1963

MINUTES

OF THE

TWENTY - SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

GEORGIA STATE ASSOCIATION

Of The Original Free Will Baptists

CONVENED WITH

THE UNION ASSOCIATION, AT CAMP MT. BETHEL, ASHBURN, GA.

November 12, 13, 14, 1963

OFFICERS

Rev. Charles L. Clark, Moderator	. Chester,	Ga.
Rev. Louis Moulton, Vice Moderator	Savannah,	Ga.
Sherman Jones, Clerk	Cochran,	Ga.
Rev. A. C. Truluck, Assistant Clerk Route 1,	Baconton,	Ga.
Rev. Mance R. Cason, Promotional Secretary	. Moultrie,	Ga.

NEXT SESSION

The next session of the State Association of Georgia Free Will Baptists will convene at the Camp Grounds of the Martin Association, on the 10th, 11th, 12th of November, 1964. The Women's Auxiliary Convention will convene on November 10, 1964. This meeting will convene immediately before the Annual Association.

PROCEEDINGS

The Georgia State Association of the Original Free Will Baptists met with the Union Association at Camp Mt. Bethel near Ashburn, Ga., on Tuesday evening, November 12, 1963. This was the twenty-seventh session

Services began at 7:30 o'clock. Expressions of praise and joy in singing was led by Rev. Louis Moulton. Rev. Harris Nix led in prayer.

The body called to order by Moderaor, Rev. J. R. Davidson. The body was welcomed by Rev. A. C. Truluck, Moderator of the Union Association.

Motion, seconded, carried to adopt the program offered by the Moderator.

Committee on Committees appointed. The following were appointed: O. B. Everson, G. C. King and Rev. Harris Nix.

Vice Moderator, Rev. G. C. Lee introduced Rev. Billy Melvin, Executive Secretary of the National Association of Free Will Baptists, from Nashville, Tenn., as the principle speaker for the evening.

The speaker used as a scripture Hebrew 4:12. He says the great question of today, religiously speaking, is the question of authority. Who is the authority? The Church? Human Reason? Private Opinion? Human Dignity? Tradition? Or the Bible? Bro. Melvin Pointed us to the Bible, the revealed Word of God. A living pulsating, powerful and penetrating book. The Word of God.

After this inspiring message the body entered into a season of prayer. Motion, seconded, carried to accept the Executive Board's recommendation to accept the resignation of Rev. Damon Dodd as Vice Moderator and the appointment of Rev. G. C. Lee as his successor.

Rev. A. C. Truluck speaks for the assignment committee. The dormitories are prepared for overnight visitors.

Benediction by Rev. G. C. Lee.

WEDNESDAY MORNING

Rev. Louis Moulton led in the singing. Prayer was offered by Bro. Emory Corbett.

Rev. Carleton Lambert sang a special song.

Rev. Lambert made a report for the Alabama Children's Home. He expressed a special tribute to Curtis Gay, a representative to the home from Georgia. Prayer offered by Rev. A. J. Lambert.

A partial report of the Registration Committee received.

A partial report of the Credentials Committee received.

Rev. Mance Cason made a report for the Promotional office. Motion, seconded, carried to adopt the report.

The Moderator recognized the delegates and the delegates are duly seated.

Motion, seconded, carried to receive the report of the Committee on Committees.

In accordance with the adopted program the Moderator gave his message.

Rev. Tom Hamilton sang a special song.

Moderator introduced Rev. Harold Harrison, a representative from the National Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tenn. Bro. Harrison brought a very thoughtful message.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

After lunch a rousing song service was led by Rev. Louis Moulton. Prayer offered by Bro. Louie Grimes.

Rev. Mance Cason spoke on the co-ordinated work through the Unified Program. Offering taken for the Unified Program. Prayer offered by Rev. Emmett McDuffie.

Rev. Billy Melvin follows up the statements and statements as made by the Promotional Secretary. He states that the more work and effort we put into the work at the State level the greater the work will show up at the National level.

A wonderful medley of songs was sung by Sister Harrell.

An old hymn was sung by a group of our minisers, Bro. J. R. Davidson, Bro. I. J. Blackwelder, Bro. S. T. Shutes and Bro. G. C. Lee. A good job.

Rev. Harold Harrison reports on and shows the new Sunday School literature.

Rev. Charles Clark spoke on the relationship of the Ministers and and Laymen. He says that the real basis of the relationship is bound up in the Word of God.

Rev. I. J. Blackwelder spoke on the Ministerial relationship. He cited several points in this relationship, Faith 1st. Devils faith 2nd. Dead faith 3rd. Living faith. Fellowship, real Bible sanctioned fellowship. Doctrine and love.

Recessed for supper.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Called for Committee Reports, after a short session of song.

A partial report of the Credentials Committee accepted.

Bro. Curtis Gay made a report for the State Board of Trustees. The Board elected Curtis Gay chairman and Rev. Lamar Parrish as clerk. Motion, seconded, carried to accept the report of the Board of Trustees.

Rev. A. C. Truluck made a report for the Resolutions Committee. Motion, seconded, carried to accept the report item by item. (See the reports.)

Motion, second, carried to accept the report (of finance) of the State Board Education, given by Rev. Charles Clark.

Prayer offered by Bro. George Cloud.

A special song rendered by Sister Harrell and Sister Kimball.

The Vice Moderator introduced Rev. Harris Nix and he made a report for the State Home Mission Board.

The Vice Moderator presented Rev. Mark Vandervort, field representative of the National Home Mission Board. Bro. Vandervort in turn in-

troduced Rev. Herbert Waid, Missionary to Japan, home on furlough. Bro. Waid used St. John 4:35 as a basis for his message. Bro. Waid pointed out the real selfishness and indifference of our time. A real challenge to Free Will Baptists. An offering taken for Missions. Benediction by Bro. Vandervort.

THURSDAY MORNING

We were led in another rousing song service by Rev. Louis Moulton. Prayer offered by Rev. Seldon Bullard.

Vice Moderator announced the participants for the open forum to be held in the afternoon session. Local church, Rev. I. J. Blackwelder; Rev. H. L. Knighton, Local Asasociation; Rev. Mance Cason, State Association; Rev. Billy Melvin, National Association; Mrs. O. B. Everson, Women's Auxiliary; Mr. Earl Tabb, Masters Men; Rev. Harold Harrison, Sunday School and Rev. William Beasley, Free Will Baptist League.

Motion, seconded, carried to accept the report of the Nominating Committee. Call for nominations from the floor. Rev. A. C. Truluck nominated and elected to assist to the clerk, Mr. Edward Kimball nominated and elected to the Superannuation Board.

Motion, seconded, carried to accept the resignation of Mr. Walter Sloan from the Camp Board. Mr. Kenneth Murphy nominated and elected to replace him.

Motion, second, carried to accept the resignation of Rev. Hoyt Findley from the Mission Board, Rev. E. E. Kelly replaces him.

Motion, second, carried to accept the report of the Executive Board. Motion, second, carried to accept the nomination of the Martin Association Youth Camp as the meeting place for the next session.

Motion, seconded, carried for the Executive Board to be authorized to help in the designation of funds to the Promotional Secretary, for traveling expenses out of State.

Motion, second, carried to accept the report of the Superannuation Board, given by Mr. J. W. Clower.

Motion, second, carried to accept the report of the Temperance Committee, given by Rev. W. G. Turner.

Motion, second, carried to accept the report of the Auditing Committee, given by Rev. G. C. Lee.

Motion, second, carried to accept the report of the Registration Committee, given by Mr. Kenneth Murphy.

Rev. Seldon Bullard brought a challenging message on the need of real training in our time.

Mrs. J. W. Franks gave an interesting talk on the functions of the Women's Auxiliary in a Christian development of our organization.

Rev. William Beasley used the great verse of Scripture, "Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful." He says we ought to give diligent heed to its admonition.

Rev. Tom Hamilton spoke on the use of our Camp facilities. He pointed out three things for us to think upon, 1st, The physical property

of the Camp; 2nd, Participating in the encampment, (Divine, Holy Spirit,

Human Spirit,) Prayer, a checking up on onrselves.

Motion, second, carried to express appreciation to all who had a part on the program with a standing vote.

We were blessed by a special song by four of our ministers, J. R. Davidson, G. C. Lee, Louis Moulton and Billy Melvin.

Rev. G. C. Lee used as a scripture 1 Peter 5:1-4. Bro. Lee stressed the real need of the Word of God in the lives and the messages of the preacher in the: (developing an ear of preception in the laity, ministering through counseling, comfort, encouragement.) These things encompass both the ministers and laity.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

After lunch we resumed the services with song and prayer. Prayer offered by Rev. E. C. Davidson.

Motion, second, carried to accept the communications from the National, Foreign and Home Missions Boards.

Moderator extends the right hand of fellowship to the Liberty Association through the Vice Moderator, Rev. Odell Harris.

Motion, second, carried to accept the report of the Budgeting Committee, given by Mr. O. B. Everson.

Motion, second, carried to accept the report of the State Mission Board Treasurer given by Rev. J. E. Blanton.

Motion, second, carried to request the Board of Education to make a report to the Clerk any necessary data for insertation in the minutes.

Motion, second, carried to accept the report of the Camp Board given by Mr. J. W. Franks.

Motion, second, carried to accept the final report of the Credentials Committee given by Mr. Ernest Barker.

Motion, second, carried to give a rising vote of thanks to the outgoing officers for a job well done.

Motion, second, carried for chair to appoint delegates to the National Association. The following are to represent: Mr. John Grant, Mrs. Chester Huckahy, Mrs. Effic Kimball, Mr. E. J. Barker and Mrs. Hilda Hunt.

Motion, second, carried to empower the standing delegates to fill any vacancies that might occur in the appointed delegates.

Motion, second, carried for the Camp Board to assume responsibility to erect a suitable sign at the entrance to the Camp property.

A very interesting panel discussion was held on various questions. Motion, second, carried to adjourn.

Benediction by Rev. J. E. Wood.

REV. J. R. DAVIDSON, Moderator SHERMAN JONES, Clerk.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee of the Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists begs leave to make the following report.

The committee met in regular session January 18, 1963 in Moultrie, Georgia with the following members present: J. R. Davidson, Sherman Jones, H. L. Knighton, Mance Cason, J. W. Franks, Curtis Gay. The following were visitors: O. B. Everson, Herman Watson, Billy Hatcher, Lamar Parrish, C. J. Faison, W. H. Noble and Jessie Griffin.

The chairman read Romans 10:22-24 as a devotional reading and prayer was offered. The minutes of the last session read and duly accepted.

Clarification of the duties of the Board of Trustees was made in accordance with the Constitution in section 5 of Article 3.

A committee, to clarify the duties of the Promotional Secretary, was appointed. The committee composed of: Curtis Gay, M. M. Franks and Mance Cason.

Motion by Curtis Gay was seconded and carried to authorize the giving of our Promotional Secretary a two weeks vacation and the Executive Committee be authorized to secure such help as needed to carry on the work in the absence of the Secretary. Bro. O. B. Everson proposed to pay for one week of the Secretary's allowance and if there is any objection he will pay the two week's salary.

A discussion was held on the obligations of the Budgeting Committee, we then adjourned for lunch.

In the afternoon session, following a season of prayer, discussion was entered into relative to our present plan of allocation of Unified Funds. Following this a discussion concerning plans for the use of the Camp facilities was held. It was pointed out that various meetings should be brought to the Camp, Institutes should be arranged, work shops and other promotional works. A committee composed of Curtis Gay, Billy Hatcher and Mance Cason was appointed to formulate resolutions as might be needed to introduce effective plans in such programs.

On regular motion, second a report of the committee, appointed before noon, was accepted.

A motion duly sustained was carried authorizing the Promotional Secretary to properly advertise the 1963 session of our National Association with a view to stimulate attendance, with direction to investigate prospects of chartering a bus or a railway coach.

Motion, second, carried for all members of the Executive Committee assume the responsibility of promoting attendance of our 1963 session of our State Association.

The resignation of Rev. D. C. Dodd as Vice Moderator was accepted and Rev. G. C. Lee was appointed in his stead. Appreciation was expressed to Bro. Dodd for his work.

A motion duly sustained was passed to recommend O. B. Everson to

the Georgia membership of the General Board of the National Association.

A motion was passed to authorize the Promotional Secretary to contact all agencies of our National work in order that proper co-ordination may be realized.

The attention of the Committee was called to the recent Home-going of our beloved Brother K. V. Shutes and proper expressions of condolences were forwarded to his widow.

The adjournment was in regular order.

The regular meeting of the Executive Committee was convened on September 13, 1963 at Camp Mt. Bethel. The roll call revealed a quorum consisting of the following: J. R. Davidson, G. C. Lee, Sherman Jones, M. M. Franks, Curtis Gay, and Mance Cason. John Ross of the Superannuation Board was recognized as a visitor.

The minutes of the January session were read and adopted in regular order.

Rev. Mance Cason brought a report on plans in the making by the Union Association for entertaining the 1963 session of the State Association. Motion carried for expression of proper appreciation to the Union Association for the wonderful job they are doing toward the entertainment of the body.

Certain items as relates to the office of the Promotional Secretary as to enlargement of the services in areas of tracts (with distribution) and other things that may be done, including the improvement of our monthly bulletin, were discussed.

Motion was passed which recommends that the Vice Moderator and Promotional Secretary arrange for a meeting between themselves and the State Mission Board, with an invitation for representation to the Atlanta church sit in. It was also suggested that the entire plan of our Mission activities be studied to attempt a more effective approach to setting up new churches.

Motion was carried that calls upon our Educational Board to explore the possibilities of enlargement in their field of endeavor. This proposal suggested plans for training teachers and denominational workers, by arranging study courses in the different fields of such activities.

By common consent a committee of four was named to study necessary proposed changes in the present system of allocations of our Unified Funds.

A regular vote was unanimously carried asking the Chairman to prepare an appropriate statement to be distributed among our people clarifying the purpose of the S₀ called "Fellowship Meeting" recently held at Colquitt.

Motion' second and carried authorizing the chairman, Mance R. Cason and Curtis Gay to prepare program for the 1963 session, and notify proposed participants.

A regular motion was passed for the recommendation of this Board that Brother Mance R. Cason be re-elected to serve as our Promotional Secretary.

Motion, second and vote calls upon the Camp Board Education Board to endeavor to work out plans for enlargement of the services of the facilities at Camp Mt. Bethel, with a view to a general enlargement of our denominational work in the State. The motion recommended that particular emphasis be placed on more sessions during the summer seasons, including sessions for ministers and deacons, laymen and Bible conference work. Bible conference work sessions were thought to be held in the winter months and possibly, the laymen and ministers and deacons sessions too.

The regular order of adjournment was followed.

The Board met in a called session at the Camp on November 11, 1963. A very inspiring prayer service was enjoyed by every one present. There were eight members of the Board present: J. R. Davidson, G. C. Lee, Sherman Jones, M. M. Franks, Tom Hamilton, Mance Cason, Curtis Gay and H. L. Knighton. There were several visitors present.

Bro. Cason made a report on the contacts made in the co-ordinating of our work with the National work.

Bro. Knighton reported on the work being done by the State Missions Board. Motion in proper order to accept the report and make any necessary changes.

Motion, second, carried to recommend a prepared program to the body in session.

By common consent we stand adjourned, subject to call by the Moderatir. Benediction by Rev. H. L. Knighton.

CONSTITUTION PREAMBLE

We the Original Free Will Baptists of the State of Georgia, do ordain this Constitution for the purpose of advancing, promoting and increasing all phases of the cause of Christ.

ARTICLE I

Section 1. The assembly shall be known as the Georgia State Association of the Original Free Will Baptists.

ARTICLE II

Section 1. The officers of this Association shall be Moderator, an Assistant Moderator, a Secretary, an assistant Secretary and a promotional Secretary-Treasurer.

Section 2. All regular officers and the chairman of each standing board shall compose the Executive Board.

Section 3. This Association shall be composed of all active Ministers. Deacons and Missionaries who are members of any affiliated bodies. One delegate for every 500 members, or a fraction thereof of each district Association or Union Meeting, and one delegate for every 100 members or a fraction thereof of all local affiliated churches.

Section 4. All delegates from Associations, Union Meetings and local churches shall be elected from the laity of the body sending them.

Section 5. Funds to meet current needs of the body shall be paid in

on a voluntary basis to the Treasurer of the Association, however, it is suggested that each Association give as shall be allocated to them each year by a committee, and that each Union meeting give five dollars and each local church give five cents per capita for their respective membership.

ARTICLE III

Section 1. It shall be the privilege of each affiliated Association to furnish a member of each standing board with terms of office rotating which will necessitate the election of four members at one election year and three members at the next election year, giving each member a term of office of four years each. The exception will be the board of auditors which shall consist of two members who shall be elected at the same time as the general officers.

Section 2. There shall be a board of missions composed of members who are noted for missionary zeal and they shall have the supervision of all mission interest sponsored by this body. All undesignated mission funds shall be equally divided between home and foreign.

Section 3. There shall be a board of Christian education whose duty it shall be to keep the body informed of all Christian education sponsored by the body and make such recommendations as they shall deem proper to the body from time to time.

Section 4. There shall be a board of superannuation whose duty it shall be to make plans and rules which shall be in harmony with the National Superannuation Board. And shall be authorized to formulate plans whereby necessary funds for superannuation may be raised.

Section 5. There shall be a board of trustees whose duty it shall be to hold titles of all property belonging to this body.

Section 6. A board of auditors, whose duties it shall be to audit the books of the Association Treasurer and the Treasurers of all boards.

Section 7. There shall be a camp board arranging the time of sessions, electing all faculty members, forming all the study courses, especially those leading to a completion with the issue of certificates.

ARTICLE IV

Section 1. All officers, except board members, shall be elected to serve a term of two years.

Section 2. Any officer may be re-elected as the body shall see fit.

Section 3. When vacancies occur for any cause they shall be filled by the Executive Board, or by any of the standing boards, subject to the approval of the Executive Board, until the convening of the annual session of the body.

Section 4. Election years shall take place on the odd years of the calendar.

Section 5. A member of any board who fails in the function of his or her duties without a reason, the board to which the delinquent members has been elected, shall declare the office vacant. Further, the body shall have and does reserve the right to deal with any officer or board member who does not conduct his or her office in a Christian and businesslike man-

mer according to the rules of Christian conduct laid down in the New Test-ament. Should such board fail to have sufficient number of its members present to constitute a quorum, it shall become the duty of the Executive Board to deal with any dilinquent member. Also, a charge against a member of this body and a member of a local church shall constitute a charge against said member in this body and the body shall abide accordingly.

Section 6. The duties of officers defined shall be the same as these for any deliberative assembly.

Section 7. All boards may be called in session only by the chairman of the Executive Board and any standing board may be called in session only by the chairman of said board, unless said chairman becomes incapacitated in which case the assistant assumes the authority of said incapacitated chairman.

AMENDMENTS

This Constitution shall not be changed or altered except by a majority of all members present to regular session. All amendments shall lie on the table from the morning session until evening session or from evening session until morning prior to adoption and shall during the time be read at least twice in open session. Additions of boards or officers may be added as there is need.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

We, your committee, recommend the following persons to serve on the various committees for this session of the State Association:

Resolutions: Rev. A. C. Truluck, Leron Clower and Rev. C. D. Rentz. Temperance: Rev. W. G. Turner, Mrs. Riley Giddens and Rev. Harvey Giddens.

Nominating: Rev. J. E. Wood, Mr. E. J. Barker, Mr. L. E. Wynn, Mr. J. F. Register and Mrs. H. L. Knighton.

O. B. EVERSON

G. C. KING

REV. HARRIS NIX.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We, your nominating committee, appointed November 13, 1963, submit
the following:
Moderator: Rev. Charles Clark Chester, Ga.
Vice Miderator: Rev. Louis H. Moulton 8 Richmond Dr., Savannah, Ga.
Clerk: Sherman Jones Cochran, Ga.
Assistant Clerk: Rev. A. C. Truluck Rt. 1, Baconton, Ga.
Promotional Secretary: Rev. Mance Cason P. O. Box 591, Moultrie, Ga.

MISSION BOARD

Rev. Harris Nix Colquitt, Ga.
Rev. J. E. Blanton Jesup Ga
Mr. Billy Hatcher Moultrie, Ga.
Rev. E. E. Kelly Pitts, Ga.
BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
Rev. James Ursery Alma, Ga.
Rev. W. L. Amerson
Mr. J. B. Rice Valdosta, Ga.
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Mr. Jessie Griffin
Mr. J. D. Bourick
Rev. C. A. Huckaby
Mr. Curtis Gay Hartsfield, Ga.
BOARD OF SUPERANNUATION
Mr. Eugene Windham Reynolds, Ga.
Mr. Leron Clower Arlington, Ga.
Mr. John F. Ross Cochran, Ga.
Mr. Edward Kimball Colquitt, Ga.
CAMP BOARD
Mr. John Grant
Mr. T. B. Etheridge
Mr. Vinson Evans Cedar Springs, Ga.
CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE
Mr. Ernest J. Barker
Mr. J. F. Register Chester, Ga.
Rev. Lewis Williams Bainbridge, Ga.
BOARD OF AUDITORS
Rev. G. C. Lee Albany, Ga.
Mr. Earl Tabb Colquitt, Ga.
Golden, Ga.
BUDGETING COMMITTEE
Mr. O. B. Everson Colquitt, Ga.
Mr. C. J. Faison Moultrie, Ga.
Mr. Odis Harrell Route 1, Glennville, Ga.
We nominate the Youth Camp of the Martin Association for holding
the next session.
REV. J. E. WOOD, Chairman

REV. J. E. WOOD, Chairman ERNEST J. BARKER L. E. WYNN.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

We, your committee, submit the fillowing; That we acknowledge temperance which includes patience and Godliness with brotherly love and kindness, for if things abound in us we shall not be barren or unfruitful. As Free Will Baptists this committee recommends that we practice this

resolution. 2nd Peter 1:5.

REV. W. G. TURNER, Chairman REV. H. W. GIDDENS MRS. RILEY GIDDENS.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

We, your committee, report as follows:

- 1. Be it resolved that the Moderator and Clerk be paid \$15.00 and \$25.00 respectively for services rendered.
- 2. Be it resolved that we recommend to our district association that only those persons who show an active interest in our promotional work and have a desire to serve his or her denomination, be recommended as a board member to serve on the various boards. Be it further resolved that our district associations review the standing of their board members at their annual sessions and make necessary recommendations to the State Association.
 - 3. Be it resolved we have 1500 minutes printed.
- 4. Be it resolved that we recommend more effort be put forth to reach our goal in Unified giving.
- 5. Be it resolved that this body give a rising vote of thanks to the Union Association for their hospitality during this session, also a vote of appreciation to the Women's Auxiliary of the Union Association for the flower arrangement.
- 6. Be it resolved that the joint boards of the State Association convene semi-annually. These meetings to be held immediately prior to the Association and immediately following the Association. Such meetings to be called by the Moderator. Be it further resolved that those boards receiving allocations share equally in the overall travel expenses of the General Board members.
- 7. Be it resolved that our budget committee for the 1964 session be instructed to make provisions for an allocation to the board of trustees for the maintainance of Associational owned properties. Be it further resolved that the budget committee be prepared to submit a Constitutional revision to section 5, article 3 of the State Association Constitution to more clearly define the responsibilities of the board of trustees, if such revision is deemed necessary.
- 8. Be it resolved that a memorial to the late Rev. K. V. Shutes be written by the Moderator and included in the minutes.

REV. A. C. TRULUCK REV. C. D. RENTZ L. W. CLOWER.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

We, your committee, wish to report as follows: Reports and contributions have been received from eight (8) district associations and thirty four (34) churches.

Associations reporting were as follows: South Georgia, Little River, Chattahoochee, Georgia Union, Midway Union, Martin and Liberty.

Churches reporting were as follows: Cool Springs, Christian Hill, Harmony, Mt. Olive, Poulan, Pleasant Hill, First Albany, Bethany, Midway, White Oaks, First Atlanta, New Salem, Mt. Zion, Macedonia, Oak Hill, First Thomaston, New Home, No 1, Antioch, Cairo, Glennville, Pine Level, (Georgia Union) Double Branches, First Columbus, First Tifton, Spring Hill, New Ebenezer, Cedar Springs, Corinth, Blakely, Calvary, Emmanuel, Patmos and Providence.

The credentials committee received the petitionary letter from the Liberty Association, questioned and discussed with the pastors of the Liberty Association and also the pastor of the First Free Will Baptist church of Columbus.

On the basis of the questions and discussions we find the churches of the Liberty Association are in agreement with the promoting the State and National work. In view of the facts presented this committee we recommend that the Liberty Association be accepted in full fellowship into the Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists.

ERNEST J. BARKER, Chairman MARVIN L. HARTSFIELD CHARLES L. CLARK.

BUDGET COMMITTEE

We, your committee, offer the following recommendations for the 1963-64 associational year:

1.	Statewide Budge	t: Unified Program		\$25,300.00
		Designated Gifts		. \$12,650.00
2.	District Quotas:	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Unified	Designated
	Chattahoochee		\$3,400.00	\$1,700.00
	Georgia Union .		2,500.00	1,250.00
	Little River		2,000.00	1,000.00
	Martin		3,200.00	1,600.00
	Midway		5,700.00	2,850.00
	South Georgia .		7,000.00	3,5^0.00
	Union	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	1,500.00	750.00
3.	Allocations: A.	\$450.00 per month for Pro	omotional d	epartment.
	B.	Thirty-seven (37%) per-c	ent of bala	nce for
		National work.		
	C. The remainder to be used in our state work			
		as follows:		
		Missions		42%
		Superannuation	,	24%
		Camp Mt. Bethel		23%

4. We urge every pastor and every church to co-operate in our Asso-

Christian Education

Children's Home

ciational plan of work to accept your responsibility in meeting this budget.

O. B. EVERSON, Chairman

C. J. FAISON

J. O. HARRELL.

SUPERANNUATION BOARD REPORT

We, as your superannuation board, want to thank you all for your prayers and gifts as individuals, churches and associations so that we might assist our old ministers, their widows and their children. Pray and give that we may be able to give more to them next year. In Matt. 25:45 we find these words: Then shall He answer them saying, Verily I say unto you inasmuch as ye did it not to of the least of these ye did it not to Me.

FINANCE REPORT

Amount brought forward November 1, 1962 \$ 29.80
Received from Unified Program
Received form Martin Association
Total brought forward and received
Disbursements to superannuates
Stamps and Envelopes 6.03
Total Disbursements
Balance on hand
Each of the following received \$102.50: Rev. A. C. McKinnon, Mrs. W.
C. Coleman, Mrs. J. B. Harris, Rev. E. C. Williams, Mrs. E. L. Paulk,
Mrs. S. E. Bowen, Rev. Tom Henry, Rev. A. B. Ard, Rev. J. F. Smith,
and Mrs. B. W. Clenny. Mrs. H J. Kelly received \$300.00 and Mrs. J. D.
Little received \$3.00.

M. M. FRANKS, Chairman REV. C. D. RENTZ J. W. CLOWER.

REPORT OF EDUCATION BOARD

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Balance in Treasury, November 1962 \$689.48
Received during year: Dot Harvey Loan Fund 100.00
Allocated Ministerial Loan
Allocated General Education
Total received
Balance in Treasury
Disbursements: Security Bond
Student Loan
Total 915.00
Balance in Treasury September 1963
Rev. Charles L. Clark, Treasurer
REPORT OF THE CAMP BOARD
Balance on hand 1962 session \$ 748.56

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Received from Promotional Department	. 1755.65

Total received from two Youth Sessions, personal gifts & others 1966.80
Total
Disbursements for year 1963:
Mrs. Elizabeth Henry, two stoves
Nelio Chemical Co., Tile for house
Short and Paulk Supply Co., Roofing
Nelio Chemical Co., Plywood for ceiling
Total
Groceries, labor and all other expenses 3.585.73
Total 4,297.30
Balance on hand November 1963

J. W. Franks, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE GEORGIA STATE MISSION BOARD

The Georgia State Mission Board held three (3) meetings this past year for the purpose of transacting business. In the first meeting the board voted to give the Atlanta Church \$100.00 per month for one year for rent for a house for their pastor when he was obtained.

This year we have seen new work start in two(2) of our Georgia cities and the board also investigated the possibility of starting a work in Homerville, Georgia.

The Donaldsonville church is still making small monthly payments on their loan and the church in Eastman is also making their payments.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE MISSION BOARD FROM NOVEMBER 27 1962 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 1963

Money on hand
Received from State office
Received on Donaldsonville Note
Received on Eastman note
Total to account for
Total Expenditures
Balance on hand
Mileage for board members
A'lanta church for housing allowance 900.00
Checks (printed)
Eastman church (building operation)

CONSTITUTION

Rev. J. B. Blanton, Treasurer

OF THE GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF MISSIONS OF THE ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS PREAMBLE

We, the Board of Missions of the State of Georgia of the Original Free Will Baptists, do ordain this Constitution and By-Laws for the purpose of promoting all missions endeavors of the Georgia State Association.

ARTICLE I

Name: This organization shall be known as the Georgia State Board of Missions of the Original Free Will Baptists.

ARTICLE II

Members: This board shall be composed of one member from each district Association composing the Georgia State Association. If any member is employed by the board or is called to work with or pastor a mission or mission-church supported by the board, he will make this known to his district association and relinquish his position on the mission board.

ARTICLE III

Officers: Officers of this board shall be chairman, vice-chairman, secretary and treasurer elected annually.

ARTICLE IV

Meetings: This board shall hold two regular meetings a year, to be decided by the board and meetings when necessary to be called by the chairman.

ARTICLE V

Committees: Committees shall be appointed by the board or its chairman as needs arise which would demand the work of a committee.

ARTICLE VI

Reports: Section 1. This board should report annually to the State Association, giving account of all funds received and disbursed, and activities of the board during the year and state objectives for the following year or any future plans.

Section II The secretary and treasurer serving the mission board shall submit written reports to the board members as often as the board may deem it necessary. Also, that supports be submitted through our state publication as often as may be deemed necessary by the board.

ARTICLE VII

Finance: This board shall be supported by the quota of finances allotted to them by the State Association and any other raised by special offering in promoting missions and personal gifts.

ARTICLE VIII

Section 1. Missions: Missions receiving help from this board must either be established or accepted by the board, and the board reserves the right to determine how much and how long financial assistance he granted to any mission. All missions will be under the supervision of the board as long as financial aid is given.

Section II. Churches: (A) Any church receiving financial aid must accept such as a loan on conditions agreed upon by the board and the church. (B) Any church finding itself unable to operate as such, may request mission status, or mission church status.

BY-LAWS

Duties of the Officers: Section 1. Chairman. He shall preside over each session, preserve order, govern the body accordingly to established parliamentary usage and appoint all temporary committees. He shall have the right to call meetings when it is necessary and where.

Section II. Vice Chairman: It shall be the duty of the vice-chairman to serve in the full capacity of the chairman when the chairman is absent.

Section III. Secretary and Treasurer: The secretary shall keep an accurate record of all transactions and the board meetings and preserve the same, keep all valuable documents and surrender same to his successor in office. Send out a report of the work of the board as often as the board requires. All funds shall be held and disbursed by the treasurer at the approval of the board.

Section IV. Ex-Officio Member: The chairman shall be ex-officio member of all committees.

Article 1. Voting is restricted to members or their proxies. Quorum: Four members will compose a quorum.

Article II. Amendments: This constitution and by-laws may be a-mended by two-thirds of the membership of the board voting favorable for the amendment.

Letter from the office of the General Director, Nashville, Tennessee November 4, 1963

Georgia State Association Convened at Camp Mt. Bethel Ministers, Delegates and Friends:

Greetings from the National Home Missions Board and the Missionaries in all of North America.

We have received \$2,847.69 from all sources (churches, auxiliaries and special projects) in your state this calendar year. Please allow me to thank you for this amount.

The program of church extension and missionary work has been greatly increased this past year, and as a result, we are now in a financial strain.

November is National Home Missions month and whatever you can do at this time to help will be especially appreciated. Our immediate need is approximately \$28,000.00.

Rev. and Mrs. Kirby Joe Godwin are now home after spending three years in Fairbanks, Alaska. If they return to that needy field, their support must be pledged by some group. Will you consider this opportunity to make them your missionaries?

Sincerely and Earnestly,

Homer J. Willis, General Director

Letter from the General Director of the Foreign Mission Board Nashville, Tenn., November 4, 1963

The Rev. Mance R. Cason, Executive Secretary.

Georgia State Association, P. O. Box 591,

Moultrie, Georgia

Dear Bro. Cason:

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ from the Department of Foreign Missions of the National Association of Free Will Baptists. We

rejoice with you in the great response which Georgia Free Will Baptists has given this year to our foreign ministry.

I have just returned from taking Eddie, Sandra and Laura Payne to New York City from where they sailed for their language study in Switzerland preparatory to going to the Ivory Coast, West Africa. Their going makes eight (8) new missionaries whom we have sent to the foreign fields this year and we have six (6) others under appointment: Bill and Barbara Phipps to Panama; Archie and Sarah Mayhew to Ivory Coast, West Africa; Louis and Florine Coscia to Brazil. Your prayers and gifts are making possible the increasing of our missionary staff and the expanding of our work. Your suggested quota for foreign missions in 1963 is \$8,500.00 and you have already given \$10,115.18 for which we praise the Lord. Your suggested quota for 1964 is \$10,750.00 which you will more than reach in this year.

I have received a recent report from Bill Fulcher in Uruguay and they have had thirty-two (32) decisions in a special evangelistic effort conducted by Bobby Aycock from Brazil. This is the fruit that is abounding to your account because you have prayed and have given.

Sincerely in Christ,

J. Reford Wilson, General Director.

P. S.—I regret that I am unable to attend your Association this year.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF AUDITORS

This is to certify that we have checked the books of the State Association of Free Will Baptists of Georgia. As far as we are able to determine, each set of books fairly and accurately reflects the true standing.

Date: November 5, 1963

Signed: REV. GEORGE C. LEE

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NOTE: No minutes received from the State League Convention.

OFFICERS

Moderator: Rev. Charles L. Clark
Assistant Moderator: Rev. Louis Moulton, 8 Richmand Dr., Savannah, Ga.
Clerk: Sherman Jones Route 3, Cochran, Ga.
Assistant Clerk: Rev. A. C. Truluck Route 1, Baconton, Ga
Promotional Secretary: Rev. Mance R. Cason, PO Box 591, Moultrie, Ga.

STANDING BOARDS AND COMMITTEES MISSION BOARD

Rev. Harris Nix, Martin Association	Colquitt, Ga. 1967
Rev. J. E. Blanton, South Georgia Association	Jesup, Ga. 1967
Mr. Billy Hatcher, Union Association	Moultrie, Ga. 1967
Rev. E. E. Kelly, Georgia Union Association	Pitts, Ga. 1965

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BUDGETING COMMITTEE

Mr. O. B. Everson	Colquitt,	Ga,
Mr. C. J. Faison	Moultrie,	Ga.
Mr. Odis Harrell Route 1.	Glenville.	Ga.

REPORT OF THE PROMOTIONAL SECRETARY - TREASURER by Rev. Mance R. Cason

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I give this annual report from your State Promotional Department, to this 27th Annual Session of the Georgia State Association of Original Free Will Baptists. In many respects this has been one of the best years in our history, with total cash receipts showing an increase of \$3,667.27 above the previous year. Designated gifts this year increased in the amount of \$3,482.38, while the Unified gifts shows a slight decrease of \$184.89. That there are churches affiliated with our association which have been unresponsive to the Unified Program should be a matter of prayer, since the objective of the Program is a plan of our cooperating together in missionary work here at home and around the world. May God help us to see the opportunities that lie before us in our State Work.

Many miles have been traveled this year in the interest of our State Work. In addition to carrying on the work of the Office I have visited a number of churches, attended various types of district meetings in each association, in the interest of our denominational work. I also attended the National Association of Free Will Baptists which was held in Detroit, Michigan last July.

To each of you I would like to express my sincere appreciation for your cooperation, prayers and support in helping to make this one of the best years in our short history. Observing the fields that are white already unto harvest, may we be faithful in that task which is above every task—"Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." (Mark 16:15.) It is the plan of God that the full gospel shall be preached to all the people of the whole world. One man cannot do it, nor can one congregation. The Unified Program is the plan which links together and multiplies the energy of Georgia Free Will Baptists for this great commission. Again let me thank each of you for your prayers and support. To God be the Glory, Great things He hath done.

COMPARATIVE REPORT FOR THE LAST TWO YEARS

MEMBERSHIP	1963	1962
Number of District Associations	7	7
Number of Affiliated Churches	124	123
Total Membership	10,569	10.455
Received by Baptism	365	265
Received by Letters	297	208
Received by O'her Ways	42	84
Total Assessions		720

20 THE TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE

Lost by Letter	-	31 198
Lost by Expulsion		
Lost by Death		23 81
Total Number Lost		06 368
Total Net Gain	\dots 2	21 352
AUXILIARIES		
Number of Sunday Schools	1	11 103
Total Enrollment in Sunday Schools		•
Number of Leagues	_	-
To al Enrollment in Leagues	3,1	68 3,111
Number of Woman's Auxiliaries		51 43
Total Enrollment in Woman's Auxiliaries		25 567
Number of Y. P. A's		23
Number of G. T. A's		20
Number of Missionary Midgets		17
Number of Master's Men Chapters		16 14
Number of Junior Master's Men		3
Number of Weekly Prayer Services		87 87
Number of Vacation Bible Schools	• • • • • • •	26
FINANCES		
Paid Pastors\$15	58,256.91 \$	136,058.65
Paid Evangelists 1	9,700.73	12,028.64
3	52,317.00	44,577.69
	4,523.65	8,308.45
	,	243,358.53
Total raised for World-Wide Ministry 3		29,761.53
Total raised for All Causes		
Value of Church Property	,	148,250.0
Value of Parsonage Property	3 1,750 .00	53,000.00
FINANCIAL REPORT		
ALL FUNDS RECEIVED AND DISBUR	SED	
GENERAL FUNDS RECEIVED		
Balance Brought Forward	\$24.20	•
From South Georgia Association for State & National		•
Received at 1962 session from churches & association		
State League Convention		
From W. S. A. C		
From Li'tle River Association		
From Chattahoochee Association		
Total Received		\$ 405.75
DISBURSEMENTS OF GENERAL FUR	NDS	
	.	
Rev. J. R. Davidson, Moderator Honorarium	,	
Mr. S. D. Jones, Clerk Honorarium	20.00	

Ham Printing Co., printing state minutes 253.38

GEORGIA STATE ASSOCIATION		21
Mr. S. D. Jones, Postage, mailing of state minutes	10.03	
National Association for Representation Fee	60.00	1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1
Total Disbursed		\$ 363.41
Balance in General Fund Account	• •	42.34
RECEIVED ON UNIFIED PROGRAM	M	.*
Churches, Auxiliaries and Individuals		\$12,171.92
DESIGNATED FUNDS		
Foreign Missions	\$7:454.88	
National Home Missions		
State Missions	61.50	
Home Missions	0_110	
State Superannuation	112.54	·
National Superannuation	25.00	
Superannuation		
Free Will Baptist Bible College	898.83	
State Education	100.00	•
Co-Labor Fund	12.00	
Native India Pastor	25.50	•
National League Board	10.00	
Mt. Olive College	28.93	
Camp Mt. Bethel	649.92	
Free Will Baptist Children's Home	520.71	
Calvert School Course for Wilkinson's	25.40	
South Georgia Mission Board	20.00	
National Headquarter's Building	61.00	
General Fund	405.75	\$11,836.1 3
Grand Cash Total Received		24,008.05
DISBURSEMENTS		
Paid to Promotional Department	5,400.00	
Cooperative Plan	2,357.70	
State Missions		
Youth Camp	1,755.65	المستدا
State Superannuation	1,273.44	
State Education	367.03	
Children's Home		
Foreign Missions	7,454.88	
National Home Missions	,	
Free Will Baptist College	898.83	
National Superannuation	48.64	
National Headquarter's Building		
National League Board		
Mt. Olive College		
South Georgia Mission Board		
W. S. A. C.	62.90	

Disbursed from General Fund	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	363.	41
Total Disbursed	• • • • • • • • • • • • • •		23,965.71
Balance on hand in General Fund.	• • • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • •	42.34
FUNDS SENT TO OTHER T			
Free Will Baptist Bible College			
Foreign Missions			
National Home Missions			
Home Missions			68
Children's Home			93
State Superannuation		•	•
Superannuation			
Youth Camp			•
League Board			
Headquarter's Building			
Native India Pastor			
Total			9,993.06
Grand Total Raised: All Purposes			•
Total Raised on State Budget, \$33,59			
as follows:		arou to eac.	i doboolajion
UNIFIED	PROGRAM		
ASSOCIATION	QUOTA	PAID	BALANCE
Chattahoochee	•		1,873.86
Georgia Union			673.44
Little River			925.07
Martin		988.05	
Midway			•
South Georgia	7,5 00.00	3,738.43	3,761.57
Union			1,298.77
Totals			12,828.03
	NATED		
Association Quota	Paid E	Balance	Over Quota
Chattahcochee \$1,300.00	1,261.98	38.02	•
Georgia Union 800.00	692.23	107.77	•
Little River 800.00	934.48		134.48
Martin 800.00	797.78	2.22	
Midway 2,500.00	3,548.96		1,048.96
South Georgia 3,000.00	12,099.49		9,099.49
Union 300.09	2,088.52		1,288.52
Totals \$10.007.00	21,423.44	148.01	11,571.45
The Auditing Committee report	•		

The Auditing Committee report that they have examined the following books of the Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists: 1. Promotional Department; 2. Superannuation; 3. Education; 4. Youth Camp; and 5. Mission. In our opinion, the figures in each set of financial books fairly and accurately represent the standing.

Auditing Committee

Signed by: George C. Lee, Earl Tabb- 11-5-63

EXHIBIT A

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME

Eldridge, Alabama

SUPERINTENDENT'S CASH REPORT

October 1, 1962 through September 30, 1963

	Checking Account	Reserve Account	Total
Cash Balance September 30, 1962	\$ 108.51	\$1474.93	\$1583.44
Additions during the period			
Contributions	24654.46		24654.46
Social Security & Support payments	5757.60		5757.60
Sales-Coupons	504.4 9		504.49
Cattle	}	937.41	937.41
Other Income Tax Refunds	39.75	- +	39.75
Telephone Refund	48.74		48.74
Miscellaneous	31.38		31.36
Total Additions	31036.40	937.41	31973.81
Total Cash to be Accounted for	31144.91	2412.34	33557.25
Disbursements During The Period			
Salaries and Payroll Taxes	11309.23		11309.23
Food	5651.31		5651.31
Clothing	695.36		695.36
Office Expenses	750.54		750.54
Hardware and Maintenance	1379.19		1379.19
Gas and Oil	937.48		937.48
Heat- Butane Gas	784.08		784.08
Coal	556.09		556.09
Electricity	739.61		739.61
Telephone	518.72		518.72
Pest Control	90.00		90.00
Medical Expenses	563.41		563.41
Household Supplies & Expenses	1162.50		1162.50
Education Costs	1920.32		1920.32
Travel	375.50		375.50
Bond and Insurance	364.90		364.90
Tags and Taxes	19.50		19.5%
Vehicle Maintenance	729.38		729.38
Audit	75.00		75.00
Fire Hose	88.89		88.89
Dues	7.50		7.50
Flowers	27.56		27.56
Farm Expense	2268.29		2263.29
Total Disbursements	31014.36		31014.36
Cash Balance September 30, 1963	130.55	2412.34	2542.89

SCHEDULE I

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME Eldridge, Alabama

BANK RECONCILIATION — CHECKING ACCOUNT

September 30, 1962

IN ACCOUNT WITH:		·	
BANK OF CARBON HILL			
CARBON HILL, ALABAMA			
Balance Per Bank			\$ 412.03
Add: Deposit in Transit			-
Total		• • • • • • • • • • • • • •	709.26
Deduct: Outstanding Checks			
Date Payee	Number	Amount	
6-23-62 Curtis Gay	2760	\$35.00	
8-6-62 State Farm Insurance		28 00	
8-11-62 Jr. Capleton	2840	5.85	
9-18-62 Pitney Bowes Inc	25	19.80	
9-18-62 Harold Wade	27	2.01	
9-20-62 Cash	31	9.00	
9-22-62 C. W. Pritchet	33	18.00	
9-24-62 Jo Ann Page	38	2.50	
9-26-62 Frances Tucker	· 39	10.90	
9-27-62 Irma Cunningham	40	21.92	
9-29-62 Geneva Smith	. 41	25.86	
9-29-62 Rosa Jones	42	108.15	
9-29-62 Ruth Cunningham	43	92.62	F
9-29-62 Tucker and Kendrick	44	75.00	
D-29-62 J. A. Kelly and Co	45	60.00	•
9-29-62 Eldridge Motor Co	46	25.00	
9-29-62 Threadgill Bros	47	61.14	
Total Outstanding Checks			\$600.75
Actual Cash Balance September 30, 1	962		108.51
SCHEDULE 2			; t
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FREE WILL BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME

Eldridge, Alabama

BANK RECONCILIATION — CHECKING ACCOUNT At September 30, 1963

IN ACCOUNT WITH:	
BANK OF CARBON HILL	
CARBON HILL, ALABAMA	·
Balance Per Bank September 30, 1963	\$387.93
Add: Deposit in Transit	212.16
Total	caa 00

Deduct Outstanding Checks		
Date Payee	Number	Amount
3- 6-63 Cash	422	1.56
9-5-63 Carbon Hill High School	801	3.00
9-21-63 Pat Shaddix	844	8.75
9-27-63 Sunshine Industries	853	100.00
9-27-63 Tucker Service Station	854	2.00
9-28-63 Elvin Ingle		21.00
9-28-63 Fayette Farmer Co-op	856	2.65
9-28-63 Pat Shaddix	857	8.75
	858	21.79
9-28-63 Fred Smith		7.50
9-30-63 Carbon Hill Hi School 9-30-63 Tucker & Kendrick		8.75
		57.51
9-30-63 Ruth Cunningham		96.21
9-30-63 Rosa Lee Jones	-	42.10
BALANCE AT SEPTEMBER 30, 196		87.97 469.54
SCHEDULE 3	ð	130.55

FREE WILL BAPTIST		HOME
Eldridge,		
BANK RECONCILIATION.	- RESERVE A	CCOUNT
IN ACCOUNT WITH:		
BANK OF CARBON HILL		
CARBON HILL, ALABAMA		
September		•
Balance Per Bank		
Less Outstanding Checks		• • • • • •
Actual Balance	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	
September	30, 1963	
Balance Per Bank	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	\$2412.34
Less Outstanding Checks	•••••	
Actual Balance	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	2412.34
FARM FROFI	T 1962—1963	
Garden Vegetables		\$ 850.00
Corn (1300 bu. @ \$1.10 per bushel) .		
		·
Frozen Foods	•	
Milk (3,285 gal. @ 70c)		
Pork (3,500 lbs.; 2,340 lbs. dressed @		
Hay (500 bales @ 50c a bale)		
Canned Foods (1,700 qts. @ 35c per	qt.)	595.00
Sales		958.77

GROSS PROFIT	7,603.27
Less Expense	2,268.29
NET PROFIT	5,334.98
GEORGIA	•
Total Things Donated During 1962-63	1,097.72
Total Cash Donated During 1962-63	2,650.50
PETITIONARY LETTER RECEIVED FROM LIBERTY ASSOCI	ATION

November 12, 1963 Columbus, Georgia

Georgia State Association Camp Mt. Bethel Ashburn, Georgia Dear Brethern:

We, the newly organized Liberty Association, petition the State Association for membership. We send as delegate to sit with you Bro. W. L. Walden, and send \$5.00 associational fee.

Rev. C. B. Dowdney, Moderator 5328 Hilliard Ave., Columbus, Ga. Edward Newman, Clerk 709 Crockett Drive Columbus, Ga.

CONSTITUTION

The Sunday School of the Free Will Baptist Churches of Georgia do hereby ordain this constitution for the purpose of advancing every phase of the Sunday School endeavors set forth herein.

Article 1. The name of this convention shall be known as the State Sunday School Convention of Georgia Free Will Baptists.

Article 2. The purpose of this convention shall be to secure cooperation and unity of action and to promote every phase of the Sunday School work as represented by the Sunday School cause of the denomination.

Article III. The convention shall be composed by delegates and ministers from the district and local Sunday Schools. Delegates to be worked out may be provided for in the By-Laws which may be drafted by this body.

Article IV. The officers of this body shall be a president, vice-president, recording secretary, and treasurer and such other officers as may be provided for from time to time. Standing, temporary or session committee may be considered officers of the body which serving.

Article V. The executive committee may consist of all the standing officers with the addition of others as the body may deem wise and proper.

Article VI. The convention may be financed by means which may be worked out from time to time and included in the By-Laws.

Article VII. All standing officers shall be elected annually at the close of the convention session, and the installation of newly elected officers to be the last item on the program each year.

Article VIII. The convention shall convene on second Saturday in June

each year, unless otherwise arranged.

Article IX. The program of the convention will consist of items as may be arranged by a program committee, and the usual order of business as of any deliberate body.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE 1—DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1. President: It shall be the duty of the president to preside over each session, preserve order, govern the body according to established parliamentary usage, and appoint all temporary committees and substitute officers. The president shall also be a member of any chairman of the executive committee.

Section 2. Vice-President: It shall be the duty of the vice-president to serve in the full capacity of the president when the president is absent. The vice-president shall be a member of the executive committee.

Section 3. Secretary-Treasurer: It shall be the duty of the secretary-treasurer to take minutes of all proceedings, and read them for approval, and to record and keep all money and pay for what ever the convention elects to pay; also the secretary-treasurer shall deliver his or her successor all records and money. The secretary-treasurer shall be a member of the executive committee and shall serve as clerk of the executive committee.

Section 4. Assistant Secretary-Treasurer: It shall be the duty of the assistant treasurer to take the place of the secretary-treasurer when he or she is absent. The assistant secretary shall be a member of the executive committee.

Section 5. Ex-Officio Members: The president shall be an ex-officio member of all committees of the convention.

ARTICLE 2-VOTING

Section 1. All questions coming before the convention shall be decided by a majority vote, in case of a tie, the president shall vote.

Section 2. Voting shall be restricted to all officers of the convention—Ministers, superintendents and delegates from each district convention, also each Sunday School.

Section 3. Each district convention shall be entitled to five delegates. Each Sunday School two delegates.

ARTICLE 3—DUES

Each district convention shall send \$5.00 to the convention. Each Sunday School shall send \$1.00 to the convention.

ARTICLE 4—AMENDMENTS

Any amendments to this constitution and by-laws may be secured by two-thirds majority vote, provided such an amendment has been presented to the executive committee 90 days before the date of the convention, and has been approved by the executive committee.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Georgia State Sunday School Convention

The annual session of the Georgia State Sunday School Convention was held at Camp Mt. Bethel, Ashburn, Georgia, June 8th, 1963.

The session was called to order by the President, Rev. Russell Horne. Bro. James Ursery led the congregation in a song and prayer was offered by Bro. J. B. Fuller.

Motion, seconded and passed to accept the program for the day. The theme, "The Teaching Ministry of the Church."

Rev. Tom Hamilton gave the morning devotional taking Matt. 28:19-20 as his text, "The Need for a Teaching Ministry in the Church."

Business session entered into and the following committees were appointed.

NOMINATING: Bro. William Beasley, Bro. J. M. Craft, Bro. Kenneth Murphy, Bro. J. C. Hartsfield, Bro. O. B. Everson and Miss Gloria Dunnaway.

FINANCE: Bro. W. L. Amerson, Miss Melissa Johnson and Bro. Donnie Moore.

DIGEST: Bro. H. L. Knighton, Mrs. Edith Shiver and Miss Mary Jane Everson.

RESOLUTIONS: Sister. Coleman; Sister Kay Rigdon and Sister Kimbers. The delegates were seated.

Rev. Hoyt Findley gave a talk on 'The Qualifications of a Sunday School." He was followed by Rev. Russell Horne on "The Object of a Sunday School."

Bro. Wayne Fleming led the youth in a singspiration of several choruses.

Bro. James Ursery led the congregation in song.

Bros. Russell Horne and Wayne Fleming rendered a special song, "How Great Thou Art."

Rev. J. R. Davidson brought the morning message, "The Lasting Influence of the Sunday School."

Dismissed for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session was opened with singing led by Rev. Russell Horne, followed by prayer.

Bro. Ronny Howland brought the afternoon devotional, "How the World Depends on the Teaching of God's Word."

The congregation was led in song by Bro. Ursery and an offering was taken to help pay for the lunch. The amount was \$36.87.

Rev. Mance Cason conducted a panel discussion, "What's Your Problem." The panel was composed of young people.

The business session was re-opened and the various committees gave their reports and they were adopted as read. (see reports)

The minutes of the last meeting were read. There was a motion and

properly seconded to take the resolution which heads as follows: "We recommend that our churches use Sunday School literature from the National Sunday School Board," off the table and vote on it. There were 26 votes for the resolution and 16 against.

Motion, seconded and carried to take the resolution which reads as follows: "Each district shall send \$10.00 and each local sunday school \$2.00 to the State Sunday School Convention." off the table and vote on it. There were 23 votes for the resolution and none against.

Motion, seconded and carried to hold next session at Camp Mt. Bethel in 1964. Rising vote of thanks to the Camp Board for their work during this session.

Installation of officers followed. The installation was conducted by Bro. E. J. Barker. Rev. Charles Clark led in a prayer of dedication.

The President recognized the visitors of the day.

Motion, seconded and carried to adjourn. Dismissed by prayer.

MRS. OPAL HATCHER, Secretary

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

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Balance in Treasury	\$20.64
June 8, 1963 tuition	97.50
Offering received at the Convention	
Balance on hand	
Disbursements:	
Printing of Programs	14.40
Lunch, to Camp Mt. Bethel	
Total Expenses	
Balance in Treasury	10.01
Rev. W. L. Amerson	
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Donnie Moore	
DIGEST COMMITTEE:	
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Rev. H. L. Knighton Mrs. Edith Shiver Mary Jane Everson

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

President Rev. G. C. Lee
Vice-President Rev. James Ursery
Secretary-Treasurer Mrs. Opal Hatcher
Assistant Secretary-Treasurer Gloria Dunnaway

REV. WILLIAM BEASLEY
BRO. J. M. CRAFT
BRO. KENNETH MURPHY
BRO. J. C. HARTSFIELD
BRO. O. F. EVERSON
Gloria Dunnaway

PROCEEDINGS OF THE

GEORGIA STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

Convening with the Union Association at Camp Mt. Bethel, Ashburn, Ga. on this 12th day of November, 1963.

Theme: "I have chosen You, that ye should go and bring forth fruit.-John 15:16.

The convention was called to order by the President. The congregation sang "Bring Them In," with Mrs. J. E. Wood leading and Mrs.J. B. Rice at the piano. Prayer by Rev. Harris Nix.

We were then led in another song, "Rescue the Perishing." Devotional brought by Mrs. Maxine Franks, using John 15:16.

A warm and cordial welcome was extended by Mrs. Opal Hatcher. Mrs. Charles Clark responded with scripture, Ephesians 1:3.

A motion was carried to accept a partial report of the registration committee. The delegate were duly seated. The President then recognized the State Officers, those representing various Districts, locals, along with Ministers and visitors.

The committees were appointed. (See committee reports)

Mrs. O. B. Everson gave a report on the W. N. A. Convention.

An offering was received and Rev. Chester Huckaby prayed the offertory prayer. Mrs. J. B. Wood led the congregation in singing "Count Your Blessings" and "Send the Light."

The convention message was brought by Mrs. K. V. Shutes using as her main scripture, John 15 and Galations 5:22-23. This was truly the highlight of the convention. Mrs. Shutes called for a song "Have Thine Own Way." As the song was being sung, many came forward for rededication. A prayer of re-dedication was prayed by Rev. J. R. Davidson.

Dismissed for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION

After a delicious lunch by the host association, we re-convened at 1:30. The congregation sang "There Shall Be Showers of Blessings." Prayer offered by Mrs. Wilburn Beasley.

Devotional brought by Rev. J. R. Davidson, moderator of the Georgia State Association, using the scripture, Ephesians 1:1-2.

Personal reports from the various officers were then given. A motion was carried to receive these reports as information and to accept the report of the recording secretary.

A motion was carried to accept the treasurer's report as given by Mrs. G. N. Fowler. The minutes of last year were read and adopted.

A motion was carried to accept the report of the Credentials committee as given by Mrs. Harris Nix.

A motion was carried to accept the report of the Finance committee as given by Mrs. G. N. Fowler.

A motion was carried to accept the report of the Registration committee as given by Mrs. Edith Shiver.

A report of the Resolutions committee, by Mrs. Aaron Lovett, was adopted item by item. All four items were adopted on duly sustained motions. After a discussion, item five was adopted. On a duly seconded motion a recount was made on this move. Items six and seven were then adopted in regular order.

Motion, seconded and carried for Mrs. J. B. Rice to serve on the nominating committee at the W. N. A. C. A motion was made and seconded and carried to accept the report of the Nominating committee, given by Mrs. G. C. Lee, and vote on the whole slate of officers at one time.

Mrs. G. N. Fowler declined to serve as treasurer and Mrs. Ida Tabb was elected to serve in her place.

Delegates to the National Association were elected as follows: Mrs. G. C. Lee, Mrs. J. B. Rice, Mrs. J. W. Clower, Mrs. Chester Huckaby, Mrs. J. R. Davidson, Mrs. Shirley Kimbrell, Mrs. J. B. Barwick, Mrs. Effie Kimbrell, Mrs. B. W. Clenny and Mrs. Wilburn Beasley.

Motion, seconded and carried to adjourn this session and be closed out with the installation service conducted by Mrs. Roy Lanier.

MRS. MANCE CASON, President

MRS. J. W. CLOWER, Secretary

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY FINANCIAL REPORT

November 12, 1962-November 1963

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Cash on hand November 12, 1962 \$ 24	2.03
Co-Laborer	9.48
State Home Missions 5	5.78
National Home Missions	9.43
Free Will Baptist Bible College	8.63
"Westfield" Pastor 19	6.50
"Wheels for Wilkersons" 5	7.77
W. N. A. C. African Missions 4	
Dot Harvey Loan Fund9	8.00
Free Will Baptist Children's Home 5	7.9 8
	2.05
Unified Program	3.00
Mt. Olive Jr. College	18.21
Camp Mt. Bethel Project	8.57
Foreign Missions 27	74.68

Student Memorial Loan Fund	2 to 12 I
Youth Fellowship Day	28.0
Wilkerson Project	129.2
Wilkerson Project CERF	527.4
Hawaii Land Purchago	5.00
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The Ken Eagleton Birthday The Luther Sandor's Birthdon	10.00
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The Carlisle Hannah's Birthday The Tom Willow In Birthdon	5.50
The Tom Willey, Jr. Birthday The Wilkerson Children	10.00
The Wilkerson Children The Wilkerson Fund	5.00
Eldridge Children's Home graduation with	20.00
Eldridge Children's Home graduation gift Buy Melmac dishes for the Bill Dhinns	5.00
Buy Melmac dishes for the Bill Phipps Boy's Hostel in India	25.00
Boy's Hostel in India	36.00
Convention dues Total	179.34
Total	3060.25
DISBURSEMENTS	;
Co-Laborer Fund	. 259.48
State Home Missions	. 55.78
National Home Missions	159.43
Free Will Baptist Bible College	148.63
'Westfield' Pastor	196.50
"Wheels for Wilkerson's"	. 57.77
W. N. A. C. African Mission	46.10
Dot Harvey Loan Fund	98.00
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Superannuation	. 12.05
Unified Program	. 3.00
Wit. Olive Jr. College	18.21
Camp Mt. Bethel Project	268.57
Student Memorial Loan Fund	28.00
Foreign Missions	274.68
Wilkerson's Project	527.45
CERF Hawaii Land Purchase	5.00
Hawaii Land Purchase	154.00
Missionaries birthday and dishes	
Eldridge Children's Home graduates gift	
Boy's Hostel in India	36.00
Youth Fellowship Day Speaker	40.00
Balance 1962 W. N. A. C. Dues	23.00
Sunset Process Printing Co. for Stationary	23.20
Balance 1962 "Westfield" pastor's salary	28.00
Mrs. Doris Grant. Youth Chairman	13.26
Mrs. Damon Dodd, president	8.01
Bond policy, postage and receipt cards	12.50
Three Declamation Contestants	60.00

Minutes	th Fellowship Days	. 10.0 50.0
Wilkerson Fund	********************************	20.0
Total Disbursements		.841.5
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Balance on hand	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	209.2
	Respectfully Submitted,	
	MRS. G. N. FOWLER	
	COMMITTEE REPORTS	
FINANCE COMMITTI	·	
Balance on hand		209.2
Offering to Jan	······································	
Convention Dues	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	27.0
Total	*******************************	274.3
We recommend the fol	llowing disbursements:	
	for National Convention dues	50.90
Mrs. Doriis Grant, priz	zes for declamation and essay contestants	12.90
Expense of printing of	finance report	2.03
Mrs. K. V. Shutes	***************************************	75.00
Declamation and Essa	ay contestants	60.00
Minutes	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	50.00
Total	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	250.00

	MRS. G. N. FOWLER	
	MRS. BILLY PURCELL	
	MRS. BILLY HATCHER	
	MRS. FRANK DEAN	
	MRS. ROY LANIER	
CREDENTIALS COMM	IITTEE:	
We. your committee, v	vish to submit the following report. Reports	from
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	rgia State Woman's Auxiliary convention. Dis	
	lway, Union, Georgia Union, Little River,	
+-	ahoochee. Locals listed as follows: Belleview	
	MRS. HARRIS NIX	
	MRS. MELVIN MOODY	
	MRS. A. C. TRULUCK	
State Officers and Chai	irmen	12
Delegates from twenty Auxiliaries by Districts	two Auxiliaries	. 45
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Little River	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	3
Georgia Union	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	4

MRS. EDITH SHIVER
MRS. W. S. LOUIS
MRS. HERMAN WATSON

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE:

We, your committee, recommend the following:

- 1. Whereas; the W. N. A. C. has voted to set up a provision closet, and now maintains same, to provide linens, silverware, layettes and other domestic items for our missionaries who go to the field. Be it resolved that we adopt this as our State project and encourage each auxiliary to purchase and send or otherwise provide for some of these items.
- 2. In order that the women of our State Convention give to improve facilities at State Youth Camp Mt. Bethel, so the children will be more comfortable and the place more attractive, We recommend that each auxiliary send an offering to its respective district for the purchase of spreads to cover the mattresses when not in use. We further recommend that we ask the camp board to investigate the possibility of purchasing new mattresses or reworking the old ones.
- 3. That this convention select someone to serve on the nominating committee of the W. N. A. C. and her name be listed on the annual report.
- 4. That the Youth Fellowship Day be changed to Saturday after the first Youth session instead of Friday, since it breaks into the weeks work of instruction and teaching.
- 5. That we abide by the suggestion offered in the manual of methods relative to per capita fees as stated in the constitution and by-laws. (Each local auxiliary with delegation according to convention plans and its proportionate part of money required for District, State and National work which is thirty cents per active member per year), And in order that our State Treasury have sufficient funds for operation be it further resolved that each local auxiliary continue to represent with one delegate and a fee of one dollar.
- 6. That each auxiliary be reminded to send its \$5.00 fee by the first of May for the expense of Youth Fellowship Day.
- 7. That we give the women of the Union District a rising vote of thanks for entertaining this convention.

MRS. H. L. KNIGHTON MRS. J. R. DAVIDSON MRS. AARON LOVETT

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

We, the nominating committee, wish to make the following report.

We recommend the following officers for the coming year:

President

Mrs. Mance Cason

Vice-President

Vice-President

Recording Secretary

Mrs. Mance Cason

Mrs. Edith Shiver

Recording Secretary

Mrs. J. W. Franks

GEORGIA STATE ASSOCIATION	35
Assistant Recording Secretary Mrs.	Charles Clark
Treasurer Mrs.	G. N. Fowler
Field Secretary Mrs. 6	O. B. Everson
Corresponding Secretary	s. J. B. Rice
Youth Chairman Mr.	s. John Grant
Study Course Chairman Mrs.	. Frank Dean
Stewardship - Prayer Chairman Mrs. J	J. R. Davidson
Personal Service Chairman Mrs. Wi	lburn Beasley
Mission Board Representative Mrs. H	[. L. Knighton
Dot Harvey Loan Fund Committee Mrs	s. J. E. Wood,
Mrs. M. M. Franks, Mrs.	A. C. Truluck
MRS. G. C. LEE	
MRS. SELDON BULLARD	
MRS. C. W. HOBBS	
MRS. MARY MURPHY	
MRS. RENOW	
MRS. J. W. FRANKS	
THE TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT	
1. STEWARDSHIP OF POSSESSIONS:	
Number of auxiliary members contributing to missions	
Number of tithers on roll at beginning of convention year	
Number of tithers as result of stewardship study courses	
Number of new tithers this convention year	
Present number of tithers	
II. FINANCIAL REPORT:	
Amount of offering sent to W. N. A. C. Co-Laborer Fund	\$ 258.99
Amount of Easter offering for Foreign Missions	143.38
Amount of Thanksgiving offering for State Home Missions	138.57
Amount of Christmas offering for National Home Missions	121.36
Cash gifts to orphanage	386.44
Value of boxes to orphanage	499.37
Cash gifts to Free Will Baptist College	202.18
Total gifts sent to W. N. A.C. Treasurer this year by	
Women's Auxiliary	1053.73
by G. T. A's	67.36
by Y. P. A's.	4.75
Cash gifts to aged ministers	29.60
Total per capita representation fee sent to State Treasurer	
this year	
by Y. P. A's.	1.80
Total amount spent for auxiliary literature	
Total amount spent this year for local church activities	1480.34
Total amount sent for Unified Program	126.00
Total sent for Dot Harvey Loan Fund	100.00
Total amount sent for Youth Fellowship Day	
Others: Camp Mt. Bethel project	162.34
Westfield pastor	
Wilkerson project	

IN MEMORIAM

REVEREND K. V. SHUTES

The Reverend K. V. Shutes, whose final pastorate was at Fayette, Alabama, was a challenging pattern for men who would be godly ministers, having presented himself in a 40 year ministry of sacrificial and loving service to his master, to his brethren and to mankind; one of un-broken fellowship with Free Will Baptists. From the time of conception and birth his was a marvelous environment in the home of a godly mother and father; his father being also a godly minister. He was born physically in 1905, and from above (born again) August 18, 1922. His dedication to the call of the gospel ministry was when he was only 17 years of age, at which time he enrolled in Eureka College for three years of study in preparation for this great experience. From this point he launched out into full time pastoral and evangelistic services, consistently continuing therein until the morning of his promotion to be with the Lord.

Many are the souls who were persuaded to accept a relationship with Christ as Savior through the ministry of this godly man, while among the fruits of this ministry is a number of churches organized (a half score), the organization of Zion Bible School at Hilton, Georgia, the organization of the presently active State Association of Georgia and the actiation of the Children's Home at Eldridge, Alabama. His services were extended in the framework of the National Association of Free Will Baptists, with 18 years as a member of the Bible College Board of Trustees, and a number of months as Field Worker for the National Superannuation Board.

The appeal of this servant's life was such as to inspire his brother, S. T., to extend a gospel invitation at the grave side of Bro. K. V., just before his body was deposited in the earth, to await the coming again (in the air) of the Lord Jesus. Stunningly he had gone out to be with the Lord as he arose from one of the Daily Family Devotional periods, leaving the temple in which he had served inactive in a second of time, as well as his having left a stunned, beloved wife and daughter, Deborah, in a state of shock. I feel it appropriate to here quote a few words from his widow's lips, "He laid down the cross for the crown."