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PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANNUAL MEETING

The fifty-third Annual Session of the Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists convened at the Norman Baptist Assembly, Norman Park, Georgia, on November 16-18, 1989. The theme of the meeting was "Loyalty To Christ", using Mark 8:34 as a Scripture basis. Music was coordinated by Rev. Kenneth Faison, and provided by various song leaders and singers, with Mrs. Shirley Kimbrel as pianist.

THURSDAY EVENING

Rev. William Morris, the presiding officer, welcomed everyone to the meeting. Rev. Kenneth Faison led the body in singing, "I Love To Tell The Story", after which prayer was offered by Rev. Jerry Endres. Pledges were made to both the American and Christian flags.

The Session was called to order by Clerk James Ursrey who introduced the Moderator, Rev. Ronald Wallace. He extended a welcome to everyone and recognized the following visitors: Evangelist, Rev. and Mrs. Bronco West; Dale and Sandra Bishop, Missionaries to Japan and friends from their Japanese church; Rev Eugene Waddell, Director of Foreign Missions; Rev. Billy Brown, Randall House Publications, and National Executive Secretary Melvin Worthington.

The Moderator called the roll of District Associations. All ten (10) answered with delegates present. The Moderator appointed the Committee on Committees with the following to serve: Rev. Billy Sharpston, Chairman; Rev. William Smith, Rev. Willie Martin, Rev. Russell Horne, and Rev. Randy Corn.

Due to an emergency that demanded his return home, at this time, Rev. Levy Cory, Superintendent of the Alabama Children's Home, brought us greetings from the Home and thanked the body for its continued support.

Rev. Faison led us in singing "At The Cross." An offering of \$151.00 was received. Special music was presented by Rev. and Mrs. Russell Horne and Martha Jordan. The sang "O, For A Thousand Tongues." Presiding officer, Rev. William Morris, introduced the speaker for the keynote message, Dr. Melvin Worthington, National Executive Secretary. The topic he dealt with was, "Loyalty To The Creed." He changed it somewhat to, "Loyalty To Our Creed." He used I Timothy 4:6-11 and verse 16 as a text. His message was a very challenging one.

Rev. Irvin Murphy, Chairman of the Credentials Committee gave a partial report. He reported 71 voting delegates, 34 visitors, 3 missionaries, 10 associations, and 8 churches registered. A total of 182 was present. We were dismissed in prayer by Rev. Ronald Wallace.

FRIDAY MORNING

The presiding officer, Rev. Walter Baxley, called the body to order. Rev. Len Blanchard led us in singing, "He Hideth My Soul." Rev. Randy Corn led in prayer. Mrs. Henrietta Brown sang "Whatever It Takes." Rev. Baxley introduced the speaker for the morning devotion, Rev. Paul Smith. His subject was, "Loyalty To The Call." He used II Timothy 1:6-9a.

The Moderator welcomed everyone. He then recognized the Resolution Committee for the purpose of acquainting the body with them and instructing those with resolutions to get them, in writing, to this Committee. He called for a partial report from the Credentials Committee.

The Moderator recognized the standing delegates. He asked that all elected delegates, both District and Church, to stand. A motion carried to seat the elected delegates to this Session. He welcomed visitors Rev. Bob Shockey, Free Will Baptist Bible College, and Rev. Samuel Clay, retired Free Will Baptist Minister who has recently moved to Alma.

The Moderator called for a report from the Committee on Committees. It was given by Chairman Billy Sharpston. Their recommendations were: Nominating Committee: Willie Martin, Chairman, Danny Ryals, Charles McNeese, Len Blanchard, and C.B. Dowdney; Resolutions Committee: Rex Lynn, Chairman, Paul Smith, Gary Smith, and Owen Ganey. A motion carried to receive and adopt this report.

The Moderator called for the report of the Executive Board. Clerk James Ursrey gave this report (See report elsewhere). The items dealing with the relocation of the State Office and Home were not read at this time due to the fact that the Executive Board had voted to change their presentation to the body regarding the matter. Only Item 1 of the new proposal was read with the others to be read later. A motion carried to receive this report. The Moderator set 3:00 p.m. Friday afternoon to deal with the relocation matter.

The Executive Secretary, Herbert Waid, reported for the State Office. A motion was carried to receive and adopt this report (See report elsewhere).

Director of Foreign Missions, Rev. Eugene Waddell, gave a report from his office. Associate Director of Home Missions, Tryman Messer, gave a report from that office. A motion carried to receive these reports as information. We were recessed for a few minutes.

Presiding officer, Rev. Willie Martin, called the body back to order. Rev. James Ursrey led the body in singing, "There Is Power In The Blood". Prayer was offered by Rev. Larry E. Williams. An offering of \$126 was received. A count revealed that 187 was present for this service. Mark and LaRee Findley sang, "I Believe In A Hill Called Mount

Calvary", accompanied by Linda Findley at the piano. Rev. Martin introduced the speaker for the morning message, Rev. Jerry Williams. His message title was, "Loyalty To The Cross", using I Corinthians 1:17-18 as a basis. We were dismissed for lunch in prayer by Rev. Ronald Wallace.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Presiding officer, Rev. Willie Sumerlin, called the body to order. Rev. Dwight Fletcher led us in singing "The Church's One Foundation." Prayer was offered by Rev. Billy Sharpston. Mrs. Barbara Dunbar sang, "Win The Lost At Any Cost." The devotional speaker, Rev. John Beasley, was introduced. He dealt with the subject of "Loyalty To The Church," using Hebrews 10:25.

The following National Boards reported: Free Will Baptist Bible College, National Executive Office, and Randall House Publications. They were received as information. Evangelist Bronco West greeted our people.

The following State Boards reported: the Board of Missions, and the Board of Trustees. These reports can be seen elsewhere. A motion carried to receive and adopt these reports.

The Board of Camping report was given by Chairman, Len Blanchard. (See report elsewhere.) A motion carried to receive and adopt this report.

The Moderator called for the reading of Item 1 from the Executive Board Report regarding the relocating of the State Office/Home. (See Report elsewhrere). The Board's recommendations were:

Item #1. That the office/home be relocated. A motion to adopt this recommendation was made.

The Moderator asked that the two (2) Committees he had appointed to look into this matter give a brief report of their findings. Rev. Kenneth Faison gave a report from the Committee that looked into the feasibility of moving or not moving. Rev. James Ursrey gave a report from the Committee that was charged with the responsibility of site location and cost, etc. There was considerable discussion. A motion carried to cease debate on the matter and vote on the original motion. The original motion carried by a 72 to 35 vote.

Item #2. That we relocate to the greater Macon, Georgia area. A motion carried to adopt this recommendation by a 59 to 42 vote.

Item #3. That we rent or lease office space and housing in whatever town that might be. This motion was defeated by a 59 to 34 vote.

Item #4. That we liquidate the present property and at the appropriate time purchase property and build an office. A motion was made to adopt. After much discussion a

Substitute Motion was made to defer the matter until the 1990 Session and that a layman from each association, selected by his association, his expenses underwritten by his association, make up a ten (10) man committee whose responsibility will be to make a cost feasibility study, to include site and building costs, and bring such findings to the 1990 Session of the State Association. The Substitute Motion carried by a 64 to 39 vote. The names of these men are to be sent into the State Office as soon as possible. The State Executive Secretary will coordinate this information, set a meeting time and place and give general oversight to this Committee.

The Credentials Committee gave a partial report. We were dismissed for the afternoon.

FRIDAY EVENING

Mr. Malcom Freeman, Chairman of the State Board of Missions, was the presiding officer for the evening service. Mr. Mark Stripling led the body in singing, "We've A Story To Tell." Prayer was offered by Rev. James Bryant, Board of Missions member. Mr. Freeman introduced the members of the Board of Missions. He reported that the Board had voted to give the 50% of the Laura Belle Barnard Day offerings that goes to State Missions to the North Fayette work. We sang, "Send The Light". An offering of \$450 was received for Missions. There was 160 in attendance. Mr. Steve Faison sang, "Then Came The Morning". Mr. Dale Bishop, missionary to Japan, introduced a guest from their church in Japan, who gave a word of testimony which blessed everyone. Brother Bishop then developed the subject of "Loyalty To The ... Commission," using Matthew 28:16-20. We were dismissed in prayer by Rev. M.C. Powell.

SATURDAY MORNING

Presiding officer, Rev. Dwight Fletcher, called the body to order. Rev. Kenneth Faison led us in singing "I Will Sing The Wondrous Story." Prayer was offered by Rev. Bill Barksdale. Special music was by furnished by Miss Deborah Murphy. She sang, "Holy Ground." Rev. David Hutchinson brought the morning devotional on the subject, "Loyalty To The Commitment". His Scripture was Mark 8:34-35. There were 120 present.

The Moderator called for the remaining business to be dealt with. Mr. Tim Jordan gave a report for the State Master's Men which was received as information. In his report there was a request for \$7500 from our people to renovate the bathrooms in the boys dorm at Camp Mt. Bethel. A motion carried that this matter be handled jointly by the Board of Camp Mt. Bethel, the Board of Trustees, and a

representative from the State Master's Men.

Mrs. Janice Wallace gave a report for the State Woman's Auxiliary (See report elsewhere). A motion carried to receive this report as information.

Rev. Willie Martin gave the report for the Board of Christian Education (See report elsewhere). A motion carried to receive and adopt this report.

The recommended State Budget for 1990 was adopted as adjusted. (See Report of the Executive Board.)

A partial report from the Nominating Committee was given by Chairman, Willie Martin. A motion carried to receive the report and that these nominees be elected to serve in this capacity.

A report from the National Master's Men was given by Rev. Dwight Fletcher. A motion carried to receive this report as information.

The Resolutions Committee report was given by Rev. Dwight Fletcher (See report elsewhere). A motion carried to receive this report and deal with the items item by item.

The Credentials Committee gave a final report. Chairman Irvin Murphy gave this report. The grand total attending this Session that registered was 196.

Delegates and alternates to the 1990 Session of the National Association convening in Phoenix, Arizona. Delegates were: Kile McDowell, Barbara Fletcher, Bessie Bryant, Janice Wallace, and Shirley Sharpston. Alternates were: Fleda Snow, Janet Baxley, Barbara Dunbar, Lynda Blanchard, and Latrell McDowell. A motion carried to elect these to represent our State at the National Convention.

The Moderator called for miscellaneous business. A motion carried to set up a benevolent fund in the name of Pat Pitts, widow of the late Rev. Dale Pitts, to assist in paying the high medical bills that accumulated during his illness. Our people will be encouraged to contribute through the Promotional Bulletin, etc. All gifts are to be sent to the State Office.

A motion carried to give the present State Officers a rising vote of thanks for the excellent work they have done in behalf of the State and on the 1989 State program.

The Moderator made some timely remarks regarding the spirit in which the business of this Session was conducted.

The final report of the Nominating Committee was given by Chairman, Rev. Willie Martin. A motion carried to receive the report and that the nominees be elected to serve as nominated.

There being no more business a motion carried to adjourn. We were dismissed in prayer.

Respectively submitted,

Rev. James Ursrey, Clerk

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT

The Executive Board is Constitutionally charged with the responsibility of acting for the Georgia State Association when it is not in session, and then reporting to the State Association in session for approval of its actions. The decisions made by the Executive Board are made with prayerful consideration and an acute awareness of our responsibility and accountability. The following items are presented for your approval at this Fifty-third Annual Session.

1989 STATE PROGRAM

The Program Theme for the 1989 session of our State Association is "Loyalty To Christ" using Mark 8:34 "And when he had called the people unto him with his disciples also, he said unto them, Whosoever will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me" as its basis.

GEORGIA STATE BUDGET PROPOSED

A 1990 Calendar Year \$500,000 Budget, 50% for National Ministries and 50% for Georgia State Ministries, is proposed elsewhere in this Digest of Reports for your consideration.

LAURA BELLE BARNARD DAY:

Our fifth annual Laura Belle Barnard Day was observed on October 8, 1988. A goal of \$15,000 was set. These funds are to be divided equally between our State Board of Missions and the National Foreign Board, to be used for Georgia Missionaries serving in foreign countries.

TARGET 90:

The following report is submitted by Chairman Kenneth Faison, who has served well as has the other members of his Committee:

As we near the end of the "Target 90" campaign, I want to summarize a few things that our State has accomplished in this endeavor. I am not aware of individual ideas or projects that have been launched by pastors and churches; however there are a few areas where cooperation has been accomplished throughout our State.

First, the Roll Call Sunday: Over the past seven year our National Home Mission Department has sponsored Roll Call Sunday. We have encouraged each of our churches to be involved. In almost every Association in our State, there has been an increase in attendance on Roll Call Sunday as the following chart will show.

Association	1984 Attendance	1989 Attendance	Increase (Decrease) Percentage
Chattahoochee	457	568	24.3%
Georgia Union	665	1021	53.5%
Little River	703	764	8.7%
Martin	556	658	18.3%
Midway	1064	1221	14.8%
North Georgia	273	80	(70.7%)
0geechee	519	632	21.8%
South Georgia	1532	2573	70.0%
Twin Cities	280	528	88.6%
Union	521	617	18.4%
Missions	-0-	68	
State-Wide Total	s 6570	8730	32.9%

Second, the Sunday School Department sponsors Sunday School campaigns in March and October each year. We have encouraged our churches to become involved in these. There are Georgia churches who have been National winners in these campaigns.

Third, our committee sponsored a seminar on Church Growth during our State Meeting in 1988, as well as made available a Church Growth packet for pastors to use at their discretion.

I wish to thank each church, pastor, church clerk, and association clerk who have cooperated in the "Target 90" campaign. Your contributions have been very valuable and your participation appreciated. I also wish to acknowledge our "Target 90" Committee members who have served over the years: Ron Wallace, Billy Sharpston, Curtis Alligood, Rudy Woods, Kenneth Faison, Herbert Waid and Willie Martin.

Finally, there is a word of challenge -- we need to keep a more accurate record of our membership. Church Clerks, it is our hope that we maintain an accurate church roll and report consistently to our District Associations annually.

GEORGIA TO HOST THE 1999 NATIONAL CONVENTION

Georgia Free Will Baptists will host the 1999 session of the National Association of Free Will Baptists in Atlanta.

STATE OFFICE & PERSONNEL EVALUATION

The Board did its annual evaluation of the State office and its personnel. The responsibilities of the State Office are being carried out very well. The Executive Secretary/Treasurer and Office Secretary were given a 5% cost-of-living adjustment in salary.

RELOCATION OF STATE OFFICE

A recommendation to re-locate the State Office was brought to the Executive Board through the Board of Trustees. After much discussion the Moderator appointed two committees to have the following responsibilities:

A Committee consisting of Kenneth Faison, Chairman, Herbert Waid and Malcom Freeman was to study the matter of Ministry Impact. (i.e.) The advantages and/or disadvantages of re-locating.

A Committee consisting of James Ursrey, Chairman, Emmett Dunaway and Willie Martin was to investigate the geographical location, cost, etc.

The response to polling our pastors and lay people was overwhelmingly in favor of re-locating the State Office to a more centralized city.

WHY MOVE? CONCERNS ABOUT STATE MINISTRY.

IMAGE: We must be concerned about our image as a State Association. How do others see us? How do we see ourselves? What kind of image would Christ have us to portray? Are we a light set on a hill?

PROGRESS: What we do now as a State Association will set the tone for the next twenty-five to fifty years. Should we do anything less than our very best for the cause of Christ?

PURPOSE: We desire to have a better, broader State Ministry. We desire to position ourselves as to better minister to the changing needs of our people. The population of Georgia is moving away from the rural areas and into the urban areas at an ever accelerated pace. We need to be able to address those needs. The future ministry of Free Will Baptists is going to be an urban ministry. We need greater name recognition to enhance growth among all Free Will Baptists.

We need to give attention, and much needed support to the North Georgia Mission Field.

VISIBILITY AND ACCESSIBILITY: The location of the State Office seems to be such an unimportant thing to some, but we are greatly concerned about visibility. We feel the location

is very important as a statement of our ministry as a State Association.

RECOMMENDATION: The Executive Board therefore, makes the following recommendation:

- 1. That we liquidate the existing State property in Moultrie and designate the proceeds toward re-location of the Office.
- 2. That we lease or rent available office space in the Macon, GA area.
- 3. That the Executive Secretary be provided with a "Housing Allowance" to rent or otherwise provide housing.

IMPLEMENTATION OF PLAN: The following steps will be taken upon approval of the recommendation to re-locate the State Office.

- 1. Office space will be rented or leased until the appropriate time to buy, build, or acquire new facilities for the State Office.
- 2. Property will be located and purchased that has suitable access and visibility for the State Office.
 - 3. The office will be established on the new property.
- 4. A special program to generate additional funds needed for the Office will be promoted at the appropriate time.
- 5. The estimated time to complete the process of re-locating with new facilities is 2-4 years. The estimated cost is \$150,000.00 to \$200,000.00.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETINGS

Since our last State Association Session, the Executive
Board has met to conduct State business the following times:
November 14, 1988, After State Association adjourned,
Norman Park
February 11, 1989, State Office, Moultrie
April 10, 1989 (Called Meeting), Perry Church, Perry
May 6, 1988, Double Branch Church, Unadilla
August 12, 1988, Double Branch Church, Unadilla
November 15, 1988, Norman Baptist Assembly, Norman Park

Respectively Submitted,

James Ursrey, Clerk

GEORGIA STATE BUDGET FOR 1990

PROJECTED INCOME - \$500,000

GEORGIA STATE MINISTRIES

STATE OFFICE PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS EXECUTIVE BOARD MISSIONS CAMP MT. BETHEL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION TRUSTEES ALABAMA CHILDREN'S HOME TOTAL	12.8% 4.0% 1.2% 17.6% 10.0% 1.0% 3.0% 4%	\$ 64,000 \$ 20,000 \$ 6,000 \$ 88,000 \$ 50,000 \$ 5,000 \$ 15,000 \$ 2,000 \$ 2,000
NATIONAL MINISTRI	ES	
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT/COOPERATIVE FUND	1.4%	\$ 7,000
FOREIGN MISSIONS:		
General & Miscellaneous Funds Bishops Creechs Crowsons Griffin	6.7% 3.2% 3.2% 3.2% 3.2%	\$ 33,500 \$ 16,000 \$ 16,000 \$ 16,000 \$ 16,000
FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE:		,^
Together We Can	16.0%	\$ 80,000
HOME MISSIONS:		
General & Miscellaneous Funds Burns	6.7% 3.2%	\$ 33,500 \$ 16,000
MASTER'S MEN	1.0%	\$ 5,000
RADIO & TV	1.0%	\$ 5,000
RETIREMENT & INSURANCE	1.0%	\$ 5,000
FREE WILL BAPTIST FOUNDATION	.15%	\$ 750
THEOLOGICAL INTERGRITY COMMISSION	.05%	\$ 250
TOTAL	50.00%	\$250.000
GRAND TOTAL	100.00%	\$500,000

LAURA BELLE BARNARD MISSION DAY RECEIPTS - 1989

CHATTAHOOCHEE	934.25	MARTIN	844.45	SOUTH GEORGIA	3,375.72
Little Bethel	118.00	Colquitt	200.00	Bethany	30.00
Spring Hill	50.00	Corinth	100.00	Brunswick 1st	300.00
Sunday School		Donalsonville	36.00	Corinth	96.07
Thomaston 1st	298.20	Mt Gilead	37.00	Ebenezer	265.00
Trinity	151.50	New Salem	380.00	Glennville	614.50
Turners Chapel		Thompson	91.45	Harmony	260.00
•		•		Jesup 1st	158.00
GEORGIA UNION 1	,334.26	MIDWAY	3,562.60	Liberty	50.00
	•		•	New Hope	420.00
Cross Roads	51.00	Albany 1st	227.00	Pine Level	5.00
Double Branch	130.00	Bainbridge 1st	77.00	Piney Grove	87.00
Dublin 1st	200.51	Bellview	1,525.00	Satilla	100.00
Eastman 1st	47.00	Berean	30.00	Statesboro	888.00
Mt Ararat	187.75	Blakely 1st	142.00	Surrency	60.00
Pine Level	45.00	Cedar Springs	400.00	Swainsboro	42.15
Pleasant Hill	100.00	Damascus	50.00		
White Oaks	518.00	Enterprise	53.00·	TWIN CITIES	658.14
Wilson Chapel	55.00	Macedonia	250.00		
_		New Light	519.00	Calvary	622.14
LITTLE RIVER	716.66	Patmos	247.60	Columbus 1st	36.00
		White Plains	42.00		
Cool Springs	250.00			UNION	1,235.20
Corinth	66.96	NORTH GEORGIA	675.00		
Friendship	43.00		•	Bay	110.20
Homerville	204.70	Decatur	500.00	Fellowship	500.00
Ozias	152.00	Shallowford	175.00	Greenwood	125.00
				Midway	500.00
MISCELLANEOUS	392.00	OGEECHEE	471.06		
GA State WA	242.00	Augusta	243.00		
Individual	100.00	Deep Creek	100.00		
C F Martins	50.00	Lyons	128.06	· ·	•
	GRAND	ጥር ጥል ፣	\$14.199	3.4	

GRAND TOTAL \$14,199.34

LAURA BELLE BARNARD DAY monies are designated for our Georgia Missionaries. This year the State Mission Board will use their 50% (\$7,099.67) for the North Fayette Church Building Fund. This will be a blessing in helping Brother Burns and his congregation finish the building project. The Foreign Mission 50% will be divided as follows:

Dale & Sandra Bishop 50% = \$3,549.83
Allan & LaRue Crowson 25% = \$1,774.92
Paul & Rhoda Creech 25% = \$1,774.92

We almost reached our goal of \$15,000. Thanks to each of you who gave the "extra dollar" for our missionaries. Various methods were used to raise the money and whatever method you used God blessed it.

Special recognition is given to the Bellview Church, Colquitt, Midway Association, for the largest contribution. Pastor Jerry Williams said his people are tuned in to missions and all he did was announce it for one month before LAURA BELLE BARNARD DAY. The Bellview Church is "home church" for Debbie Griffin and they support her well. This big offering, which went to our other Georgia missionaries, was just extra.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY/TREASURER REPORT

We are at the threshold of 1990 and are entering a decade of potential unprecendented progress for Free Will Baptists in Georgia. But someone has wisely said, "The reason some people do not recognize opportunity is because it usually comes disguised as hard work". A great door is open before us. Are we bold enough in faith to enter? If Free Will Baptists impact Georgia early in the 21st century, we must dream dreams and envision visions of having a meaningful part in the advancement of the Kingdom of God in Georgia and then roll up our sleeves and become personally involved now.

A sister church, the Southern Baptists, has ministered in Georgia for about the same number of years as we have. Since those colonial era beginnings, we have grown to be able to report 10 district associations with 121 churches and 8,730 present for our 1989 Roll Call Sunday count. Meantime, the Georgia Southern Baptists have amassed 93 district associations with about 3,000 churches and over a million church members. Obviously they are doing something that we have not properly stressed. Neither their Gospel nor doctrine is better and their preachers are not better men or speakers. One glaring difference is easily seen--they emphasize the importance of their denominational structure. Organizational administrators are valued assets to a growing denomination. Moreover, their elected administrative officials, the preachers in their pulpits and their people in the pews work together cooperatively for the glory of God. Selfish pettiness is not worthy of the name "Christian" and God will reward such small thinking with smallness. If God's blessing of great church growth passes over Georgia Free Will Baptists we will have no one to blame but ourselves.

There are several things we must do if we ever hope to experience God's blessings of abundant church growth:

- 1. Appoint ourselves as promoters, always speaking well of: my pastor; my church; my district association; my State Association (my Executive Board; my State Office; my Board of Missions; my Board of Camp Mt. Bethel; my Board of Christian Education; my Board of Trustees); my National Association (with its several ministries).
- 2. Contribute COOPeratively at least 10% of my church's undesignated income to my Georgia State Budget. (This budget includes all direct, designated and undesignated "COOPerative" giving of our churches and calls for 50% to be used for Georgia State ministries and 50% for National

Association ministries.)

3. Support the moving of the State Office to a more centralized location in Georgia to enhance its state wide ministry effectiveness.

The Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists is to host the National Association in 1999. We should have our State Office accessible and functioning well before we are engulfed by thousands of our brothers and sisters from across the USA and beyond. But more importantly, the Lord will come and we shall give an account of our stewardship. I would like for us to be able to collectively stand before our Righteous Judge and honestly say, "We did not flinch when the task of evangelizing and discipling the people of Georgia became difficult. We did our best."

Please note that the reports in this Digest cover three different time periods. The proposed State Budget is for January 1 through December 31, 1990. Financial reports pertain to January 1 through December 31, 1988. Written reports are current.

Thank you for your church's faithful COOPerative support of the Georgia State Budget ministries.

Respectfully submitted,

Herbert Waid Executive Secretary/Treasurer

STATE OFFICE FINANCIAL REPORT Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements for the year ended December 31, 1988

Balance January 1, 1988	• .	•••	\$ 7,664.00
RECEIPTS:			
Cooperative Giving		\$119,775.01	
Designated Giving		102,822.11	
Printing and Postage		525.15	
Laura Belle Barnard Day		13,450.39	
Advance Celebration	• ;	11,848.32	
Master's Men Camp Mt Bethel Proje	ct :	3,627.98	
Transfer, Christian Supply Store M		20,172.67	
Christian Supply Store	onog naznez	13,000.00	•
National Representation Fees	₹ .	1,240.00	
State Representation Fees		570.00	
Local Representation Fees		105.50	**1
State Association Rooms & Meals		7,420.11	
State Association Offerings		174.40	
Refund from Mortgage on State Off	ice	664.10	• .
Escrow, State Office			295,486.08
MOMBE & GOOTHINGS TO			
TOTAL ACCOUNTABLE			\$303,150.08
DISBURSEMENTS:	200		
DISBORDERINIS:		i	
NATIONAL MINISTRIES:			
National Cooperative Fund	\$15,583.89		
National Stewardship	419.00		
National Benevolent Fund	87.00	. ,	
Foreign Missions	50,914.47		• .
Advance Celebration	11,848.32		•
Laura Belle Barnard Day	13,450.39		•
Home Missions	10,380.65		
Bible College	6,901.92	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	••
Radio & TV Commission	42.79		
Board of Retirement	41.07		
FWB Foundation	6.85		
Comm. for Theological Integrity	3.42	109,679.77	
STATE MINISTRIES:			•
Board of Missions	\$63,067.67		
Sale of Book Store	10,479.81		
Ogeechee Dist Assn Loan	1,757.74		
Board of Camping	14,250.64		
Sale of Book Store	2,510.79		
Master's Men Camp Project	3,527.98		
Board of Christian Education	2,888.08		
Sale of Book Store	513.07		
Board of Trustees	4,071.26		
Sale of Book Store	796.90		
Mortgage Refund on State Office			
Escrow, State Office	90.34		
FWB Children's Home, Alabama	6,932.31		
Sale of Book Store	109.17	111,659.86	

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	Promotional Material:	Bulletin 🕟	5,236.92		
		Postage	3,248.72		
		Office Sply	•		
		State Minute		10,985.46	
	Executive Board: Mile	eage	1,978.29		
		ne & Postage	119.81	•	
		orariums	250.00	2,348.10	
	Executive Secretary:	Salary	18,500.00	2,510.10	
•	DACCUCTAC DECICULTY.	F.I.C.A.	828.00		
		Retirement	300.00		
				·	
		Insurance	3,420.35		
		Mileage	3,333.62		
		Nat'l Assn Ex	-	•	•
		Bonus	500.00		
	Secretary: Salary		6,125.00		
	Retiremen	t	125.00		•
	Bonus		100.00	••	
	Telephone		1,032.12		
	Utilities	•	1,470.47		
	Corporation Fee & Pap	ers	10.00		
	Office Equipment		37.25		
	Tax, Christian Supply	Store	392.03	•	
	State Assn: Rooms & 1	_	7,659.32		
	Flowers		52.50	•	
		Honorarium	275.00	44,832.37	
	National Representati		1,230.00		
	National Representati		1,240.00	2,470.00	•
	Macronar Mepresonicaer	0 100, 1303	1/240100	27170100	
MTS	CELLANEOUS MINISTRIES	•			
	Georgia Union Assn Mi	_	666.04		
	_		65.00		
	Georgia Union Distric	_			
	Little River Assn Mis		120.00	•	•
	Midway Assn Mission B		1,387.76	•	
	Midway Assn Camp Fund		100.00		
	Ogeechee Assn Mission	_	3,041.48	·	
	South Georgia Assn Mi	_	993.56		
	South Georgia Assn Yo	uth Bd	100.00		
	Union District Assn		405.68		
	F.W.B. Children's Hom	*	97.50		•
	N. Fayette Church Bui	_	1,100.00	,	
	California Christian	College	75.00	8,152.02	290,127.58

MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT

Balance on hand January 1, 1988 Interest Earned	\$ 5,120.75 820.37
Deposits: Sale of Book Store Book Store Contingency	21,832.94
Total Accountable	$\begin{array}{r} 5,625.71 \\ \hline & 533,399.77 \\ \hline \end{array}$
Withdrawals	20,172.67
Balance in account December 31, 1988	\$13,227.10

STATE OFFICE ACCOUNT for the year ended December 31, 1988

Balance on hand January 1, 1988		(\$ 5,366.09)
RECEIPTS: Cooperative Giving Designated Giving Christian Supply Store State Association Love Offering State Association Room & Meals	\$30,034.88 345.00 13,762.93 174.40 7,420.11	51,737.32 \$46,371.23
DISBURSEMENTS: Telephone Utilities Executive Secretary: Salary FICA Retirement Insurance Mileage Nat'l Assn B Bonus Secretary: Salary Office Equipment Corporation Fee State Assn: Rooms & Meals Speaker Honorarium Flowers Balance on hand December 31, 1988	\$ 1,032.12 1,470.47 18,500.00 828.00 300.00 3,420.35 3,333.62 Exp 671.71 500.00 6,125.00 37.25 10.00 7,659.32 275.00 52.50	44,832.37 \$ 1,538.86
PROMOTIONAL for the year ended	MATERIALS December 31, 1988	
Balance on hand January 1, 1988		(\$ 3,553.57)
RECEIPTS: Cooperative Giving Christian Supply Store Priniting & Postage State Representation Fees Local Representation Fees Total Accountable	\$ 9,104.78 5,000.00 517.19 570.00 105.50	15,297.47 \$11,743.90
DISBURSEMENTS: Promotional Bulletin Postage Office Supplies State Minutes, 1986 Balance on hand December 31, 1988	5,236.92 3,248.72 1,574.82 925.00	10,985.46 \$ 758.44

	UTIVE BOARD ACCOUNT r ended December 31, 1988 988	\$ 242.90
RECEIPTS: Cooperative Giving		2,472.02
Total Accountable		\$2,714.92
DISBURSEMENTS: Mileage Phone & Postage	1,978.29 119.81	
Honorarium	250.00	2,348.10
Balance on hand December 31,	1988	\$ 366.82

ANNUAL BUDGET REPORT FOR January 1 through December 31, 1988

	Voted Budget %	Voted Budget \$	Received	% of Budget Received	% of Total Given	Over/(Under) Budget	Budget Exceeded Month
GEORGIA STATE:							
State Office	12.300%	\$ 49,200	\$ 30,379.88	61.7%	7.6%	(\$18,820.12)	
Promotional Materials	3.700	14,800	9,104.78	61.5	2.3	(5,695.22)	
Executive Board	1.000	4,000	2,472.02	61.8	.6	(1,527.98)	
Missions	24.000	96,000	57,205.67	59.6	14.2	(38,794.33)	
Camp Mt. Bethel	5.750	23,000	14,370.64	62.5	3.6	(8,629.36)	
Christian Education	1.175	4,700	2,888.08	61.4	.7	(1,811.92)	
Trustees	1.825	7,300	4,478.96	61.4	1.1	(2,821.04)	
Children's Home, Alabama	250	1,000	16,788.79	1,678.9	4.2	15,788.79	February
TOTALS	50.000%	\$200,000	\$137,688.82	68.8%	34.2%	(\$62,311.18)	
NATIONAL:				•		·	
Executive Office & COOP	1.400%	\$ 5,600	\$ 9,551.30	170.6%	2.4%	\$ 3,951.30	May
FOREIGN MISSIONS:							-
General Fund &						•	
Miscellaneous Accounts	7.000	28,000	50,892.70	181.8	12.7	22,892.70	June
Bishops Account	4.000	16,000	34,780.18	217.4	8.6	18,780.18	June
Crowsons Account	4.000	16,000	21,810.56	136.3	5.4	5,810.56	October
Griffin Account	4.000	16,000	36,078.89	225.5	9.0	20,078.89	May
F.W.B. Bible College	16.400	65,600	55,220.36	84.2	13.7	(10,379.64)	
HOME MISSIONS:				•			
General Fund &							
Miscellaneous Accounts	7.000	28,000	35,646.96	127.3	8.9	7,646.96	October
Burns Account	4.000	16,000	19,330.76	120.8	4.8	3,330.76	December
Radio & TV	1.000	4,000	58.02	1.5	.0	(3,941.98)	
Retirement & Insurance	.960	3,840	810.22	21.1	. 2	$(\cdot 3,029.78)$	
F.W.B. Foundation	.160	640	348.09	54.4	.1	(291.91)	
Theological Integrity Comm.	.080	320	58.02	18.1	0	(261.98)	• .
TOTALS	50.000%	\$200,000	\$264,586.06	132.3%	65.8%	\$64,586.06	October
GRAND TOTALS	100.000%	\$400,000	\$402,274.88	100.6%	100.0%	\$ 2,274.88	December

GEORGIA STATE ASSOCIATION CHURCHES' FIVE YEAR GIVING OVERVIEW

GEORGIA			NATIONAL		TOTALS	
1984 1985 1986 1987 1988	\$123,912.58 \$113,896.85 \$115,900.68 \$118,091.64 \$137,688.82	(36%) (34%) (31.5%) (30%) (34%)	\$220,641.71 \$220,798.41 \$251,468.05 \$279,870.31 \$264,586.06	(64%) (66%) (68.5%) (70%) (66%)	\$344,554.29 \$334,695.26 \$367,368.73 \$397,961.95 \$402,274.88	(100%) (100%) (100%) (100%) (100%)

DIFFERENCES (+/-) YEAR BY YEAR IN DOLLARS AND PERCENTAGES

GEORGIA

1984 1985 1986 1987 1988	\$123,912.58 \$113,896.85 \$115,900.68 \$118,091.64 \$137,688.82	\$10,015.73 \$ 2,003.83 \$ 2,190.96 \$19,597.18	(-) (+) (+)	= 8% = 2% = 2% = 14%	(+)
	•	NATIONAL			
1984 1985 1986 1987 1988	\$220,641.71 \$220,798.41 \$251,468.05 \$279,870.31 \$264,586.06	\$ 156.70 \$30,669.64 \$28,402.26 \$15,284.25	(+) (+) (+)	= 0% = 12% = 10% = 5%	(+) (+) (+)
		TOTALS			· ·
1984 1985 1986 1987 1988	\$344,554.29 \$334,695.26 \$367,368.73 \$397,961.95 \$402,274.68	\$ 140.97 \$32,673.47 \$30,593.22 \$ 4,312.73	(+) (+) (+)	= 0% = 9% = 8% = 1%	(+)

ANALYSIS OF FIVE YEAR PERIOD 1984 - 1988

GEORGIA

1984 1988	\$123,912.58 \$137,688.82	\$13,776.24	(+)	=	10%	(+)
	· · · 1	NATIONAL				
1984 1988	\$220,641.71 \$264.586.06	\$43,944.35	(+)	=	17%	(+)
		TOTALS			•	
1984 1988	\$344,554.29 \$402,274.88	\$57,720.59	(+)	=	14%	(+)

COOPERATIVE, DESIGNATED GIFTS, January 1 - December 31, 1988

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	COOPERATIVE GIVING	DESIGNATED GIVING	TOTALS
CHATTAHOOCHEE ASSOCIATION:			
Little Bethel Mt. Olive New Prospect Spring Hill Thomaston, First Trinity Turner's Chapel Sunday School Convention District Association TOTALS	\$ 1,760.00 976.79 -0- 2,402.00 808.00 713.32 -0- -0- \$ 6,660.11	\$ 1,585.00 820.31 120.00 153.10 1,712.65 304.00 797.85 174.98 713.00 \$ 6,280.89	\$ 3,245.00 1,797.10 120.00 153.10 4,114.65 1,112.00 1,511.17 174.98 713.00 \$12,941.00
GEORGIA UNION ASSOCIATION:		•	
Bay Springs Bethlehem Christian Hill Crossroads Double Branch Dublin, First Eastman, First Little Bethel Mt. Ararat Perry Pine Level Pleasant Hill Warner Robins White Oaks Wilson Chapel Individual District Assn	\$ 240.00 -0- 448.75 1,492.77 4,331.07 934.82 300.00 600.00 294.59 -0- 385.00 2,210.00 -0- 3,902.88 926.37 -0- -0- \$16,066.25	\$ 60.00 222.15 403.16 295.00 1,342.15 1,669.91 31.00 -0- 600.00 75.00 80.00 894.44 662.20 6,262.44 300.00 50.00 235.00 \$13,182.45	\$ 300.00 222.15 851.91 1,787.77 5,673.22 2,604.73 331.00 600.00 894.59 75.00 465.00 3,104.44 662.20 10,165.12 1,226.37 50.00 235.00 \$29,248.70
LITTLE RIVER ASSOCIATION:			
Cool Springs Corinth Forest Hill Friendship Hahira, First Homerville Ozias Pine Level Sunnyside Tifton, First Valdosta, First White Hall Zion Hill Minister/Deacon Fellowship Mission Board District Association TOTALS	\$ 500.00 150.00 -0- 325.00 1,400.00 800.00 1,589.98 300.00 50.00 25.00 -0- -0- -0- -0- 372.69 \$ 5,512.67	\$ 292.00 910.91 60.00 51.00 233.47 590.00 215.00 -0- 878.21 830.00 -0- 99.79 300.00 100.00 500.00 190.00 \$ 5,250.38	\$ 792.00 1,060.91 60.00 51.00 558.47 1,990.00 1,015.00 1,589.98 1,178.21 880.00 25.00 99.79 300.00 100.00 500.00 562.69 \$10,763.05

MARTIN ASSOCIATION:

Colquitt Corinth Donalsonville, First Highway Mothers Home Mt. Gilead Mt. Glory New Home Miller County New Salem Thompson District Association TOTALS MIDWAY ASSOCIATION:	\$ 300.00	\$ 1,220.00	\$ 1,520.00
	2,035.02	1,150.00	3,185.02
	-0-	752.30	752.30
	81.50	-0-	81.50
	398.00	-0-	398.00
	696.00	1,933.25	2,629.25
	670.00	775.00	1,445.00
	2,250.38	50.35	2,300.73
	3,263.61	2,042.96	5,306.57
	1,350.00	791.95	2,141.95
	501.45	165.00	666.45
	\$11,545.96	\$ 8,880.81	\$20,426.77
Albany, First Bainbridge, First Bellview Berean Blakely, First Cedar Springs Enterprise Hammock Springs Macedonia New Light Patmos Traveler's Rest White Plains District Association TOTALS	\$11,067.14	\$13,340.52	\$24,407.66
	45.00	22.50	67.50
	4,826.65	1,109.00	5,935.65
	275.00	2,685.97	2,960.97
	1,990.89	4,087.77	6,078.66
	4,746.55	3,105.00	7,851.55
	125.00	165.00	290.00
	1,200.00	-0-	1,200.00
	700.00	1,074.00	1,774.00
	3,183.80	1,559.00	4,742.80
	2,679.56	1,747.00	4,426.56
	50.00	-0-	50.00
	82.40	25.00	107.40
	100.00	920.00	1,020.00
	\$31,071.99	\$29,840.76	\$60,912.75
Decatur Liberty North Fayette Northside District Assocation TOTALS OGEECHEE ASSOCIATION: Augusta Deep Creek	\$ 130.00 407.00 2,860.00 1,200.00 -0- \$ 4,597.00 \$ 2,092.00 240.00	\$ 2,745.00 400.00 235.00 270.00 85.00 \$ 3,735.00 \$ 1,338.00 926.96	▼
Friendship Lower Corinth Lyons Marietta Metter Peace Mission Board District Association TOTALS	75.00 260.00 1,000.00 600.00 -0- -0- -0- \$ 4,267.00	372.54 -0- -0- 1,165.00 78.00 1,400.00 520.84 135.00 \$ 5,936.34	447.54 260.00 1,000.00 1,765.00 78.00 1,400.00 520.84 135.00 \$10,203.34

SOUTH GEORGIA ASSOCIATION:

Alabaha Baxley Bethany Brunswick, First Corinth Ebenezer Glennville Harmony Jesup, First Liberty Memorial New Hope Philadelphia Pine Level Piney Grove Satilla Savannah, First Spring Grove Statesboro Surrency Swainsboro Mission Board District Assn TOTALS	\$ 644.80 165.00 -0- 300.00 50.58 750.00 325.00 71.66 7,889.00 15.00 1,968.00 280.00 485.00 113.40 -0- 1,000.00 600.00 756.60 2,131.88 -0- -0- -0- -0- -0- 517,545.92	\$ 388.55 1,474.00 384.50 390.00 828.94 4,697.95 2,070.00 4,331.58 2,680.00 1,200.00 1,200.00 1,200.00 1,376.00 6,010.16 3,553.00 412.35 1,851.90 467.00 5,275.20 2,235.00 1,014.00 753.95 80.00 350.00 \$42,754.08	\$ 1,033.35 1,639.10 384.50 690.00 879.52 5,447.95 2,395.00 4,403.24 10,569.00 1,295.00 3,168.00 1,656.00 6,495.16 3,666.40 412.35 2,851.90 1,067.00 6,031.80 4,366.88 1,014.00 793.95 80.00 350.00 \$60,300.10
TWIN CITIES ASSOCIATION: Calvary Emmanuel White Rock District Association TOTALS UNION ASSOCIATION:	\$ 6,723.38	\$ 724.32	\$ 7,447.70
	2,899.00	887.00	3,786.00
	805.00	96.00	901.00
	-0-	80.00	80.00
	\$10,427.38	\$ 1,787.32	\$12,214.70
Bay Cairo, First Fellowship Grace Greenwood Midway New Hope Poulan Proctor Chapel Spring Hill District Association TOTALS	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 2,037.85	\$ 3,537.85
	256.00	250.00	506.00
	1,874.88	3,335.16	5,210.04
	-0-	809.74	809.74
	310.10	700.15	1,012.25
	5,561.55	3,069.12	8,630.67
	931.46	-0-	931.46
	-0-	500.00	500.00
	-0-	25.00	25.00
	143.49	620.00	763.49
	206.25	1,195.00	1,401.25
	\$10,785.73	\$12,542.02	\$23,327.75

MISCELLANEOUS:

Individuals Churches State Assn Mission Offering State Woman's Auxiliary TOTALS	\$ 1,295.00	\$ 2,125.00	\$ 3,420.00
	-0-	100.00	100.00
	-0-	392.00	392.00
	-0-	751.75	751.75
	\$ 1,295.00	\$ 3,368.75	\$ 4,663.75
GRAND TOTALS	\$119,775.01	\$ 133,558.80	\$253,333.91

CHURCHES THAT GAVE \$1,000 IN 1988 THROUGH GEORGIA STATE COOPERATIVE GIVING

1.	Albany, First, Midway	\$11,067.14
2. 3.	Jesup, First, South Georgia Calvary, Twin Cities	7,889.00 6,723.38
4.	Midway, Union	5,561.55
5.	Bellview, Midway	4,826.65
6.	Cedar Springs, Midway	4,746.55
7.	Double Branch, Georgia Union	4,331.07
8.	White Oaks, Georgia Union	3,902.88
9.	New Salem, Martin	3,262.61
10.	New Light, Midway	3,183.80
11.	Emmanuel, Twin Cities	2,899.00
12.	North Fayette, North Georgia	2,860.00
13.	Patmos, Midway	2,679.56
14.	Thomaston, First, Chattahoochee	2,402.00
15.	New Home, Miller County, Martin	2,250.38
16.	Pleasant Hill, Georgia Union	2,210.00
17.	Statesboro, South Georgia	2,131.89
18.	Augusta, Ogeechee	2,092.00
19.	Corinth, Martin	2,035.02
20.	Blakely, First, Midway	1,990.89
21.	Memorial, South Georgia	1,968.00
22.	Fellowship, Union	1,874.88
23.	Little Bethel, Chattahoochee	1,760.00
24.	Pine Level, Little River	1,589.98
25.	Bay, Union	1,500.00
26.	Cross Roads, Georgia Union	1,492.75
27.	Homerville, Little River	1,400.00
	Thompson, Martin	1,350.00
29.	Hammock Springs, Midway	1,200.00
	Northside, North Georgia	1,200.00
30.	Lyons, Ogeechee	1,000.00
	Satilla, South Georgia	1,000.00
Indiv	vidual Giving \$1,000:	
	ev. and Mrs. Riley Giddens	1,200.00
		*

WELCOME TO OUR NEW CHURCH THAT GAVE \$1,000 IN 1988 THROUGH GEORGIA STATE COOPERATIVE GIVING

Northside (Shallowford) (29)

FIRST AND SECOND PLACE COOPERATIVE GIVERS BY ASSOCIATIONS

Association	First Place	Second Place
Chattahoochee	Thomaston, First	Little Bethel
Georgia Union	Double Branch	White Oaks
Little River	Pine Level	Homerville
Martin	New Salem	New Home, M.C.
Midway	Albany, First	Bellview
North Georgia	North Fayette	Northside
Ogeechee	Augusta	Lyons
South Georgia	Jesup, First	Statesboro
Twin Cities	Calvary	Emmanuel
Union	Midway	Fellowship

NUMBER OF CHURCHES BY ASSOCIATIONS THAT GAVE THROUGH GEORGIA STATE COOPERATIVE GIVING

Chatthoochee	·	5
Georgia Union	•	12
Little River	•	9
Martin		. 9
Midway		13
North Georgia	• .	4
Ogeechee		. 6
South Georgia	_	17
Twin Cities	•	3
Union		7

ASSOCIATIONS THAT GAVE THROUGH GEORGIA STATE COOPERATIVE GIVING

- Little River
 Martin
 Midway
 Union

ROLL CALL SUNDAY - MARCH 26, 1989

CHATTAHOOCHEE ASSOCIATION:		Hebrew	28	Bethany	36
Bethany	6	Highway	28	Bethe [†]	80
Little Bethel	93	Mothers Home	89	Brunswick, First	88
Mt Olive *(1)	. 103	Mt Cilead	30	Corinth	130
New Liberty	30	Mt Glory	18	Ebenezer	180
New Life	45	New Home, Decatur County	64	Glennville	200
New Prospect, Taylor County	24	New Home, Miller County	87	Harmony	139
New Prospect, Turner County	50	New Salem	95	Jesup, First	147
Spring Hill	39	Thompson	58	Liberty	23
Thomaston, First	76	Total for 12 churches	658	Memorial	. 60
Trinity	40			New Hope	175
Turners Chapel	62	MIDWAY ASSOCIATION:		Oak Hill	30
Total for 11 churches	568	Albany, First	410	Philadelphia .	150
total to it constants	200	Bainbridge, First	24	Pine Level	112
GEORGIA UNION ASSOCIATION:	•	Bellview	110	Piney Grove	90
	63	Berean	34	Satilla .	132
Bay Springs Bethlehem	78	Blakely, First	112	Savannah, First	179
Christian Hill	25	Cedar Springs	62		129
	62	Damascus	. 6	Spring Grove	23
Crossroads	160	Enterprise	21	Statesboro	63
Double Branch *(2)	51	Hammock Springs	73	Surrency . Swainsboro	72
Dublin, First	64	Macedonia	70	Total for 23 churches	2,573
Eastman, First			37	total for 25 charcies	4,575
Little Bethel	64 37	New Enterprise	65	TWIN CITIES ASSOCIATION:	
Mt Ararat	60	New Light Dak Grove	14		169
New Hope	26		67	Calvary Figure	69
Perry		Patmos .	86	Columbus, First	62
Pine Level *(3)	64 50	Travelers Rest	. _	Landmark	79
Pleasant Hill	37	White Plains Total for 16 churches	30 1,221	Weems Road	149
Warner Robins		total for 16 charcies	1,221	White Rock	528
White Oaks	140	NORTH GEORGIA ASSOCIATION:		Total for 5 churches	320
Wilson Chapel	1,021		18	UNION ACCOCLATION.	
Total for 16 churches	1,021	Athens	15	. UNION ASSOCIATION:	47
LATTIC DIVER ACCOCUATION.	•	Decatur	26	Bay	67
LITTLE RIVER ASSOCIATION:	88	North Fayette	47	Cairo, First	51
Cool Springs	74	Northside	24	Fellowship	68
Corinth	32	Word of Life Total for 5 churches	130	Grace	20
Forest Hill	43	Total for 5 civilines	.50	Greenwood	136
Friendship	52	OCEECHEE ASSOCIATION:		Midway	
Hahira, First	79		. 36	New Hope	, 35 32
Homerville Onder	101	Augusta, First	80	Poul an	40
Ozias Pina launi	90	Deep Creek	76	Proctor Chapel	48
Pine Level	70	Friendship Lower Corinth	53	Spring Hill	73
Sunnyside	12		141	Sylvester Total for 11 objector	617
Tifton, First	25	Lyons	90	Total for 11 churches	017
Valdosta, First	66	Marietta Mattas Fiest	111		
White Hall		Metter, First	18	COAND TOTAL FOR 121 CHIPCHES	8,730
Zion Hill	32	Peace Hall	45	GRAND TOTAL FOR 121 CHURCHES	
Total for 13 churches	764	Stoney Hill	650	*Salvation Experiences	12
MARTIN ACCOMISTION	•	Total for 9 churches	650		
MARTIN ASSOCIATION:	70	CONTRACTORES ACCOMISTIONS			
Colquitt	79 No.	SOUTH GEORGIA ASSOCIATION:	21		
Corinth	48	Alabaha	65	•	
Donalsonville	34	` Baxley *(6)	270		

BOARD OF CAMPING REPORT November 1988 - November 1989

It has been an exciting year to say the least for all the participants of Camp Mt. Bethel. The Camp Board, we believe, has had some exciting times also along with some tough work times. There has been much accomplished this year through all of our camp activities and by the work of the Board.

Our first activity of this past year was the Thanksgiving Retreat. The title of the meeting was "Everybody Needs The Body." There were forty-five campers and eleven counselors who attended. We appreciate Brother Billy McKinney who served as the Retreat Director.

As is the case in any operation there always seems to be problems in the mechanics of operating. Our camp is no exception to this. This year we were faced with replacing a freezer, the ice machine, and even our utility sheds. Time does take its toll on all things doesn't it?

Something new seemed to take place this year that the Board had not really seen until now. There was a great deal of active involvement from our people all over the State. Their concerns seem to say, "Hey, let's get our Camp in good order!" Here are some of the things your Board has tried to do this year:

- (1) Tarp covers have been secured to cover the rough springs on the bunk beds.
- (2) Many new mattresses should be in place by the next Camping year.
- (3) Plastic covers will be put over the new mattresses.
- (4) New roofing for the Dining Hall and Canteen area is being taken care of.
- (5) Estimates for drainage problems around and in the boys dorm are being done. This should be accomplished also by next camping season.
- (6) Some of the old, hazardous buildings were torn down.
- (7) Heating will be made available in the dorms, dining area, and Chapel.

There are many other expenses with which we could tell you about that come from operating something of this magnitude. However, we believe that you are mainly interested in the end results. So are we!!

We really had a tremendous summer for camping. We'll not be able to say enough good about Brother Chuck Scarborough who served as our State Camp Director. We can say that he made it easy for the Board because of his

diligent work habits. For our summer sessions we had three hundred and seventy-six campers, seventy-four workers, and seventeen visitors. Following are the greatest of these statistics. There were fifty professions of faith and fifty-three rededications. This is to the Lord's glory. It was also a safe year in that we had only one accident insurance claim.

The Board wishes to say thanks to some very key people for such a good year--our Associations for their participation; the associational workers; Sister Wylene Lane, Cook; Brother Chuck Lysaker, Evangelist and Lifeguard; Mr. Jim Lamb, Caretaker and again, Brother Chuck Scarborough.

Below you will find some new policies and procedures and some revised ones that have been adopted by our Board. Wherever there has been a previous vote on any of these matters let it be known that these take precedent over them. The Board wants our State people to be aware of what we are doing.

POLICIES FOR CAMP USE

- I. All activities must be church related (no family reunions, etc.).
- II. The costs involved in using the camp during non-camp sessions:
 - A. \$2.00 per person per day for insurance purposes.
 - B. \$20.00 cover charge for Free Will Baptist Churches/Groups.
 - C. \$40.00 cover charge for non Free Will Baptist Groups.
- III. The number of persons using the facilities must be reported to the State Office at the conclusion of each session.
 - IV. The Camp Board Chairman shall direct the use of the camp for all non-camp use. All reservations must be made through him.
 - V. One week's notification is required to reserve the use of camp for non-camp activities.
- VI. The charges for Canteen goods will be uniform for all sessions. Pricing is determined as follows: Each item price is based upon cost plus 10%, raised to the nearest 5 cent level.
- VII. Clothing allowed for campers and adults is as follows:
 'Authorized Shorts'--These shorts shall be no more
 than 2 inches above the knees. However, shorts of any
 kind are not appropriate or acceptable in the evening
 worship services.

VIII. Where there is no policy stated herein on clothing it shall be referred back to the 'last' policy vote date.

IX. The State Camp Director shall act as agent of the State Camp Board for any and all camp sessions throughout the year at Camp Mt. Bethel.

X. The Camp Evangelist shall be chosen by the State Camp Director and used by all sessions as the Evangelist.

XI. Camp Fees for the calendar year 1990 will be set at \$45.00 per camper. Costs are set to cover operating expenses.

Respectfully submitted,

Len Blanchard, Chairman

BOARD OF CAMPING Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements for the year ended December 31, 1988

Balance January 1, 1988			\$ 4,295.07
Cooperative Giving Camp Sessions (Summer) Canteen (Summer) Retreat (Thanksgiving) Canteen (Thanksgiving) Bookstore Sale Retainers for Camp Singing Convention Donations Miscellaneous Total Accountable		\$14.300.64 14,969.06 2,498.46 638.48 103.00 2,510.79 350.00 400.00 170.00 112.00	
Utilities Telephone LP Gas Insurance Board Expense Camp Sessions Expense (Summer) Retreat Expense (Thanksgiving '87) Canteen Expense (Summer) Miscellaneous Camp Literature Household Items (Major App.) Salaries: Caretaker \$ 600.00	4,147.29 739.76 651.75 3,453.91 2,144.24 8,963.47 25.20 1,617.02 246.95 249.70 1,207.58		
Cook (Camp) 1,600.00 Evangelist (Camp) 1,600.00 Maintenance and Repair Balance on hand December 31, 1988	3,800.00 8,155.72		35,402.59 \$ 4,944.91
Respectfully submitted,			
John R. Amburgey, Secretary/Treasurer			

MASTER'S MEN PROJECT ACCOUNT

Balance January 1, 1988		\$ 5,829.58
Receipts: Donations Total Accountable		3,727.98 \$ 9,557.56
DISBURSEMENTS: Watkins Lumber Larry's Woodcraft James Lane (Reimbursement)	1,362.11 65.00 123.48	1,550.59
Balance on hand December 31, 1988		\$ 8,006.97
Respectfully Submitted,	-	
John R. Amburgey, Secretary/Treasure	er	

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION REPORT November 1988 - November 1989

The Board of Christian Education is 8 years old. During these 8 years the board has almost been completely re-staffed. It has had three chairmen and twenty-six different men have been elected to serve. One member, Bill Lofton of the First Church in Albany, Midway Association, has been on the board for as long as it has existed. He is to be commended for his faithfulness. This is my fourth year of service to the board and my first year as the chairman. The years that I have been able to serve have been challenging and rewarding. Please pray for this board as it continues to establish itself and supervise its activities.

We met twice during the year in an effort to maintain pre-existing programs and to plan new ones. We met on March 11 at the Double Branch Church, Unadilla and August 26 at the First Church, Albany. In the following paragraphs you will be able to see what this board has been able to accomplish because of your faithful COOP gifts.

MINISTER'S/WIVES RETREAT

We had Dr. Fred Donehoo, the Association Pastor for Day School Education at Calvary Baptist Church in Columbus, to speak for us during this retreat. Dr. Donehoo is a competent counselor and spoke on "Christian Marriages Facing a Modern World". Nine people attended this retreat.

MINISTER'S RETREAT

Our Minister's Retreats are always characterized by relaxation, fellowship and instruction. Our goal is to provide Free Will Baptist ministers in Georgia a profitable "take it easy" time in an atmosphere of fellowship and learning. This year Richard Adams, a warm and energetic preacher of Elizabethton, Tennessee, came with some stirring messages. He focused in on the pastor's needs while emphasizing the needs of others around us. Richard's compassion warmed our hearts. Georgia pastors also contributed to the dynamics of the retreat. We had 17 ministers to attend.

STATE YOUTH CONFERENCE

This year's conference really brought out the participants. We had over 100 competitors. The attendance soared to over 250. According to the director, Bud Hill, this was the best conference in years. Hours of practice and

preparation paid off. We had several National winners this year. A complete list of these are printed in the September edition of the "Promotional Bulletin". We wish to thank Bud Hill for his years of service. Bill Lofton will direct next year's Conference.

COUPLES' RETREAT

The second annual retreat was attended by 20 couples. Robert Morgan, a Nashville pastor, was the guest speaker. This retreat was characterized by excitement and fellowship. We commend those couples who helped make this retreat a success. Another one has already been planned for next year.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Historical Society is not a mature endeavor but, a growing one. This society has a membership roll of dues paying members who are interested in Georgia Free Will Baptist History. Although the society may not be very visible, it has been busy collecting, publishing and preserving things of historical significance for future Free Will Baptists.

This year two articles have been published. A biographical look at John Nelson Barnes and one concerning Youth Camping in Georgia. These newsletters are published as material becomes available. Therefore, the society would like to make an appeal. We need you to help us collect information on preachers, churches, and any one you know who has been an outstanding servant of the Lord. We also request that you assist us in obtaining old associational minutes, pictures and any paraphernalia which would be of historical significance.

While you are at the State Meeting visit the display sponsored by the society.

FINANCIAL SEMINAR

This year the Board of Christian Education sponsored a Financial Seminar at the State Meeting Bible Conference. Stewardship of our money is a matter each individual, church and denomination should give careful consideration. We trust this seminar was helpful and it will be available to all who have an interest in it.

STUDENT GIFTS

Georgia Free Will Baptist Bible College students are enjoying a small privilege again this year. The Board is giving each student \$10.00 per month through the school

year. Last year 16 students, beginning in January, received this amount until May. This year we have 21 students that we are helping. We have received words of appreciation from several of these students and we would like to pass the gratitude on to the Georgia Free Will Baptists who have made this possible.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Minister's Retreat - April 16-18, 1990

Speaker is Tom Malone
Youth Conference - May 25-26, 1990,

Speaker is Terry Pierce
Couples' Retreat - September 21-22, 1990,

Speaker is Sam Truett

Respectfully Submitted,

Willie C. Martin, Chairman

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements for the year ended December 31, 1988

Balance January 1, 1988			\$ 3,198.38
Cooperative Giving Account Transfer Bookstore Sale State Youth Conference Minister/Wives Retreat Ministers Retreat Couples Retreat TOTAL ACCOUNTABLE			\$2,888.08 2,119.25 513.07 1,903.50 400.00 579.50 776.00 9,179.40 \$12,377.78
DISBURSEMENTS: Board Members Mileage Postage & Phone		\$ 255.02 28.50	
Room & Meals	450.00 472.46	922.46	•
Minister Retreat: Speaker Room & Meals	400.00 593.40	993.40	
Couples Retreat: Speaker Room & Meals	450.00 725.50	1,175.50	
Youth Conference: Speaker Room & Meals 1 Materials & Awards National Fees	175.00 ,501.55 403.84 335.00	2,415.39	<u>5,790.27</u> \$6,587.51

Respectfully Submitted,

David Griffin, Treasurer

BOARD OF MISSION REPORT

November 1988 - November 1989

This year has been one of those years where much prayer and waiting on the Lord has been the key for your Mission Board.

During this year the actual construction of the North Fayette Church became a reality. The beginning of the building after the selling of the bonds was a very large step for the church to undertake. Brother Luther Burns and the congregation of the North Fayette Church undertook the tremendous task of building this building. The many delays of one kind or other would have taken the determination away from many. Your State Mission Board encouraged the work even when the odds seem to be taking the toll. Cost over-runs and building regulations were constant sources which caused a great deal of anxiety to Brother Burns.

Your support of the Cooperative Program enabled the Mission Board to be able to fund the cost over-runs of the building. In order that the North Fayette Church would not endure additional hardship of having to borrow money to be repaid at this time, the Mission Board loaned the Church the additional money. This loan is to be repaid to the Mission Board at the end of the bond program and at the same rate of payment as the bond payments. Your gifts through the State Budget made this possible, and we sincerely THANK YOU.

The Ogeechee Association petitioned the Mission Board for a loan to purchase property in Martinez, Georgia. The Association then wanted to borrow additional money to begin their building program. The Ogeechee Association was challenged to raise money for this mission, and the Mission Board matched this in the amount of \$9,655.77.

Brother Tim Hutchinson served the Dublin Church as interim pastor after the resignation of Brother Jack Lysaker until July 1, 1989. Brother Tim and the Dublin Church spent much time in the search for a pastor for the Church. Brother Buddy Henry came as pastor of the Dublin Church on July 1, 1989.

Subcommittees of the Board have studied other areas of the State for the possibility of locating additional works.

Your Board is very much aware of the accountability it has to you. Much prayer and deliberation is given each item as it comes to the floor. Our meetings are open to anyone who cares to attend. If you would like to meet with the

Mission Board, contact your Association Board Member to find out when a meeting will be held.

God has richly blessed the work of this Board. Your prayers and giving have made it possible.

Respectfully submitted,

Malcom Freeman, Chairman

BOARD OF MISSIONS Statement of Cash Receipts & Disbursements for the year ended December 31, 1988

GENERAL FUND

Balance on hand January 1,	, 1988	•	\$52,301.67
RECEIPTS: Cooperative & Designate Ogeechee District Assoc Individual Churches Northside Church Loan WNAC Interest	ciation Loan	73,547.48 1,757.74 140.00 1,320.00 8.00 2,954.55	79,727.77
Total Accountable			\$132,029.44
	General Fund Northside Loan Ogeechee Loan Gainesville	7,300.00 128.00 6,400.00 2,821.56 7,305.30 1,200.00 1,757.74 30.00 45,000.00 368.64	
Board Members Mileage Check Printing	GA.	351.60 30.81	72,693.65
Balance on hand December 3	1, 1988		\$ 59,335.79
Northside Church Bond			\$ 1,000.00

LIVING MEMORIAL CHURCH BUILDING FUND Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements for the year ended December 31, 1988

Balance on hand January 1, 1988			\$ 8,763.82
RECEIPTS: General Fund (10% of Undesignal Interest Ogeechee District Assn Loan Gainesville Church Loan Northside Church Loan	ated)	7,305.30 818.56 1,757.74 30.00 1,200.00	11,111,60
Balance on hand December 31, 198	8		\$19,875.42
Loans Outstanding: Ogeechee District Assn Loan Gainesville Church Loan Northside Church Loan	(\$23,242.26) (\$ 953.00) (\$ 1,158.97)		

Respectfully submitted,
Benny Lariscy, Treasurer

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REPORT

November 1988 - November 1989

The Georgia State Board of Trustees has served the State Association this year by maintaining adequete insurance on all State Association property. Also, we have spent \$1,176.51 on general maintenance and repair of the exterior of the State Office.

At the conclusion of last year's State Association session, our Board proposed to the State Executive Board that the State Office be moved to a more centralized location of the State. In the past we made monthly payments on the State Office, made improvements and maintained the premises. We are prepaired to perform these services in the future if the State Association votes to relocate the State Office.

Thank you for your COOPerative giving support to the Georgia State Budget for this is the only means of support your Board of Trustees has.

It has been a pleasure to serve you for another year.

Respectfully submitted,

Emmett Dunaway, Chairman

BOARD OF TRUSTEES Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements for the year ended December 31, 1988

Balance on hand January 1, 1988			\$ 1,245.63
RECEIPTS: Cooperative Giving Escrow Bookstore Sale Christian Supply Store Insurance Board of Camping Insurance Total Accountable		\$4,071.26 90.34 796.90 106.16 3,453.91	9,182.67 \$10,428.30
DISBURSEMENTS: State Office House Payments Insurance on all Properties	\$2,221.34		7,018.34
Balance on hand December 31, 1988			\$ 3,409.96
Respectfully submitted,			

Kenneth Murphy, Secretary/Treasurer

RESOLUTIONS

1. WHEREAS, there is a trend among some to drop or at least diminish the use of the name "Free Will Baptist"; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that we encourage all pastors, churches, local and state associations and National Departments to be loyal to our distinctive name: "FREE WILL BAPTIST".

2. WHEREAS, the clothing styles in our society are constantly changing, and

WHEREAS, our young people are many times caught up in these changing fads; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that our Camp Board be instructed to send out a clear and decisive dress code to our campers at the beginning of each camp season so there will be no confusion as to what is considered proper attire for our campers.

3. WHEREAS, the staff and personnel of Norman Baptist Assembly have been most gracious and helpful and even going the extra mile in accommodating our State Association Meetings; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Georgia State Association go on record as being most grateful and appreciative for the use of these facilities and the personnel providing services; and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the administrator of Norman Baptist Assembly.

MINUTES OF GEORGIA STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

The Georgia State Woman's Auxiliary Convention held its annual meeting November 15-16, 1989, at the Norman Baptist Assembly, Norman Park, Georgia, using as its theme "The Great Invitation", Revelation 22:18.

The Wednesday Evening Service was opened by singing "Send The Light", directed by Barbara Fletcher, music director for the session. Janette Williams was pianist for the convention.

A musical "Reflections" was presented by some senior adults of our great State, under the direction of Danny Thomas, Minister of Music of Albany First Church, accompanied by Shirley Kimbrel, of the Bellview Church, at the piano.

The Wednesday evening service was dismissed in prayer by Martha Everson.

The Thursday morning session opened by singing "Footsteps of Jesus." Special prayer requests were acknowledged and prayer was offered by Edith Shiver. Faye Faison of Deep Creek Auxiliary, Ogeechee Association gave the devotion. Special music was rendered by Henrietta Brown.

President Martha Everson opened by business session by prayer. LaRee Findley, Vice President, gave the Credentials Report. Motion carried to accept report and seat delegates. (See report) President Everson recognized Eastman Church of Georgia Union as a new auxiliary joining our State. Missionaries Dale and Sandra Bishop were recognized. Faye Ogletree and Mary Griffin, mothers of Georgia Missionaries, were recognized. Dale Bishop introduced some members from their church in Japan. Janice Ursrey conducted the Remembrance Service. Those recognized were: Angie Howard, Ebenezer Auxiliary, Glennville and Lollie McCloud, Pine Level, Alma. A moment of silent prayer was followed by prayer offered by Janice Ursrey. Shirley Sharpston gave a very interesting report on the State Retreat. Marie Glover gave a report on WNAC, Tampa. Volunteer delegates representing Georgia in Phoenix, Arizona, are: Barbara Fletcher, Geraldine Waid, Fleda Snow, Shirley Sharpston, Marie Glover, Janice Wallace, Debbie Lynn, Mary Griffin. Motion carried to give the President authority to fill vacant slots to give a full slate of delegates at the convention. Due to Dr. Wisehart's being unable to attend our state convention, Martha challenged our women to encourage our locals to increase their support of our WNAC office. Debbie Lynn read Dr. Wisehart's written report. Janice Wallace was elected to serve on WNAC's Nominating Committee.

The morning worship service was opened by singing, "We've a Story To Tell To The Nations". The offertory prayer was prayed by Rev. Dwight Fletcher. Special music was

rendered by Regina Barnard. Before Dale's sermon, a member of their church in Japan, Mrs. Masako Hiraga gave her personal testimony, with Sandra Bishop serving as her interpreter. Dale brought a very challenging message on the Great Invitation, using Revelation 22:17 as his text. A prayer of dismissal and blessing over the food was offered by Martha Everson.

The afternoon session opened by singing "Jesus Saves" led by Debbie Lynn, substituting for Barbara Fletcher. Prayer was offered by Marie Glover. Geraldine Waid led us through an informal introduction to the women of the Bishop family. Three year old Jennifer sang "Jesus Loves Me" in Japanese. Sandra presented the different methods and avenues used to draw and encourage people to their services, and shared with us the many areas she is using to share the gospel to all ages. Geraldine closed in prayer.

The Secretary made comments on her report, (See Report) encouraging all secretaries to use the new report forms adopted by WNAC. Motion carried to accept Treasurer's Report. Jan Baxley gave the Resolution Committee Report. Motion carried to accept report and vote item by item on each resolution (See Report). Resolution #2 was amended to read \$7,000.00. Motion carried to accept Constitutional change on Article II on Elections. As amended ARTICLE II, Elections now reads: The election of general officers shall be held every two (2) years. The general officers shall be nominated by a Nominating Committee. Following the Nominating Committee report, opportunity shall be given for nominations from the floor. In case of more than one nominee for any particular office, a vote will be taken on each. Not more than half of the elected officers shall be changed in any regular election. All elections shall be held at the closing session of the annual convention.

The Finance Committee Report was given by Barbara Roberts. Motion carried to accept the report. (See Report) The report of the Registration Committee was given by Marian James. Motion carried to accept the report (See Report). Report of the Nominating Committee as given by Barbara Fletcher. Motion carried to accept the report and vote office by office. The following officers were elected for a two-year term: Janice Wallace, President; LaRee Findley, Vice President; Rachel Horne, Secretary; Janet Baxley, Treasurer; Mary Burner, Field Worker; Edith Shiver, Historian; Debbie Lynn, Fleda Snow and Wanda Cooper, Members-at-Large. Margaret Ann Daniel conducted an installation service of the new officers. Janice Wallace dismissed the session in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachel Horne, Secretary

REGISTRATION REPORT:

State Officers, 6; Voting Delegates 58; Ministers, 37; Visitors 89; Missionaries 2; National Officers 3; TOTAL REGISTRATION 195.

CREDENTIALS REPORT:

The following Districts have properly reported and are eligible for seats in this convention: Chattahoochee, Georgia Union, Little River, Martin, Midway, North Georgia, Ogeechee, South Georgia, Twin Cities, Union. Fifty-Seven local auxiliaries properly reported and paid dues.

RESOLUTIONS REPORT:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- That adequate monies be retained in the general treasury every year and earmarked for the Retreat deposit to Norman Baptist Assembly.
 - (a) This would allow payment of deposit in March every year when the Retreat date for the next year is set up with Norman Baptist Assembly, and
 - (b) Extend the deadline for individual deposits every year to February 1.
- 2. That the 1989-90 Lora Shutes Mission Project goal be set at \$7,000 to be given to the account of Dale & Sandra Bishop, to be completed by September 1, 1990.
- 3. That each auxiliary continue faithful support to the accounts of the Crowsons and Debbie Griffin.
- 4. That the offerings from this convention be given to the Dale Bishop's account.
- 5. That we express our appreciation to each one who had a part on program at this convention.
- 6. That we express our appreciation to our out-going officers for a job well done.
- 7. That we pledge our support and prayers to the new in-coming officers.
- 8. That each auxiliary earmark their Pre-Easter offering for Paul and Rhoda Creech, who are going to Ivory Coast as dorm parents in July.

ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT GEORGIA STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY Statement of receipts and disbursements for year ended December 31, 1988

Beginning Balance		\$ 3,873.56
RECEIPTS: Convention Offering Prayer Retreat Love Offering Designated Giving	\$ 352.53 901.00 105.00 20,415.88	21,774.91
Total Accountable		\$25,648.47
DISBURSEMENTS: Prayer Retreat WNAC Designated Printing of State Minutes Convention Expense: Dr. Wisehart LaRue Crowson Mrs. Willey Lisa Wallace Love Offering: LaRue Crowson Mrs. Willey Lisa Wallace Printing of Treasurers Report Membership Fees (WNAC)	\$ 901.00 20,415.88 50.00 60.00 4.50 60.00 20.50 500.00 108.66 25.00 943.50	23,589.04
Balance on hand December 31, 1988		\$ 2,059.43

Respectively Submitted,

Barbara Roberts, Treasurer

DOT HARVEY STUDENT LOAN FUND FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE Annual Report October 1, 1988 - September 30, 1989

Balance on October 1, 1988		\$1,389.88
Loans Awarded Fall, 1988	\$ 496.57	41,005.00
Loans Awarded Spring, 1989	\$1,590.00	•
Loans Awarded Fall, 1989	\$ 550.00	
Total Loans Awarded (3 students)		\$2,636.57
Gifts Received		\$ 548.00
Payments collected (38)		\$4,134.66

LOAN FUND SUMMARY, September 30, 1989

Funds Available \$ 3,435.97 Amount Borrowed \$21,200.44 Total Fund Worth \$24,636.41

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE OF THE GEORGIA STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

January 1 - December 31, 1988

The Auditing Committee of the Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists have examined the Financial Records of the Executive Office and the various Boards of the State Association for the calendar year 1988. We find these records are in good order and each treasurer has provided us with properly documented receipts and canceled checks.

The Auditing Committee would like to express their thanks to the Executive Secretary/Treasurer and the Board treasurers for their efforts in keeping the records.

Respectfully submitted,

The Auditing Committee: Mrs. Helen Lewis, Chairman

Mrs. Louvenia Kleedehn

Mrs. Marian James

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

GEORGIA STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

PREAMBLE

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

ARTICLE I

This assembly shall be known as the Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists, Inc.

ARTICLE II

SECTION 1. The officers of this association shall be a Moderator, an Assistant Moderator, a Clerk, an Assistant Clerk, and an Executive Secretary/Treasurer.

SECTION 2. The Executive Board shall be composed of the regular officers; the chairman of each of the standing boards; and the previous moderator, as an ex officio member for a period of two years following his term of office.

SECTION 3. This association shall be composed of all active Ministers, Deacons, Missionaries, and Board Members who are members of affiliated bodies: one (1) delegate for every three hundred (300) members or fraction thereof from District Associations; one (1) delegate for every one hundred (100) members or fraction thereof from each local affiliated church.

SECTION 4. All delegates from District Associations and local churches shall be elected from the laity of the body sending them.

SECTION 5. Funds to meet current needs of this body shall be paid to the treasurer of this association. Each District Association will give a minimum of fifteen dollars (\$15) per delegate authorized, and each local church will give ten cents (\$.10) per capita of their respective memberships.

SECTION 6. In order to pay our Georgia State Association's annual representation fee to the National Association, each local association is to be responsible to promote, receive and forward the amount designated by the National Association per church per year to the State Office, along with their annual State Association representation fee, on our before our annual State Association session.

ARTICLE III

SECTION 1. It shall be the privilege of each affiliated District Association to recommend a member for each standing board. Terms of office on these boards shall be on a rotating basis which will necessitate the election by the State Association of five (5) members every two (2) years, thus giving each member a four (4) year term of office.

SECTION 2. There shall be a Board of Missions composed

of members who are noted for their missionary zeal.

A. The Board of Missions shall employ missionaries as needed to establish Free Will Baptist mission/churches in the State of Georgia. These missionaries may be employed exclusively or jointly with other Free Will Baptist mission agencies.

- B. A mission/church sponsored by the Georgia State Association and its missionary are under the authority of the State Association and the supervision of the Georgia State Board of Missions.
- C. A mission/church does not have autonomous church status. As long as the mission/church is unable to provide for its own financial needs, enlist its own members and officers, maintain its own worship and outreach ministries and conduct its own business, it is in a dependent relationship to the State Association and its Board of Missions.
- D. When the mission/church is self-sustaining, self-governing, self-discipling and self-propagating it should be organized into an autonomous Free Will Baptist church following the procedures adopted by the Georgia State Association.
- E. After proper procedures are satisfied and the church is duly organized into an autonomous Free Will Baptist church it shall have all the normal rights, privileges and responsibilities of any other Free Will Baptist Church.

SECTION 3. There shall be a Board of Camp Mt. Bethel

whose duties shall be:

- A. To be responsible for maintenance, upkeep and insurance of Camp Mt. Bethel. This Board is to repair, modify or alter any building at Camp Mt. Bethel at their discretion with the provision that the Board of Trustees shall be considered if the cost of a project is to exceed \$2,500. The above "shall be considered" here means that the Board of Camp Mt. Bethel and the Board of Trustees shall function as a single joint board with co-equal authority and responsibility.
- B. To schedule and arrange all camp sessions to be held at Camp Mt. Bethel, and to appoint the Camp Director each year. It is understood and agreed in this connection that the Camp Director shall be in authority in matters of faculty, curriculum, administration, food service, and recreation during camp sessions.

SECTION 4. There shall be a Board of Christian Education whose duties shall be:

A. To provide educational services for the members of the Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists.

B. To set policy and supervise the functions of a State Youth Committee. This Board shall appoint this Committee to carry out Board policy.

C. To organize, sponsor and promote educational and

inspirational retreats for our members.

D. To organize, sponsor and promote Sunday School and Church Training Service seminars.

E. To set policy and supervise the functions of a Historical Committee. This Board shall appoint the Historical Committee to gather and set forth for public knowledge and posterity the history of Georgia Free Will Baptists.

SECTION 5. There shall be a Board of Trustees whose duties shall be: the maintenance, upkeep and insuring of all State Association properties; the planning and supervision of all future developments and expansion of these properties as directed by this State Association except as otherwise provided in this Constitution.

SECTION 6. There shall be a Credentials Committee which shall consist of three (3) members who shall be in charge of the registration and examination of delegates and the receiving of all dues. These members are to be elected at the time of the General Officers.

SECTION 7. There shall be a member of the Board of Trustees of the Free Will Baptist Children's Home, Eldridge, Alabama, elected during the 1971 session for a term of four (4) years. Election thereafter shall be for a four (4) year term.

ARTICLE IV

SECTION 1. All officers except board members and the Executive Secretary/Treasurer shall be elected to serve a term of two (2) years. The Executive Secretary/Treasurer shall be employed by the Executive Board of the Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists, subject to the ratification of the Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists at its next regular session, for an indefinite period, with an agreement of a sixty (60) day notice of termination by either the Executive Secretary or the Executive Board.

SECTION 2. Standing boards of the State Association have no power or final authority to hire full-time employees until the matter has been presented to and acted on by the State Association in session except where otherwise provided.

SECTION 3. Vacancies on any of the boards or committees which occur between regular sessions of this State Association, may be filled by the Executive Board until the convening of the annual session of said association.

SECTION 4. Election of all General Officers shall take

place on the odd years of the calendar.

SECTION 5. If a member of any board fails in the function of his or her duty without good and sufficient reasons, the board of which the delinquent is a member may declare that particular office vacant. Further, this 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, businesslike manner according to the rules of Christian conduct as set forth in the New Testament.

Any standing board of this State Association may appoint

proxies to serve in lieu of the absent members.

At the pleasure of the boards, and subsequent to the meeting from which the regular member is absent, the boards have the right to deal with the delinquent member in the manner stated in this section.

SECTION 6. Boards may be called into session by the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of said board, or by the Moderator of Assistant Moderator of the Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists, upon the request of the majority of the members of said boards.

AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be changed, altered, or amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of all delegates present and voting at any regular session of the State Association. Prior to a final vote on any amendment, change or alteration, said amendment, change or alteration shall be submitted in writing to the Clerk of this association and shall lie on the table from one (1) business meeting to the next during the same session, during which time it shall be read at least two (2) times in open session. Officers, standing boards, and/or standing committees may be added or deleted as the need arises.

SECTION 1.

- A. All real property, checking and savings accounts or any other assets of this Association shall be in the name of the Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists, Inc.
- B. One or more of the corporate officers of the Association shall be the legal signers for all Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists' business. These officers are: the Moderator as the corporate President; the Clerk as the corporate Vice-President; the Executive Secretary/Treasurer as the corporate Secretary/Treasurer.

C. The State Office shall be responsible for the safekeeping of the corporate seal and all official documents

of this Association.

D. No State board may borrow money or financially obligate the State Association without the approval of the State Executive Board.

E. The fixed assets (building, land) of the Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists shall not be liquidated except by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the delegates present and voting at any regular session of the Association.

F. The records of all financial transactions shall be open to all members of the Georgia State Association. The financial transactions of the State Office and State boards

shall be audited annually.

- G. Annual financial reports of the State Office and State boards and the auditor's report shall be made to the State Association in session and be entered in the Annual State Minutes.
- H. The State Treasurer shall be bonded in an amount stipulated by the State Executive Board.
- I. This Association shall meet for its regular session annually on Thursday following the second Sunday in November and shall adjourn on the Saturday immediately following.

SECTION 2.

- A. When the State Association is not in session, the State Executive Board shall be fully authorized to do business in the name of the State Association.
- B. The State Association has full authority to direct the State Executive Board in all business conducted on its behalf.
- C. The State Executive Board shall report to the State Association in session concerning the business conducted for the State Association since its last convening.
- D. The State Executive Board has the prerogative of deferring any matter to the State Association as a whole but is not under obligation to do so.

- E. The State Executive Board shall meet quarterly on Friday or Saturday before the second Sunday of the following months: February; May; August. The November meeting shall be held just prior to regular meeting of the State Association. SECTION 3.
- A. The Moderator shall preside at the Annual Sessions of the Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists and the meetings of the Executive Board. The Moderator shall be the President of the Corporation known as the Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists, Inc.
- B. The Assistant Moderator shall preside in the absence of the Moderator and/or when appointed by the Moderator as the need arises.
- C. The Clerk shall keep records of the proceedings of the Annual Associational meetings and of the Executive Board meetings. It shall also be his responsibility to have the minutes of these sessions printed and distributed. The Clerk shall be the Vice-President of the Corporation known as the Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists, Inc.
- D. The Assistant Clerk, in the absence of the Clerk, shall fulfill the functions and duties of the Clerk as stated in paragraph C of this document.

SECTION 4

- A. The Executive Secretary shall be responsible and accountable to the Executive Board in the fulfillment of the duties of his office as determined by the Executive Board.
- B. The Executive Secretary shall be allowed four (4) weeks vacation per year with pay.
- C. Funds received by the Executive Secretary for revivals, special speaking engagements and promotional meetings, shall go into the Cooperative Fund. The exception to this regulation relates to any remuneration received by the Executive Secretary during his four (4) weeks vacation, which funds shall be his personally and need not be accounted for to this State Association.
- D. Salary, mileage, and operational expenses of the Executive Secretary shall be determined by the Executive Board.
- E. The Executive Secretary shall be Secretary/Treasurer of the Corporation known as the Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists, Inc.

SECTION 5.

A. The Executive Board shall serve as the Placement Committee for the State Association. In this capacity the board shall investigate places suitable for this meeting and make recommendations to said State Association. Meeting places shall be determined two (2) years in advance.

- B. The Executive Board shall plan the program for the annual meetings of the Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists and the annual meetings shall follow the programs as closely as possible. Business sessions shall be conducted according to the commonly accepted rules of Parliamentary Procedure.
- C. The Executive Board shall formulate the budget for the State Association annually and recommend to the body in session the allocations to be observed in the Cooperative Plan of Giving. This board shall in addition to the above stated duties, also recommend a mileage rate for travel by the members of all of the standing boards of said association.

SECTION 6.

Necessary committees shall be appointed by the Moderator unless otherwise provided for by the body.

SECTION 7.

These By-Laws may be altered, changed, or amended at any regular session of this association by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of delegates present and voting.