

Minutes  
of the  
Annual Sessions  
of the  
Coastal Association  
of  
Original Free Will Baptists

HELD WITH

CALVARY F.W.B. CHURCH, JACKSONVILLE, N.C.

APRIL 26, 1980 - (EIGHTEENTH)

EMMANUEL F.W.B. CHURCH, JACKSONVILLE, N.C.

APRIL 25, 1981 - (NINETEENTH)

FIRST F. W. B. CHURCH - JACKSONVILLE, N.C.

APRIL 24, 1982 - (TWENTIETH)

Also contains the minutes of the meeting held  
July and October, 1979: January, July and October  
1980: January, July and October, 1981 and  
January 1982



## OFFICERS 1980 - 81

|                     |                             |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| Moderator           | Dennis Wiggs, Beaufort      |
| Clerk               | Rudolph Outlaw, Swansboro   |
| Treasurer           | Billy Jackson, Jacksonville |
| Assistant Moderator | Jerry Rackley, New Bern     |
| Assistant Clerk     | Glen Thomas, Davis          |
| Assistant Treasurer | Harold Moore, Jacksonville  |

## BOARDS

### Examining Board

|               |        |
|---------------|--------|
| Bill Reagan   | (1981) |
| Bill Kellum   | (1982) |
| Buford Pierce | (1983) |

### Mission Board

|                 |        |
|-----------------|--------|
| Larry Liverette | (1981) |
| Rudolph Outlaw  | (1982) |
| Dean Dobbs      | (1983) |

### Youth Relations Board

|                 |        |
|-----------------|--------|
| Kee Ziglin      | (1981) |
| William Sealy   | (1982) |
| Larry Abernathy | (1983) |

## OFFICERS 1981 - 82

|                                 |                               |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Moderator                       | Dennis Wiggs, Beaufort        |
| Clerk                           | Bill Reagan, Morehead City    |
| Treasurer                       | Billy Jackson, Jacksonville   |
| Examining Board (84)            | Rudolph Outlaw, Swansboro     |
| Mission Board (84)              | Larry Liverette, Stacy        |
| Youth Board (Unexpired term 84) | Ricky Ham, Beaufort           |
|                                 | (1984) Lorenza Stox, New Bern |
| Executive Board (1985)          | Lacy Edwards, Jacksonville    |
| Assistant Moderator             | Jerry Rackley, New Bern       |
| Assistant Clerk                 | Larry Liverett, Stacy         |
| Assistant Treasurer             | Harold Moore, Jacksonville    |

## OFFICERS 1982-83

|                              |                               |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Moderator                    | Jerry Rackley, New Bern       |
| Asst. Moderator              | Bruce Barnes, Davis           |
| Clerk                        | Bill Reagan, Morehead City    |
| Asst. Treasurer              | Harold Moore, Jacksonville    |
| Treasurer                    | Billy Jackson, Jacksonville   |
| Asst. Clerk                  | Larry Liverett, Stacy         |
| Examining Board (85)         | Dennis Wiggs, Beaufort        |
| Youth Board: Gene Dodge (83) | Lee Ziglin (85)               |
| Mission Board                | Wingate Hansley, Sneeds Ferry |

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

1982

Barnes, Bruce.....Davis  
Conners, Ray.....Wilmington, Friendship  
Craft, Don.....Sandy Acres, Columbia  
Dobbs, Dean.....Pleasant Acres, New Bern  
Edwards, Freeman..Jacksonville  
Floyd, Johnny.....Jacksonville  
Ham, P. E.....Maysville  
Hansley, Wingate..Sneads Ferry  
Jackson, Billy....Cardinal Village, Jacksonville  
Kellum, Bill.....Faith, Maysville  
Liverett, Larry...Stacy  
Moore, Harold.....Emmanuel, Jacksonville  
Outlaw, Rudolph...First, Swansboro  
Padgett, Danny....First, Richlands  
Pierce, Buford....First, Jacksonville  
Purifoy, Lee.....New Bern  
Rackley, Jerry....Sherwood Forest, New Bern  
Reagan, Bill.....First, Morehead City  
Rehm, Bud.....Spring Hope, New Bern  
Runion, Dan.....Asst., First, Morehead City  
Sealey, William...New Bern  
Shields, James....Calvary, Jacksonville  
Stox, Lorenza.....Ruth's Chapel, New Bern  
Tart, Mike.....Cove City  
Wiggs, Dennis.....First, Beaufort

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS  
AS AMENDED THROUGH APRIL 1982

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 and a treasurer and who 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 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. The Officers of the Association

namely Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk and 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 Sat-

urday of April beginning at 9:30 a.m. at which time the association shall act upon questions and topics as may be referred to 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. Duties and job descriptions of the Boards of the Coastal Association:

- A. THE MISSIONS BOARD - It shall be the responsibility of the Missions Board of this association to promote the cause of Home and Foreign Missions among the churches of the association through information provided them at the associational meetings, references from the mission boards of the National Association, inquiries from various churches, and actively promoting the actual ministry of various missionaries by scheduling services for them in the churches when requesting them to do so. In addition, the mission board shall maintain an up to date listing of all missionaries, both Home and Foreign, with their addresses and current needs so as to be of use to the churches as a source of information.
- B. THE EXAMING BOARD - It shall inquire as to the qualifications of ministers, approving or disapproving them for recommendation accordingly. They shall be the investigating committee for new

churches wishing to unite with this association, and upon satisfactory recommendation, the churches shall be recommended to the association. They shall examine the credentials of ministers transferring into this association and shall make recommendation to the association as to their reception.

- C. THE CHURCH TRAINING AND YOUTH RELATIONS BOARD - It shall promote the training program for the youth among the churches of this association; shall be responsible for conducting team and individual competitions for the various youth competitive programs offered by the National CTS Department; and shall be responsible for conducting youth camp sessions on behalf of the youth of this association, the time and frequency to be determined by the Board. They shall encourage area youth rallies.
- D. THE EXECUTIVE BOARD - It shall transact all the business of the association when this body is not in session. 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 session.
- E. The general responsibility of all boards of this association shall be to promote the good of the cause of Christ among the churches of the association and seek to help the churches to become more effective in the work of the Gospel.

IX. 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 rise 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 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 watch-care 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.

APRIL 26, 1980

The eighteenth annual session of the Coastal Association of Free Will Baptist of North Carolina met on April 26, 1980 at 9:30 a.m. with the Calvary Church in Jacksonville, N. C.

The session began with congregational singing led by Bro. Hershel Allen. Rev. Dennis Wiggs led in prayer. The moderator, Rev. Sigbee Dilda, introduced Rev. James Shields, the host pastor, who gave a warm welcome to the conference.

In the absence of Rev. Buford Pierce, Chaplain Walt Golden was introduced by the moderator for the morning devotions. He spoke from II Timothy 3:1-5, on the topic "Religion without power."

The session was called to order by the Clerk by reading the By-Laws. The minutes of the last session was read and approved by the body. The role-call was made of churches, ordained and licenses ministers. A motion was made and seconded to drop the names of Rev. Harvey Luke and Rev. Phillip Jones from the role of ordained ministers of the Coastal Association. The motion was passed.

The moderator recognized all standing delegates then seated the elected delegates and charged them with the business of the day. Then the moderator recognized the visiting delegates and welcomed them to our conference, after which he called for petitionary letters.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to empower the chair to appoint the Digest, Finance and Resolutions Committees for today. The following were appointed:

| <u>DIGEST</u>        | <u>FINANCE</u>  | <u>RESOLUTIONS</u> |
|----------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Rudolph Outlaw, Chm. | Don Craft, Chm. | Harold Moore       |
| Braxton Mason        | Billie Jackson  | Dean Dobbs         |
| Larry Abernathy      | Robert Bail     | Herbert Thompson   |

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Rev. Freeman Edwards was recognized to give the Treasurer's report. Motion was made, seconded and passed to adopt the report as read. The moderator called attention to an article in the News and Observer paper stating their objection to Christians getting involved in politics. The moderator urged all Christians to get registered and vote in the elections.

The moderator recognized Rev. Guy Owens, Minister-At-Large, who gave a report of his work through the state, and urging each church of the need for sending their \$25.00 registration fee to the State Association. A motion was made, seconded and passed to receive the report as information.

The Worship Service began with congregational singing, "Won't It Be Wonderful There" led by Bro. Hershel Allen. Prayer was offered by Rev. Rudolph Outlaw. The offering was received and special music. The moderator introduced Rev. Guy Owens, who brought the morning message from Deuteronomy 6:12, I Cor. 10:1-10 on the subject "Remember, Not To Forget."

Moderator called for host pastor to give instruction concerning the morning meal after which Rev. Freeman Edwards dismissed the session in prayer until after the noon meal. A special request for prayer was given for Rev. Johnny Floyd, Sr., who is suffering from cancer.

The afternoon session was opened with congregation singing led by Bro. Hershel Allen. The song was entitled "When I See The Blood." Rev. Don Craft led in prayer. The moderator introduced Rev. Mike Tart, pastor at Cove City, who brought the devotions from Heb. 12:12-13, "The Hebrew Christians."

Rev. Don Craft gave the finance report as

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follows: Total offering from the churches, \$185.00, today's offering \$44.00 for a total of \$229.00 to be disbursed as follows: Mission Board \$75.00; Youth Board \$45.00; Minister-At-Large \$45.00; Witness \$45.00; leaving \$19.00. Motion was made, seconded and passed to adopt report as read.

Rev. Harold Moore gave the report of the Resolutions Committee as follows:

1. Be it resolved that each member of the Coastal Association register and vote in the primaries and November election.
2. Be it resolved that each church member of the Coastal Association consider the candidate's in the light of the Bible and vote according to Biblical standards and principles.
3. Be it resolved that the Coastal Association offer special prayer in connection with the hostage situation in Iran.
4. Be it resolved that we give the host church a rising vote of thanks for their fine hospitality during this meeting.

Motion was made, seconded and passed to receive the report and adopt it item by item. All items were passed. Rev. Buford Pierce led the conference in prayer for the hostages in Iran.

The Digest report was given by Rev. Rudolph Outlaw as follows: Churches reporting 17; number baptised 146; number added by letter or by statement of faith 60; members lost 190; total present membership 2,481; Sunday School enrollment 2,291; C.T.S. enrollment 459; Ladies' Auxiliary 317; Master's Men 33.

Rev. William Sealy gave the report of the Youth Relations Board as follows: District youth eliminations will be next Saturday at Beaufort at 10:00 a.m.; first and second place winners of the



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previous eliminations of this association year in Bible Bowl and Tic-Tac-Toe are eligible to compete. Sword Drill Swordsmen are eligible to compete. All those who have competed already in Bible Memory are eligible. This is also the time for all Music and Arts festival contestants to compete.

The Coastal Association youth camp will be August 4-9 at Spencewood Camp, information and reservations will be forthcoming. Please be much in prayer for our youth and for the Youth Relations Board as the new board tries to revive the youth work in our Association. Also encourage your youth to get involved in the activities. Motion was made and seconded and passed to receive the report.

Rev. Dennis Wiggs gave the report of the Examining Board as follows: having met with Rev. James Shields, we recommend that he be added to our list of ordained ministers, pending a letter from the Southeastern Association of Alabama. Motion was made, seconded and passed to receive the report. Then the moderator gave the right hand of fellowship to Rev. Shields and welcomed him to our Association.

Rev. Billie Jackson made a motion that the next session (in July) be moved to August 2 due to the National Association and the problem of travel. Seconded and passed.

Motion was made, seconded and passed that the moderator be given the power to appoint our delegates from those attending the State Association.

The Nominating Committee gave it's report, the following names were placed in nomination for the various offices.

Moderator.....Dennis Wiggs  
Clerk.....Rudolph Outlaw

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Treasurer.....Billie Jackson  
Assistant Moderator..Jerry Rackley  
Assistant Clerk.....Glenn Thomas  
Assistant Treasurer..Harold Moore  
Examining Board.....Buford Pierce (1983)  
Mission Board.....Larry Liverett (1981)  
Dean Dobbs (1983)  
Youth Relations Board...  
William Sealy (1982)  
Larry Abernathy (1983)  
Lee Ziglin (1981)  
Executive Board Member...Gil Fann

The floor was opened for further nominations, those selected by the committee were elected by acclamation.

Rev. Dennis Wiggs made a motion that the conference give a rising vote of appreciation to Rev. Sigbee Dilda for his untiring and faithful labour with us as moderator. The motion was seconded and passed.

The moderator asked for any unfinished business, there being none a motion was made to adjourn until the next meeting which will be with the Cardinal Village Church in Jacksonville on Aug. 2, 1980.

Rev. Sigbee Dilda - Moderator

ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT  
April 28, 1979 - April 26, 1980

General Fund:

|                                |                   |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| Balance brought forward        | \$ 152.28         |
| Receipts - Letters - Offerings | <u>1,240.40</u>   |
| To account for                 | <u>\$1,392.68</u> |

Expenditures:

|                                |                         |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Missions-Fulcher               | \$ 50.00                |
| Inscoc                         | 25.00                   |
| State                          | 100.00                  |
| Home                           | 32.01                   |
| Promotional Department         | 150.00                  |
| Witness Paper                  | 25.00                   |
| National Convention            | 60.00                   |
| Bible Literature International | 50.00                   |
| State Youth Board              | 50.00                   |
| Clerk-Supplies-Stamps          | 109.06                  |
| State Dues                     | 30.00                   |
| Lois Godley                    | 50.00                   |
| Mrs. John Craft                | 25.00                   |
| Home for Aged                  | 25.00                   |
| Randall Book Store             | 3.06                    |
| Hardison Printing(Minutes)     | 259.48                  |
| Transferred to Youth Fund      | <u>233.77</u>           |
| Total Expenditures             | 1,277.38                |
| Balance on Hand                | <u><u>\$ 115.30</u></u> |

Youth Fund:

|                         |                        |
|-------------------------|------------------------|
| Balance brought forward | \$ 174.08              |
| Receipts:               |                        |
| Campers Fees            | \$4,043.00             |
| Youth Rally             | 44.15                  |
| Competition Fees        | 95.00                  |
| From General Fund       | <u>233.77</u>          |
| Total Receipts          | 4,415.92               |
| To account for          | <u><u>4,590.00</u></u> |

## ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT (Cont.)

### Youth Fund:

#### Expenditures:

|                            |              |                 |
|----------------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| Spencewood Camp            | \$4,140.00   |                 |
| Youth Competition Supplies | 82.72        |                 |
| State Competition          | 75.00        |                 |
| Randall Book Store         | 127.28       |                 |
| Camp Supplies              | <u>65.00</u> |                 |
| Total Expenditures         |              | <u>4,490.00</u> |

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|-----------------|--|------------------|
| Balance On Hand |  | <u>\$ 100.00</u> |
|-----------------|--|------------------|

### JULY 28, 1979

The Quarterly meeting of the Coastal Association of Free Will Baptists met on July 28, 1979 with the Stacy Free Will Baptist Church of Stacy, N. C. This session began with Brother Sigbee Dilda, pastor of Ruth's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church, New Bern, N. C. presiding.

The song director led the congregation in singing, "Standing On The Promises" with Brother Rudolph Outlaw leading in the opening prayer.

Pastor Harold Moore of Emmanuel Free Will Baptist Church, Jacksonville, N. C. brought the morning devotional using Ecclesiastes 10:10 on "Sharpening Your Edge".

Pastor Tom Rolen of the host church extended a warm welcome to those attending the session.

The clerk called the session to order with the reading of the conference by-laws. The minutes of the last session were read. MSC to accept as read. The clerk then called the roll call of

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churches, ordained ministers, and licensed ministers. Several excuses were heard and accepted from pastors not present.

The church delegates present were seated by a vote of the standing delegates.

Pastor Wayne Lee of the Hope Free Will Baptist Church, Plymouth, N. C., was recognized as a visitor.

MSC to give the moderator power to appoint the Digest, Finance, and Resolutions Committees as well as a proxy for the Examining Board in the place of Brother Dennis Wiggs, who was sick.

Digest                      Finance                      Resolutions

|                   |                       |                     |
|-------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| James Avery, Chm. | Freeman Edwards, Chm. | Edwin Hill,<br>Chm. |
| Lloyd Dennis      | Terry Banks           | Phillip Long        |
| Leon Page         | J. D. Grezslor        | P. E. Hamm          |

Proxy for the Examining Board - Bro. Washington Miles.

Brother Freeman Edwards gave the treasurer's report. MSC to adopt as read.

Brother Rudolph Outlaw, of the State Free Will Baptist Missions Board, gave a report on the work of the Board. MSC to receive as information.

The session recessed briefly before the morning service.

The eleven o'clock service opened with the congregation singing, "I Will Sing The Wondrouw Story". Brother Rudolph Outlaw, of Swansboro, N. C. led in prayer. An offering was received. Special music was offered by the host church.

Pastor Cecil Boswell of the Emmanuel Free Will Baptist Church, Washington, N. C., brought the

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morning message using Daniel 9:24-27 on "The Rapture of the Church".

Following the announcement concerning lunch by Brother Tom Rolen, pastor of the host church, Brother Freeman Edwards led the prayer of benediction and thanksgiving on the food.

The afternoon session began following a delicious meal with the congregation singing, "There Shall Be Showers of Blessings". The host church furnished special music. Pastor Sigbee Dilda used Matthew 1:21 and Philippians 2:9 to bring a devotional on "What Does the Name of Jesus Mean to You?" The points were made that the name "Jesus is a pre-determined name, a precious name, a powerful name, and a praised name.

Brother James Avery was recognized with a report of the Digest Committee. The report revealed the following: 23 churches reported today, number of members received were 73, lost by death 7, lost by transfer 25, total membership 3,191, enrolled in Sunday School 2,909, enrolled in CTS 505, enrolled in Woman's Auxiliary 397, enrolled in Masters Men 28, Mid-week prayer service 983, MSC to adopt as read.

Brother J. D. Grezslo was recognized with a report of the Finance Committee as follows: Balance on hand - \$39.22; offering today --\$90.74; Associational dues - \$206.00; for a total of \$335.96. Disbursed as follows: Associational minutes \$250; postage \$30; Balance \$55. MSC to adopt as recommended.

Brother Phillip Long was recognized with a report of the Resolutions Committee.

1. In view of the changing times in which we live, and in keeping with the morning message, be it

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resolved, that we encourage Christians to remain steadfast in the faith and in serving the Lord Jesus Christ.

2. Be it resolved that we give the host church a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality and the delicious meal.

MSC to accept report and vote item by item. Both items carried.

Brother William Sealy was recognized with a report of the Youth Relations Board. He reported that the Coastal Youth Camp would be August 6 - 11 at Spencewood Campgrounds for ages 8 and up. There is a registration fee of \$20 and a total fee of \$40 per camper. The Youth Rally would be at Sherwood Forest on August 4 at 7:30 p.m. Competition is set for September 1 at 10:00 a.m. at Ruth's Chapel. MSC to accept report as information.

Brother Bill Reagan was recognized with a report of the Examining Board. We recommend that:

1. Brother Harold Moore, having been ordained by Emmanuel FWB Church and called to be their pastor, be included on our list of ordained ministers pending a letter from the Palmer Association.
2. Brother James Carrington, having been licensed by the Emmanuel FWB Church, Washington, N. C., be included on our list of licensed ministers.
3. That Brother Duane Harvey, having assumed a pastorate in the Cumberland Association in Tennessee be granted a letter of recommendation from the Coastal Association.
4. That Brother Wayne Lee, called to be pastor of Hope FWB Church, in Plymouth be added to our list of ordained ministers pending a letter from the Randall Association.

MSC to receive and vote item by item. All items carried.

Brother Eddie Riddick was recognized with a re-

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port of the North Carolina Board of Retirement and Insurance. He reported on the newly formed FWB Benevolent Association.

Several announcements followed.

MSC to adjourn.

The session closed with prayer.

### OCTOBER 27, 1979

The quarterly meeting of the Coastal Association of Free Will Baptists met on October 27, 1979 with the Union Chapel FWB Church of Chocowinity, North Carolina. This session began with Brother Sigbee Dilda, pastor of the Ruth's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church, New Bern, N. C. presiding.

Brother Bill Reagan, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Morehead City led the congregation in singing "Standing On The Promises". Pastor Larry Abernathy, pastor of the Palmetto Chapel FWB Church brought the morning devotional using Luke 24:32 -- "Did Not Our Hearts Burn Within Us".

Pastor Washington Miles of the host church extended a warm welcome to all those attending the session.

The clerk called this session to order with the reading of the conference by-laws. The minutes of the last session were read and approved. The clerk, Eddie Riddick, then called the roll call of churches, ordained ministers, and licensed ministers.



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The church delegates present were seated by a vote of the standing delegates. Brother Guy Owens, minister-at-large, and Brother Dan Lancaster of the Grace Free Will Baptist Church, Greenville, N. C. were recognized as visitors.

The moderator called for all petitionary letters. MSC to give the moderator the power to appoint the Digest, Finance, and Resolutions Committees:

Digest

Finance

Resolutions

|                     |                 |                |
|---------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Herbert Winchester, | Terry Hardison, | Earl Sutton,   |
| Chm.                | Chm.            | Chm.           |
| Cecil Boswell       | J. T. Lewis     | Willie Evans   |
| John E. Floyd, Sr.  | Lee Purifoy     | Russell Spence |

Brother Freeman Edwards gave the treasurer's report. MSC to adopt as read. Several excuses were heard and accepted from the ministers present.

Treasurer's Report -- August - October 1979

General Fund:

|                             |           |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Brought Forward             | \$ 39.22  |
| Receipts (Dues & Offerings) | 286.74    |
| Late Dues                   | 45.00     |
| Total                       | \$ 331.74 |
| Balance on Hand             | \$ 272.19 |

Youth Fund:

|                            |            |
|----------------------------|------------|
| Brought Forward            | \$ 28.23   |
| Receipts (Camper Fees)     | 4,043.00   |
|                            | \$4,071.23 |
| Expenses (Spencewood Camp) | 4,140.00   |
| Balance (in red)           | \$ (68.77) |

Brother Guy Owens, minister-at-large, for the North Carolina Free Will Baptist Association, brought a report of his work.

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Brother Eddie Riddick, with the North Carolina Board of Retirement and Insurance gave a report of its work.

The morning service opened with Brother Bill Reagan leading the congregation in singing "My Saviour's Love". An offering was received. Special music was offered by the host church. Pastor Eddie Riddick of Sherwood Forest Free Will Baptist Church, New Bern, N. C. brought the morning message on "Harden Not Your Heart" using Eph. 2:8, 9 and Heb. 2:4.

Following the announcement concerning lunch by Brother Washington Miles, Brother Edwin Hill led the prayer of benediction and thanksgiving on the food.

The afternoon session began following a delicious meal with the congregation singing "There Is Power In The Blood". Brother Freeman Edwards led the congregation in prayer. Pastor Sigbee Dilda spoke on Daniel 3:14 pointing out some of the threats against America from government.

Brother Dan Lancaster brought us a word from the Gideon's International. MSC to receive this report for information.

Brother Herbert Winchester was recognized for the Digest report. MSC to adopt report.

DIGEST COMMITTEE Report

|                      |       |
|----------------------|-------|
| Churches Reporting   | 24    |
| New Members Received | 180   |
| Lost by Death        | 7     |
| Lost by Transfer     | 92    |
| Total Members        | 3,188 |
| S. S. Enrollment     | 2,800 |
| C.T.S Enrollment     | 556   |
| Women's Auxiliary    | 365   |

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|                        |          |
|------------------------|----------|
| Master's Men           | 18       |
| Wednesday Night        | 1,114    |
| Church Dues            | \$182.00 |
| Ordained Ministers     | 24       |
| No. Licensed Ministers | 3        |
| Visitors               | 2        |

Herbert Winchester  
Cecil Boswell  
Johnnie Floyd

Brother Terry Hardison was recognized for the Finance Report. MSC to adopt report.

#### Finance Report

|                   |                   |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| Received          | \$ 65.01 offering |
| Churches          | 182.00            |
|                   | <u>\$247.01</u>   |
| General Fund      | \$115.00          |
| Tom Godley Family | 50.00             |
| Minister-at-large | 25.00             |
| Home for Aged     | 25.00             |
| Home Missions     | 32.01             |
|                   | <u>\$247.01</u>   |

Respectfully submitted,  
Terry Hardison, Chairman  
Lee Purifoy  
J. T. Lewis

Brother Earl Sutton was recognized with a report of the Resolutions Committee.

#### Resolutions Committee Report

Since Brother Riddick will be moving to Georgia to assume a new work,

1. Be it resolved that we give him a rising vote of appreciation for his faithful service and support to the Coastal Association.
2. Be it resolved that we stand in memory of Brother Tommy Godley, one of God's servants called home to glory this month, and that we

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have a time of prayer for his family.

3. Be it resolved that our pastor's reaffirm and teach the FWB position in regard to the perseverance of the saints and that we speak out against the Calvinistic teaching of eternal security.
4. Be it resolved we give a rising vote of thanks to the host church for their gracious hospitality.

Willie Evans  
Russell Spence  
Earl Sutton, Chairman

MSC to adopt item by item. All items were adopted.

Brother Eddie Riddick was recognized with the report of the Youth Relations Board. MSC to adopt.

#### Youth Relations Report

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| Amount Paid Spencewood Christian Campground | \$4,140.00 |
| Amount Received from all sources            | 4,043.00   |
| Loss for encampment                         | 97.00      |
| Director's expenses                         | 65.00      |
| Net Loss for 1979 encampment                | \$ 162.00  |

We had a total occupancy (campers & staff) of 126 people. Of this number nine said they were saved and nineteen made decisions of rededication. Even though we show a financial loss, we still had a profitable encampment.

In Christ, William Sealy

The Youth camp fund showed a \$162 deficit. MSC to have the association assume this deficit out of its General Fund. Brother Bill Reagan was recognized with the report of the Examining Board.

MSC that Brother Larry Abernathy be received

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for membership into the Coastal Association pending a letter from the Western Piedmont Association.

MSC to elect a clerk to fill Brother Eddie Riddick's place since he will be moving to Albany, Georgia.

MSC to elect Brother Ed Hill as associational clerk.

MSC to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,  
Eddie Riddick

JANUARY 26, 1980

The Quarterly Meeting of the Coastal Association of Free Will Baptist met on January 26, 1980 at the Ahoskie Free Will Baptist Church of Ahoskie, North Carolina. This session began with Brother Sigbee Dilda, pastor of the Ruth's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church, New Bern, N. C. presiding.

Brother Gerald Jackson, layman in the Ahoskie Free Will Baptist Church, led the congregation in singing "My Saviour's Love", after which Brother Terry Hardison led in prayer. Devotions were given by Brother L. E. Liverett, pastor of the Stacy Free Will Baptist Church, using Matthew 5:8, on "Purity of the Heart".

Pastor Jerry Rackley, of the host church, extended a warm welcome to all attending the session. The clerk called this session to order with the

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reading of the conference by-laws, after which the minutes of the last session were read and approved. The clerk, Edwin L. Hill, then called the roll of churches, ordained ministers, and licensed ministers.

Brother Sigbee Dilda recognized the elected church delegates, and they were seated by a vote of the standing delegates. Brothers Danny Conway, Mike Tart, Redding Hill, Larry Liverett, Larry Abernathy, Larry Inscoe, and Dean Dobbs were recognized by the moderator as visitors.

The moderator called for all petitionary letters. MSC to give the moderator the power to appoint the Digest, Finance, and Resolutions Committees. They were appointed as follows:

| <u>Digest</u>            | <u>Finance</u>          | <u>Resolutions</u>  |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Rudolph Outlaw,<br>Chrm. | Billy Jackson,<br>Chrm. | Tom Lilly,<br>Chrm. |
| Braxton Mason            | Leroy Banks             | C. G. Murphy        |
| Renel Reynolds           | Alonzo T. Smith, Jr.    | Larry Abernathy     |

Brother Billy Jackson gave the Treasurer's report. MSC to adopt this report as read. (See report at end of minutes.)

Brother Rudolph Outlaw gave an oral report on State Missions for information.

Brother Guy Owens, Minister-At-Large, for the North Carolina Free Will Baptist Association, challenged the churches to adopt a plan of supporting "The Witness" and gave information concerning the John Craft Family Trust Fund, along with other needs of the work across the state.

The morning service was opened by Brother Gerald Jackson leading the congregation in singing the hymn, "Down At The Cross". Brother Larry

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Inscoe, missionary to Panama, led in prayer, after which the offering was received. Special music was rendered by a ladies trio from the host church. Brother Sigbee Dilda introduced the speaker, Pastor Earl Sutton, of the First Free Will Baptist Church, Washington, N. C., who brought the morning message on "Why You Are Not Filled With Joy", using John 15:11; 16:24; and 7:13.

Following the announcement concerning lunch by Brother Jerry Rackley, Brother William Sealy led the prayer of benediction and thanksgiving on the food.

The afternoon session began with the congregation singing "He Keeps Me Singing," led by Brother Gerald Jackson, after which special music was rendered by a Ladies Trio from the host church, Brother Dean Dobbs brought the afternoon devotions on Acts 4:12,13--"People Took Knowledge of Them".

Brother Rudolph Outlaw gave the Digest Committee Report. MSC to adopt the report.

Digest Committee Report

|                          |       |
|--------------------------|-------|
| Churches Reporting       | 27    |
| New Members Received     | 182   |
| Lost By Death            | 5     |
| Lost by Transfer         | 51    |
| Total Members            | 3,844 |
| Sunday School Enrollment | 3,186 |
| CTS Enrollment           | 590   |
| Woman's Auxiliary        | 423   |
| Master's Men             | 42    |
| Mid-week Service         | 1,221 |

Respectfully submitted,  
Rudolph Outlaw, Chrm.  
Braxton Mason  
Renel Reynolds

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Brother Billy Jackson was recognized for the Finance Committee Report. MSC to adopt the report and disburse the funds as recommended.

Finance Report

|                              |                 |
|------------------------------|-----------------|
| Dues from churches           | \$237.00        |
| Morning Offering             | 91.92           |
| Balance on hand              | <u>362.19</u>   |
| Total available              | \$691.11        |
| Disbursements:               |                 |
| John Craft Family Trust Fund | \$ 25.00        |
| Minister-at-large            | 25.00           |
| "The Witness"                | 25.00           |
| State Missions               | 100.00          |
| Youth Board                  | 100.00          |
| Missionary Inscoes           | <u>25.00</u>    |
| Total to be disbursed        | 300.00          |
| Balance available            | <u>\$391.11</u> |

Respectfully submitted,  
Billy Jackson, Chrm.  
Leroy Banks  
Alonzo T. Smith, Jr.

Brother Tom Lilly was recognized for the Resolutions Committee Report. MSC to adopt the report and act on the resolutions item by item. All items were adopted.

1. Be it resolved that we stand and have prayer for the family of, and in recognition of the late Rev. John S. Craft, who recently was killed in an auto accident.
2. Be it resolved that we give a standing vote of thanks and appreciation for the hospitality and accomodations of the host church.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tom Lilly, Chrm.  
C. G. Murphy  
Larry Abernathy



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Brother William Sealy was recognized for the report of the Youth Relations Board. MSC to adopt the report.

#### Youth Relations Report

The District competition will be next Saturday, Feb. 2, at West Craven Church at 10:00 a.m.

Youth Camp has been tentatively scheduled at Spencewood Christian Campgrounds for August 4-9, 1980. We need the support of every pastor and church in the Association to make this a successful undertaking.

Our encampment has operated as a financial liability for the past several years, therefore, we were trying to decide if we should try to have an encampment this year. However, the Association's Constitution stipulates that a part of our duty is to plan and conduct an encampment for our youth.

Since we have been commissioned by this body to plan and conduct the encampment, may we make a request of you: Please save us the embarrassment of having to make financial arrangements for the paying of our bills until we meet in October, by appropriating funds.

You can save us this embarrassment by:

1. Praying for us and our endeavors.
2. Encourage your young people to attend camp.
3. Cooperate by volunteering to work as a counselor during the encampment.

Respectfully submitted,  
William D. Sealy  
Terry Hardison, Chrm.

Brother Bill Reagan was recognized for the Examining Board Report. MSC to adopt the report and vote item by item. All items were adopted.

1. MSC that Brother Dean Dobbs be received for membership into the Coastal Association, pending

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- a letter from the Florida State Line Association.
2. MSC that each of the following be accepted in the Coastal Association, pending letters from the associations to which they currently belong:  
Brother Larry Liverett, examined by this Board and subsequently ordained Jan. 13, 1980; Brother Buford Pierce, pending a letter from the Salem Association in Florida; Brother Mike Tart, pending a letter from the First Districe of S. C.; and Brother Redding Hill, pending a letter from the Piedmont Association of N. C.
  3. MSC that Brother Leon Page, who has voluntarily surrendered his credentials as an ordained minister, be dropped from the roll of the ordained ministers of the Coastal Association, with the understanding that we condemn his immoral act, but pray God's guidance as he seeks to re-establish his life.
  4. MSC with no dissenting votes, that the following churches and ministers be granted a letter of dismissal with our blessings, as requested, pending the receipt of a formal request from the soon to be formed association:

Churches

Ahoskie  
Cedar Grove  
Emmanuel of Washington  
Faith of Washington  
First, Washington  
Five Points  
Mount Olive  
Peace Chapel  
Union Chapel  
Wrights Creek

Ministers

Cecil Boswell  
Danny Conway  
Charlie Dixon  
James Dixon  
Edwin Hill  
Tom Lilly  
Washington Miles  
Bill Mobley  
Albert Rollins  
Earl Sutton  
Herbert Winchester

Licensed Ministers

Jimmy Carrington

Respectfully submitted,  
Bill Reagan  
Dennis Wiggs  
Glenn Thomas

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MSC to accept the resignation of the Assistant Moderator, Brother Earl Sutton, and the Clerk, Brother Edwin Hill.

MSC to postpone the election of the vacated offices until the next meeting.

MSC that the Nominating Committee be appointed by the moderator. The moderator appointed the following: Terry Hardison, Harold Moore, and Glenn Thomas.

MSC to adjourn, after which Brother Glenn Thomas prayed the dismissal prayer.

Treasurer's Report (November 1979 - January 1980)

General Fund:

|                             |                  |
|-----------------------------|------------------|
| Brought Forward             | \$ 272.19        |
| Receipts (Dues & Offerings) | 247.01           |
| Late Dues                   | 60.00            |
|                             | <u>\$ 579.20</u> |

Expenditures:

|                                |                  |
|--------------------------------|------------------|
| Lois Godley                    | \$ 50.00         |
| Minister-at-large              | 25.00            |
| Home for Aged                  | 25.00            |
| Home Missions                  | 32.01            |
| Clerk, Stamps & Supplies       | <u>20.00</u>     |
| Total Expenditures             | <u>152.01</u>    |
| Balance on Hand                | \$ 427.19        |
| Less (Paid for Youth Supplies) | 65.00            |
| Actual Balance                 | <u>\$ 362.19</u> |

Youth Fund Report:

No receipts

Amount transferred from General Fund to Youth Fund to take care of deficit \$ 133.37

Expenditures: Rev. Sealy - Youth Supplies 65.00

On Hand None

Respectfully submitted,  
Edwin L. Hill, Clerk

APRIL 25, 1981

The nineteenth annual session of the Coastal Association of Free Will Baptists met on April 25, 1981 at the Emmanuel FWB Church in Jacksonville, N. E. Pastor Dennis Wiggs presided as moderator.

The meeting began with a congregational hymn, "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" led by Mike Williams, of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Swansboro. Brother Gil Fann then led in prayer.

Rev. Danny Padgett gave our morning devotion from Romans Chapter 12. The moderator recognized Brother Harold Moore of the host church, Brother Moore expressed a warm welcome to all.

The meeting was then called to order and Brother Wiggs called on the clerk to read by laws, after which the minutes were read and approved. The clerk then called the roll of churches, ordained ministers and licensed ministers.

The moderator recognized the elected church delegates and they were seated by a vote of the standing delegates, after which all visitors were recognized. MSC to give the moderator power to appoint the various committees, they were appointed as follows:

Digest

Danny Padgett, Chrm.  
Bruce Barns  
Ricky Ham

Finance

Billy Jackson  
Larry Liverett  
Don Craft

Resolutions

Dean Dobbs  
P. E. Ham

Nominating Committee

Wingate Hansley  
Buford Pierce  
Lorenzo Stox

Bro. Billy Jackson gave the treasurer's report. MSC to accept this report.

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At this time the moderator called for petitionary and church letters to be given to the clerk. Bro. Wiggs read a letter from Bro. Dan Runion asking to be excused from this meeting since he was in Nashville, Tenn. at this time.

The morning worship service began with the congregational hymn "Are You Washed In The Blood", Bro. Billy Jackson led in prayer and another hymn was sung. At this time we heard several testimonies from the congregation. We then had a special in song from a group from the Emmanuel Church. The offering was received and we were blessed by the song "He'll Roll You Over The Tide".

Pastor Jerry Rackley introduced Bro. Bill Kellum, who gave our morning message taken from I Cor. 9:24.

After the message Bro. Harold Moore gave instructions for lunch and we were dismissed in prayer by Bro. Dean Dobbs.

The afternoon session began with the congregation singing "I Will Sing The Wondrous Story" and Bro. Freeman Edwards led in prayer. Mike and Debbie Williams blessed us with the song "Look For Me At Jesus Feet".

Bro. Jerry Rackley stood in as moderator for Bro. Wiggs, who has to be excused from the afternoon session. Bro. Rackley introduced Bro. Lorenzo Stox who gave our devotion from I Cor. 1.

For the first time in many meetings the Examining Committee had no business to attend to.

Bro. Danny Padgett gave the Digest report. MSC to adopt this report.

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|                             |          |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Number received             | 167      |
| Members lost by death       | 46       |
| Total present membership    | 2,735    |
| Sunday School               | 2,157    |
| C. T. S.                    | 481      |
| Woman's Auxiliary           | 292      |
| Master's Men                | 26       |
| Average attendance mid-week |          |
| service                     | 1,029    |
| Amount sent for fees        | \$310.00 |

Respectfully submitted,  
Danny Padgett  
Bruce Barns  
Ricky Ham

Bro. Dean Dobbs gave the report from the Resolution Committee. MSC to adopt this report.

Be it resolved that we give a rising vote of thanks to the host church for a job well done in hosting our Annual Associational Meeting.

Be it resolved that we give a rising vote of appreciation to the officers and board members who served our association this past year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dean Dobbs  
P. E. Ham

At this time Bro. Danny Padgett asked to be excused from the meeting.

Bro. Billy Jackson gave the financial report. MSC to accept this report.

|                    |                 |
|--------------------|-----------------|
| Church Dues        | \$325.00        |
| Morning Offering   | 88.71           |
| Special Youth Fund | 12.64           |
| Balance on Hand    | 55.00           |
|                    | <u>\$481.35</u> |

Respectfully submitted, Billy Jackson, Don Craft/  
Larry Lorenzo

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There was no old business to come before the meeting at this time.

Being there was no further business to come before the meeting we adjourned at 1:25 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Rudolph Outlaw

Treasurer's Report - Feb., March, April 1981

General Fund:

|                            |                 |
|----------------------------|-----------------|
| Balance brought forward    | \$137.02        |
| Deposit - Jan. 21, 1981    | 392.25          |
| Deposit - Feb. 13, 1981    | <u>25.00</u>    |
| Amount to account for      | \$554.27        |
| Expenditures:              |                 |
| Williamston Mission        | \$100.00        |
| Transferred to Youth Board | 120.00          |
| Bible College, FWB         | <u>209.27</u>   |
| Total Expense              | 429.27          |
| Balance                    | <u>\$125.00</u> |

Youth Fund:

|                               |                  |
|-------------------------------|------------------|
| Balance brought forward       | \$ -0-           |
| Transferred from General Fund | 120.00           |
| Amount in account             | <u>\$120.00</u>  |
| Youth Expense:                |                  |
| Deposit on youth camp         | <u>\$190.00</u>  |
| Total Expense                 | 190.00           |
| Balance in youth fund         | <u>\$(70.00)</u> |

In Bank April 20, 1981                      \$ 55.00

Respectfully submitted,  
Billy Jackson

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Bro. Rudolph Outlaw reported from the Mission Board for information, stating that the Hickory Mission is presently using the mobile unit averaging 20 in attendance. Money is needed for the Hickory Land Program.

Bro. William Sealey reported from the Youth Relations Board.

District Youth Day will be Sat., May 2, 1981

with Pleasant Acres Church, New Bern at 9:30 AM  
Eligible contestants for competition are:

1. Bible Bowl Teams which have placed first or second in three previous meetings.
2. Bible Tic Tac Toe Teams which placed first or second in three previous meetings.
3. Bible Sword Drill winners in previous three meetings.
4. Bible memorization contestants who have competed in previous three meetings.
5. All music and arts contestants.

The finance committee advised that we endeavor to secure Eagle's Nest as our 1981 camp site.

Respectfully submitted,  
William D. Sealey

Bro. Lorenzo Stox reported from the Nominating Committee:

|                         |                               |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Moderator.....          | Dennis Wiggs                  |
| Clerk.....              | Bill Reagan                   |
| Treasurer.....          | Billy Jackson                 |
| Examining Board.....    | Rudolph Outlaw (84)           |
| Mission Board.....      | Larry Liverett (84)           |
| Youth Board.....        | Ricky Ham (83) unexpired term |
|                         | Lorenzo Stox (84)             |
| Executive Board Member. | Lacy Edwards (85)             |
| Asst. Moderator.....    | Jerry Rackley                 |
| Asst. Clerk.....        | Larry Liverett                |
| Asst. Treasurer.....    | Harold Moore                  |



AUGUST 2, 1980

The first quarterly meeting of the Coastal Association of Free Will Baptists met on August 2, 1980 at the Cardinal Village Free Will Baptist Church in Jacksonville, N. C. Pastor Dennis Wiggs presided as moderator.

The meeting began with Brother Mike Williams, choir director of the FWB Church in Swansboro leading the congregation in singing "Are You Washed In The Blood?", after which Bro. Bill Reagan led in prayer. Bro. Williams then led the congregation in another hymn, "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms".

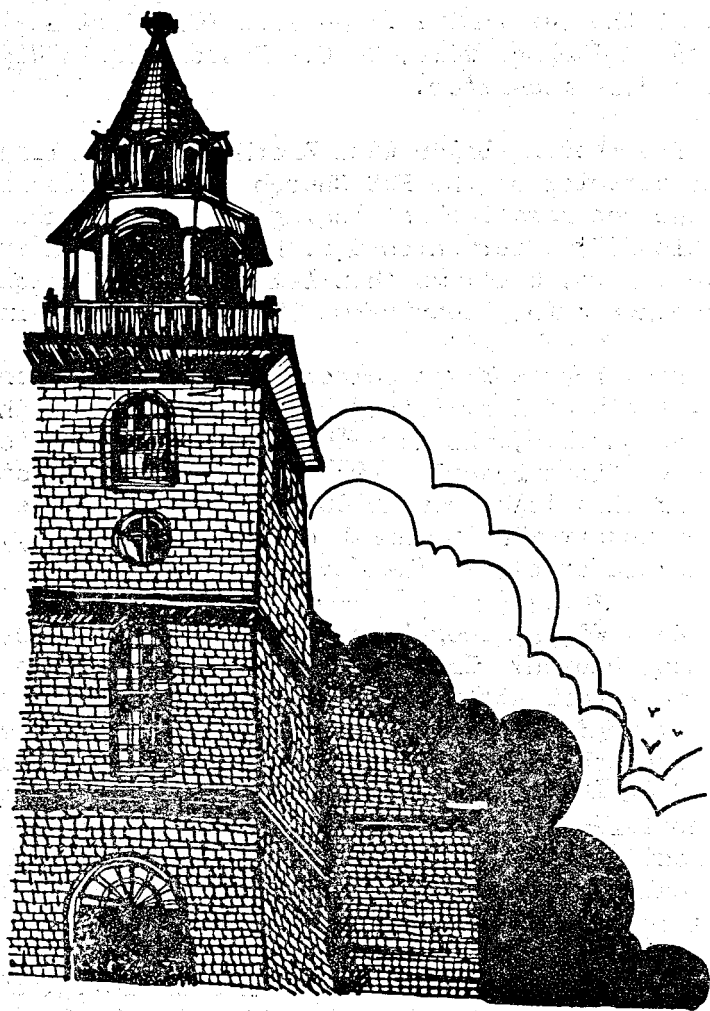
Bro. Dennis Wiggs welcomed the congregation and introduced Bro. Buford Pierce of the FFWB Church of Jacksonville, who gave the devotion from Acts 1:108 on "Lost Power". Bro. Pierce gave statistics stating that less than 10,000 of 120,000 people in Onslow County are in church on any given Sunday. The moderator closed the devotion with prayer.

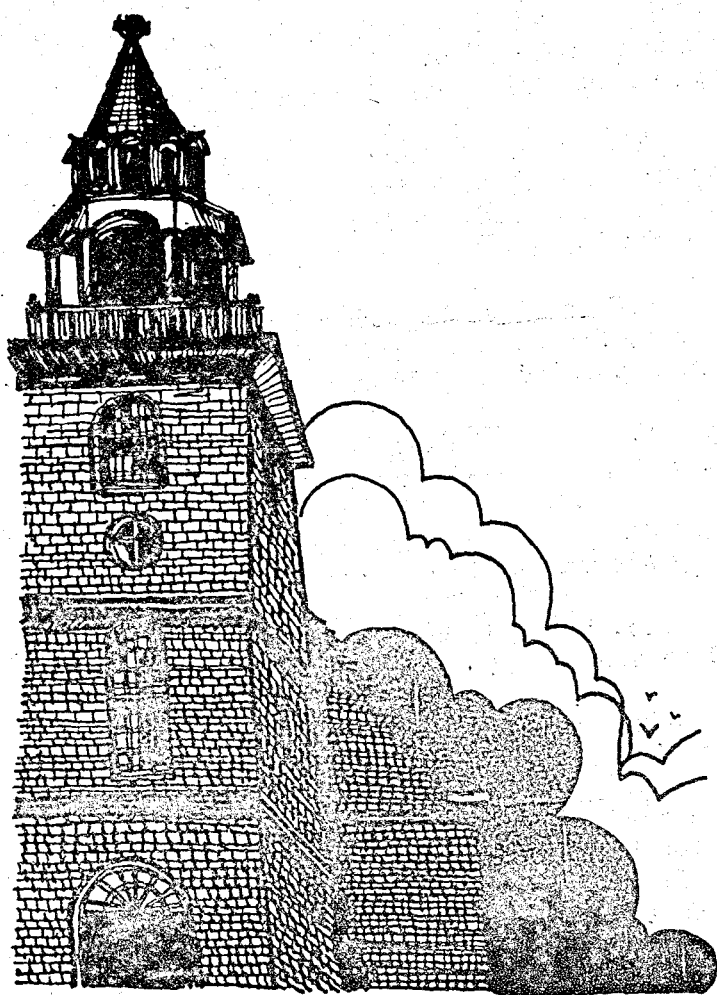
Bro. Wiggs recognized Pastor Billy Jackson, of the host church. Bro. Jackson expressed a warm welcome to all attending the meeting and hoped that it would prove to be a spiritual filled session.

The moderator called the meeting to order and called on the clerk, Pastor Rudolph Outlaw to read the conference by-laws, after which the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The clerk then called the roll of churches, ordained ministers and licensed ministers.

Bro. Wiggs stated that the Association had lost a number of churches when it recently divided, due to the distance in travel to the meetings. There are presently 17 churches in the Coastal Association.

Excused absentees were Bro. Don Craft due to his church having V.B.S. this week and Bro. Johnny





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Floyd who is still recovering from his illness.

Bro. Wiggs then recognized the elected church delegates and they were seated by a vote of the standing delegates. He then requested that all delegates fulfill their responsibilities.

The moderator recognized all visitors and then requested that petitionary letters from ministers and churches and any letters of report be given to the clerk.

MSC to give the moderator power to appoint the Digest, Finance and Resolution Committees. They were appointed as follows:

| <u>Digest</u>   | <u>Finance</u> | <u>Resolutions</u> |
|-----------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Gil Fann,       | Lloyd Dennis   | Lee Zegelian       |
| Chrm.           | Chrm.          | Chrm.              |
| J. Pittman      | Phillip Long   | Mike Tart          |
| Larry Abernathy | Larry Liverett | Freeman Edwards    |

Bro. Billy Jackson gave the treasurer's report. MSC to accept this report.

After a brief recess we began our Worship Service with the singing of two hymns. We were then led in prayer by Chaplin Robert Cooper. Bro. Wiggs emphasized the need to revive the importance of our Youth Ministry, being it is at a present lull. The offering received at this session will go to our Youth Camp. Bro. Ray Johnston led in our offertory prayer.

Special music followed by Mike and Debbie Williams of the First Church in Swansboro. We continued with a testimony service after which Bro. Wiggs introduced the speaker, Rev. William Sealey. Rev. Sealey led in prayer and introduced his message with scripture from Acts 2:36-42. At this time Bro. Danny

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Padgett stood and requested special prayer for his sick daughter. Bro. Dennis Wiggs led this prayer after which Rev. Sealey gave his inspiring message on "What the Gospel Demands."

Following announcements concerning lunch by Bro. Billy Jackson, Bro. Jerry Rackley led the prayer of benediction and thanksgiving for the food.

The afternoon session began with a congregational song led by Bro. Mike Williams. Bro. Lacy Edwards then led in prayer. The moderator introduced Mike and Debbie Williams who blessed our hearts with a special in song.

Bro. Gil Fann of the First Church in Swansboro brought the afternoon devotion from Joshua 24:15.

Bro. Gil Fann gave the Digest Committee Report. MSC to adopt the report.

Digest Committee Report

|                          |       |
|--------------------------|-------|
| Churches Reporting       | 16    |
| New Member Received      | 101   |
| Lost by Death            | 3     |
| Lost by Transfer         | 17    |
| Total Church Members     | 2,527 |
| Sunday School Enrollment | 1,806 |
| C..T.S. Enrollment       | 437   |
| Woman's Auxiliary        | 281   |
| Manster's Men            | 33    |
| Mid-week service         | 1,021 |

Respectfully submitted,

Gil Fann, Chrm.

J. Pittman

Larry Abernathy

Bro. Lloyd Dennis was recognized for the Finance Committee Report. MSC to adopt this report.

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Finance Report:

|                    |                 |
|--------------------|-----------------|
| Dues From Churches | \$150.00        |
| Morning Offering   | 230.26          |
| Balance on Hand    | 123.29          |
| Total Available    | <u>\$503.55</u> |
| Disbursements:     |                 |
| Youth Camp         | 400.00          |
| Balance            | <u>\$103.55</u> |

Respectfully submitted,  
Lloyd Dennis, Chrm.  
Larry Liverett  
Phillip Long

Bro. Lee Zegelian then reported from the Resolution Committee. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to adopt the report and act on the resolutions item by item. All items were adopted.

1. Be it resolved that each member of the Coastal Association vote in the primaries and November elections.
2. Be it resolved that we give the host church a rising vote of thanks for their fine hospitality during this meeting.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lee Zegelian, Chrm.  
Mike Tart  
Freeman Edwards

Bro. William Sealey was recognized for the report of the Youth Relations Board. A motion was made, seconded and passed to adopt this report.

1. The Youth Relations Board met several times during the last quarter, a youth rally was planned and was held with the Cove City FWB Church.
2. The board conducted the district youth conference at the First Church in Beaufort.
3. They planned the youth encampment which will be

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held at Spencewood Christian Campground beginning August 4, 1980.

4. They planned the first district youth competition for Saturday, August 16, 1980.

In planning our encampment we were hoping and praying for 150 campers. It is at this point we can break even financially. However, we have only 82 confirmed campers to date. This means that we will be operating at a loss again this year. Bro. Tim Thompson of Virginia (formerly of Jacksonville, N. C.) will be the camp evangelist this year.

At the competition to be held at Ruth's Chapel, the following limitations will be in effect:

Bible Memory.....half the material

Bible Sword Drill...first 5 items in each area

Bible T T T.....first half of questions

Bible Bowl.....first half of questions

Interest in the youth competition was down this past year. Let us encourage our young people to get involved in this important area of Bible Training this year.

Respectfully submitted,  
William Sealy, Chrm.  
Larry Abernathy  
Lee Zegelian

Bro. Rudolph Outlaw gave an oral report on State Missions for information.

Miscellaneous business to come before the meeting was a request by Bro. Billy Jackson that more pastors participate in the Pastor's Benevolent Program offered to Free Will Baptist ministers.

Bro. Bill Reagan was recognized for the Examining Board Report. A motion was made, seconded and passed to adopt his report and to vote item by item. All items were adopted.

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1. Bro. Lorenzo Stox having been called to pastor the Ruth's Chapel FWB Church be added to our roll of ordained ministers pending a letter from the Palmer Association.
2. Bro. Wayne Parker having been licensed to preach and called to be Youth Pastor at Calvary FWB Church, be added to our list of licensed ministers. (Jacksonville, N. C.)
3. Bro. Dan Runion having been called to be Assistant Pastor of the First FWB Church, Morehead City, be ordained to the Gospel Ministry and added to our roll of ordained ministers.
4. That at the request of Rev. Wade Conger his credentials be voided and his name be dropped from our roll of ordained ministers. We note that there are no charges against our Brother. That he leaves in good standing and we pray the Lord's blessings and guidance in his life.
5. That at the request of Rev. Jim Grealo, his credentials be voided and his name be dropped from our roll of ordained members. We note that there are no charges against our brother. That he leaves in good standing and we pray the Lord's blessings and guidance in his life.

On behalf of the Association, Bro. Dennis Wiggs extended the right hand of fellowship to Brother Lorenzo Stox, Bro. Wayne Parker, and Bro. Dan Runion.

Brother Harold Moore suggested that the Associational roll be revised since there are many that do not attend anymore. Bro. Billy Jackson added that some of the inactive people wish to continue to have their names on roll as members. The moderator stated that he would have the rolls checked.

Approximately 150 persons attended this Coastal Association meeting. The next meeting will be held at the Cove City FWB Church in Cove City, Saturday,



AUGUST 2, 1980 (Cont.)

October 25, 1980.

Being there was no further business to come before the meeting we adjourned at 2:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rudolph Outlaw, Clerk

Treasurer's Report

General Fund:

|                         |              |                 |
|-------------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| Balance brought forward |              | \$115.20        |
| Deposited               |              | <u>240.00</u>   |
| Amount to account for   |              | \$355.20        |
| Expenditures:           |              |                 |
| State Missions          | \$ 75.00     |                 |
| Witness                 | 45.00        |                 |
| Minister-at-Large       | 45.00        |                 |
| Youth Board             | 45.00        |                 |
| Printed Checks          | <u>22.17</u> |                 |
| Total Expenditures      |              | <u>232.17</u>   |
| Balance on Hand         |              | <u>\$123.03</u> |

Youth Fund:

|                         |          |                 |
|-------------------------|----------|-----------------|
| Balance brought forward |          | \$100.00        |
| Deposited               |          | <u>110.00</u>   |
| Amount to account for   |          | \$210.00        |
| Expenditures            |          |                 |
| State competition       | \$ 50.00 |                 |
| Total Expenditures      |          | <u>50.00</u>    |
| Balance on Hand         |          | <u>\$160.00</u> |

|                                     |  |                 |
|-------------------------------------|--|-----------------|
| Total for General Fund & Youth Fund |  | <u>\$283.03</u> |
|-------------------------------------|--|-----------------|

OCTOBER 25, 1980

The second quarterly meeting of the Coastal Association of Free Will Baptists met on October 25, 1980 at the Cove City FWB Church in Cove City, N. C. Pastor Dennis Wiggs presided as moderator.

The meeting began with Asst. Moderator Jerry Rackley leading the congregation in singing "At Calvary", after which Bro. Dan Craft led in prayer.

The moderator welcomed the congregation and introduced Bro. Dan Runion, Asst. Pastor of the First FWB Church of Morehead City, who gave a devotion from II Tim. 1:8 on "The Hall of Fame of the Faithful".

The moderator recognized Pastor Mike Tart of the host church. Bro. Tart expressed a warm welcome to all.

The meeting was then called to order and Bro. Wiggs called on the clerk to read the by-laws, after which the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The clerk then called the roll of churches ordained ministers and licensed ministers.

Excused absentees were Freeman Edwards, Danny Padgett, and Larry Abernathy.

The moderator recognized the elected church delegates and they were seated by a vote of the standing delegates, after which Bro. Wiggs recognized all visitors and then requested that petitionary letters from ministers and churches and any letters of report be given to the clerk.

MSC to give the moderator power to appoint the Digest, Finance and Resolution Committees. They were appointed as follows:

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Digest

Don Craft  
William Parker  
Russell Spence

Finance

Harold Moore  
Braxton Mason  
James Vernon

Resolutions

Billy Jackson  
Larry Liverett  
Bill Kellum

Nominating

Billy Jackson  
Larry Liverett  
Bill Kellum

Bro. Billy Jackson gave the Treasurer's report.  
MSC to accept this report.

Next Bro. Wingate Hansley, who is serving as one of our state missionaries in Wilmington, N. C. was given time to tell us about the work in Wilmington. Bro. Hansley said he had been to the Chamber of Commerce and found that there were 190 churches in the city. There is only one church that is associated with the N. C. work, that being the Friendship FWB Church of which Bro. Hansley is pastor. There are two FWB Churches that are associated with the S. C. Association and one State Convention FWB Church which Bro. Hansley helped organize some 21 years ago. He also stated that the City of Wilmington had a population of about 56,000 people and expressed that there is a real potential in the Wilmington area.

Bro. Hansley stated that when he arrived in Wilmington to begin his work that he found a beautiful building with about 10 or 12 members, who had tried to keep the work going, but finally called in the State Mission Board and asked them if they would take the work over, seeing there was \$100,000 indebtness and they felt that they could not carry on the work.

The mission board decided to take the work over, so all properties were turned over to the

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mission board. At this time Bro. Hansley was contacted and he agreed to come to Wilmington. Bro. Hansley asked the members of the Coastal Association to remember him and the Wilmington work in prayer every Wednesday night.

Our worship service began with the congregation singing "When We All Get To Heaven" and "Joy Unspeakable" led by Bro. Dan Runion. We were then led in prayer by Bro. Lorenza Stox. The host church rendered a special in song and the congregation joined in singing another hymn, "Victory In Jesus". We continued with a testimony service after which the offering was received while the congregation sang "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart".

The moderator introduced Bro. Glen Thomas to bring our morning message. We were blessed with another special in song by Sister Tart of the host church after which Bro. Thomas brought an inspiring message from Psalm 12 entitled "Where are the Godly and Faithful Men?" After the message, Bro. Dennis Wiggs led in prayer and an invitation.

Following announcements concerning lunch we broke and all enjoyed a delicious meal.

The afternoon session began with a congregational hymn led by Bro. Dan Runion. Bro. Dean Dobbs then led in prayer. The host church blessed our hearts with another special in song. Bro. Dan Johnson brought our afternoon devotion from John 5:1 on "Principles For Christian Living".

Bro Don Craft gave the Digest report. MSC to adopt this report.

DIGEST Report

|                      |    |
|----------------------|----|
| Churches Reporting   | 16 |
| New Members Received | 96 |

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|                           |          |
|---------------------------|----------|
| Lost by Death             | 3        |
| Lost by Transfer          | 11       |
| Total Church Members      | 2,126    |
| Enrolled in Sunday School | 2,074    |
| Enrolled in C.T.S.        | 507      |
| Enrolled in Woman's Aux.  | 283      |
| Enrolled in Master's Men  | 13       |
| Mid-week Service          | 985      |
| Amount sent to quarterly  | \$130.00 |

Respectfully submitted,  
Don Craft, Chrm.  
Russell Spence  
William Parker

Bro. Harold Moore gave the finance report.  
MSC to receive the report.

Finance Report

|                     |              |                        |
|---------------------|--------------|------------------------|
| Offering            | \$ 52.43     |                        |
| Dues from churches  | 130.00       |                        |
| Youth Board         | <u>25.00</u> |                        |
| Total               |              | \$207.43               |
| Disbursements:      |              |                        |
| Youth Camp          | \$ 40.00     |                        |
| Wilmington Mission  | <u>75.00</u> |                        |
| Total Disbursements |              | <u>115.00</u>          |
| Balance on Hand     |              | <u><u>\$ 82.43</u></u> |

Respectfully submitted,  
Harold Moore, Chrm.  
Braxton Mason  
James Vernon

Since Bro. Glen Thomas will be leaving our association, we had to elect someone to fill the two offices that he now holds, that being Assistant Clerk and a member of the Examining Board. Bro. Larry Liverett was elected to be the Assistant Clerk and Bro. Bill Kellum to serve on the Examining Board.

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Bro. Billy Jackson gave the report from the Resolution Committee. MSC to adopt the report and act on the resolutions item by item. All items were adopted.

1. Be it resolved that we encourage each pastor to go back to his church and encourage each and everyone that has registered to be sure and vote.
2. Be it resolved that we give the host church a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality.

Respectfully submitted,  
Billy Jackson, Chrm.  
Larry Liverett  
Bill Kellum

Bro. William Sealey gave a report on the Youth Relations Board. MSC to adopt this report. Several of our men stood and shared with the congregation their appreciation for the Youth Program.

#### Youth Relations Board Report:

We have met several times since the last session of the Coastal Association. In these meetings we finalized the plans for Youth Camp and a couple of youth meetings.

Our youth encampment was held at Spencewood Christian Campground the week of August 4-9, 1980. There were 107 campers in attendance. There were 8 campers who stated were saved and none made decisions of rededication. The total cost of camp was \$4,580.65 and our receipts were \$3,972.57 for a net loss of \$608.08.

The next event on our calender is a cookout at Pleasant Acres on Friday, Oct. 31, 1980 at 7:00 P.M. We need each pastor to get a count as to how many will be coming from their church tomorrow and get this information in the mail to Bro. Abernathy on Monday, so we can know how to purchase the food.

The next competition will be held Saturday, November 8, 1980 with the Sherwood Forest Church be-

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ginning at 10:00 a.m. Those in these activities will be responsible for all the material in the study kits in the respective areas.

Respectfully submitted,  
William D. Sealey, Chrm.  
Larry Abernathy  
Lee Zegelian

Bro. Rudolph Outlaw gave an oral report on State Missions for information.

Bro. Bill Reagan was recognized for the Examining Board report. MSC to adopt this report and to vote item by item. All items were adopted.

The Examining Board of the Coastal Association met and made the following recommendations:

1. That Bro. Dan Johnson be added to our list of ordained ministers pending a letter from the Wolverine Assoc. in Michigan.
2. That Bro. Wingate Hansley be added to our roll of ordained ministers pending a letter from the Association of Fla.
3. That the Friendship FWB Church of Wilmington, although they have recently come under the sponsorship of our State Home Mission Board, be retained as a Church in full fellowship with the Coastal Association with full representation and voting privileges.

On behalf of the Association, Bro. Dennis Wiggs extended the right hand of fellowship to Bro. Wingate Hansley and Bro. Dan Johnson.

Under miscellaneous business MSC that we give a rising vote of thanks to Bro. Glen Thomas and Bro. Dennis Wiggs for there faithful service on the Examining Board for the past eight years. The voting was handled by Asst. Moderator, Jerry Rackley.

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Bro. Billy Jackson made a motion that we recommend that our churches send \$25.00 per quarter to the association marked to go to the youth board. After discussing the motion it was changed that we recommend to our churches that we raise our \$10.00 representation fee from \$10.00 to \$25.00 and half of this go to the Youth Board. MSC to adopt. It was also noted that the clerk make a note of this in the next bulletin which will go to our churches approximately three weeks prior to the next meeting.

The next meeting will be held at Davis, N. C. on Saturday, January 31, 1981.

Being there was no further business to come before the meeting, we adjourned at 2:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Pastor Rudolph Outlaw

### Treasurer's Report

#### General Fund

|                         |                  |
|-------------------------|------------------|
| Balance Brought Forward | \$ 123.03        |
| Deposit 8/4/80          | 380.26           |
| Total to account for    | \$ 503.29        |
| Expenses - Youth Camp   | 400.00           |
| Balance on Hand         | <u>\$ 103.29</u> |

#### Youth Fund

|                              |                   |
|------------------------------|-------------------|
| Balance Brought Forward      | \$ 160.00         |
| Deposit 8/4/80               | 400.00            |
| Deposit (Camp Funds) 8/4/80  | 1,622.12          |
| Deposit (Camp Funds) 8/11/80 | 2,327.45          |
| Amount to Account For        | <u>\$4,509.57</u> |

#### Expenses

|                               |                  |
|-------------------------------|------------------|
| Spencewood Camp               | \$4,410.00       |
| Tim Thompson Evangelist       | 125.00           |
| Youth Contest Material        | <u>35.79</u>     |
| Balance (In Red)              | \$ (61.29)       |
| Balance in checkbook 10/24/80 | 42.00            |
|                               | <u>\$ 103.29</u> |



JANUARY 24, 1981

The third quarterly meeting of the Coastal Association of Free Will Baptists met on January 24, 1981 at the Davis Free Will Baptist Church in Davis, N. C. Pastor Dennis Wiggs presided as moderator.

The meeting began with a congregational hymn "We'll Work Till Jesus Comes" after which Bro. John Floyd led in prayer.

The moderator recognized Pastor Bruce Barnes of the host church. Bro. Barnes expressed a warm welcome to all. Our worship service began with a special in song by Bros. Joe Jones, Paul Hzrrison, Leroy Forelines, and Burt Tippet with Phillip Long accompanying on the piano.

The moderator introduced Dr. Stanley Outlaw who gave our first morning message. Dr. Outlaw brought an inspiring message on "Trials, Testings and Temptations."

The meeting was then called to order and Bro. Wiggs called on the clerk to read the by-laws, after which the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The clerk then called the roll of churches, ordained ministers and licensed ministers.

The moderator recognized the elected church delegates and they were seated by a vote of the standing delegates, after which Bro. Wiggs recognized all the visitors. He then requested that petitionary letters from ministers and churches and any letters of report be given to the clerk.

MSC to give the moderator power to appoint the various committees, they were appointed as follows:

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| <u>Digest</u>   | <u>Finance</u> | <u>Resolutions</u> |
|-----------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Larry Abernathy | Gil Fann       | Wingate Hansley    |
| Chrm.           | Chrm.          | Billy Jackson      |
| Don Craft       | Lee Zegelian   |                    |
| Braxton Mason   | Danny Pasgette |                    |

Bro. Billy Jackson gave the treasurer's report, MSC to accept this report.

Another worship service began with the congregation singing "Redeemed". After taking prayer requests we were led in prayer by Bro. Jerry Rackley. The offering was then received and we were blessed by another song by the quartet from the Bible College.

The moderator introduced Dr. Joe Ange, who gave an inspiring message from Acts 6:1-6 "What Kind of Man Do We Need In This Crisis Time?" We broke at 12:15 for lunch and enjoyed a delicious meal.

The afternoon session began with a congregational hymn "Count Your Blessings". We were then led in prayer by Bro. Mike Gladson.

Bro. Bill Reagan was recognized for the Examining Report. MSC to adopt this report.

The Examining Board having met with Bro. Bruce Barnes and having found his credentials to be in order, do recommend that upon receipt of a letter from the Randall Association be added to our list of ordained ministers.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bill Reagan, Chrm.

Bro. Ronald Creech, Director of Development, at the FWB Bible College gave the following report:

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He stated that last year was the best year in the history of our college, with 613 students attending. There was a \$494,610.94 general fund giving and a \$206,668.08 in the building fund. This was a record total income of \$701,279.02. With an operating budget of over \$1,950,000.00 the difference is what the students pay to attend the college. He expressed his greatfulness to God and our people for this record income year, in light of the over-all economic situation in our country. He considered this nothing less than a miracle.

Bro. Creech reported that 581 students have registered this year with 107 coming from N. C. N. C. is No. 1 in students, 85 are from Tenn., and 57 for Ala.

He also expressed his appreciation to our Coastal Association for the great job that we are doing in raising money for the general fund. He stated the Memorial Auditorium is our current building fund project, taking two years to raise the \$400,000 that it will cost to expand and refurbish the auditorium. This remodeling has increased the seating capacity from 440 to 616. The original building cost in 1951 was \$28,000 and now enlarging it at a cost of \$400,000. During the first year the building fund is already over the half way mark with a total of \$260,274.58 and still a year to go. Bro. Creech pointed out that over a seventh of the gifts were given thru the check-book system.

Bro. Larry Abernathy gave the Digest Report. MSC to adopt this report.

Digest Report

|                      |    |
|----------------------|----|
| Churches reporting   | 17 |
| New members received | 73 |
| Lost by death        | 7  |

JANUARY 24, 1981 (Cont.)

|                           |       |
|---------------------------|-------|
| Lost by transfer          | 10    |
| Total church members      | 2,686 |
| Enrolled Sunday School    | 2,084 |
| Enrolled C.T.S.           | 547   |
| Enrolled Ladies Auxiliary | 301   |
| Enrolled Masters Men      | 22    |
| Mid-Week Prayer           | 1,011 |

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Abernathy

Braxton Mascn

Don Craft

Bro. Wingate Hansley gave the report from the Resolution Committee. MSC to adopt this report.

Be it resolved, that we give a rising vote of appreciation to the Davis Church for its great hospitality to the Coastal Association.

Respectfully submitted,

Billy Jackson

W. A. Hansley

Bro. William Sealey gave a report on the Youth Relations Board. MSC to adopt this report.

We had a Halloween Cookout at Pleasant Acres on October 31. Approximately 130 were in attendance to enjoy the hot dogs, hamburgers and good fellowship. There have been several youth rallies held during the past few months. The board has met several times in preparation for up-coming rallies, banquets and competitions. The next youth competition will be Saturday, Feb. 7, 1981, at Beaufort at 10:00 a.m. This will be the last opportunity for the church to get in the preliminary round. The Teens Valentine's Banquet will be at Morehead City Saturday, Feb. 14, 1981. We recommend that the Coastal Association authorize the Youth Relations Board to negotiate a contract for renting Eagles Nest

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as our Youth Camp site this year (1981). A motion was made, seconded and passed to give such authorization.

Respectfully submitted,  
W. D. Sealey  
Larry Abernathy  
Lee Zegelian

Bro. Gil Fann gave the Financial Report. MSC to adopt this report.

Finance Report

|                         |                 |
|-------------------------|-----------------|
| Balance Brought Forward | \$137.02        |
| Total Offering Today    | 62.25           |
| Churches Offerings      | 480.00          |
| Total                   | <u>\$679.27</u> |

Expenditures:

|                             |                 |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| Wilmington Friendship Miss. | \$100.00        |
| Youth Fund                  | 240.00          |
| Bible College               | <u>239.27</u>   |
| Total                       | <u>579.27</u>   |
| Balance onHand              | <u>\$100.00</u> |

Respectfully submitted,  
Gil Fann

The moderator introduced Bro. Joe Jones who teaches speech and drama at the Bible College. Bro. Jones gave a dramatic reading from Gen. 22 "Abraham offering Isaac as a burnt offering." Following this reading Bro. Randy played a special in song on the trumpet.

The moderator then introduced Bro. Leroy Forelines who brought a message from John 20:30-31 on "Reasons for Signs and Miracles".

Being there was no further business to come before the meeting, we adjourned at 3:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted, Rudolph Outlaw

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Treasurer's Report

General Fund:

|                            |                 |
|----------------------------|-----------------|
| Balance brought forward    | \$103.29        |
| Deposit - October 31, 1980 | 182.43          |
| Amount to account for      | <u>\$285.72</u> |

Expenditures:

|                    |              |
|--------------------|--------------|
| Wilmington Mission | \$ 75.00     |
| Youth Fund         | <u>40.00</u> |

Total Expense

115.00

Balance on Hand

\$170.72

Youth Fund:

|                                  |           |
|----------------------------------|-----------|
| Balance brought forward (in red) | \$(61.22) |
|----------------------------------|-----------|

Deposits:

|                         |              |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund 10/31/80   | \$ 40.00     |
| 10/31/80                | 25.00        |
| Pleasant Acres 12/1/80  | 50.00        |
| Halloween Party 1/20/81 | <u>20.00</u> |

Total Deposits

135.00

Amount to account for

\$ 73.78

Expense:

|                          |                 |
|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Food for Halloween Party | <u>\$107.38</u> |
|--------------------------|-----------------|

Total Expense

107.38

Balance on Hand (in red)

\$ 33.60

Balance in check book (1/21/81)

\$137.02

APRIL 24, 1982

The twentieth annual meeting of the Coastal Association of Free Will Baptists met with the First Free Will Baptist Church of Jacksonville, N. C. April 24, 1982. Our meeting began with the singing of hymns, "He Keeps Me Singing" and "Jesus Saves". Our song leader for the day was Rev. Dan Runion, Assistant Pastor at First Free Will Baptist Church in Morehead City. Bro. Runion also sang, "Calvary Covers It All" before the morning devotions which was given by Rev. Freeman Edwards of Jacksonville. Bro. Edwards brought thoughts around Christian Love: Love to God, love to your brethern, love for the Lord causes us to love His Word.

The meeting was called into session by the clerk, Rev. William Reagan. The roll call of ordained ministers, licensed ministers and member churches were called. Rev. Mike Tart and Rev. Lorenza Stox were excused from the meeting due to Revivals they were conducting that prevented them from attending. Rev. Jerry Rackley was excused because of a wedding he was conducting at the time and Bro. Johnny Floyd was excused because he was in the hospital.

Our moderator, Rev. Dennis Wiggs of Beaufort, appointed the following committees to serve for the duration of our session.

Digest

Larry Liverett, Chrm.  
Gil Fann  
Danny Pagett

Finance

Billy Jackson, Chrm.  
Bud Rehan  
Bill Race

Resolutions

Dean Dobbs,  
William Sealey  
Wingate Hansley

Nominating

Ray Connors  
Freeman Edwards  
P. E. Ham

Rev. Billy Jackson gave us our treasurer's

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report.

The moderator recognized the following to bring greetings to the body: Rev. Robert Crawford, Free Will Baptist Bible College; and Rev. Tom Lilly, Minister-At-Large, for the State of North Carolina.

Our Worship Service began with the singing of "I Am Thine O Lord" and "When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder". Brother Rolison from the Beaufort church led in prayer. Our hearts were blessed as Bro. Dan Runion and Bro. Ricky Ham sang "Love Grew Where The Blood Fell". Testimonies are always a blessing and several were given, each touching the hearts of all the believers. Before the offering was received we sang "Amazing Grace". Mrs. Linda Landemier presented some more special music and the morning message was brought by Rev. Bruce Barnes, pastor of the Davis FWB Church. His text was from I Kings 19 and his message was entitled, "Dark Days For A Man Of Light".

Elijah becomes discouraged after:

1. Great feats for God
2. Satan puts his hands upon a person (Jezebel)
3. Turned his sins inward, not upward.

Elijah discouraged from God's service.

1. A discouraged man is like a lighthouse without a light.
2. Where there is no vision, the people perish.

After the benediction, host pastor, Rev. Buford Pierce gave instructions for the noon meal.

The afternoon session began with the singing of "In My Heart There Rings A Melody" and "Praise Him! Praise Him!". Bro. Lacy Edwards led in prayer. Bro. Ricky Ham brought the special music and the devotional by Rev. James Shields of the Calvary FWB Church, Jacksonville. The Three "G"s of the Christian life are Grow, Glow, Go.



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Bro. Buford Pierce was recognized with the report of the Examining Boards. MSC to adopt the report.

Examining Board Report

1. We recommend that Bro. David Lausterer be accepted into the Coastal Association as a licensed minister under the watch care of Emmanuel F.W.B. Church. His name is to be added to our list.
2. We recommend that Bro. Gordan Hart, now pastor of Palmetto Chapel F.W.B. Church be accepted pending a letter of good standing from the Palmer Association.

Respectfully submitted,  
Buford Pierce  
Rudolph Outlaw  
Bill Kellum

Bro. Larry Liverett gave the Digest report.  
MSC to adopt report.

Digest Report

|  |       |
|--|-------|
| Churches Reporting                           | 17    |
| New Members Received                         | 213   |
| Members Lost by Death, Letter<br>or Revision | 120   |
| Total Present Membership                     | 2,638 |
| Total Sunday School Enroll.                  | 2,106 |
| C.T.S. Enrollment                            | 332   |
| Ladies Auxiliary                             | 264   |
| Master's Men                                 | 8     |
| Mid-week Prayer Service                      | 942   |

Respectfully submitted,  
Larry Liverett, Chrm.  
Gil Fann  
Danny Pagett

APRIL 24, 1982 (Cont.)

Bro. Billy Jackson gave the report of the Finance Committee. MSC to adopt report.

Finance Report

Balance brought forward \$ 424.16

Receipts:

Money sent in from churches \$425.00

National Representation Fee 120.00

Offering Today 67.32

Total Receipts

612.32  
1,036.48

Disbursements:

Youth Fund ( $\frac{1}{2}$  of receipts) \$212.50

National Representation Fee 120.00

Additional " " 70.00

Total Disbursements

402.50  
\$ 633.98

Balance on Hand

Recommended Disbursements:

Minister-At-Large \$ 75.00

Home Missions - Wilmington 75.00

State Missions 75.00

Respectfully submitted,

Billy Jackson, Chrm.

Bud Rehan

Bill Race

Bro. Dean Dobbs gave the report of the Resolutions Committee. MSC to adopt report.

Resolutions Committee Report

1. Be it resolved that a standing vote of appreciation be given to the host church for the fine hospitality given to our associational meeting.
2. Be it further resolved that our people be called to special prayer on behalf of our local churches, Coastal, State and National work.

Respectfully submitted,

Dean Dobbs, Chrm., William Sealey, Wingate  
Hansley

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Bro. Ray Connors was recognized to give the report of the Nominating Committee. The following officers were elected:

Moderator.....Jerry Rackley  
Asst. Moderator.....Bruce Barnes  
Clerk.....Bill Reagan  
Asst. Clerk.....Larry Liverett  
Treasurer.....Billy Jackson  
Asst. Treasurer.....Harold Moore  
Youth Board  
    Gene Dodge.....1983 (unexpired term)  
    Lorenza Stox.....1984  
    Lee Zegelian.....1985  
Examining Board  
    Buford Pierce.....1983  
    Rudolph Outlaw.....1984  
    Dennis Wiggs.....1985  
Mission Board  
    Larry Liverett.....1983  
    Dean Dobbs.....1984  
    Wingate Hansley....1985

Respectfully submitted,  
Ray Connors  
Freeman Edwards  
P. E. Ham

Two resolutions were given from the floor. One, that we express to those who have served so well over the years a rising vote of thanks. Of note: Rev. Dennis Wiggs of Beaufort, our outgoing moderator.

MSC that we forward to the State Association and then to the National Association a resolution that, "The Coastal Association opposes the teaching, advocating and preaching that Jesus made and drank fermented wine."

APRIL 24, 1982 (Cont.)

MSC to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rev. William Reagan, Clerk

Treasurer's Report

General Fund:

|                         |                  |
|-------------------------|------------------|
| Balance brought forward | \$ 336.66        |
| Deposited 1/25/82       | 241.50           |
| Deposited 2/18/82       | 25.00            |
| Amount to Account For   | <u>\$ 603.16</u> |

Expenditures:

|                             |              |
|-----------------------------|--------------|
| N. C. Minister-at-large     | \$ 60.00     |
| N. C. Home Missions (Wilm.) | 60.00        |
| N. C. State Home Missions   | <u>59.00</u> |

|                    |        |
|--------------------|--------|
| Total Expenditures | 179.00 |
|--------------------|--------|

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|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Balance as of 4/23/82 | <u><u>\$ 424.16</u></u> |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|

Youth Fund:

|                         |            |
|-------------------------|------------|
| Balance brought forward | \$1,457.37 |
|-------------------------|------------|

|                              |       |
|------------------------------|-------|
| Added Cove City's Check #027 |       |
| not deposited.               | 50.00 |

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|-------------------|--------|
| Deposited 1/25/82 | 172.50 |
|-------------------|--------|

|                   |              |
|-------------------|--------------|
| Deposited 2/18/82 | <u>25.00</u> |
|-------------------|--------------|

|                       |            |
|-----------------------|------------|
| Amount to Account for | \$1,704.87 |
|-----------------------|------------|

Expenditures:

Youth Plaque & trophies

|        |          |
|--------|----------|
| 3/9/82 | \$ 45.55 |
|--------|----------|

|                    |       |
|--------------------|-------|
| Total Expenditures | 45.55 |
|--------------------|-------|

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|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Balance as of 4/23/82 | <u><u>\$1,659.32</u></u> |
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|------------------------------------|------------|
| Grand total in bank April 23, 1982 | \$2,083.48 |
|------------------------------------|------------|

AUGUST 1, 1981

The first quarterly meeting of the Coastal Association of Free Will Baptists met August 1, 1981, at the Faith F.W.B. Church of Maysville, N.C. with Pastor Dennis Wiggs as moderator.

The meeting opened with the congregation singing "Victory in Jesus" led by Bro. Ricky Ham, of the First F.W.B. Church in Beaufort. Our new Minister-At-Large, Pastor Tom Lilly, led in prayer.

Bro. Dan Runion, Asst. Pastor of First F.W.B. in Morehead and Bro. Ricky Ham, Asst. Pastor of the F.W.B. in Beaufort, sang a duet and were joined by their wives, Connie Hand and Teresa Runion, to form a mixed quartet. Pastor Bruce Barnes brought the morning devotions. His thoughts were centered on "Hypocrisy". Pointing out Song of Solomon 1:6 "Mine own vineyard have I not kept." Pastor Bill Kellum, host pastor, welcomed the Association to Faith Church.

The meeting was called into session by Pastor Bill Reagan, clerk. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted. The roll call of licensed and ordained ministers were called and then the roll of churches.

Our moderator recognized delegates chosen by our churches and these were seated by vote of the standing delegates. Our visiting brethren were recognized.

MSC for the moderator to appoint the various committees. These were appointed as follows:

| <u>Finance</u> | <u>Digest</u>  | <u>Resolutions</u> |
|----------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Danny Padgett  | Larry Liverett | Harold Moore       |
| Chrm.          | Chrm.          | Chrm.              |
| Gil Fann       | Johnny Lewis   | Don Craft          |
| Buford Pierce  | James Shields  |                    |

AUGUST 1, 1981 (Cont.)

Pastor Wiggs, moderator, called for petitionary and church letters.

Bro. Tom Lilly was introduced to the Association as the new Minister-At-Large for our State Association. Bro. Lilly gave greetings and challenged the body for continued support for the office. Bro. Lilly succeeds Bro. Guy Ownes, who resigned to accept the pastorate of Randall Memorial F.W.B. Church in Memphis, Tenn.

Our Morning Worship began with Bro. Ricky Ham leading the congregation in singing, "The Lily Of The Valley", and "To God Be The Glory". Pastor Dean Dobbs led in prayer. After the singing of "Have Thine Own Way", Chris Lewis, one of our youth attending the Association, asked the Lord's blessing on the morning offering. Rev. and Mrs. Dan Runion sang "Let Them Know". The morning message was brought by Pastor Rudolph Outlaw, pastor of First F.W.B. Church, Swansboro. He substituted for Pastor Billy Jackson, who had a previous commitment. Bro. Outlaw stirred hearts with his message from Eph. 5:18 on the "Guidance of the Holy Spirit".

Pastor Kellum gave instructions for the noon meal and the Lord's blessings were asked as we were dismissed from the morning service.

The afternoon session began with Bro. Dan Runion leading the congregation in singing "At The Cross". Bro. P. E. Ham led in prayer.

Moderator, Bro. Wiggs, explained the deficit in the National Association account and encouraged our support.

Bro. Ricky Ham sang "All Because of God's Amazing Grace".

AUGUST 1, 1981 (Cont.)

Using Titus 2:11-15, Pastor Wingate Hansley brought the afternoon devotions on "The Christian Life: Beginning To End".

The Resolution Committee submitted the following report. MSC to adopt item by item.

- 1. Be it resolved that we as Free Will Baptists take a stand for what Free Will Baptists believe, to uphold, defend, teach and to preach what we believe and what we are to believe.
- 2. Be it resolved that as Free Will Baptists we take a stand against sin, and stand for purity and holiness, that our Saviour might be honored in all our ways.
- 3. Be it resolved, that we give Faith FWB Church a rising vote of thanks for their fine hospitality which they have showed the Coastal Association and to First Free Will Baptist Church, Swansboro, and Emmanuel FWB Church, Jacksonville, for their help.

Respectfully submitted,  
Harold Moore, Chrm.  
Don Craft

The Finance Committee gave the following report. MSC to adopt.

|                              |                 |
|------------------------------|-----------------|
| <u>Finance Report</u>        |                 |
| Balance brought forward      | \$109.21        |
| Received from Church Letters | 310.00          |
| Offering Today               | 35.51           |
|                              | <u>\$454.72</u> |
| Disbursements:               |                 |
| Minutes                      | 100.00          |
| National Association         | 95.00           |
| Youth Board                  | 155.00          |
| Total Disbursements          | <u>\$330.00</u> |
| Balance on Hand              | <u>\$124.72</u> |

AUGUST 1, 1981 (Cont.)

A discussion followed on half of offering (letters included) to go to Youth Board. MSC to reaffirm action of October 1980.

The Digest Committee gave the following report. MSC to adopt.

Digest Report

|                            |       |
|----------------------------|-------|
| Churches Reporting         | 13    |
| New Members Received       | 53    |
| Lost By Death              | 3     |
| Lost By Transfer of Letter | 6     |
| Total Membership Reported  | 2,037 |
| Sunday School Enrollment   | 1,530 |
| C.T.S. Enrollment          | 395   |
| Ladies Auxiliary           | 221   |
| Master's Men               | 18    |
| Prayer Meeting Average     | 51    |

Respectfully submitted,  
Larry Liverett, Chrm.  
Johnny Lewis  
James Shields

The Association adopted the following report of the Board of Youth.

1. Teen Camp -- August 10
2. Junior Camp -- August 17
3. Sessions to be held at Eagles Nest
4. Urge your young people to attend as we need campers.
5. First competitive activities will be a Ruth's Chapel on September 5, 1981.
6. There will be a cook-out on October 31, Details will be given later.

Respectfully submitted,  
William Sealey, Chrm.  
Ricky Ham  
Lorenza Stox



AUGUST 1, 1981 (Cont.)

The Examining Board made the following report.  
MSC to adopt.

Recommend that Rev. Bud Rehm be accepted into the  
Coastal Association upon completion of question-  
aire.

Since there was no more business it was moved  
to adjourn. We closed in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
William Reagan, Clerk

OCTOBER 24, 1981

The quarterly meeting of the Coastal Association of Free Will Baptists, met on October 24, 1981 at the First Free Will Baptist Church of Morehead City, N. C.

The morning session opened with the hymn, "Jesus Saves" led by Rev. Dan Runion. Brother William Sealy was called on to lead us in prayer by our moderator, Rev. Dennis Wiggs.

We continued with special music by the men's quartet from Ruth's Chapel Church followed by a devotion by Brother David Thompson.

The moderator called the host pastor, Rev. William Reagan, to come and give us a word of welcome. Brother Reagan suffered a hemorrhage in one of his eyes and had to be excused as Clerk for the rest of the day. Brother Rudolph Outlaw of the First Church of Swansboro was sked to fill Brother Reagan's seat as clerk for the day. The session was called to order by Brother Outlaw, who read the by-laws, and called the roll of churches and ministers. Brother Harold Moore sent a letter of excuse which was acted upon by the body. The minutes were not in order due to Brother Reagan's consideration, so motion was passed to dispense with the reading of same for this session.

Due to some of the men of the Examining Board needing to leave early, they were asked to meet at this time. Brother Rudolph Outlaw, also on that Board, was excused as clerk, and Brother Jerry Rackley was asked to fill the seat the remainder of the meeting.

The moderator called for the Treasurer's Report. Brother Billy Jackson gave a good report and a motion was made and passed to receive same.

OCTOBER 24, 1981 (Cont.)

A motion was made for the seating of the delegates and passed. The delegates were given a charge of their responsibility.

Our visitors were recognized: Brother A. C. Morgan from our State Missions Department gave us information concerning our various mission points; Mrs. Kirby from Kenly; Brother Ronnie Floyd from South Carolina; and Rev. Roy Thomas from the National Home Missions Department.

Motion was made and passed to give the moderator the privilege to appoint man to serve on the various committees.

Finance Committee

Billy Jackson, Chairman  
Wingate Hansley  
Bruce Barnes

Digest Committee

Gil Fann, Chairman  
Donald Craft  
Johnny Lewis

No Resolution Committee was appointed. If anyone had a resolution, they were to give it to Brother Jerry Rackley.

Brother Roy Thomas was given some time to give a report on the work that the National Home Missions were doing. This was done before the worship hour.

Brother Dan Runion opened the Worship Service by leading us in a song, "Victory In Jesus". We were then led in prayer. A ladies trio from the host church provided some special music after which the congregation was led in the hymn, "We've A Story To Tell To The Nations". An offering was then received.

More special music was provided by Brothers Dan Runion and Ricky Ham.

OCTOBER 24, 1981 (Cont.)

Brother Roy Thomas brought the morning message. He took his text from the book of Leviticus, Chapter 25:10, "Proclaiming Liberty To All". After the message, "Rescue the Perishing" was sung, instructions were then given concerning the noon meal. The blessing was asked on the fool in the dismissal prayer.

The afternoon session opened with the hymn, "Saved, Saved". We were led in prayer by Brother Ricky Ham. Special music was brought by Brother Dan Runion. Brother Roy Connon brought our afternoon devotion. He spoke from I Timothy 3:1-7 on three challenges: The Philosophical Challenge  
The Moral Challenge  
The Spiritual Challenge

We then continued with the miscellaneous business at hand.

The Digest Report was given. A motion was made and passed to receive it.

The Finance Report was given by Brother Billy Jackson. MSC to adopt.

Brother Jerry Rackley was given two resolutions to be acted upon individually:

1. The host church was to be given a rising vote of thanks for the good food and hospitality.
2. An amendment was offered to the By-Laws #18 concerning the wording "and remarried", which was to be struck out.

The first resolution passed. The second was laid on the table.

We also heard a report from our Youth Board. Brother Sealy gave the report which passed as information. Brother Sealy also resigned from the

OCTOBER 24, 1981 (Cont.)

Youth Board due to his work. A motion was made to receive his resignation and passed. Brother Bruce Barnes was elected to fill Brother Sealy's position.

Brother A. C. Morgan gave the State Missions Report on information concerning the mission point that are under the state missions care.

The Examining Board made one recommendation that Brother Ray Connor be received into our association as an ordained minister.

As there was no other business, motion was made and passed to adjourn and we were dismissed in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jerry Rackley  
Clerk Pro-Tem

JANUARY 23, 1982

The quarterly meeting of the Coastal Association of Free Will Baptists, met for the third session of the current year on January 23, 1982 at the First Free Will Baptist Church of Beaufort, North Carolina.

The morning session opened with the singing of two hymns, "The Banner Of The Cross" and "His Way Way With Thee", led by Brother Ricky Ham; of the host church. Dr. Buford Pierce was called on to lead us in prayer by our moderator, Rev. Dennis Wiggs.

We continued with special music by Brother Dan and Sister Teresa Runion of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Morehead City, N. C.

The moderator, being the host pastor, gave a word of welcome and we continued with the morning session.

Our morning devotion was given by Brother Jerry Rackley. His text - Exodus 38:8. His topic - The Word of God, The Laver Of God. Brother Rackley reminded us that God's Laver, the Word - 1. reveals the true image of God; 2. reflect the whole image of God; 3. reveals the need of daily cleansing.

The session was called to order by the assistant clerk, Brother Larry Liverett, who read the By-Laws, and the minutes of the previous meeting. MSC to approve the minutes as read. Following the reading of the minutes we had a roll call of churches, and a roll call of minister, ordained and licensed.

The standing delegates were recognized and a motion was made and passed to seat all remaining delegates. The delegates were then given a charge of their responsibilities.

JANUARY 23, 1982 (Cont.)

Brother Tom Lilly, North Carolina Minister-At-Large, was recognized as a visitor. He was to give a report later on in the day.

As an item of miscellaneous business, motion was made and seconded to study Item #18 of our Association By-Laws, and that it be brought back at the next associational meeting. Discussion followed and a vote was taken. The motion was defeated.

Following miscellaneous business a motion was made and passed to give the moderator the power to appoint men to serve on the various committees.

Digest

Freeman Edwards, Chairman  
Ray Johnston  
Bud Rhem

Finance

Lee Ziegland, Chairman  
Gene Dodge  
Paul Bagjette

Resolutions

Harold Moore, Chairman  
Bruce Barnes

The moderator called for the Treasurer's report. Brother Billy Jackson gave a good report with a balance on hand, Jan. 23, 1982, for General Fund and Youth Fund of \$1,794.03. MSC to receive this report.

Brother Ricky Ham opened the worship service by leading us in "Saved, Saved". We were then led in prayer by our moderator, Brother Dennis Wiggs. Afterwards we had a time of testimony in which several testified. Following these testimonies we received an offering and then sang, "My Jesus I Love Thee". Following this hymn, special music was provided by Brother Ricky Ham singing, "That I Can Still Go Free".

JANUARY 23, 1982 (Cont.)

Brother Tom Lilly, North Carolina Minister-At-Large, brought the morning message. Before giving his text, Brother Lilly shared with us his progress and plans for his department. Brother Lilly took his text from Revelation 8:1-5. Topic - The need of the fire of God. His main points were: 1. A Fire of Conviction; 2. A Fire of Cleansing; 3. A Fire of Consumption; 4. A Fire Of Compassion.

After the morning message, Brother Bruce Barnes was called on to pray the benediction and ask God's blessing on the noon meal.

The afternoon session was begun by singing, "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms". Afterwards, Brother Ray Johnston was called on to lead us in prayer, after which Brothers Ricky Ham and Ricky Waters sang, "I'm Free".

The afternoon devotion was given by Brother Larry Liverett. Text - Psalms 133:3. Topic - Unity, The Tie That Binds. His main points were: 1. The Commandment of Unity; 2. The Commendability of Unity; 3. The Character of Unity.

We then continued with the miscellaneous business at hand.

The Digest report was given. MSC to receive it.

#### Digest Report

|                          |       |
|--------------------------|-------|
| Churches Reporting       | 15    |
| Number received          | 45    |
| Members lost by death    | 6     |
| Members lost by transfer | 21    |
| Total number of members  | 2,554 |
| Sunday School            | 1,920 |
| Church Training Service  | 347   |
| Woman's Auxiliary        | 287   |



JANUARY 23, 1982 (Cont.)

Master's Men  
Prayer Service

26  
774

Respectfully submitted,  
Freeman Edwards, Chairman  
Ray Johnston  
Bud Rhem

The Finance Report was then given and a motion was made and passed to receive it.

FINANCE Report

|                         |                 |
|-------------------------|-----------------|
| Church Offerings        | \$220.00        |
| Today's Offering        | 69.00           |
| Total To Be Distributed | <u>\$289.00</u> |

Distributions:

Youth Board ( $\frac{1}{2}$  of church offering)

|                                 |              |          |
|---------------------------------|--------------|----------|
|                                 | \$110.00     |          |
| N.C. Home Missions (Wilmington) | 60.00        |          |
| N.C. Minister-At-Large          | 60.00        |          |
| N.C. State Missions             | <u>59.00</u> |          |
| Total Distribution              |              | \$289.00 |

Respectfully submitted,  
Lee Ziegland, Chairman  
Gene Dodge  
Paul Bagjette

- Our moderator, Brother Dennis Wiggs, was given two resolutions to be acted upon individually:
1. Be it resolved that we uphold with consistency, the preaching, teaching, and standards of Free Will Baptists in our Association; and that we exercise a clear mind in the business of the Lord.
  2. Be it resolved that we give a rising vote of thanks for the Free Will Baptist Church of Beaufort, for their kind hospitality and good meal.

Both resolutions passed with no discussion.

JANUARY 23, 1982 (Cont.)

We also heard a report from our Youth Board. Brother Lorenza Stox gave the report which was passed as information.

Next, Brother Larry Liverett gave the Missions Report. We were reminded about the Wilmington Mission and the great need for all churches in the Association to get more involved in the financial support of the Wilmington work.

Brother Ray Connors, who has just recently assumed the pastorate at Wilmington, gave us a progress report.

Both reports were received as information.

Following the Missions Report, the Examining Board reported. The motion was made, seconded, and carried to take Item #18 of the Coastal Association By-Laws, particularly the phrase: "and remarried" from the table, where it was left at the last meeting. Discussion followed. A motion was made, seconded, and passed that the words, "and remarried" be stricken from amendment #18 of the By-Laws of the Coastal Association.

As there was no other business, motion was made and passed to adjourn and we were dismissed in prayer by Brother Earnest Hill.

Respectfully submitted,  
Larry Liverett,  
Asst. Clerk



