East Alabama Association of Free Will Baptist



Minutes - 1987

ORDER OF BUSINESS OF QUARTERLY OR YEARLY ASSOCIATION

- The body called to order by the Clerk if present, if not, the Assistant Clerk, if he be present, if not the body may select some other suitable member to act as Clerk.
- 2. Call for corresponding letters.
- 3. Invite visiting brethren to seat.
- 4. Appoint committees.
- 5. Morning Message.
- 6. Adjourn for Lunch.
- 7. Call for committee report.
- 8. Call for miscellaneous or new business.
- 9. Election of officers at yearly association and appointing time and place for quarterly meeting.
- 10. Adjournment.

ORDER OF BUSINESS OF WOMEN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

- 1. Call to order by President.
- 2. Call for corresponding letters.
- 3. Have letters read and adopted and seat the delegates.
- 4. Have reading of previous meeting.
- 5. Old business.
- 6. New business.

- 7. Program by host church.
- 8. Election of officers at the yearly association.
- 9. Dismissed by prayer.

OFFICERS FOR YEAR 1988 - 1989

Moderator - Rev. Rodger Milling

Clerk - Patricia Milling

502 30th Street, Phenix City, Alabama, 36867, Phone (205) 298-9879 Assistant Moderator - Rev. John Parker

3810 Robbins Road, Montgomery, Alabama 36109, Phone (205) 272-1419

Assistant Clerk — Martha Caswell

Mission Fund Treasurer - Martha Caswell

Route 6 Box 44, Opelika, Alabama, 36801, Phone (205) 745-7597 Children's Home Trustee — Rev. Rodger Milling (elected in August)

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Unity Free Will Baptist Church - Bill Packer St. Mark Free Will Baptist Church - Carlos Perkins First Free Will Baptist of Montgomery - Peggy Miller Faith Free Will Baptist Church — Johnny Allen St. James Free Will Baptist - Dimple Carden Bethel Free Will Baptist

ORDINATION COUNCIL

5 Year — Jimmy Hodge

4 Year — Donnie Blackmon

3 Year - Robert Caswell

2 Year — Rev. John Parker

1 Year - Rev. E. B. Ledlow

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

May 14, 1988 — First Quarterly — Unity FWB Church, Sylacauga August 13, 1988 — Second Quraterly — First FWB Church, Montgomery November 15, 1988 — Third Quarterly — St. Mark, Phenix City February 11, 1989 — Annual — St. James, Phenix City Alabama State Association November 10, 11, 12, 1988, at First Free Will

Baptist Church in Dothan, Alabama

CHURCHES, PASTORS, CLERKS and ADDRESSES

St. Mark Free Will Baptist Church

1012 - 11th Street, Phenix City, AL 36867 Phone (205) 298-8015

Pastor - Rev. Frank Fagan, 1215 - 23rd Court, Phenix City, AL 36867 Phone (205) 298-3783

Clerk - Kathy Hodge, Route 4, Box 130, Phenix City, AL 36867 Phone (205) 297-3039

First Free Will Baptist Church

415 Perry Hill Road, Montgomery, AL 36109 Phone (205) 272-9677

Pastor - Rev. John Parker, 3810 Robbins Road, Montgomery, AL 36109

Phone (205) 272-1419

Clerk - Ruth N. Adams, 254 West Wilding Drive, Montgomery, AL 36109

Phone (205) 288-3617

Unity Free Will Baptist Church

501 Morris Avenue, Sylacauga, AL 35150 - Phone (205) 249-3980 Pastor - Rev. E. B. Ledlow, 1015 Magnolia Drive, Sylacauga, AL 35150 - Phone (205) 245-4520

Clerk - Guynette Barnette, 600 - 6th Avenue S.W., Childersberg, AL 35044 — Phone (205) 378-6952

Faith Free Will Baptist Church

3920 Marvyn Highway, Opelika, AL 36801

Pastor - Rev. Charles Allen, Interim, Route 4 Box 178, Auburn, AL 36830 Phone (205) 887-9021

St. James Free Will Baptist Church 2009 Second Avenue, Phenix City, AL 36867 (205) 298-7954

Pastor - Rev. Jimmy Stubbs, address and phone number unavailable Clerk — Dimple Carden — 1013 20th Street, Phenix City, AL 36867 Phone (205) 297-1409

Bethel Free Will Baptist Church

Route 5 Box 764, Phenix City, AL 36867

- Pastor Rev. B. P. Hayes, Route 5 Box 134, Phenix City, AL 36867 Phone (205) 298-0790
- Clerk Evon Kinney, 1704 Auburn Road, Phenix City, AL 36867 Phone (205) 298-0362

DISTRICT TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT - 1986

East Alabama, Treasurer, Lois Hibbs, Address: 1213 Devonsl Montgomery, Alabama 36116 Number active member on roll 47. Membership fees enclosed	hire Drive, \$ 94.00
Other Disbursements:	
Home Missions Pre-Thanksgiving offering State missions Special projects: State	172.15 225.15
District	67.33
Special projects State District	250.95
Bible Colleges General fund Student loan fund Special projects: State District	120.00 50.00
Woman's National Auxiliary WNAC general fund (Emphasis Month) Co-Laborer offerings Special projects	37.61 24.00 261.00
Children's homes Retired ministers Youth camps and projects Local church activities	175.00 25.00 452.08
Auxiliary literature and supplies Other special offerings Total disbursements	261.75 61.73 \$2,277.75
Non Cash Gifts (evaluate): Children's homes Missionary provision closet Retired ministers Total non cash gifts Grand total disbursed	11.73

1987 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE EAST ALABAMA DISTRICT WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

THEME:

"God's Directional Signs" Proverbs 3:5,6

The East Alabama District Convention met at St. James Free Will Baptist Church, Phenix City, Alabama, April 11, 1987.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Sister Peggy Miller. Congregation singing, "Blessed Redeemer." Singing was led by Etta Jones, Carolyn Harris at the piano.

Prayer, Beverly Cook. Welcome by host Church, Dimple Carden. Response, Virgina Tatum.

Special Music, Unity, Solo, Wanda Moore "The Only Real Peace," Odessa Ledlow at the piano.

Letters were read by Lois Hibbs (Secretary and Treasurer). Seating of the delegates. Reading of minutes of last meeting and Treasurer's Report. Accepted by the body.

Appointment of Committees by the President:

FINANCE COMMITTEE Sister Frances Blackman Sister Virginia Tatum Sister Dutchie Sumner Sister Mildred Knighton BUSINESS COMMITTEE Sister Edith Parker Sister Etta Jones Sister Beverly Cook Sister Guynette Barnett

APPRECIATION COMMITTEE Sister Donna Tidwell Sister Ruth Adams Charlotte Johnson Catherine Mullins

Old Business:

Discussed State Meeting, May 2, First Free Will Baptist Church, Vernon, Alabama. State Retreat, May 15 and 16, Yamper Town.

Anyone who can do volunteer work at The National Convention, please get with Odessa.

New Business:

Some are not pleased with the new Co-Laborer. Odessa said, they are trying and are improving, give them a little more time.

Introduction of Program:

Peggy thanked St. James for the display of signs. Reading of Scripture, commenting on the Directional Signs the Lord has for us. Be Cautious. Wanda Moore led in prayer.

The Program was great, each lady did a fantastic presentation. Commenting and reading of the scriptures. Flashing LightsFaith, Beverly CookBridge OutSt. James, Mildred KnightonQuiet ZoneUnity, Odessa LedlowDetourMontgomery, Edith ParkerYieldPresident, Peggy Miller

A blessing received from each. Ruth Adams led in prayer. Dismissed for short break.

Ladies revived by Peggy singing: "The Last Mile of the Way," Lois at the organ. Offering received.

Morning Message, Rev. Tim Trimble, Home Missionary to Alabaster, Alabama. Reading of the Scripture, Psalm 143:10. Knowing the Will of God, In God's directional signs. God placed the highest honor on woman. The height of God's creation is woman. The woman determines the spirit of the home. God leads through avenues. Do we Want God's will? A beautiful message was received by each lady. Dismissed for lunch.

Afternoon services began with congregation singing "Trust and Obey," Edith Parker leading the singing and Carolyn Harris at the piano. Edith led in prayer.

Special Music, Faith — Beverly Cook and Carolyn Harris singing "Lord Shine Your Light on Me."

Skit presented by ladies from St. James. "Fashions" This was unbelievable. Rodney Smith, a teenager with Bro. Trimble gave his testimony, how he became a Christian, a great witness. Bro. Trimble shared with us his mission work at Alabaster. Peggy asked the ladies, if everyone received a blessing say A-Men.

Auxiliary Banner received by Montgomery, based on percentage attending the District meeting. Slate of new Officers read and accepted by all. Officers are as follows:

President: Peggy Miller Field Workers: Vice President: Odessa LedlowWanda Moore Secretary & Treasurer: Lois Hibbs Catherine Mullins Dimple Carden

Installation of the above officers by Beverly Cook.

Announcements: District meeting 1988, 2nd Saturday, April - Unity

District meeting 1989, 2nd Saturday, April – Montgomery

Faith requested to have our District Prayer Retreat, 1987. all details will be forth-coming.

Benediction - Vice-President

Committee Reports given: (See Attached sheet)

Appreciation:

COMMITTEE REPORTS

We, the appreciation committee want to thank the ladies from St. James for the wonderful fellowship we have received, and for the delicious food. We also thank Bro. Trimble for the spiritual food. We recommend that a standing vote of thanks be given to our host church.

> Sisters Donna Tidwell, Ruth Adams Catherine Mullins, Charlotte Johnson

Business Committee:

We, the business committee present the slate of officers for the next two years: President, Peggy Miller; Vice President, Odessa Ledlow; Secretary and Treasurer, Lois Hibbs; Field Workers, Maggie Barrett, Dimple Carden, and Wanda Moore

Finance Committee:

1. Recommend the morning offering (\$30.55) and the District Project monies (\$200.00) total \$230.55, to guest speaker, Bro. Trimble.

Church	Dues	D. Proj.	St. Proj.	Ozark	Dinner	Post.
Unity	46.00	100.00	25.00	OZdik	* 3.50	1.00
Faith	14.00	100.00	32.00		2.50	1.00
Mont.	16.00	50.00	32.00	25.00	2.50	1.00
St. James	18.00	50.00	32.00	25.00	2.50	1.00
Totals	94.00	200.00	121.00	50.00	11.00	4.00
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Old Balance				5	1.88	
					0.00	
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Paid Out						
District Spea	ker, Re	v. Trimble	Hom Miss	23	0.55	
State Conven	tion Du	1es		9	4.00	
State Project	- Oza	rk		5	0.00	
					1.00	
WNAC Posta	age			3	4.00	
				1	0.00	
				1	0.00	
				4	5.00	
Total paid ou	ıt			56	4.55	
Total on hand	d					567.43
Less paid out					_	564.55
Bank Balance	e					2.88

\$10.00 for printing minutes not included in finance report. Odessa gave
5.00 at State to cover asking auxiliaries.

First Quarterly Meeting — May 9, 1987 Unity in Sylacauga

The meeting opened in prayer by Rev. Johnny Cook. Congregational songs, "I'm Going That Way" and "Oh How I Love Jesus" were led by Bro. Bill Packer, with Sis. Odessa Ledlow at the piano. The clerk called the meeting to order. The delegates were seated. The minutes and combined reports were read and approved as read. The Business and Finance Committee was appointed: Bro. Donnie Blackmon, Chairman; Jimmy Hodge, Beverly Cook, Bro. Whitaker, The Board of Christian Education was not strenghtened. The Trio from Unity - Bro. and Sis. Ledlow and John Butler, sang, "What a Meeting in the Air" and "That Sounds Like Home to Me." Rev. Ledlow introduced Rev. Doug Carry, Associate Pastor of First Free Will Baptist Church in Sylacauga. Bro. Carry brought the morning message from Mark 4:1-13 - "How Then Will You Understand?" He said, that if we as Christians cannot grasp the basics and the fundamentals, there will be things we can't understand and handle. We need to be Bible scholars and theologians. A lot of Christians have trouble making decisions and discerning between good and evil because they are not grounded in the basics of the Word. A love offering of \$23.83 was received for Bro. Carry. Dismissal prayer and blessing on the food was prayed by Robert Caswell.

Afternoon Session

The afternoon session opened with songs, "I Want to Know More," and "Heaven's Jubilee." Bro. Cook brought the afternoon devotional, from Genesis 19:12-16; 24-29 — "The Night Before Doom." He stated, that we need to warn those we love of the soon coming doom. Lot lost his wife and all he had worked for, Bro. Cook asked what would we lose? We need to warn those we love.

1. Business ar	nd Finance	Report:	12	
Church	Fees	Children's Home	E Al Miss	Bd of CE
St. Mark	20.00			10.00
Weems Road	20.00	25.00	25.00	
Unity	20.00	50.00		10.00
Bethel	20.00			
Faith	20.00			10.00
St. James	20.00	25.00		
Totals	120.00	100.00	25.00	30.00

We, the Business and Finance Committee recommend the body accept First Free Will Church's letter of withdrawal from the East Alabama Association. This item was moved, seconded and carried. (2) The February meeting needs to be changed. Moved, seconded, and carried to change it to St. Mark. (3) We recommend that the Ordination Council be strengthened by the addition of Rev. Len Blanchard. This was moved, seconded and carried. (4) We recommend that we offer the host church a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality. Moved, seconded and carried.

2. Board of Christian Education Report:

December 12th will be the Youth Rally. An award was presented to Becky Perkins for her vocal solo, flute solo, and duet with David Milling. Mark Milling announced that Youth Camp will be August 9-14 at Northwest Association's Youth Camp. Pastors have been given applications. Fees are \$25.00 per person, and anyone 19 or over will serve as workers. Workers who have children five and under will have one person to keep the children, and those children will be free. This report was received as information.

3. East Alabama Missions Report:	8
January 1, 1987 Balance	\$1,957.82
Deposit February 28, 1987	25.00
New Balance May 9, 1987	\$1,982.82
(Signed Martha Caswell, Trea	asurer)

4. Children's Home Report:

We have 27 children. Mrs. Mills retired for the 4th time. She is living in a room on the boy's wing serving as relief House Parent, for room and board. The spending for April 1987 was down over \$6,000 from last year. We have several children in various competitive activities at school, winning 1st and 2nd place, in voice, speech, crafts, track and field, and one person won the 50 yard dash in Special Olympics. The Home will have a booth at the National Association, and it will not cost much. A church at Vero Beach, Florida, is paying for one week camp and a trip to Disney World this summer. We are in the process of remodeling throughout the home. This report was given by Rev. Rodger Milling, and was accepted as information. After no other business, we were dismissed in prayer.

(Pat Milling)

August 8, 1987

at St. Mark FWB Church

The meeting opened with song, "Living By Faith," with Bro. Bill Packer leading the singing, Sis. Odessa Ledlow at the piano and Sis. Lois Hibbs at the organ. After prayer by Bro. H. T. Shiver, the congregation sang another song entitled "I Want To Know More." After a brief testimony service, and prayer by Rev. John Parker, the welcome was given by Rev. Len Blanchard. The clerk called the meeting to order and the delegates were seated. The minutes from the prevous meeting were read and approved as read. It was moved and seconded to accept the combined report, with additions and corrections. This was carried. St. Luke had no delegates and no letter. Rev. Milling, Moderator, appointed the committees as follows:

Business and Finance Committee: Bill Packer, Chairman; Jimmy Hodge, Lois Hibbs, H. T. Shiver, Charlie Jones, and Beverly Cook. Bro. Len Blanchard sang a special entitled "Just Like You, Lord," and then introduced Rev. Wayne Blanchard, pastor of Landmark Free Will Baptist Church in Phenix City. Bro. Blanchard brought the morning message from II Kings 6:1-7 entitled "When the Cutting Edge Was Lost." He stated he always desires the power of God on his life. The sons of the prophets had a project — to cut wood. They had a problem — they outgrew their living quarters. They had a plan — they got God's permission and had His presence, and had perspiration mixed in. One got in a predicament when he lost the ax head — he had the mind to work but didn't have an eye to watch. When he lost the cutting edge he cried. After the message there was an altar service and song "Near The Cross."

Afternoon Session:

The afternoon session opened with a song, "Where The Soul Never Dies." Rev. John Parker from the Montgomery Church brought the afternoon devotional from Matthew 11:28. the Israelites had a yoke upon them — a heavy burden, but all can come to Jesus. When we are burdened by problems all can come to Christ. Prayer by Bro. Milling.

	C	ommittee Reports:	
Business and Fina	nce:		
Church	Fees	Board of C Ed	Children's Home
St. Mark	20.00	10.00	
1st Montgomery	20.00		25.00
Faith	20.00	10.00	
Bethel	20.00		
Unity	20.00		25.00
St. James	20.00		25.00
St. Luke	No letter	or fees	
Totals	120.00	20.00	75.00

1. We move that a rising vote of thanks go to the host church for their hospitality. This was seconded and carried.

2. We recommend that the financial report be accepted as read. This was moved, seconded and carried.

3. We recommend that the officers of the East Alabama Association be elected for one year terms only, not to succeed themselves, with the exceptions of clerk and trustee to the Children's Home. This item was moved and seconded, after discussion, it was moved and seconded to place it on the table. Carried.

4. We recommend that we accept the withdrawal of Weems Road FWB Church. This was moved, seconded and carried.

5. The meeting for February 13, 1988 was scheduled for St. Mark. Due to the withdrawal of Weems Road, St. Mark volunteered to host the August meeting. Now we need a place to go in February, if the body desires to change. The motion to go to St. Mark in February was withdrawn, and the body voted to go to St. James — moved, seconded and carried.

Bro. Ledlow made the statement that Unity Church intends to withdraw from the East Alabama Association and form a new Association. This would possibly be in October. He wanted to make it clear that they had no dispute with the East Alabama Association. They will send a letter of withdrawal at the proper time.

Bro. Carlos Perkins announced that there will be a Youth Rally December 12, 1987, and District Competition will be March 12. He recognized Becky Perkins for winning on her flute solo at the national in Birmingham in July. The Board of Christian Education will order books for competition and demonstrate at each local church. On August 8, 1987, the balance in the fund was approximately \$486. They still have some bills to pay out, and expect to have a balance, after all churches have contributed, of about \$260. He thanked the churches for their donations and help with camp. It was moved to accept the report as read. Seconded and carried.

East Alabama Missions Report:

Balance forwarded	\$1,982.82
No debits/credits	00.00
Balance June 30, 1987	\$1,982.82
Signed Martha Casw	-11

Signed Martha Caswell

East Alabama FWB Mission Fund Treasurer It was moved, seconded, and carried to accept this report as read.

Children's Home Report:

The Home has 28 children, 10 employees. The monthly bills are being paid, and we are operating on monthly income, without borrowing or going into savings. We are receiving good support. We have received or expect to receive about \$10,000 from United Way, which will go into the General Fund. The garden is producing so well that we have filled all freezers, and are giving some stuff away. The Home was given a computer with no printer and a computer with a printer. A Free Will Baptist Church has donated a bus, and another church is raising the money to buy a 66 passenger air-conditioned bus. The children and staff have been invited to go to a Youth Camp and Disney World, with expenses paid by a Florida church, and they have also been invited to go to Opryland. The booth at the National Association was successful. It was moved to receive this report as read, seconded and carried.

Bro. Parker brought the question of whether the Light House Church in Montgomery is Baptist or Free Will Baptist. Bro. Ledlow, who is on the Home Missions Board, addressed the situation. He explained that after a mission church becomes independent, the Missions Board does not have jurisdiction. He has met with Bro. Kirkland and tried to get him to clear the air and to go into a new association. The Church's board agreed not to go into it until things that were said about the church had been cleared up. He stated that Bro. Kirkland admitted having the Free Will Baptist taken off everything while he was mad and upset about this situation. Bro. Ledlow stated that still no final decision has been made. This was received as information.

Bro. Rodger Milling was re-elected to the Children's Home Board. Delegates to the State Association November 5, 6, and 7 at Hamilton, Alabama: Pat Milling, Lois Hibbs, Odessa Ledlow, Lynda Blanchard, Virginia Tatum, Beverly Cook, Guynette Barnett. After no other business, it was moved to adjourn, seconded and carried. We were dismissed in prayer by Bill Packer.

Pat Milling, Clerk

November 14, 1987

at First Free Will Baptist Church in Montgomery

The meeting opened with songs "Sunlight" and "His Way With Thee," led by Sis. Peggy Miller, with Odessa Ledlow at the piano and Lois Hibbs at the organ. Bro. Bill Packer from Unity brought the morning devotion from Proverbs 19:18; 23:13; and Hebrews 12:6-11. He stated he wanted to be a son in whom the Lord was pleased. Rev. Rodger Milling gave the welcome on behalf of Rev. John Parker, pastor, who could not attend the morning session. The clerk called the meeting to order, and the delegates were seated. The combined report was passed out and approved. The minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved as read. The moderator, Bro. Milling, appointed the Business and Finance Committee as follows: Robert Caswell, Carlos Perkins, Clark Adair, and Edith Parker. After another congregational song, "Footsteps of Jesus," a special entitled "Because He Lives" was sung by Sisters Edith Parker, Peggy Miller, Maggie Barrett, Virginia Tatum, and Teresa Austin. After this, Peggy Miller sang "Love is Why." Rev. Len Blanchard brought the morning message entitled "Conversion - Redemption - Salvation."

He stated the three are not the same; each has a distinction, but are used synonomously. Conversion can only come when someone decides to be changed and is the beginning of a new lifestyle. Redemption is the release from the bondage of sin. It is not salvation. Salvation is Christ — the Holy Spirit living inside us. If the Holy Spirit does not live in us there is no salvation. After altar prayer, and offering was received for Bro. Blanchard. The amount was 34.50.

The congregation sung "Jesus Saves," while the offering was being received. We were dismissed for lunch in prayer by Bro. Charlie Barnett.

Afternoon Session:

The afternoon session opened with song, "Have Faith in God," and prayer by Rev. John Parker. After another song, "Send a Great Revival," Bro. Milling brought a devotional from Mark 13:3-9. He mentioned that Christians in the church don't need to have indignation for those who are trying to serve Christ. He closed with prayer.

Business and Finance Report:

Church	Fees	Board of C Ed	Children's Home
St. Mark	20.00	10.00	
St. James	20.00	10.00	25.00
Faith	20.00	10.00	
1st Montgomery	20.00		25.00
Unity	20.00	10.00	25.00
Bethel	20.00	F	
St. Luke	No Fees	- No report	
Totals	120.00	40.00	75.00

1. We recommend that we contact St. Luke Church and show concern and find out why they have missed the last two meetings. Moved, second, carried. 2. Recommend we consider raising of fees. No move.

Board of Christian Education:

Bro. Carlos Perkins gave a report on the Youth Rally and Competition. The Youth Rally will be March 12, 1988, and this is when the Youth Competition will be held. It will be at St. Mark. Bro. Carlos asked the association to try to encourage Bible competition. The December Youth Rally was cancelled unless someone volunteers to have it. Sis. Becky Perkins suggested we have a day of fellowship and music practice. After discussion, it was moved, seconded and carried to have a music program December 12 at St. Mark. The young people would practice for a couple of hours and the adults would fellowship during that time. Then the Youth would put on the program for the adults that night. This was carried.

Children's Home Report:

There are 27 children in the home, 6 of them private kids. There is a good family atmosphere, and their grades are improving. The Department

of Human Resources workers continue to be amazed at the results shown in the children. The Child Evangelism Fellowship will do a feature story in their magazine about dealing with problem children. The home is now operating in the "black" each month. The home was given a computer that was too large and outdated to use. About \$600 per month has been pledged through United Way by UPS. This report was given by Bro. Milling and received as information.

East Alabama Missions Report:

Old Balance	\$1,982.82
Received from Weems Road	25.00
New Balance	\$2,007.82
(Signed, Martha Caswell,	

Rev. Ed Ledlow gave a report concerning Rev. Mickey Kirkland. The General Board met with Bro. Kirkland, and he answered questions directed at him concerning FWB doctrine, and whether his church is FWB. He indicated it would be Free Will Baptist, and stated he will write a letter to the Alabama Free Will Baptist Digest that it would be Free Will Baptist. The State Association voted to allow him to be a member for one year, which violates the rules of the constitution. The Mission Board no longer has connection with the church since it is self-supporting. The church intends to borrow \$500,000 to repay the note to the Mission Board and also to buy 6 acres adjoining property. Bro. Ledlow states they still don't know the final results. They are due to meet with Bro. Kirkland to continue to try to work the situation out. This report was received as information. It was moved to remove an item of business from the table; this was seconded and carried. The original motion was that the officers of the East Alabama Association be elected for one-year terms only, not to succeed themselves, with the exception of the clerk and Trustee to the Children's Home. After a second, and discussion, this motion was defeated. There was a motion to give \$1,000 from the East Alabama Mission Fund to the Huntsville work. This motion was seconded, but rescinded when it was discovered that rules needed to be changed first. It was moved, seconded, and carried to change the rules so that the Mission Fund could be used outside East Alabama. After this, there was another motion to give \$1,000 to the Huntsville work. This was seconded and carried.

It was moved to give the host church a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality. This seconded and carried. It was moved to adjourn by Rev. Johnny Cook. We were dismissed in prayer by Bro. Cook.

February 13, 1988

at St. James Free Will Baptist Church

The meeting opened with Bro. Bill Packer leading the singing, and Sis. Odessa Ledlow at the piano. The first congregational song was "To God Be The Glory." Prayer by Carlos Perkins. After another song, "Heavenly Sunlight," Rev. Rodger Milling brought a devotional from Psalms 116:1. He stated that so many times we only call on the Lord when we have burdens or problems. We need to call on the Lord constantly. The Lord is gracious, righteous, and merciful. He also used Psalms 73:28. He stated it is good for us to draw near to God. He closed with prayer.

The clerk called the meeting to order and the delegates were seated. The clerk read the minutes from the previous meeting. It was moved, seconded, and carried to accept the report as read. The combined reports were passed out and approved. Bro. Milling appointed the committees as follows: Business and Finance: Chairman, Robert Caswell, Donnie Blackmon, Charlie Jones, Lois Hibbs, and Kathy Hodge, Ordination Council: It was noted that Rev. Jimmy Stubbs, new pastor of St. James, and Rev. Frank Fagan, new pastor of St. Mark, were to meet with the ordination council. Bro. Stubbs has not received his letter from his church, and Bro. Fagan is sick. The Ordination Council Meeting is postponed until the next quarterly meeting. Board of Christian Education: Bro. Milling appointed Virginia Tatum from Montgomery to sit on the Board of Christian Education. Resolutions Committee: Odessa Ledlow, Mary Jernigan, Etta Jones, Rev. E. B. Ledlow gave a report on Home Missions and the Walk-A-Thon. He wants to have a person from each church to work on the Walk-A-Thon, and hopes to have a meeting with those people. The Huntsville Church had about 50 people their first Sunday. The Mission Board is trying to raise one dollar per member per church. Bro. Mickey Kirkland's church has paid the note with the Missions Board off. Bro. Milling Introduced Bro. and Sis. Stubbs, who brought specials entitled "I'm Going Back," and "What A Lovely Name." The children from St. James and other churches sang "Jesus Loves the Little Children."

Bro. Stubbs brought the morning message from Ezekiel 37 entitled, "Can Dry Bones Live?" Many times the Lord asks people to do things for Him and to work for Him, and we should be ready. There are many dry bones in our churches today — people who come in and sit and do nothing. After his message, there was a congregational song, "When We All Get to Heaven" while an offering was received for Bro. Stubbs. After announcements, we were dismissed for lunch in prayer.

Afternoon Session:

The afternoon session opened with song by the girls in the association. The song was entitled "He's Still Working on Me." After a congregational song "Where We'll Never Grow Old," Bro. Ledlow brought the afternoon devotional from Psalms 1. He stated that we need to be like a tree that is deeply rooted — it sends its taproot down to get the sustenance it needs to keep it from withering. We need to meditate on the Word of God.

Reports:		
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Church	Fees	Children's Home	Board of C. Ed
St. James	20.00	25.00	540 K
Unity	20.00	25.00	10.00
Bethel	20.00		
Montgomery	20.00	25.00	
Faith	20.00		10.00
St. Mark	\$ 20.00		10.00
Totals	\$120.00	75.00	30.00

It was moved, seconded and carried to accept the financial report as read. Business report: The letter of resignation from the association from St. Luke was read. It was moved to accept their withdrawal from the association. Seconded, Carried.

The letter from Twin Cities Association to request a letter of good standing for Weems Road Free Will Baptist Church was read. It was moved, seconded and carried to grant a letter of good standing. We, recommend that we give the host church a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality. This was moved, seconded, and carried.

Bro. Carlos Perkins gave the Board of Christian Education report: There will be a youth rally March 12, 1988 at St. Mark Free Will Baptist Church, beginning at 5:00 Central and 6:00 Eastern Time. Since the Association is low in the number of people and amount of finances, and the balance in the Board of Christian Education fund is only about \$200, the Board suggests not trying to have a Youth Camp this year, and instead, have a Youth Retreat, possibly on a Friday night and Saturday. We recommend that a church volunteer to host the Youth Retreat. The Board also recommends that churches still come to the competition even if they have no one to compete from their church. This report was received as information.

Resolutions Committee Report:

From Faith Church:
Sis. Pearlie Kittrell
From St. James Church:
Sis. Essie Palmore
Sis. Ginny Pyle
From St. Mark:
Mae Treadway
From First, Montgomery:
Bro. James R. Aplin August 11, 1987
From Unity Church:
Bro. Dennis Chandler January 20, 1987
Sis. Jean Juliano
Bro. James Brown

Sis. Idell DeasonJuly 31, 1987

We, the Resolution Committee have examined the reports of the churches, who have reported the deaths of the above members during the year 1987. These loved ones will be missed in our services and in our fellowship. We commend them to the fellowship and love our Heavenly Father. We, the East Alabama Association of Free Will Baptists do express our sympathy to their families and churches, and our appreciation for their years of faithfulness and dedication; further, we request that we all stand for a period of silent prayer in their memory.

This report was received and the silent prayer observed, and closed with prayer for the above members and their churches.

East Alabama Mission Fund Report:

January 1, 1987, Balance	\$1,982.82
Deposit February	25.00
Deposit August	25.00
Balance	\$2,007.82
November 1987 FWB Missions	-1,000.00
New Balance December 31, 1987	\$1,007.82
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(Signed Martha Caswell, Treasurer)

Children's Home Report:

Bro. Corey found some storage space and cleaned it out, making room for 10 more children. The Home is in better shape financially and spiritually than ever before. There are 19 on the A-B honor Roll. 32 children in the home. 7 made all A's. One child ran away from home to come to the Children's Home. There will be an article on the Home in the February or March Contact Magazine. The Home is starting a ministry for the Deaf at the Home. This report was given by Roger Milling, accepted as information.

Old Business — none. New Business — election of officers — see Page 2. It was moved and seconded to adjourn, and this was carried. Bro. Charlie Jones dismissed us in prayer.

Pat Milling, Clerk

Clerl	k's Report:		
Old Balance, February, 1987			\$1,335.92
Received Fees			
February, 1987	200.00		
May, 1987	120.00		
August, 1987	120.00		
November, 1987	120.00		
February, 1988	120.00		
Woman's Auxiliary - Minutes	10.00		
Total Received	anen in		690.00
Total on Hand	diada bra	Land and the tak	\$2,025.92
Paid Out:			
Kwik Copy	5.62		
Supplies	8.56		
Christian Board of Education	500.00		
Rodger Milling	44.13	May, 1987	
(Children's Home Trips)	32.80	July, 1987	
For any set of the second set of the second set of the	33.82	October, 1987	
	43.05	January, 1988	
Herald Press — Minutes	350.43		20. 20. 10
Phenix City Post Office	4.40		
Herald Press (Combined reports)	3.85		
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Herald Press (Combined reports)	3.85		
Alabama State Association Fees	140.00		
Total Paid Out New Balance as of April 13, 1988	\$1,174.36		\$ 851.56

CHURCH DECORUM

- The church may choose a pastor annually or as determined necessary by the church, or if they prefer they may call a pastor for an indefinite length of time.
- 2. The pastor, if he is an ordained Free Will Baptist minister, shall be moderator of all church conferences. When he is absent or does not serve, the Chairman of the Board of Deacons shall serve in his place, and in his absence some other suitable brother may be selected by majority vote of the congregation.
- 3. There shall be one or more deacons in the church whose duty if shall be to assist the pastor in the administration of the Lord's Supper.
- 4. Some suitable member shall be appointed clerk and it shall be his duty to do all the recording and other writing pertaining to the business of the church and to preserve a file of minutes of the church.
- 5. When a new clerk is appointed, all books, etc, belonging to the clerk shall be immediately delivered to him by his predecessor.
- 6. It shall be the duty of every member, male and female, to attend each conference meeting if they can, for on that day the pastor is expected to instruct the church in spiritual manner by giving plain and pointed lessons on doctrine, discipline and the rule of holy living.
- Conference shall be opened and conducted as follows: 1. Prayer (unless divine service has been conducted). 2. Invite visiting brethren to sit with us. 3. Open door of church for reception of members. 4. Acknowledgments. 5. References or deferred business. 6. Matters of dealing which are in order to come before the church. 7. Miscellaneous business. 8. Adjournment.
- Visiting brethren who are called in as helpers from sister churches shall be allowed to speak and make motions or second motions, but will not be allowed to vote.
- 9. Any orderly member of another church who does hold this church in membership, may be received into the church without a letter, when it is made apparent that his Christian character is unimpeachable, and that he has applied for a letter and could not obtain it because he desired to join this or some sister church. All members must join by letter or baptism.
- 10. No member shall be received without the majority of the members present, but unreasonsable objections shall not be valid and unless withdrawn the member who makes them shall be liable to be taken under dealing by the church.
- No member shall be expelled unless he has been cited verbally or in writing to attend this trial provided his residence be known to the church.
- 12. The evidence in every case of dealing and acknowledgment shall be recorded in the minutes in the church books.

- 13. Members dismissed from the church by letter, who become disorderly or continue to hold their letter without a good reason, shall be cited to the conference to answer for their conduct.
- 14. Expelled members may be restored to fellowship on their petition, if their walk since expulsion has convinced the church that they have sincerely repented of their former evil.
- 15. A vote shall not be taken on any question without being moved and seconded and all important questions must be moved and seconded and the vote taken by members rising to their feet, and all votes taken by count.
- 16. No other motion shall be considered while a previous motion and second is before the conference.
- 17. It shall be considered disorderly for a member to be absent from conference when an important question is to be decided; but a member, upon his request, may be excused by the church from voting on either side in particular cases.
- 18. No member shall leave the house during conference without a sufficient cause nor engage in conversation or whispering without being subject to being called by the moderator.
- 19. All discussion in conference must be conducted with calmness and good faith; those who speak must rise to their feet and address the moderator, and keep to the point in debate.
- 20. No one shall speak more than three times on the motion without permission of the moderator, nor shall the remarks of anyone be unreasonably long.
- 21. When the moderator speaks he must nominate some other brother in his stead.
- 22. No one shall be interrupted while speaking unless it is necessary to call the speaker to order.
- 23. It shall be the rule of the church to attend to the administration of the Lord's Supper and feet washing at least once a year and the expenses are to be paid by the church.
- 24. Members not in good standing shall not commune, but the administration shall not be deferred on account of any.
- 25. Public fasting, humiliation and prayer shall be observed on proper occasions.
- 26. This Decorum may be amended or altered by the vote of two-thirds (3) of the members present at any two succesive monthly conferences.
- 27. Any member who is absent from his church for six months shall be place on an inactive roll until he returns and proves himself to the satisfaction of the church.

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BY-LAWS

- 1. The East Alabama Association of Free Will Baptist and its members adopt the treatise of the National Association of Free Will Baptist in faith and practice.
- 2. The clerk and assistant clerk, or in their absence, the senior minister in years shall call the association into conference, and if a quorum is present the moderator or in his absence, the assistant moderator shall take charge; and if neither is present, the senior minister in years shall act as moderator.
- 3. It shall be the duty of the clerk to enroll the delegates to the association. These delegates shall present themselves with proper evidence of their rights to their seats therein, and those enrolled by the clerk shall compose the association. In case of questionable representation, however, the cases under question shall be referred to the credential committee.
- 4. It shall be the duty of everybody belonging to this association to send a letter to every annual session to this association reporting in the same spiritual condition, benevolent work and statistics. Any body belonging to this association which fails to report itself for two successive sessions may be dismissed from the association by a two-thirds (³/₃) vote of all members present.
- 5. Each meeting shall be opened by reading a portion of the Bible and with prayer and shall be closed with prayer.
- 6. By a two-thirds (3/3) vote of all members present a ruling of the moderator can be overruled.
- 7. This association may correspond by messenger or otherwise with other religious bodies.
- 8. This association shall sit with open doors except when it shall go in a committee as a whole.
- 9. Any person not a member of this association may be allowed to take part in it's discussion by obtaining permission from the moderator.
- It shall be the duty of all members of the association to be present at the time appointed for each meeting.
- 11. No member shall absent himself from the association during its meeting without first obtaining permission from the moderator.
- 12. No person shall be allowed to nominate more than one member of any committee, provided the person nominated be elected.
- 13. The moderator shall not allow discussion when not carried on in a Christian spirit or when he thinks it will cause discord or division.
- 14. Anyone desiring to speak shall rise to his feet and address the moderator by the appellation "Brother Moderator", but shall not speak further until recognized by the moderator.
- 15. The "yeas" and "nays" may be counted on any question by request of one-fifth (1/5) of the members present.

- 16. No member of this Association shall be allowed to speak more than five minutes nor twice on the same subject without permission from the moderator.
- 17. It shall be the duty of the moderator to seat delegates in a designated section of the assembly room at the beginning of a business session.
- These By-Laws may be altered or amended at any regular or adjourned session of the Association by a two-thirds (³/₃) vote of the members present.
- 19. Minutes of the last Association meeting shall be read and adopted at the beginning of each session.
- 20. Licensed Free Will Baptist preachers may be ordained after having been licensed for one year. The only exception shall be when a properly licensed preacher (FWB) is called to pastor a Free Will Baptist Church then he may be ordained before the year is completed.
- 21. Any church desiring the service of the Ordaining Council between conferences must bear the expenses of the council.
- Any minister coming to this association must bring letter of recommendation from his association.
- 23. This association shall not consider for ordination any man who does not pay tithes, or any man who has been divorced and remarried, if first wife is still living.
- 24. Each pastor shall be accepted by the ordination council before being placed on any board of permanent committee.
- 25. A minister coming to this association for the first time shall bring a photostatic copy of his ordination papers, or some proof of his having been ordained as a Free Will Baptist. Such papers shall be kept by the clerk.

A minister coming from a local church not a member of an association be examined by the Ordination Council.

26. (passed August, 1962) We recommend that each church enclose with their letter a list of ministers and deacons to receive certificates of standing and that each church have 6 delegates for the 1st 100 members plus 1 delegate for each 50 thereafter.

RE: Job specifications for officers, boards, committees and councils 27. LIST OF OFFICERS, BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COUNCILS:

- 1. Moderator
- 2. Assistant Moderator
- 3. Clerk
- 4. Assistant Clerk
- 5. East Alabama Mission Fund Treasure
- 6. Trustee to Children's Home
- 7. General Board
- 8. Board of Christian Education
- 9. Ordination Council
- 10. Executive Committee

- 11. Business and Finance Committee
- 12. Temperance Committee
- 13. Sabbath Day Observance Committee
- 14. Deceased Committee

GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the By-Laws be amended to include the following governmental statement: No officer, board, committee, or council has any authority over any other officer, board, committee, or council except that which has been specifically described by the associational body in it's By-Laws.

All officers, boards, and committees, are councils of equal authority, and are servants of the body of the association. Hence they are answerable to the body of their performance of duties and conduct.

No officer, board, committee, or council shall assume any responsibilities other than that which has been expressly assigned to it by the body. Any officer, board, committee, or council which does not abide by the above stated by-law shall be subject to dismissal and any appropriate discipline decided by the body.

2. The list of officers and their job description be included as part of the By-Laws of the East Alabama Association of Free Will Baptists.

JOB DESCRIPTIONS

- Moderator: The moderator will be responsible to conduct the business meetings of the association according to Roberts Rules of Order. The moderator is an ex-officio member of all boards, committees and councils. The moderator will be responsible to KNOW the Treatise of the National Association of Free Will Baptists. The Church Decorum and the By-Laws of the East Alabama Association of Free Will Baptists.
- 2. Assistant Moderator: The assistant moderator will be equally qualified in his knowledge of Free Will Baptist as the Moderator. He will be responsible to do the job of the moderator in his absence.
- 3. Clerk: It will be the duty of the clerk to keep accurate minutes of all associational meetings. Also keep all records orderly and up-to-date. It is also the duty of the clerk to handle all correspondence reports, and letters to all other levels in the denomination. It will also be the duty of the clerk to keep a honest account of the association's general fund and disburse the money according to the will of the association.
- Assistant Clerk: It will be the responsibility of the assistant clerk to work closely enough with the clerk's duties that she may efficiently take her place when unable to perform said duties.
- 5. East Alabama Mission Fund Treasurer: It will be the responsibility of the mission fund treasurer to receive all contributions to the mission fund, keep accurate and honest account of them and disburse them at the will of the body.

- 6. Trustee to Children's Home: It will be the responsibility of the Trustee to the Children's Home to attend all meetings of the board of trustees for the Children's Home. While there he will take notes of the meetings and give brief but accurate reports of said meetings to the body. It will be the duty of the trustee to reflect the opinion of the body when voting on all matters concerning the Home when said opinion has been expressly stated. Otherwise he will vote appropriately.
- 7. Board of Christian Education: It will be the responsibility of the Board of Christian Education to act in an advisory capacity concerning the educational activities of the association. They will be responsible to recommend the structure of youth camp (s) and recommend qualified directors for the camps. It will be the responsibility of the board to set dates, times and places for associational youth rallies. It will be the responsibility of the board to recommend whatever steps and activities they deem beneficial and practical to the association for the furtherment of our association.
- 8. Ordination Council: The Ordination Council will act as the credentials committee when needed. The ordination council will be responsible for the thorough examination of ALL candidates for ordination to the office of deacon or preacher in the association. The council shall not recommend any candidate who does not meet the requirements of the association as reflected in our minutes (most recent). This includes any who have never been ordained, as well as those who come from another denomination or association. Only ordained men can serve on this council.
- 9. General Board Executive Board: The General Board shall be made up of the pastors of the East Alabama Association, who are in good standing. The General Board may meet, and if they desire, elect an Executive Board out of the General Board. The Executive Board shall act in an advisory capacity in cases of church dispute and/or associational disputes. The Executive Board will act in an advisory capacity in regards to the disbursements of the assets of the Home Mission Fund. The Executive Board shall act as the association's representative in the organization of new churches (when requested), and in the commissioning of home missionaries under the association's support. (Only ordained men can serve on either Board).
- 10. Business and Finance Committee: It will be the responsibility of the Business and Finance Committee to consider and examine all major items of business that will come upon the floor of any business session. The committee will make known all items of business which come before it whether they recommend them or not. The business and finance committee may refine or alter any item of business that is presented before it to make it more practical.
- 11. Resolutions Committee: (Be it recommended that the "Temperance, Sabbath Day Observance, and Deceased Committee" be dissolved and

consolidated into this one committee for the sake of convenience and efficiency). It will be the responsibility of this committee to formulate and present resolutions concerning important moral and doctrinal issues when instructed to do so by the body. It is also the responsibility of the Resolution Committee to give a report in the form of a resolution concerning those in our churches who have died during the previous year. This committee will be appointed and function only during the yearly meeting in February.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

It is not my purpose by presenting these recommendations to interfere where I am not wanted. But to help accomplish a duty that has been assigned to the Executive Committee six months ago. These recommendations are not meant to be exhaustive by any means but are presented as merely guidelines for the Executive Committee to go by in presenting their recommendations to the association. May God bless you in your work and if I can be of any future help in this matter please call on me.

> Respectfully Submitted David E. Kemper Moderator

TO: All members of the East Alabama Association of Free Will Baptists FROM: Requirements for ordination into the offices or acceptance into the offices of Deacon and Preacher.

We, the Ordination Council for the East Alabama Association of Free Will Baptists wish to make the following requirements necessary for the ordination of any individual to the offices of deacon or preacher. We do not wish to impose any of the following requirements on any ordained individual who presently holds credentials, but we do encourage our presently ordained men to abide by the requirements for the sake of consistency. We feel that all of the following requirements are based on scriptual precept or principal. Please pray about this and voice your opinion by exercising your right to vote at the next quarterly meeting of our association.

REQUIREMENTS

1. Cannot have but one living wife.

2. Must tithe. (10% of their income).

3. Must attend all services of their local church faithfully.

4. Cannot use or handle alcohol or tobacco.

5. Must read his Bible faithfully.

6. Must pray faithfully.

7. Cannot use off-color language.

8. Must have a good reputation concerning his financial obligations.

Respectfully submitted,

Ordination Council

for the East Alabama Association

of Free Will Baptists

ARTICLES OF FAITH

- The Holy Bible. The Scriptures of the Old Testament were given by inspiration of God, and are our infallible rules of faith and practice. 2 Peter 1:18-21; 2 Timothy 3:16-17.
- 2. God. There is one living and true God, revealed in nature as the Creator, Preserver, and Righteous Governor of the Universe; and in the Scripture as Father, Son and Holy Ghost, yet as one God infinitely wise and good, whom all intelligent creatures are supremely to love, adore, and obey. Deuteronomy 6:4; I Corinthians 8:4; Jeremiah 10:10; John 7:28; 2 Corinthians 1:19; I Timothy 6:17.
- Christ. Christ is God manifest in the flesh; in His divine nature truly God, in His human nature truly man. The mediator between God and man, once crucified. He is now risen and glorified, and is our everpresent Savior and Lord. Isaiah 45:21; John 4:42; Revelations 22:13; I John 5:20; I Timothy 3:16.
- 4. The Holy Spirit. The Scriptures assign to the Holy Spirit all the attribute of God. He is the Reprover, Comforter, Guide and Sanctifier of men. John 16:13; I Corinthians 2:11; Acts 13:2; John 16:8.
- 5. The Government of God. God exercises a wise and benevolent providence over all beings and all things by maintaining the constitution and laws of nature. He also performs special acts of grace not otherwise provided for as the highest welfare of man requires. Psalm 19:12; Psalm 145:10; Acts 1:28; Psalm 22:28.
- 6. The Sinfullness of Man. Man created innocent, but in disobedience fell into a state of sin and condemnation. His posterity therefore, inherit a fallen nature of tendencies that all who come to year of accountability, sin and become guilty before God. Deuteronomy 30:19; Ezekiel 33:11; Jeremiah 44:4; Psalm 5:15; John 6:44.
- 7. The Work of Christ. The Son of God by His incarnation, life, sufferings death and resurrection effected for all a redemption from sin that is full, free and is the ground of salvation by faith. II Cor. 2:8-10; John 3:3; John 16:30; John 3:13; Isaiah 9:6.
- 8. The Terms of Salvation. The conditions of salvation are: 1. Repentance or sincere sorrow for sin and hearty renunciation of it. 2. Faith or the unreserved committal of one's self to Christ as Savior and Lord with purpose to love and obey Him in all things. In the exercise of saving faith the soul is renewed by the Holy Spirit, freed from the dominion of sin and becomes a child of God. 3. Continuance in faith and obedience until death. Romans 10:10; Acts 16:31; Hebrews 11:16; Revelation 2:10; John 15:9.
- 9. Election. God determined from the beginning to save all who should comply with the conditions of salvation. Hence, by faith in Christ, men become His elect. Romans 11:5-7, 28; Romans 9:11.
- 10. Freedom of the Will. Human will is free and self controlled, having power to yield to the influence of the truth and the spirit or to resist

them and perish. Revelation 22:17; John 11:12.

- Salvation Free. God desires the salvation of all, the Gospel invites all, the Holy Spirit strives with all and whosoever will may come and take of the water of life freely. 2 Cor. 13:14; Matthew 11:28; Isaiah 45:22; Revelation 22:17; I Timothy 2:4.
- 12. Gospel Ordinances. Baptism or the immersion of believers in water, and the Lord's Supper are ordinances to be perpetuated under the Gospel; Feet Washing, is an ordinance of teaching humility of universal obligation, and is to be administered to all true believers. Matthew 28:19; Col. 2:12; Acts 8:36-39; Mark 1:5; Romans 6:4; Matthew 2 6: 2 6 - 2 8;

I Corinthians 10:16-21; John 13:17.

- 13. Tithing. God commanded tithes and offerings in the Old Testament. Jesus Christ endorsed it in the Gospel (Matthew 23:23), and the Apostle Paul said, "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store as God hath prospered him." (I Corinthians 16:2).
- 14. The Christian Sabbath. The divine law requires that one day in seven be set apart from the secular employments and amusements for rest, worship, holy works and activities, and for personal communion with God. Genesis 2:3; Mark 2:27; Exodus 20:8-11; Nehemiah 9:14; Luke 24:1-6.
- 15. Resurrection. Judgment and final Retribution. The Scripture teaches the resurrection of all men at the last day. They that have done good will come forth to all the resurrection of life, and they that have done evil unto the resurrection of damnation; then the wicked will "go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life." Ecclesiastes 12:7; Philippians 1:23; Luke 23:43; Matthew 17:3 Matthew 10:28; Acts 1:11; Matthew 28:6; John 5:28-29; Acts 24:15; I Corinthians 15:22; Revelation 20:12; Romans 2:16; Matthew 25:46; II Thessalonians 1:8-10; Romans 2:23; II Peter 1:11; Mark 3:29; Matthew 13:41-43; Romans 2:6-10; Acts 17:31.

Church	Saint James	Bethel	Faith	Unity	First Montg.	Saint Mark	Totals	
Total Members	135	45	52	139	34	174	579	
Members Received	0	0	7	7	1	10	25	
Members Dismissed	0	0	1	14	0	10	25	
Sunday School Enrollment	20	18	20	97	24	55	234	
Average Attendance	15	10	17	84	19	45	190	
CTS Enrollment	-	18	20	62	16	27	143	
Average Attendance	—	10	14	60	13	19	116	
Master's Men Enrollment	_		_	_	—			
Average Attendance	-	-		-	—	-		
Woman's Aux. Enroll.	8	-	7	24	8	_	47	
Average Attendance	6	-	4	16	6	-	32	
Pastor's Salary	2,400	1,560	2,600	14,784	5,460	12,397	39,201	
Building & Repair	-	-	1,682	6,178	3,142	911	11,913	
Other Local Expenses	91	440	8,543	32,306	9,487	2,453	53,320	
Total Local Expenses	2,491	2,000	12,825	53,268	18,089	15,761	104,434	
Foreign Missions	-	15	1,220	2,438	26	600	4,299	
Home Missions	_	_	109	1,060	140	-	1,309	
Children's Home	247	30	905	344	100	180	1,806	
Total Outside Causes	247	535	2,355	4,676	391	880	9,9084	
Value of Church Property	150,000	60,000	80,000	270,000	155,000	213,000	929,000	