	1,478	502	644	25	0	450	122,500
Richlands	1,587	441	0	0	0	0	60,000
Ruth's Chapel	3,574	949	1,113	0	0	757	200,000
Sandy Acres	1,008	938	0	0	0	165	107,000
Sherwood Forest	1,884	924	489	0	0	1,550	288,000
Stacy	1,907	842	765	0	0	806	75,000
Union Chapel	1,080	600	250	760	0	210	75,000
West Craven	58	77	40	0	0	77	15,000

The Quarterly Meeting of the Coastal Association of Free Will Baptists met at the First Free Will Baptist Church of Washington, N. C., July 24, 1976. The session opened with the congregation singing, "He Keeps Me Singing". Leon Page led in prayer.

Morning devotion was given by Johnny Daw from Phil. 4:11.

Welcome by host pastor Ron Ivey.

Session was called to order with the reading of the By-Laws and Minutes. MSC to receive these. A roll call of churches and ministers was made. The Moderator's remarks were given from II Tim. 2:1-4. The moderator was given the power to appoint the following committees:

<u>DIGEST</u>	<u>FINANCE</u>	<u>RESOLUTIONS</u>
Albert Rollins	Larry Gill	William Sealy
Mike Cowell	Bob Burke	Larry Combs
John Goss	Lee Griffin	Aaron Waters

Bro. Jerry McClary was appointed as a proxy to serve on the Examining Committee.

The Morning Worship service opened with the congregation singing, "When We All Get to Heaven". Bro. Eddie Riddick led in prayer. An offering was received. Special music: "Ten Thousand Years" - Vicki Russell. The message was delivered by Bro. Washington Miles from Matt. 23:37-39 on "Compassion". Bro. James Dixon dismissed the morning service in prayer.

The afternoon session opened with the congregation singing, "To God be The Glory". Bro. Larry Combs led in prayer. Special music: "Haven Of Rest" by Mrs. Bertie Swain Phelps. Devotion was given by Bro. James Dixon from Matt. 14:15-21.

Miss Molly Barker, missionary to Uruguay, was recognized.

Committee reports were given. (The totals are incorporated into the annual reports).

Youth Relations Board report was given and accepted as information.

Treasurers report was given and MSC to receive it.

MISSION BOARD REPORT:

The first part of the report was given as information. The second part of the report involved the Coastal giving financial support to the mission at Swansboro, N. C. After considerable discussion the body voted to assist the mission financially.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. Whereas there is a general decline in the moral standards of our communities, state and nation, be it resolved that our pastors and church leaders strongly encourage Christians to vote in political elections and get personally involved in politics.
2. Whereas the First Free Will Baptist Church of Washington has hosted this session of the Quarterly Meeting of the Coastal Association of Free Will Baptists, be it resolved that we extend a rising vote of appreciation for their hospitality and the use of their facilities.

MSC to adopt the report item by item.

EXAMINING COMMITTEE REPORT:

Bro. Fred Hall, Bro. Donnie Miles and Bro. Eddie Turnage was recommended to be added to the roll of ordained ministers pending letters from previous conference membership. It was recommended that Bro. Tim Thompson and Bro. Delmus Walker be added to the roll of licensed ministers. MSC to receive the report.

MSC to adjourn. Bro. Delmus Walker dismissed in prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Eddie Riddick, Moderator.
Larry Stevens, Clerk



October 23, 1976

The Quarterly Meeting of the Coastal Association of Free Will Baptists met at the Five Points F. W. B. Church, Pinetown, N. C., October 23, 1976. The session opened with Bro. Fred Hall leading the congregation in the song, "Since Jesus Came In". Bro. Bill Reagan led in prayer.

Morning devotion was given by Rev. Delmus Walker from Mt. 5:41 and Mt. 26:39.

Welcome by host pastor Rev. Bob Burke.

Session was called to order with the reading of the By-Laws and Minutes. MSC to receive them. A roll call of churches and ministers was made. Bro. Freeman Edwards gave the Treasurer's Report. MSC to receive it. The moderator was given power to appoint the following committees:

DIGEST

Delmus Walker
Leroy Banks
Lily Kirkman

FINANCE

Albert Rollins
H. Swain
Patricia Gurganus

RESOLUTIONS

Fred Hall
P. E. Hamm
Rudolph Outlaw

Bro. Sigbee Dilda was appointed to serve as a proxy on the Examining Board.

Bro. Ronald Creech, State Promotional man and State Evangelist was recognized. Made available various information material for Church planning. Bro. Creech also made available large variety of messages on cassette tapes including the Bible on tape. Churches in the Coastal were asked to help with the finances of the Witness. All churches were encouraged to get involved in our state work.

MSC to enter the Worship Service.

The Morning Worship Service opened with the congregation singing, "Count Your Many Blessings". Bro. Eddie Riddick led in prayer. An offering was received. Special music: "The Love of God" was sung by Bro. Albert Rollins. The message was delivered by Rev. A. C. Morgan from Psalm 33:1-12. Bro. Larry Gill dismissed in prayer.

Committee reports were given. (The totals are incorporated into the annual reports).

YOUTH BOARD REPORT:

We, the Youth Board of the Coastal Association would like to express our thanks to all of you; Parents, Pastors, or Personnel, who helped make our youth camp this year a success. Because of the space available we were able to accomodate 43 Junior Boys instead of just 30.

In our Youth Camp this past year we had a total of 80 Juniors and 71 Teens. We ran a total of 151 campers for the one week of camp. The teaching, preaching and co-operation of those who helped with camp was excellent.

There needs to be a decision made in the next few weeks as to camp space for the coming year.

COASTAL COMPETITION:

The Quarterly competition of our youth will take place Saturday, November 6th, Cove City F.W.B. Church. The time will be 10:00 A.M. and we hope that your church people can be there and be represented by the youth of your church.

MSC to receive this report.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT:

Be it resolved that the Coastal Association go on record to the Executive Committee of the National Association of Free Will Baptists as approving the following dress and morals code for the participants in the National Youth Conference which convenes in connection with the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

All male participants shall have their hair trimmed so as to be off the ears, off the eyebrows and off the collar. All female participants shall wear dresses to the knee in length. No low neck or halter type blouses.

Spiritual grounds for this resolution are: Deuteronomy 22:5; I Corinthians 11:14-15; I Timothy 2:9 and Isaiah 47:3.

Be it further resolved that a male chaperone accompany each ten boys or part thereof and a female chaperone accompany each ten girls or part thereof. Members of the opposite sex, not married, shall not be in motel or hotel rooms together or on the street more than one hour after the close of any day's activities without adult chaperone.

2. Whereas the current charismatic movement is constantly appealing to more and more of the members of our churches, and whereas their infringement is directly in conflict with the practice and teachings of the F.W.B. Treatise, therefore be it resolved that the Coastal Association go on record as being opposed to the Charismatic movement, and especially their doctrine concerning tongues, and appeal to our pastors to properly inform their people concerning our Biblical position.
3. Whereas the Witness has served our state well in informing our people and promoting the cause of Christ, and whereas the Witness is currently celebrating their 14th anniversary, therefore be it resolved that the pastors of our Association be encouraged to ask our churches to receive a special offering for the expenses of printing this paper and that personal commendation be communicated to its editor.
4. Whereas the congregation of the Five Points Church graciously and abundantly hosted this session of the Coastal Association, and whereas their hospitality has been an expression of Christian love, therefore be it resolved that the Association extend to them a rising vote of thanks and commendation for their kindness.

MSC to receive report item by item.

Mission Board report was given and received as information.

EXAMINING COMMITTEE REPORT:

1. Recommend that Rev. Delmus Walker be added to our list of ordained Ministers, as petitioned by the Davis F.W.B. Church.
2. Having received a letter of recommendation from the Cumberland Association of Free Will Baptists in Tennessee, we move that pending a petitionary letter from the Immanuel F.W.B. Church of Jacksonville and on completion of Examining Questionnaire, Rev. Odell Harris be added to list of ordained ministers.
3. Recommend that the By-Laws be changed to read as follows:
 - A. Page 5, By-Law 18, These words added: after comma following Remarried, delete "and" and add "or married to a divorcee".
 - B. After communism add "Tongues Speaking" as a part of the practice of the Christian life and evidence of the Holy Spirit's presence and approval.

MSC to receive report item by item.

MSC to adjourn. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. William Sealy.

Respectfully Submitted,
Eddie Riddick, Moderator
Larry Stevens, Clerk

January 22, 1977

The Quarterly Meeting of the Coastal Association of Free Will Baptists met at Friendship F.W.B. Church, Wilmington, N. C. on January 22, 1977. The session opened with Bro. Lee Zegelen leading the congregation in the hymn, "What Can Wash Away My Sin". Bro. Larry Combes led in prayer.

Morning devotion was given by Bro. Robert Crawford from I Jn. 4:13-21. Bro. Billy Jackson led in prayer.

Welcome by host pastor Bro. Larry Gill.

Session called to order with the reading of the By-Laws and Minutes. MSC to receive them. Roll call of churches and ministers was made.

Bro. Freeman Edwards gave the treasurer's report.

Moderator's remarks made from Mt. 7:21 and then he led the assembly in prayer.

Moderator given the power to appoint committees:

<u>DIGEST</u>	<u>FINANCE</u>	<u>RESOLUTIONS</u>
Ron Ivey	Freeman Edwards	Jerry Rackley
J. T. Lewis	Edgar Mason	John Goss
L. E. Banks	J. D. Brickhouse	Albert Rollins

Bro. Fred Hall appointed as proxy to serve on the Examining Committee. Bro. Ronald Creech, state promotional man, reported on Statewide work.

Morning Worship service opened with the congregation singing, "At Calvary". Offering was received. Bro. Lee Zegelen brought special music, "Without Him I Could Do Nothing". Bro. Fred Hall preached the message from I Cor. 10:12-15.

Dismissed in prayer for lunch.

The afternoon session opened with congregation singing, "To God Be the Glory" led by Bro. Lee Zegelen. Led in prayer by Bro. John Goss. Afternoon devotion given by Bro. Freeman Edwards from II Cor. 1:1-10.

DIGEST COMMITTEE REPORT:

(The totals are incorporated into the annual reports).

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE:

Whereas Mrs. Madalyn O'Hare has been successful in removing Bible reading and prayer from the school and openly opposing God and the Bible, now she is appealing to the FCC to remove all religious programs from Radio and TV.

Be it resolved we recommend to our people that they write to the FCC opposing her proposal. (This resolution was not adopted because of the body being made aware that there was not any cause for action).

Be it resolved we give the host church a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality and food for this meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jerry Rackley
John Goss
Albert Rollins

YOUTH BOARD REPORT:

We the Youth Board submit the following report:

Guidelines for youth competition on the district level is as follows: "All male participants and sponsors shall have their hair trimmed so as to be off the ears, off the eyebrows and off the collar. All female participants and sponsors shall wear dresses to the knee in length. No low neck or see-through blouses".

Final District competition will be April 30, 1977. This includes in addition to competitive activities, all music and arts entries.

Youth camp is still in the planning stages and is tentatively set for August 1-6, 1977, at Spencewood.

MSC to receive report.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sigbee Dilda
William Sealy
Washington Miles

EXAMINING BOARD:

1. Recommend that Cedar Grove Church be received into full membership of the Coastal Association.
2. That upon licensing by the Cedar Grove Church, we recommend Edwin Miles be added to our list of ordained ministers.
3. That Rudolph Outlaw, having been ordained by First Free Will Baptist Church of Jacksonville, be added to our list of ordained ministers.

MSC to receive this report item by item.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bill Reagan
A. C. Morgan
Fred Hall

Bro. Robert Crawford, representative from FWBBC, shared with us concerning his new ministry at the college. He also shared with us concerning the work at FWBBC. Gave encouraging report concerning the school. Made literature available. Asked that we continue praying for the school and continue to support the work.

Valentine Banquet: South - February 11 at Morehead Church
North - February 11 at Sandy Acres Church

MSC that moderator appoint Nominating Committee for annual meeting:
B. Reagan
Fred Hall
A. C. Morgan

Annual meeting at Hope Free Will Baptist Church in Plymouth, N. C.

MSC to adjourn. Bro. Larry Gill dismissed in prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Eddie Riddick, Moderator
Larry Stevens, Clerk

