

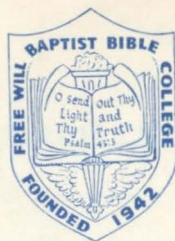
MINUTES
of the
Ninetieth Annual Session
of the
CUMBERLAND ASSOCIATION
of
FREE WILL BAPTISTS

HELD WITH BETHEL CHURCH

October 11-12 and 13, 1933

REV. J. L. WELCH Moderator
312 Woodland St., Nashville, Tenn.

L. O. BURROUGHS Clerk
4020 Colorado Ave., Nashville, Tenn.



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Mr. & Mrs. M. C. Major

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Superintendent's name is -----

Our Sunday School Secretary's name is -----

We send \$ ----- for minutes; we send \$ ----- Associational
fund; we send \$ ----- for Home Missions; we send \$ -----
for Foreign Missions. Total collections for year, \$ -----

This done by order of the church, -----, 193--

-----, *Moderator.*

-----, *Clerk.*

PROCEEDINGS

The Ninetieth Annual Session of the Cumberland Association of the Free Will Baptist Church met with Bethel Church, Cheatham County, Tenn., October 11-12-13, 1933.

WEDNESDAY MORNING

At 11 a.m. Rev. J. E. Hudgens preached the opening sermon. Prayers by Rev. W. R. Carroll and Rev. Oscar Davis. Scripture lesson, read 126th and 133rd Division of the Psalms.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

Devotional services led by Rev. W. B. Davenport. Scripture reading, 23rd Psalm. Prayer by Rev. J. H. Oliver.

The Moderator asked for a rollcall and seating of Delegates, after which he declared a quorum present, and the Association was ready for business.

The welcome address was by Brother G. W. Fambrough. Response by Brother W. E. Coville.

On motion Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Howington from Union Association of East Tennessee were seated as delegates in this body.

On motion the delegates from the Ladies' Auxiliary, and also the Sunday School Convention, were seated as delegates in this body. Sister Mary Welch represented the Ladies' Auxiliary; Brother J. B. Parsons, the Sunday School Convention.

The Moderator's message; subject: "Where Do We Go From Here?"

Reading Church Letters as follows: Ashland City, Bethlehem, Brandon's Chapel, Heads, Craigfield, Dunbar's Chapel, East Nashville, First Free Will Baptist, Columbia, Tenn.; Gorman, Mt. Pleasant, New Hope, Oaklawn, Olivet, Pleasant Hill, Rock Springs, West Nashville, Cofers Chapel.

MINUTES OF THE

COMMITTEES

Missions—Rev. W. B. Davenport, Chairman; Rev. W. R. Carroll, Brother O. G. Taylor.

Finance—Rev. Oscar Davis, Chairman; Rev. G. M. Pruitt, Brother W. E. Felts.

Obituaries—Rev. W. R. Carroll, Chairman; Rev. W. T. Hagewood, Brother O. G. Taylor.

Petitions and Requests—Rev. W. B. Davenport, Chairman; Sister Mattie Maxey, Brother W. E. Parker.

Temperance—Rev. J. E. Hudgens, Chairman; Brother Miles Gower, Brother E. R. Groves.

Education and Literature—Brother G. W. Fambrough, Chairman; Rev. J. C. Howington, Rev. J. L. Sanders.

Resolutions—Rev. J. H. Oliver, Chairman; Brother C. E. Bennett, Brother W. H. Stinson.

On motion we adjourned until 9 a.m. Thursday.

THURSDAY MORNING

Devotionals by Rev. W. R. Carroll. Scripture lesson read from the 19th Division of Psalms. Prayer by Rev. W. B. Davenport.

Minutes of previous day read and adopted.

Report of the Ladies' Auxiliary Convention read and adopted. Sister Welch spoke of the ladies' work and asked the cooperation of the men in this work.

The Sunday School Field Secretary's report was read and adopted. Brother Coville made an interesting talk on the Sunday School work.

Rev. J. E. Hudgens made a report of the Delegates to the General Conference. This report adopted.

Rev. J. L. Welch reported the work of the Courier. This report adopted.

Reading Church Letters coming in late: Bethel, Shady Grove, Spring Hill, Scott's Chapel, Miller's Chapel, Oak Grove, Stony Point. Also letter from Union Hill Church.

Report on Petitions and Requests read and adopted.

At this time Rev. W. R. Carroll spoke of the new parsonage that is being built at Bumpus Mills, stating that

said parsonage had been deeded to the Cumberland Association forever, and there was a special collection taken up for the parsonage—the sum of \$25.05.

The Rev. J. C. Howington, of the Union Association of East Tennessee, preached at the 11 o'clock hour.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Devotionals by Rev. Oscar Davis. . Scripture lesson read from the fifth chapter of Matthew.

Report on Education and Literature received and adopted. Motion made and seconded that the former report be carried out.

Rev. J. L. Welch, Rev. J. C. Howington and Rev. J. E. Hudgens spoke of the plans for a State Convention. Our people need to cooperate with each other, and through the State Convention seems to be the best way.

Report of the Committee on Temperance received and adopted.

Report of the Committee on Obituary received and adopted.

Report of the Finance Committee received and adopted.

Report of the Committee on Missions received and adopted.

On motion this Association extended a rising vote of thanks to Brother G. W. Fambrough, Treasurer, for his splendid work and the way he has handled the books and records of this Association.

Motion made and seconded that this Association appropriate \$125.00 of the Culportage Fund for the Courier. This motion adopted.

Motion made and seconded that this Association adopt a quarterly meeting, to meet on the fifth Sunday. Amended to include Saturday and Sunday.

On motion the Moderator appointed the following Committee to work out a place to meet: Rev. W. R. Carroll, Rev. J. H. Oliver, Rev. A. B. Pierce.

On motion we adjourned until 9 a.m. Friday.

MINUTES OF THE

FRIDAY MORNING

Devotionals by Rev. E. A. Craft. Scripture reading from the thirteenth chapter of Numbers. Prayer by Rev. W. T. Hagewood.

Treasurer's report read and adopted.

Report of the Committee to arrange for a Quarterly Conference read and adopted.

On motion this Association will pay the expense of the Field Secretary of Sunday Schools.

Report on Petitions and Requests read and adopted.

Adjourned for the 11 o'clock preaching service.

Sermon by Rev. W. R. Carroll. Scripture lesson read from the fifth chapter of Matthew.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Devotionals led by Rev. Oscar Davis. Prayer by Sister Mary Welch.

Report of Committee on Resolutions read and adopted.

There were three churches asking for the Association next year as follows: Brandon's Chapel, Bethlehem and Oak Grove. Brandon's Chapel, at Bumpus Mills, Tenn., was selected for the next sitting of this Association.

Delegates to the General Conference are as follows: Brother G. T. Harris and Rev. J. H. Oliver.

On motion the Association will pay their expense.

Delegates to State Convention as follows, with expenses paid by the Association: Rev. J. E. Hudgens and Brother G. W. Fambrough.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn to meet with Brandon's Chapel on Wednesday before the third Sunday in October, 1934.

REV. J. L. WELCH, *Moderator*;
L. O. BURROUGHS, *Clerk*.

FINANCE

We, your Committee on Finance, have examined the Treasurer's books and find them correct, and statement shows the money in the Cheatham County Bank. Also have collected \$44.80 for Minutes.

REV. OSCAR DAVIS, *Chairman*;

REV. G. M. PRUITT,

W. E. FELTS, M.D.

OBITUARIES

We, your Committee on Obituaries, beg leave to submit the following report:

Since it has pleased Almighty God, not to call any of our Ministers from our ranks to their reward, our thankfulness goes up in prayer to Him who doeth all things well, and after the counsel of His own will. Our hearts are full of sympathy and go out to the relatives of our lay members who have died this associational year; also point them to God, the source of all our comfort.

REV. W. R. CARROLL, *Chairman*;

REV. W. T. HAGEWOOD,

BROTHER O. G. TAYLOR.

MISSIONS

We, your Committee on Missions, favor the continuation of the resolution and adoption of last year's report of the Committee on Missions, with the additional recommendation that each pastor be requested to organize a Missionary Society in each church he has in charge at the beginning of the associational year, and that they have oversight of the mission work of their respective church.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. W. B. DAVENPORT, *Chairman*;

REV. W. R. CARROLL,

BRO. O. G. TAYLOR.

MINUTES OF THE RESOLUTIONS

We, your Committee on Resolutions, submit the following report:

Resolved:

1. That we express our thanks to Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Howington of the Mt. Union Association, for their presence and valuable help, and that we cordially invite them to come again.

2. That we thank the members and friends in the community of Bethel Church for their unbounded hospitality during this sitting of the Association.

3. That we thank our Moderator and Clerk for their efficient service.

4. That the Clerk superintend the printing and distribution of the Minutes and that he be paid twenty (\$20.00) dollars for his services.

J. H. OLIVER, *Chairman*;
W. H. STINSON,
C. E. BENNETT.

TEMPERANCE

We, your Committee on Temperance, submit to you and recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

First: That an evil legalized is an evil still, and the sanction of State and Federal governments can never make wrong right, and that the effects of intoxicants on human beings is harmful both to body and soul, and that there can be only one course open to those who love God and their fellows in dealing with this deadly foe, and that is total abstinence for the individual and a militant attitude for the Church.

Second: That it is the consensus of opinion of this Association of Free Will Baptists that the sale of liquor and beer can never bring prosperity to any people, but instead will clothe them with rags, feed them with the ashen crust, and instead of proving an antidote for unemployment it will beget an army of idle, worthless vagrants who will be

a menace to society and an additional burden to our State and Federal charities.

Therefore, we pledge our sincere and earnest efforts to prevent the return of the open saloon by the propagation of temperance sentiment and by refusing to cast our votes for any candidate from constable to president who is known to favor the return of the saloon.

Third: That in order to accomplish the task which we have thus set for ourselves, that we ask that our ministry thunder condemnation of the traffic from their pulpits, and that the laity of the church, both in private thinking and public expression, condemn its use and sale, and consistently, perseveringly, and always vote dry.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. HUDGENS, *Chairman*;

MILES GOWER,

QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

We, your Committee to arrange for a Quarterly Conference, suggest that we meet at Shady Grove Church on Saturday preceding the fifth Sunday in October, 1933, at 10 o'clock, and the Chair appoint a Committee of three to arrange for a program of said meeting and further organization be conducted at this meeting. All ordained members are requested to be present and one delegate from each church, and we welcome all others.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. J. H. OLIVER, *Chairman*;

REV. A. B. PIERCE,

REV. W. R. CARROLL.

PETITIONS AND REQUESTS

We, your Committee on Petitions and Requests, beg to submit the following:

First: We have examined the petition of Union Hill Church, and recommend that it be reinstated back into the Association and the delegate be seated.

Second: We have examined the letter and petition from Hagedwood's Chapel at Fredonia, and recommend that this body be accepted into the Association.

Third: Whereas, there being three churches, namely, Brandon's Chapel, Bethlehem and Oak Grove, inviting the Association to meet with them, we, as your Committee, refer this to the delegated body to take vote on the above churches.

Fourth: We have examined the petition from Cofer's Chapel Church, asking that George Trotter's name be placed on the licentiate list. We recommend that his name be placed on the list.

Fifth: We have examined the petition from Starkey's Chapel Church in Williamson County, asking admittance into the Association. We recommend that they be accepted.

Sixth: We, the Committee, have examined the petition of Gorman Church, asking that D. A. Hatcher be ordained for full work of the ministry; also we have examined the petition from Spring Hill Church, asking that R. T. Tate be ordained as Deacon. We refer this to the Ordaining Council.

REV. W. B. DAVENPORT, *Chairman*;
BROTHER W. E. PARKER,
SISTER MATTIE MAXEY.

TREASURER'S REPORT

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Oct. 12, 1932—By balance	\$ 807.19
Oct. 12, 1933—Bethel Church	3.04
Oct. 12, 1933—New Hope	2.26
Oct. 12, 1933—Ashland City	7.25
Oct. 12, 1933—East Nashville	11.25
Oct. 12, 1933—Shady Grove	.75
Oct. 12, 1933—Heads	.75
Oct. 12, 1933—Bethlehem	5.80
Oct. 12, 1933—Oaklawn	3.00
Interest on deposit	26.88

Total\$ 868.17

DISBURSEMENTS

April 4, 1933—To J. J. Blackwelder..... 125.00

Balance.....\$ 743.17

ASSOCIATION

Oct. 12, 1932—Balance	\$ 174.74
Oct. 13, 1932—1st F. W. B. Church of Columbia	5.00
Dec. 3, 1932—Sale of Pickle Chapel.....	100.00
June 10, 1933—New Hope (1931-1932)	5.00
Oct. 12, 1933—New Hope (1932-1933)	5.00
Olivet	5.00
Ashland City	5.00
1st F. W. B. Church of Columbia (1932-33)	5.00
West Nashville	2.50
Rock Spring	5.00
East Nashville	5.00
Shady Grove	1.00
Heads	1.00
Bethel	5.00
Oaklawn	3.25
Interest on deposit	11.20

Total.....\$ 338.69

DISBURSEMENTS

J. B. Parson, S. S. expense.....	\$ 9.72
Balance on Minutes	10.57
Stamps	1.11
L. O. Burroughs	20.00
Stamps	2.93
Association dues	10.00

Total disbursements 54.33

Balance.....\$ 284.36

MINUTES OF THE

HOME MISSIONS

Oct. 12, 1932—Balance	\$ 93.20
Feb. 25, 1933—Received on Cofer's Chapel note	22.93
April 3, 1933—Received on Rock Springs note	165.00
Oct. 12, 1933—Bethel	3.04
New Hope	2.26
Ashland City	7.25
1st F. W. B. Church of Columbia	5.00
East Nashville Church	11.25
West Nashville Church	6.25
Dunbar's Chapel	1.43
Stony Point	1.25
Shady Grove	4.75
Heads	.75
Cofer's Chapel	4.00
Bethlehem	5.80
Oaklawn	3.00
Interest on deposit	7.23
Balance	\$ 344.39

EDUCATIONAL AND ORPHANAGE

Oct. 12, 1932—Balance	\$1,356.20
Oct. 12, 1933—Interest on deposit	47.85
Total	\$1,404.05

DISBURSEMENTS

Dec. 8, 1932—Loan, W. R. Carroll	\$100.00
Dec. 30, 1932—Loan, A. B. Pierce School	60.00

Total Disbursements	160.00
Balance	\$1,244.05

COLPORTAGE

Oct. 12, 1932—Balance	\$ 356.44
Interest on deposit	10.24
Total	\$ 366.68

DISBURSEMENTS

Oct. 29, 1932—J. L. Welch for paper	100.00
Balance	\$ 266.68

MINUTES MONEY

Oct. 12, 1932—Balance	\$ 48.23
To amount from Finance Committee	44.80
Total	\$ 93.03

DISBURSEMENTS

Balance on Minutes	48.23
Balance	\$ 44.80

Respectfully,

G. W. FAMBROUGH.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY REPORT

The Women's Auxiliary Convention, to Cumberland Association of Free Will Baptists, when convened with Bethel Church on October 11-12-13, 1933:

We send as a delegate to represent the Women's Auxiliary Convention, Mrs. Mary Welch.

We beg to submit the following report:

Organization—Society at Mt. Zion Church reorganized during the year. West Nashville Society received into Convention at the annual sitting of Convention.

Departmental Work—Departmental work is growing. Societies are more interested in Stewardship and Mission work. Much good has been done in personal service departmental work; 3,635 visits made to see the sick, 728 charity calls, 340 trays and a number of baskets of food and clothing given to the poor.

Financial Report—Amount collected by nine societies represented at Convention, \$1,200.88.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. E. D. PARKER, *President*.

MARY PATTON, *Secretary*.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

To the Cumberland Association held at Bethel Church, Cheatham County, Tenn.:

As Field Secretary of Sunday Schools for the Cumberland Association, I wish to make the following report:

Our Sunday Schools this year have made a steady growth in enrollment of pupils and most especially in efficiency of officers and teachers. Our people seem to be interested to learn new methods of conducting their services and to better fit themselves for real Sunday School work. We have not experienced a great increase in efficiency, as in some cases it necessarily means that another generation which is now beginning to take its place in active Sunday School service will help greatly to lift our standard in this field of service, as a result of our present day educational school system. I find that the greatest handicap we have to hinder our progress in this field of service is the most regretful lack of qualified teachers and officers. In behalf of

our Sunday Schools I am asking that our Association give this department very much consideration and encouragement, especially in these years of shifting generations.

Personal Visits: Bethlehem Church, Ashland City Church, Good Springs Church, Mt. Zion Church, Cofer's Chapel, Heads Church, White Hill (a union church).

Number of miles traveled in interest of Sunday School work, 338.

Expense account on a mileage basis of three cents per mile, \$11.14.

J. B. PARSONS, *Field Secretary*.

The following churches received 197 new members the past year. Total membership reported this year, 3,262.

CHURCHES AND THEIR DELEGATES

Ashland City	Arthur Stuart
Bethel	J. J. Poole
Bethlehem	Mrs. Mattie Maxey
Brandon's Chapel	O. G. Taylor
Cofer's Chapel	Mrs. J. H. Oliver
Craigfield	W. H. Stinson
Dunbar's Chapel	Sister Elma Webb
East Nashville	W. E. Coville
First F. W. B. Church, Columbia, Tenn.	By Letter
Gorman	W. E. Parker
Hagewood Chapel	Henry Nicholson
Heads	Miles Gower
Miller's Chapel	Mrs. Eleanor Miller
Mt. Pleasant	C. E. Bennett
New Hope	Dr. W. E. Felts
Oak Grove	D. W. Sensing
Oakland	C. A. Craft
Oaklawn	W. B. Walker
Olivet	A. R. Moore
Pleasant Hill	Nova Wallace
Rock Springs	Irvine Groves
Shady Grove	Sister Moton Bagwell
Spring Hill	J. T. Tate
Starkey's Chapel	Ernest Robertson
Scott's Chapel	Sister Mary Bullock
Stony Point	L. J. Baker
Union Hill	B. E. Feltner
West Nashville	J. L. Sanders
Oakwood	By Letter

CUMBERLAND ASSOCIATION

1600 Tenth
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Nashville

MINISTERS AND ADDRESSES

Brown, H. C.	614 East 11th St., Columbia, Tenn.
Casteel, W. M.	Route 1, Bumpus Mills, Tenn.
Craft, E. A.	4609 Illinois Ave., Nashville, Tenn.
Carroll, W. R.	Bumpus Mills, Tenn.
Davenport, W. B.	Route 1, Ashland City, Tenn.
Davis, Oscar	1200 Clay St., Nashville, Tenn.
Dunegan, T. J.	Route 2, Jingo, Tenn.
Free, E. M.	Bumpus Mills, Tenn.
Gardner, J. W.	Northeast Station, Nashville, Tenn.
Gillespie, T. J.	2908 Craft Ave., Nashville, Tenn.
Gower, Joseph F.	Route 5, Cedar Hill, Tenn.
Gower, G. E.	Route 5, Cedar Hill, Tenn.
Green, L. B. H.	Gorman, Tenn.
Hagewood, W. T.	Commerce St., Clarksville, Tenn.
Hatcher, D. A.	Route 3, McEwen, Tenn.
Horner, J. N.	Joelton, Tenn.
Hudgens, J. E.	Ashland City, Tenn.
Moseley, J. T.	Erin, Tenn.
Oliver, J. H.	1600 Tenth Ave., N., Nashville, Tenn.
Oliver, W. H.	418 Ivins St., Nashville, Tenn.
Paul, W. J.	1611 Bailey St., Columbia, Tenn.
Pierce, A. B.	Route 2, Hickory Point, Tenn.
Pruitt, G. M.	Route 4, West Nashville, Tenn.
Rogers, M. W.	1637 Nassau St., Nashville, Tenn.
Staggs, J. W.	East 14th St., Columbia, Tenn.
Welch, J. L.	312 Woodland St., Nashville, Tenn.

LICENTIATES

J. L. Sanders, L. W. Chester, C. E. Craft, J. W. E. Mangrum, and George Trotter.

MINISTERS' REPORTS

E. A. CRAFT

Churches in charge (West Nashville and Miller's Chapel)	2
Sermons preached	115
Conversions witnessed	40
Prayer meetings conducted	25
Received into church	25
Baptized	28
Funerals conducted	12
Marriages solemnized	4
Homes visited	250
Miles traveled	1,500
Revivals assisted in	2
Revivals held in above churches	1
Received from above churches	\$ 195.50

Condition of work spiritually and financially very good.

MINUTES OF THE

W. B. DAVENPORT

Churches in charge (Heads, Rock Springs, New Hope, Oaklawn) -----	4
Sermons preached -----	65
Conversions witnessed -----	52
Received into church -----	34
Baptized -----	28
Funerals conducted -----	9
Marriages solemnized -----	1
Homes visited -----	148
Miles traveled -----	2,775
Revivals assisted in -----	1
Revivals held in above churches -----	4
Received for services as follows:	
Heads Church -----	\$ 104.00
New Hope Church -----	101.00
Oaklawn Church -----	89.50
Rock Springs Church -----	83.60
Received from other sources -----	33.40
Total received -----	\$ 411.50

Condition of work spiritually and financially fair, but not by far what it ought to be and what we are praying and trusting it will be.

T. J. GILLESPIE

Churches in charge (White Hill and Mt. Pleasant) -----	2
Sermons preached -----	50
Conversions witnessed -----	25
Prayer meetings conducted -----	12
Received into church -----	85
Baptized -----	10
Funerals conducted -----	2
Marriages solemnized -----	2
Homes visited -----	150
Miles traveled -----	1,500
Revivals assisted in -----	3
Revivals held in above churches -----	2
Received from above churches -----	\$ 15.86

Condition of work spiritually good.

D. A. HATCHER

Sermons preached -----	40
Conversions witnessed -----	14
Revivals held -----	3
Homes visited -----	100
Funerals conducted -----	3
Received for services -----	\$ 30.00

L. B. H. GREEN

Churches in charge (Gorman, Scott's Chapel, Spring Hill) -----	3
Sermons preached -----	106
Conversions witnessed -----	18
Prayer meetings conducted -----	4
Received into church -----	16
Baptized -----	16
Funerals conducted -----	2
Marriages solemnized -----	2
Homes visited -----	100
Miles traveled -----	1,500
Revivals held in above churches -----	3
Received from above churches -----	\$ 131.86
Received from other sources -----	12.00
Total received -----	\$ 143.86

Condition of work good, financially very good. I have a good Sunday School and prayer meetings in all of my churches.

J. T. MOSLEY

Sermons preached -----	26
Conversions witnessed -----	5
Prayer meetings conducted -----	7
Funeral conducted -----	4
Marriages solemnized -----	2
Homes visited -----	61
Miles traveled -----	75
Revivals assisted in -----	2
Received for services -----	\$ 12.50

Condition of work, our home church spiritually fine. My health is not good this year. I am praying for better health.

W. J. PAUL

Churches in charge (First Free Will Baptist Church, Columbia, Tenn.) -----	1
Sermons preached -----	74
Conversions witnessed -----	49
Prayer meetings conducted -----	50
Received into church -----	11
Baptized -----	11
Funerals conducted -----	2
Marriages solemnized -----	3
Homes visited -----	50
Miles traveled -----	600
Revivals assisted in -----	1
Revivals held in above church -----	1
Received from above church -----	\$ 216.15
Received from other sources -----	30.00
Total received -----	\$ 246.15

Condition of work spiritually and financially fine, and improving.

MINUTES OF THE

A. B. PIERCE

Churches in charge (Shady Grove, Stony Point)	2
Sermons preached	56
Conversions witnessed	29
Prayer meetings conducted	36
Received into church	5
Baptized	6
Funerals conducted	1
Miles traveled	1,000
Revivals assisted in	1
Revivals held in above churches	2
Received from above churches	\$ 92.11
Received from other sources	25.00
Total received	\$ 117.11

Condition of work spiritually and financially, Shady Grove splendid; Stony Point very poor. I ask the prayers of all for the progress of the Free Will Baptists of the Cumberland Association.

G. M. PRUITT

Churches in charge (Craigfield, Oak Grove)	2
Sermons preached	125
Conversions witnessed	22
Prayer meetings conducted	5
Received into church	10
Baptized	10
Homes visited	156
Miles traveled	2,000
Revivals assisted in	1
Revivals held in above churches	2
Received from above churches	\$ 127.00
Received from other sources	50.00
Total received	\$ 177.00

Condition of work good.

J. L. WELCH

Churches in charge (East Nashville)	1
Sermons preached	116
Conversions witnessed	11
Prayer meetings conducted	34
Received into church	16
Baptized	10
Funerals conducted	15
Homes visited	110
Miles traveled	1,177
Revivals assisted in	1
Received from above church	\$1,800.00
Received from other sources	10.00
Total received	\$1,810.00

Condition of work spiritually and financially good.

ANNUAL PRESBYTERY

The Annual Presbytery met at the close of the Association October 13th, 1933.

Presbytery called together by Rev. J. H. Oliver, Moderator. On motion Rev. J. H. Oliver was elected Moderator by acclamation. On motion L. O. Burroughs was elected Clerk by acclamation.

On motion and seconding the Moderator appointed the Ordaining Council as follows: Rev. J. L. Welch, Rev. J. E. Hudgens, Rev. A. B. Pierce, Brother G. T. Harris and Brother G. W. Fambrough.

Report of the Ordaining Council received and adopted. Brother D. A. Hatcher was ordained to the full work of the ministry. Rev. J. L. Welch read the Scripture lesson.

On motion Rev. C. A. Craft and Rev. J. L. Sanders were given the right to baptize and administer the Lord's Supper, since they were ordained Deacons.

On motion Rev. W. B. Sullivan's name be dropped from the ministers list. (Deceased). Also Rev. H. A. Pilkinton's name be dropped.

On motion each minister in this Association be required to make a report to this Association next year, and that the Clerk notify each minister that he is requested to make report.

ORDAINING COUNCIL

October 13, 1933.

J. L. Welch, Moderator; G. W. Fambrough, Clerk.

We, your Credentials Committee, organized by electing J. L. Welch, Moderator, and G. W. Fambrough, Clerk.

We received petitions from: L. M. Chester, from West Nashville Church; J. L. Sanders, from West Nashville Church; E. A. Craft, from West Nashville Church; D. A. Hatcher, from Gorman Church; J. W. E. Mangrum, from Craigfield Church, for ordination as ministers for the Free Will Baptist Church; and J. T. Tate, from Spring Hill Church, for ordination as a Deacon.

First: We recommend that J. T. Tate's ordination be deferred to some future date and that the pastor and mem-

bers be given twelve months to adjust their difference.

Second: We recommend that D. A. Hatcher be ordained to the ministry, and that the ordination of L. M. Chester, J. L. Sanders, E. A. Craft, J. W. E. Mangrum be deferred for one year. We further recommend that the names of these brethren and George Trotter be placed on the list of our licentiates: A. B. Pierce, G. T. Harris, J. L. Welch, J. E. Hudgens, G. W. Fambrough.

The Clerk was given authority to write Brother D. A. Hatcher's credentials.

On motion the Presbytery adjourned to meet at the call of the Moderator. Dismissed with prayer by Rev. G. M. Pruitt.

REV. J. H. OLIVER, *Moderator.*

L. O. BURROUGHS, *Clerk.*

ARTICLES OF FAITH

Article 1. We believe in one true and living God, the Father, the Son and Holy Ghost.

Article 2. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old Testament are words of Divine Inspiration, given to Abraham's children, and that the New Testament contains the only proper rules for faith of the Christian churches.

Article 3. We believe in the depravity of man, and in man's inability to recover himself from his fallen condition without a Divine Mediator.

Article 4. We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ, according to the Scriptures, suffered and died upon the cross, and thereby made full atonement for every human being, and by His obedient life, satisfactory death, triumphant resurrection and glorious ascension, ever advocating at His Father's throne hath brought an everlasting salvation for every sinner that will repent, believe and obey His word.

Article 5. We believe that the faithful Christian will not fall from grace; notwithstanding we believe in the free moral agency of man after justification, and that there is possible danger of falling into sin and being finally lost.

Article 6. We believe according to the scriptures: Paul's letter to the Hebrews, 6th Chapter, 1st to 7th verses, that after a man has been partaker of the Holy Ghost, if he shall fall from grace, it is impossible to ever renew him again unto repentance, or restore him again into the favor of God.

Article 7. We believe Baptism and the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper and the washing of the Saint's feet are all ordinances ordained and instituted by our Lord Jesus Christ, and that true believers are the only proper subjects, and the proper mode of baptism is immersion, and that it is the duty of believers to attend these ordinances.

Article 8. We believe in the general judgment, and that the joys of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

Article 9. We believe according to the scriptures, 1st Cor. 10:16, that each individual, having been inducted into the Kingdom of Christ by an operative influence of the Holy Ghost, and having faith to exercise the free dictation of his conscience, is in communion with saints.

Article 10. We believe in the justification of infants by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ, in a passive state and thereby adopting them heirs of His Kingdom.

GOVERNMENT AND CONSTITUTION

Article 1. Each church in this Association shall be entitled to one vote; and each church having more than fifty members shall have one vote for the first fifty, and one vote for every additional fifty members or fraction thereof. These votes shall be cast by one delegate from each of the various churches and this delegate shall be duly elected by the church to cast these votes. A roll call shall be made on all important questions when desired.

2. In the letter from each church shall be expressed the number received by experience, letter, recommendation, restoration, number dismissed by letter, excluded, died since last Association, and the total number enrolled. Also give name of present pastor and one called for the ensuing year, names of deacons and their addresses, name of Sunday School Superintendent and Secretary and addresses, enrollment of Sunday School, and also amount collected since last Association, and amount paid out to pastor, to missionary, to minutes, and to any other expenses may have had, and amount left in treasury.

3. All subordinate churches shall be subject to the ruling of this Association.

4. This Association, when convened, shall be governed by a regular and proper code of rules which they are authorized to establish for themselves.

5. They may elect a Moderator, Secretary and Treasurer from among themselves, and they shall hold their office until their successors are elected.

6. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association except when withdrawn by consent.

7. New churches may be received into the union, who shall petition by letter or delegate, if they have been regularly organized upon a profession of our faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and are walking according to the gospel order.

8. This Association shall furnish each church with minutes of their proceedings, in proportion to the amount sent by each church; and in order to enable the Association to print their minutes it is expected that each church will send up such sums of money as they think proper, and when received shall be placed in the hands of a trustee appointed for that purpose, and may be disbursed by order of the Association.

9. For the purpose of ordaining ministers of the gospel, and deacons who shall come with recommendations from their churches, and for trying all ordained members for unchristian conduct, there shall be annual Presbytery, which shall convene at the close of the Association at the same time and place, and at any time during the Associational year, if called by Moderator or his assistants or any five members of said Presbytery, who deem it necessary to make such a call. Said Presbytery shall consist of ordained members present and they shall elect a Moderator and Clerk from among themselves for the time being, who shall hold their offices until their successors are elected. It shall be the duty of said Presbytery to examine all applications or ordinations sent up with recommendation, from their churches composing this Association, and if found competent, to ordain and set them apart for the work by laying on of hands. Said Presbytery shall have full power to try all ordained members for unchristian conduct and on testimony their decision shall be final.

10. It shall be the duty of each minister who shall organize a church to ordain deacons for the same. Also, his duty to ordain deacons where a vacancy occurs in his charge.

11. No person shall be ordained to the ministry until he is able to fill the requirements of Paul's 1st letter to Timothy 3 and this be tested by the Presbytery. Said Presbytery shall have full power to propound Scriptural questions as they see proper and all candidates shall be required to answer them satisfactorily.

12. This Association may exclude from its body any minister who teaches heresy, or any other church that countenances him in said teaching or that may be disloyal to the tenets of Faith as held by this Association and expressed in our Articles of Faith.

13. All questions coming before this Association shall be determined by a majority, except excluding churches, which shall receive a concurrence of two-thirds.

14. Representatives from five churches shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and no business shall be transacted without a quorum.

15. The minutes of this Association shall be read before them, corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk.

16. This Association may adjourn at any time and place it may think proper, so as to confine it among the churches composing the same.

17. Amendments may be made to this form of government at any time by a majority of the members present composing the Association, voting in behalf of the amendment.

The brother shall not be interrupted during his speech by any one except the Moderator, except he violates order.

18. When the Association shall have convened, it is the privilege of all ordained members belonging to the Cumberland Association of Freewill Baptists to sit in council with us and propose resolutions coming before this body as though they were delegated by the church.

9—*Minutes*

RULES OF DECORUM

This Association shall be opened by singing and prayer. Only one person may speak at a time. All addresses made by the members shall be made to the Moderator; and the person thus speaking shall strictly confine himself to the subject in debate, nor cast any personal reflections toward any member of this body who has spoken previously.

No person shall be allowed to speak more than three times on any one subject, without leave of a majority of the Association.

No person shall laugh or whisper in time of public speaking.

No member shall absent himself without leave from the Association. Members shall use the word "brother" or "brethren" in all debates.

The names of the members of this body shall be enrolled by the Clerk, and called over as often as necessary, provided a call be made by a member of the Association.

No member shall speak longer than fifteen minutes at any time without leave of the Moderator.

Any member who shall willfully and knowingly violate any of these rules, shall be reported by the Moderator and be subject to the censure of the Association.

Adopted in Council, this Saturday before the first Lord's day in October, 1867, as a standing decorum though subject to revision by a majority of members voting for revision.

MINISTER'S REPORT

All ministers are urged to fill out a report like this and hand it to the Association next year.

Report for year ending ----- 193-----

Churches in charge -----; names of -----
churches -----

-----,
Sermons preached ---; Conversions witnessed ---; Prayer-
meetings conducted -----; Received into church -----;
Baptized -----; Funerals conducted -----; Marriages
solemnized -----; Homes visited -----; Miles traveled -----;
Revivals assisted in -----; Revivals held in above churches
-----; Received from above churches for services, \$ -----;
Received from other sources \$ -----; Total received \$ -----.
Condition of work spiritually and financially -----

Remarks -----

Signed -----, Pastor.

P. O. -----

State -----

County -----

Street No. -----

R. R. -----

CHURCHES	CLERKS	POSTOFFICE	Rec'd by Exp.	Rec'd by Lettr.	Rec'd by Rec.	Rec'd by Rest	Dis. by Letter	Excluded	Deceased.	No. of Member	Day of Meeting	Value of Church Property	Paid Pastor	Paid Assistant	For Minutes
Ashland City	Miss Mary Patton	Ashland City, Tenn.	2		1					65	13	\$ 4,000	\$ 90.00		\$ 2.00
Bethel	G. W. Fambrough	Neptune, Tenn.	47		1			1	1	1301	2	2,000	50.00		4.00
Bethlehem	Miss Allene Reed	Ashland City, Tenn.	11					6	5	287	1	2,000	131.00		1.50
Brandon's Chapel	J. B. Burke	Bumpus Mills, Tenn.	7	3		2				1207	1	1,000	151.92		2.15
Cofer's Chapel	Mrs. L. O. Burroughs	Nashville, Tenn.	12	6	1					1230	12 3 4 5	20,000	1,017.17		3.25
Craigfield	W. H. Stinson	Jingo, Tenn., Route 2	1					1	1	35	3	600	25.15		.75
Dunbar's Chapel	Mrs. Weaver Dunaway	Cumberland City, Tenn.								41	4				1.25
East Nashville	Mrs. Agnes Frazier	Nashville, Tenn.	12	4		1	1	1	2	129	12 3 4 5	35,000	1,800.00		2.50
Emanuel's Chapel															
First F. W. B. Ch.	Mr. Wallace	Columbia, Tenn.	9		2	2	29		1	128	12 3 4 5	3,000	216.00		3.00
Fredonia															
Good Springs															
Gorman	Mrs. L. O. Harrison	Gorman, Tenn.	4		1			9		67	2		28.50		
Hagwood's Chpl.	Miss Odessa Nicholson	Hickory Pt., Tenn., R. 2	14	6					20	20	4		25.00		1.10
Heads	G. E. Gower	Cedar Hill, Tenn., R. 5	2					7	2	200	3	2,500	104.00	\$ 24.13	1.25
Miller's Chapel	S. A. Okain	Neptune, Tenn., Route 2	1			1				60	4	600	50.00		1.25
Mt. Pleasant	Miss Marie Lokey		12	1					33	33	24				
Mt. Zion															
New Hope	Mrs. J. J. Felts	Joelton, Tenn.	8		3		1		233		1	2,500	101.00		2.00
Oak Grove	Mr. Bell Spann	Charlotte, Tenn., R. 2	1	4		3	1		93		2	1,000	101.75		2.00
Oakland	Mrs. Bell Carney	Joelton, Tenn., R. 2				2			61		13	1,000			2.00
Oaklawn	Mrs. Turner Lee	Thomasville, Tenn.	1		1	1	3		2183		4	2,500	89.50		2.00
Oakwood	Miss Willie Hunter	Cedar Hill, Tenn., R. 4	2	1					45		1	2,000	14.75		1.40
Olivet	J. B. Reding	Adams, Tenn., R. 3	1						81		3	1,000	120.00	25.00	1.00
Pleasant Hill	Rillarene Wallace	Dover, Tenn., Box 34							2	48	3	1,000	21.00		1.00
Rock Springs	L. M. Proctor	Neptune, Tenn., R. 2	6					5	4	220	2	3,000	83.68		1.00
Scott's Chapel	J. F. Duncan	Cumberland City, Tenn.	4		2			9	1	65	1	1,200	74.00		1.00
Shady Grove	Mrs. Moton Bagwell	Clarksville, Tenn., R. 2		6		4	2			61	2	1,000	76.56		1.35
Spring Hill	Minnie Mae Spain	Goodlettsville, Tenn.	1					1	55		3	1,000	24.36		.50
Starkey's Chapel	Ernest Robertson	Jingo, Tenn.	6		6				1	55	1	250	15.00		.65
Stoney Point	Mrs. Ella Lilly	Vanleer, Tenn., R. 2							1	84	4	1,550	26.03		1.05
Union Hill	J. W. Boren		9	10						41	2	500	30.00		1.00
West Nashville	Martha McAlister	Nashville, Tenn.	24		2				21	139	12 3 4 5	2,000			2.50

