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*Georgia State Association of
Free Will Baptists*

November 12-14, 1998

Convening at the
First Free Will Baptist Church
Albany, Georgia

Theme: "In The Light"

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANNUAL MEETING:

The Sixty-second Annual Session of the Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists convened at First Free Will Baptist Church in Albany, Georgia, on November 12-14, 1998. The theme of the meeting was "In The Light." Scripture was John 8:12. Music was coordinated by Rev. Danny Thomas and provided by several different individuals, groups, and song leaders. Shirley Kimbrel served as pianist, and Lucy Hyman served as organist.

THURSDAY EVENING WORSHIP SESSION

Prelude to the service was provided by the Harmony Boys. Song leader, Rev. Wayne Miracle, opened the session and led the congregation in singing "Stepping in the Light." Rev. Gene Gilbert welcomed everyone to Albany and then asked Rev. Chuck Walker to open the meeting with prayer. Rev. Danny Thomas then led the congregation in the pledges to the American and Christian Flags.

The Sixty-second Annual Session of the Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists was officially called in session by the State Clerk, Rev. Terry Pierce. He introduced the Assistant Moderator, Rev. Russell Horne, who extended a welcome to everyone.

Clerk Terry Pierce called the roll of district associations with the representatives from ten districts answering. Rev. Russell Horne then appointed the Committee on Committees members who were: Chuck Walker, Johnny Lewis, Rod Goodman, Rudy Woods, and Joel Hampton. The congregation then sang "When We All Get To Heaven," followed by "God Is So Good," and "Thou Art Worthy."

Mrs. Paula Gilbert then sang "He Grew the Tree." Rev. Gene Gilbert then presented the keynote speaker, Rev. Keith Lloyd, pastor of the Zion Hill Free Will Baptist Church in Millwood. Rev. Lloyd challenged our hearts on the subject of "Walking in the Light" from I John 1:7-10. An invitation hymn, "Just As I Am," was then sung.

Clerk Terry Pierce shared some announcements. Rev. Russell Horne then called for the partial report of the Credentials Committee given by Rev. S. E. Newberry. He reported a voting delegation of 82, with a total registration of 196. Rev. Mance Cason then dismissed the service with prayer.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

Rev. Eddie Vincent led the congregation in singing "Sunlight." Rev. John Amburgey opened the session with prayer. Moderator Paul Smith introduced the speaker of the hour. The morning devotional was brought by Rev. Mike Crews,

pastor of the New Hope Free Will Baptist Church in Jesup. He brought a stirring message from I Peter 2:9 on the subject of "Worshipping In The Light."

Moderator Smith called for a partial report of the Credentials Committee.

Rev. S. E. Newberry reported a voting delegation of 112, with a total registration of 204.

Moderator Smith recognized the standing delegates and entertained a motion to seat all elected delegates. The motion was adopted. The Moderator recognized all corresponding visitors.

Clerk Terry Pierce read the Committee on Committees report with the following nominations:

Nominating Committee: Billy McKinney, Chairman
Jeff Cockrell
Bill Sumner
John Amburgey
Janice Temples

Resolutions Committee:

J.M. Creech, Chairman
Keith Lloyd
Gail Smith
Steve Hughes
Jeff Lunsford

Motion was carried to receive this report and all nominees be elected.

Clerk Terry Pierce gave the report of the Executive Board as stated in the Digest of Reports with the following items to be voted on individually:

Item 1. A 1999 calendar year overall budget of \$500,000 is proposed. A Georgia State Cooperative Budget of \$190,000 is included in the overall budget. You will find the budget included with this report for your approval.
Motion, seconded and carried.

Item 2: Offering receipts are to be divided by the Acts 1:8 format.
Motion, seconded and carried.

Item 3: The State Association will meet at the Trinity Fellowship Free Will Baptist Church in Hampton, November 16-18, 2000.

Item 4. The By-Laws be changed as follows:

Section 1:l: This Association shall meet for its regular session annually on the Thursday following the second Sunday in November and shall adjourn on the Saturday immediately following.

Change to: This Association shall meet for its regular session annually on the Thursday following the second Sunday in March and shall adjourn on the Saturday immediately following. Motion, seconded and carried.

Section 2:E: The State Executive Board shall meet quarterly on Friday or Saturday before the second Sunday of the following months: February, May, and August. The November meeting shall be held just prior to the regular meeting of the State Association.

Change to: The State Executive Board shall meet in June, September, and December. The March meeting shall be held just prior to the regular meeting of the State Association. These changes are to begin in the year 2000.
Motion, seconded and carried.

Executive Secretary/Treasurer William Smith gave the Executive Office report. He reported on a great year and thanked the people for letting him serve in this position. Motion, seconded and carried to receive this report.

Rev. Bill Evans gave the Board of Retirement and Insurance report. He also reported on the Free Will Baptist Foundation. Motion, seconded and carried to receive this report.

Meeting was adjourned for worship.

Rev. Danny Thomas led the congregation in singing "The Light of the World Is Jesus." Rev. Wayne Miracle led in prayer. Rev. S. E. Newberry introduced the speaker of the hour. Mr. Bill Parker ministered in music. Rev. Chuck Walker, pastor of New Light Free Will Baptist Church in Morgan, gave a wonderful message on the subject of "Warring in the Light" from the text of Romans 13:12. Rev. S. E. Newberry dismissed the session with prayer.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Rev. Roger Russell led the congregation in singing "Footsteps of Jesus." Rev. Rudy Woods offered the prayer. Rev. Johnny Lewis of the Trinity Free Will Baptist Church, Cordele, brought the afternoon message on the topic of "Watching in the Light" from John 11:9.

Moderator Paul Smith then resumed the business session by asking Mrs. Gail Smith to give the Women of Georgia Active for Christ report. Rev. Willie Martin gave the Board of Christian Education report. He reported that all retreats were well attended. These reports were received and adopted.

Rev. William Smith gave the Board of Camping report. He reported that over 700 campers attended with many decisions made. Rev. Wayne Miracle gave the Trustee Board report. The following recommendations were voted on:

Item 1: We, the State Trustee Board of Free Will Baptists, move to accept this report and to accept this proposal and the generous offer of the White Oaks Church, and to build a new State Office building there as expeditiously as possible. Motion, seconded and carried.

Item 2: We recommend to release the funds of the State Office Relocation Land/Building Fund for this project. Motion, seconded and carried.

Item 3: The Trustee Board and the Executive Board develop a Capitol Stewardship Plan to fund the new State Office. Motion, seconded and carried.

Malcom Freeman gave the Board of Missions report. He reported on the work in Atlanta. Report was received and adopted.

Rev. Willie Martin gave the report from the Combined Meetings at the State Association. The Committee recommends that they be appointed to attend the Florida State Association next year for that reason. Motion, seconded and carried to table the motion.

Rev. Alton Loveless gave the Randall House Publications report. Rev. Tim Campbell gave the Free Will Baptist Bible College report. Motion, seconded and carried to receive these reports.

Rev. S. E. Newberry then gave the report of the Credentials Committee. He reported that there are 121 voting delegates and 221 total registered. Motion was seconded and approved to receive this report. Motion, seconded, and carried to adjourn.

FRIDAY EVENING WORSHIP SESSION

Prelude to the service was offered by Mr. Bruce Kimbrel. Rev. Billy McKinney welcomed everyone to the service. Rev. Matt Pinson led the congregation in singing "Send the Light," followed by the singing of "We'll Work Till Jesus Comes." Rev. Billy McKinney led in prayer as an offering for missions was received. Offering total was \$629.00. The congregation then sang "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus." Rev. McKinney introduced the speaker of the hour. Special music was provided by Mrs. Henrietta Brown.

Rev. Eugene Waddell brought a stirring message on the subject of "Working in the Light" from the text of John 3:21. Rev. Matt Pinson led the congregation in singing "We Will Glorify the King of Kings." The service was dismissed in prayer after announcements.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Rev. Danny Thomas opened the final service by leading the congregation in singing "Jesus Our Supreme Example." Mr. Murray Haire led in prayer. Rev. Paul Creech, of the Ivory Coast, West Africa, spoke on the subject of "Witnessing in the Light" from the text of Philippians 2:15.

Moderator Paul Smith thanked the Program Committee, the speakers, and the Albany Church.

Rev. Eugene Waddell gave the Board of Foreign Missions report. A rising vote of thanks was given for his years of service to place missionaries around the world. Rev. Melvin Worthington gave the national Executive Office report. Rev. Steve Faison gave the national Media Commission report. Rev. Matt Pinson gave the national Commission of Theological Integrity report. Rev. Tom Dooley gave the national Master's Men report.

Rev. Roger Bennett gave the Alabama Children's Home report. Rev. Richard Adams shared about the national Home Missions Department. Rev. James Kilgore gave the Free Will Baptist Family Ministries report. Motion, seconded, and carried to receive all of these reports.

The Resolutions Committee report was read by Rev. Rudy Woods. Two resolutions were submitted and adopted. (*See Resolutions*)

Rev. S. E. Newberry gave the Credentials Committee final report. He stated that we had 62 Churches represented and a voting delegation of 125 with a total of 244 registered.

Delegates to the National Association were elected as follows: Mrs. Anne Lewis, Mrs. Melinda Pinson, Mrs. Cheryl Wilson, Mrs. Christine Daniel, and Mrs. Donna Jewell. Alternates are: Mrs. Diane Martin, Mrs. Debbie Miracle, Mrs. Miriam Price, Mrs. Cindy Lloyd, and Mr. Robert Tully.

Rev. Billy McKinney read the Nominating Committee report. Motion, seconded and carried to elect all of the nominations. Motion, seconded, and carried that we adjourn. Announcements were made and Rev. Russell Horne was asked to close the business session in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Pierce, Clerk

Resolutions

Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptist

November 12-14, 1998

1. Whereas, we have covenanted together to "extend the influence of Christ in society" and to "labor for the promotion of education" ("Free Will Baptist Church Covenant," paragraphs 6-7), and,

Whereas, Christian higher education must be a priority among Free Will Baptists as we seek to fulfill the Great Commission of our Lord, and,

Whereas, a comprehensive approach to Christian higher education could better fulfill our needs than the current system,

Be it resolved,

A. That we ask the Executive Committee and the General Board of the National Association of Free Will Baptists to initiate a task force/study committee to develop a long-range, comprehensive plan for Christian higher education among Free Will Baptist,

B. That this task force be a broad-based committee composed of Free Will Baptist individuals who are knowledgeable of higher education, and

C. That this task force be comprised of representatives of our four Free Will Baptist colleges, as well as individuals who are not presently affiliated with those colleges.

2. Whereas, we realize the tremendous amount of planning and work that goes into hosting the Georgia State Meeting and whereas, Brother Billy Hanna and the wonderful congregation of Albany First Free Will Baptist Church have done a marvelous job,

Be it Resolved that we give them a rising vote of thanks and applause.

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT

November 1997 - November 1998

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 consideration and an acute awareness of our responsibility and accountability. The following items are presented for your approval at this 62nd Annual Session.

1998 STATE PROGRAM

The program theme for the 1998 session of our State Association is In The Light, John 8:12

GEORGIA STATE BUDGET PROPOSED

A 1998 calendar year overall budget of \$500,000 is proposed. A Georgia State Cooperative Budget of \$190,000 is included in the overall budget. You will find the budget included with this report for your approval on page 5.

GEORGIA MISSIONS DAY OFFERING

That offering receipts are to be divided by the Acts 1:8 format.

STATE OFFICE PERSONNEL EVALUATION

Granted an increase in the salary for the Executive Secretary of 4%. The office secretary was granted an increase of \$0.65 per hour.

SELL OF STATE OFFICE

The State Office was sold to Rev. Herbert Waid for \$40,000.00 and that he will pay all closing costs and legal fees.

STATE MEETING SITE

The State Association will meet at the First Free Will Baptist Church in Metter, November 18-20, 1999.

The State Association will meet at the Trinity Fellowship Free Will Baptist Church in Hampton, November 16-18, 2000.

STATE OFFICE EQUIPMENT

A new computer and copier was purchased for the State Office.

STATE MEETING COMMITTEE FORMED

Following the mandate of the State Association the Executive Board appointed a committee to research the possibility of combining the State Meeting with the State Youth Conference. Willie Martin, Chairman; William Smith, and Terry Pierce.

NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE

The following people were appointed to serve as the various Georgia representatives for the National Steering Committee in Atlanta 1999.

Chairman -	State Executive Secretary William Smith
State Moderator -	Ex-Officio Member Paul Smith
Hospitality Committee Chairman -	Terry Pierce
Prayer Committee Chairman -	Charles Barnard
Registration Committee Chairman -	Herbert Waid
Ushering Committee Chairman -	Jack Daniels
Youth Committee Chairman -	Rod Goodman
State Auxiliary President	Gail Smith

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

A Stewardship Committee for the relocation of the campus of Free Will Baptist Bible College was appointed to help raise funds in Georgia. The Georgia committee is: Wayne Miracle, Chairman; Rod Goodman, Billy McKinney, and Charles Barnard.

GEORGIA DIRECTORY

A directory of the Churches and pastors in Georgia is to be included in the 1998 State Minutes and in future minutes.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETINGS

Since our last State Association Session, the Executive Board has met to conduct State business the following times:

November 15, 1997	First Church, Savannah (held following State Meeting)
February 7, 1998,	Dublin First Church, Dublin
May 2, 1998,	White Oaks Church, Macon
August 21, 1998,	White Oaks Church, Macon
November 11, 1998,	First Albany, Albany

Respectfully submitted,
Terry Pierce, Clerk

Georgia State Cooperative Budget 1999

	Percentages	Cooperative Receipts
State Office		\$65,000.00
Promotional		\$21,000.00
Executive Board	05.8%	\$6,000.00
Camp Board	14.4%	\$15,000.00
Christian Education Board	09.6%	\$10,000.00
Mission Board	48.0%	\$49,990.00
Trustee Board	07.2%	\$7,500.00
Ministers' Retirement	05.0%	\$5,200.00
<u>National Cooperative</u>	<u>10.0%</u>	<u>\$10,400.00</u>
Totals	100%	\$190,000.00

Administrative expense, State Office and Promotional Materials Accounts needs, up to the budgeted amounts, are to be met from the Cooperative recolpts.

All designated money is distributed on the last business day of each month.

Georgia's Overall Budget is \$500,000.00

GEORGIA ACTS 1:8 FOR 1999

Missionary Accounts	Annual Budget	Georgia's %	Georgia's Amount	Monthly Distribution
Bishops	\$75,310.00	50%	\$37,655.00	13.54%
Creechs	\$90,000.00	30%	\$27,000.00	9.71%
Griffin	\$67,040.00	100%	\$67,040.00	24.10%
Snows	\$99,931.00	84%	\$83,942.00	30.18%
Wallaces	\$42,518.00	100%	\$42,518.00	15.28%
FM General Fund	\$15,000.00		\$15,000.00	5.39%
<u>HM General Fund</u>	<u>\$5,000.00</u>		<u>\$5,000.00</u>	<u>1.80%</u>
Totals	\$374,819.00		\$278,155.00	100%

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY/TREASURER REPORT

November 1997 - November 1998

This has been a year of transition for me and the Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists. My family and I had to say goodbye to a church that we loved and who showed great love to us. I appreciate how kind the people at Cedar Springs were to us during the period of transition.

Brother and Sister Waid were very patient as they worked with us during the month of December. They did all they could in one month to show us how the state office operated. I have to admit that we are still in the learning process. From time to time we have to call on them for advice and they have been a great help during the year.

Thank you for your patience. We have made many changes and I appreciate your prayers, support, and comments. Brother Gene Gilbert has done a great job as our new bookkeeper. Brother Matt Pinson has done a great job as editor of the *Promotional Bulletin*. As production manager, Sister Henrietta Brown has done a tremendous job with the layout and style of the publication. Please continue to send information about the activities of your church and association to be printed in the *Promotional Bulletin*.

The people of Georgia have been very gracious to me as I have traveled this year. I was able to attend nine of our ten associations. I have visited at least one church in each association. I have preached revivals, homecomings, and many other special services in our churches. It has been an honor to serve you this year.

Our income continues to have consistent growth. The *Cooperative Gifts* have seen some increase for the year. The *Georgia Acts 1:8 Plan* is beginning to grow. We now have over 30 churches giving to this plan for the support of our Georgia Missionaries. Our total support should break all records this year. Thank you for your faithfulness to support our State and National Ministries.

God has blessed our state work in a great way this year. We have seen record attendance at the State Teen Camp, the Junior Camps, the State Ministers Retreat, and the Senior Citizens Retreat. The State Youth Conference was a success and we look for it to grow this coming year. We had twenty-seven attend the State Ministers Wives Retreat. We look for great things to happen next year as the South Atlanta Mission work relocates.

I am glad to report that our four National Foreign Missionaries and our National Home Missionaries accounts are all in the black. Thank you for your faithfulness to support our missionaries from Georgia. Free Will Baptist Bible College is in the process of raising funds to relocate the campus. I encourage you to give to this cause, and please don't forget to continue to give to their regular operating budget. Georgia has exceeded their quota for the new National

Office Building.

The new year will bring the challenge of hosting the National Association in Atlanta. We will need several volunteers to help with this meeting. We will need people to help with the prayer committee, registration committee, hospitality committee, and ushering committee. Please let us know which area you would like to help with.

Serving you in this office has been a great joy. Thank you for your prayers, encouragement, support, and hospitality. I am your servant. Please feel free to call if I can be of any service to you.

Sincerely,

William Smith

Cooperative & Designated Receipts Comparison- December 1997

Receipts		1995	1996	1997
Cooperative		\$165,786.30	\$176,392.80	\$182,728.52
Designated		\$219,402.17	\$259,890.22	\$318,449.98
Totals		\$385,188.47	\$436,283.02	\$501,178.50

Budget Analysis through December 31, 1997

Account	Designated Generated	Cooperative Received	Total Dec 1997	1997 Budget Goal
State Office	825.00	49,050.85	49,875.85	50,000.00
Promotional Materials	4,710.02	13,385.65	18,095.67	15,000.00
Ministers Retirement	0.00	6,014.59	6,014.59	0.00
Executive Board	0.00	3,119.79	3,119.79	3,000.00
Camp	10,264.24	17,553.01	27,817.25	16,900.00
Christian Education	6,334.00	7,268.04	13,602.04	7,000.00
Board of Missions	13,963.48	70,749.14	84,712.62	68,100.00
Board of Trustees	68.50	4,159.71	4,228.21	4,000.00
<u>National Cooperative</u>	<u>10,142.97</u>	<u>11,427.74</u>	<u>21,570.71</u>	<u>11,000.00</u>
Totals	\$46,308.21	\$182,728.52	\$229,036.73	\$175,000.00

Non-Budget Designated Income:

National Ministries	218,939.67
Misc. Ministries	42,651.48
State Office Land/B	550.00
N Fayette Earnest	10,000.00
<u>Bank Error</u>	<u>0.62</u>
Totals	\$318,449.98

1997 Budget Receipts Analysis

	1997				
	Budget	Received	Over Budget	Under Budget	Percentage Received
State Office	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 49,875.85		124.15	99.75%
Promotional Materials	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 18,095.67	\$ 3,095.67		120.64%
Ministers' Retirement		\$ 6,014.59			
Executive Board	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,119.79	\$ 119.79		103.99%
Board of Camping	\$ 16,900.00	\$ 27,817.25	\$10,917.25		164.60%
Board of Christian Education	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 13,602.04	\$ 6,602.04		194.31%
Board of Missions	\$ 68,100.00	\$ 84,712.62	\$16,612.62		124.39%
Board of Trustees	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,228.21	\$ 228.21		105.71%
National Cooperative	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 21,570.71	\$10,570.71		196.10%
Totals	\$175,000.00	\$ 229,036.73	\$48,146.29	\$124.15	130.88%

BUDGET ANALYSIS of Georgia's Giving

Proposed Budget	\$500,000.00
Budget & Direct Gifts	\$701,828.22
Receipts over Budget	\$210,828.22

Georgia State Ministries and Miscellaneous Ministries

State Ministries Income	\$207,466.02
National Ministries Income	\$441,160.72
Misc. Ministries	\$42,651.48
State Office Land/Building	\$550.00
North Fayette Earnest Money	\$10000.00
Total	\$701,828.22

National Ministries Distribution

National Executive Office	\$16,929.30
Foreign Missions	\$238,449.97
Free Will Baptist Bible College	\$73,368.22
Home Missions	\$97,127.73
Retirement & Insurance	\$3,528.24
Master's Men	\$2,808.24
Theological Integrity	\$83.15
WNAC	\$7,618.60
Free Will Baptist Foundation	\$997.82
Historical Commission	\$83.15
Radio & TV Commission	\$83.15
Music Commission	\$83.15
Total	\$441,160.72

Free Will Baptist Foundation Accounts

General Fund Account # 4-060 Opened February 1995

Balance as of January 1, 1997		\$200,423.64
Deposit	3-28-97	\$ 18,000.00
Interest	6-30-97	\$ 6,372.71
N Fayette Bond Pay Off		(\$115,000.00)
Withdrawal	12-10-97	(\$ 40,000.00)
(Hosting National \$30,000.00 Capital Stewardship \$8,043.31)		
Ministers Retirement		(\$ 6,348.73)
Interest	12/31/98	\$ 4,787.15
Total		\$ 68,234.77

State Office Land / Building Account # 4-061 Opened January 1991

Balance as of January 1, 1997		\$30,129.77
Deposit	12-31-96	\$ 50.00
Deposit	02-28-97	\$ 100.00
Deposit	03-31-97	\$ 50.00
Deposit	04-30-97	\$ 50.00
Deposit	05-31-97	\$ 50.00
Interest	06-30-97	\$ 908.89
Deposit	12-31-97	\$ 300.00
Interest	12-31-97	\$ 941.66
Total		\$32,580.32

Camp Fund Account # 4-062 Opened August 15, 1996

Balance as of January 1, 1997		\$163,633.87
Interest	06-30-97	\$ 4,909.02
Interest	12/31/97	\$ 5,056.29
Total		\$173,599.18

Total of all Accounts

General Fund	Account # 4-060	\$ 68,234.77
State Office Land / Building	Account # 4-061	\$ 32,580.32
Camp Fund	Account # 4-062	\$173,599.18
TOTAL		\$274,414.27

Trial Balance	For the month ending December 1997		
	Debit	Credit	Balance
Nations Bank		32,410.61	
FWB Foundation		309,677.90	
Cooperative Giving		17,372.27	
Designated Giving		36,065.72	
Interest		10,785.10	
Transfer		1,956.69	
National Ministries	Designated	27,773.25	
State Budget	Camp	0.	
	Christian Education	913.23	
	Executive Board	724.62	
	Missions	5,565.20	
	National COOP	1,290.14	
	Promotional	4,959.57	
	Materials		
	State Office	2,016.68	
	Trustees	200.00	
Misc. Ministries		6,862.14	
Transfer from FWB	Hosting National	40,000.00	
Foundation	\$30,000.00 Capital		
	Stewardship		
	\$8,043.31		
Ministers' Retirement		6,348.73	
Transfer to:	New State Office	10,000.00	
Totals		-\$106,653.56	\$408,268.29
			\$301,614.73

Accounts Balance December 1997

	Balance	Balance
Nations Bank		27,200.46
FWB Foundation		274,414.27
Contingency Fund	15,109.33	
State Office	0.00	
Promotional Materials	0.00	
Executive Board	1,247.72	
Board of Camping	38,367.45	
Camp Savings Account	173,599.18	
Board of Christian Education	3,819.02	
Board of Missions	24,888.52	
North Fayette Earnest Money	10,000.00	
Living Memorial Church Bldg. Fund	4,310.69	
Board of Trustees	7,692.50	
Transfer to New State Office	-10,000.00	
State Office Land/Building	32,580.32	
Total	\$301,614.73	\$301,614.73

State Office Account
1/1/97 through 12/31/97

INFLOWS

Cooperative Giving	49,050.85
Designated	825.00

TOTAL INFLOWS	\$49,875.85
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OUTFLOWS

Bookkeeper:	
FICA	550.00
Insurance	1,000.00
Retirement	384.00
Salary	7,500.00
Salary Reduction	<u>-600.00</u>

Total Bookkeeper	8,834.00
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Corporation Fee	15.00
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Executive Secretary:

Bible Conference Expense	272.05
Car Insurance	535.33
FICA	1,650.00
Insurance	1,000.00
Leadership Conference	250.00
Mileage	4,947.99
National Assn Expense	1,110.36
Retirement	1,680.00
Salary	22,464.00
Salary Reduction	-1,200.00
Travel Expense	<u>1,374.89</u>

Total Executive Secretary	34,084.62
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Off Equip-Clerk Computer	2,674.96
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Phone	540.26
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Salary Reduction	1,800.00
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Telephone Expense	408.54
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Water, Gas, Electric	1,518.47
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Outflows-Other	<u>0.00</u>
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TOTAL OUTFLOWS	\$49,875.85
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Promotional Materials Account
1/1/97 through 12/31/97

INFLOWS

Cooperative Giving	13385.65
Designated	460.17
Dodd's Book Receipts	26.94
Local Church Fee	44.30
National Rep Fee Receipts	3,175.00
State Association Offering	309.61
State Fee Receipts	570.00
State Minutes Receipts	109.00
State Representation Fees	15.00
TOTAL INFLOWS	\$18,095.67

OUTFLOWS

Dodd's Book Royalty	150.00
Dodd's Book Printing	208.63
Equipment Repair	40.00
Fee Overpayment	165.00
National Rep Fee(98)	3,025.00
Office Supply	1,664.09
Postage	1,992.31
Postage Meter	364.79
Promotional Bulletin:	
Postage	3,390.93
Printing	<u>4,850.98</u>
Total Promotional Bulletin	8,241.91
State Association Expense	
Host Church Honorarium	<u>100.00</u>
Total State Association Expense	100.00
State Minutes	2,143.94
TOTAL OUTFLOWS	\$18,095.67
Overall Total	0.00

Executive Board Account
1/1/97 through 12/31/97

INFLOWS

Balance Forward		-624.17
Cooperative Giving		3,119.79
Transfer:		
Book Store Contingency	3,331.42	
Transfer from Contingency	<u>5,322.59</u>	
Total Transfer		8,654.01
TOTAL INFLOWS		\$11,149.63

OUTFLOWS

Auditors Lunch		27.69
Board:		
Meal	97.85	
Mileage	2,851.56	
Room	<u>319.20</u>	
Total Board		3,268.61
Clerk Honorarium		150.00
Double in Decade Mileage		48.60
Leadership Conference:		
Fees	375.00	
Room	246.59	
Travel Expense	<u>157.83</u>	
Total Leadership Conference		779.42
Moderator Honorarium		100.00
State Association:		
Banquet	4,528.58	
Rooms	<u>999.01</u>	
Total State Association		5,527.59
Outflows-Other		0.0
TOTAL OUTFLOWS		\$9,901.91
Overall Total		\$1,247.72

Cooperative and Designated Gifts

January 1, 1997 – December 31, 1997

	Cooperative	Designated	Total
Chattahoochee Association			
Little Bethel	\$ 2,204.40	\$ 205.40	\$ 2,409.80
Mt. Olive	\$ 800.85	\$ 800.79	\$ 1,601.64
Thomaston, First		\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Trinity	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 730.95	\$ 2,530.95
Turners Chapel	\$ 1,770.64	\$ 550.00	\$ 2,320.64
District Association		\$ 295.00	\$ 295.00
Totals	\$ 6,575.89	\$ 2,607.14	\$ 9,183.03

	Cooperative	Designated	Total
Georgia Union Association			
Bay Springs	\$ 600.00	\$ 1,365.00	\$ 1,965.00
Bay Springs Adult SS		\$ 360.00	\$ 360.00
Bethlehem		\$ 68.00	\$ 68.00
Christian Hill	\$ 1,138.59	\$ 126.49	\$ 1,265.08
Cross Roads	\$ 120.00	\$ 1,090.00	\$ 1,210.00
Double Branch	\$ 14,508.86	\$ 10,255.00	\$ 24,763.86
Dublin, First	\$ 685.18	\$ 894.20	\$ 1,579.38
Eastman, First		\$ 1,275.00	\$ 1,275.00
Little Bethel		\$ 2,585.00	\$ 2,585.00
Mt Ararat	\$ 417.24	\$ 1,193.20	\$ 1,610.44
New Hope	\$ -	\$ 1,568.00	\$ 1,568.00
Perry	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
Pine Level	\$ 300.00	\$ 1,298.00	\$ 1,598.00
Pleasant Hill	\$ 2,808.23	\$ 1,477.25	\$ 4,285.48
Warner Robins, First	\$ 1,487.43	\$ 109.00	\$ 1,596.43
White Oaks	\$ 6,003.31	\$ 8,285.17	\$ 14,288.48
Wilson Chapel	\$ 1,641.93	\$ 340.50	\$ 1,982.43
Mission Board		\$ 6,312.40	\$ 6,312.40
District Association		\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Totals	\$ 30,710.77	\$ 39,102.21	\$ 69,812.98

	Cooperative	Designated	Total
Little River Association			
Cool Springs	\$ 1,430.00	\$ 10,672.00	\$ 12,102.00
Corinth		\$ 1,462.88	\$ 1,462.88
Friendship	\$ 300.00	\$ 502.14	\$ 802.14
Hahira, First	\$ 823.29		\$ 823.29
Homerville	\$ 2,375.00	\$ 2,977.00	\$ 5,352.00
Pine Level	\$ 413.70	\$ 1,654.80	\$ 2,068.50
Sunnyside	\$ 240.00	\$ 720.00	\$ 960.00
Tifton, First	\$ 1,407.40	\$ 155.00	\$ 1,562.40
Zion Hill	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,885.00	\$ 3,885.00
District Mission Board		\$ 903.00	\$ 903.00
District Association	\$ 696.39	\$ 6,471.75	\$ 7,168.14
Totals	\$ 9,685.78	\$ 27,403.57	\$ 37,089.35

	Cooperative	Designated	Total
Martin Association			
Colquitt		\$ 4,591.15	\$ 4,591.15
Corinth	\$ 2,414.99	\$ 850.00	\$ 3,264.99
Donalsonville, First	\$ 1,632.00	\$ 3,490.00	\$ 5,122.00
Hebrew	\$ 300.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 900.00
Highway		\$ 806.14	\$ 806.14
Mothers Home	\$ 2,917.93		\$ 2,917.93
Mt Gilead	\$ 1,860.00	\$ 1,695.00	\$ 3,555.00
Mt Glory	\$ 2,465.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 2,765.00
New Home DC	\$ 1,233.25	\$ 1,222.30	\$ 2,455.55
New Home MC	\$ 1,757.36	\$ 5,298.71	\$ 7,056.07
New Salem	\$ 5,537.85	\$ 6,518.00	\$ 12,055.85
Thompson	\$ 3,621.63	\$ 6,625.00	\$ 10,246.63
District Association	\$ 304.45	\$ 650.00	\$ 954.45
Totals	\$ 24,044.46	\$ 32,646.30	\$ 56,690.76

	Cooperative	Designated	Total
Midway Association			
Albany, First	\$ 8,137.00		\$ 8,137.00
Bainbridge, First	\$ 90.00	\$ 105.00	\$ 195.00
Bellview	\$ 2,681.87	\$ 16,391.28	\$ 19,073.15
Berean	\$ 1,193.51	\$ 2,552.31	\$ 3,745.82
Blakely, First	\$ 676.90	\$ 2,307.50	\$ 2,984.40
Cedar Springs	\$ 6,644.00	\$ 5,650.00	\$ 12,294.00
Enterprise	\$ 160.00	\$ 489.50	\$ 649.50
Hammock Springs	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 330.00	\$ 1,830.00
Macedonia	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 290.00	\$ 1,390.00
New Enterprise		\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
New Light	\$ 5,812.71	\$ 5,910.71	\$ 11,723.42
Patmos	\$ 2,820.69	\$ 2,982.34	\$ 5,803.03
Travelers Rest	\$ 600.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 900.00
White Plains	\$ 1,150.00	\$ 350.00	\$ 1,500.00
Mid SW Conf		\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
District Association		\$ 3,474.10	\$ 3,474.10
Totals	\$ 32,566.68	\$ 42,432.74	\$ 74,999.42

	Cooperative	Designated	Total
North Georgia Association			
Liberty	\$ 1,661.50	\$ 19,809.50	\$ 21,471.00
North Fayette	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 113.42	\$ 1,313.42
Shallowford	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,662.25	\$ 2,862.25
District Association	\$ -	\$ 515.00	\$ 515.00
Totals	\$ 4,061.50	\$ 22,100.17	\$ 26,161.67

	Cooperative	Designated	Total
Ogeechee Association			
Augusta, First	\$ 57.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 147.00
Deep Creek	\$ 150.00	\$ 1,237.57	\$ 1,387.57
Lyons	\$ 900.00	\$ 1,950.00	\$ 2,850.00
Marietta	\$ 560.00	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 1,660.00
District Association		\$ 295.00	\$ 295.00
Totals	\$ 1,667.00	\$ 4,672.57	\$ 6,339.57

	Cooperative	Designated	Total
South Georgia Association			
Alabaha	\$ 1,289.54		\$ 1,289.54
Baxley	\$ 135.00	\$ 2,600.00	\$ 2,735.00
Bethany	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Bethel	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Brunswick, First	\$ -	\$ 2,599.32	\$ 2,599.32
Corinth	\$ 106.29	\$ 502.50	\$ 608.79
Corinth Sunday School	\$ -	\$ 67.50	\$ 67.50
Ebenezer	\$ 600.00	\$ 8,771.71	\$ 9,371.71
Glennville	\$ 300.00	\$ 6,302.36	\$ 6,602.36
Jesup, First	\$ 5,041.00	\$ 14,010.80	\$ 19,051.80
Liberty	\$ 2,416.50	\$ 956.25	\$ 3,372.75
Memorial	\$ 2,097.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 4,497.00
New Hope	\$ 400.00	\$ 2,600.00	\$ 3,000.00
Philadelphia	\$ 3,402.00	\$ 8,592.00	\$ 11,994.00
Pine Level	\$ -	\$ 7,597.25	\$ 7,597.25
Piney Grove	\$ -	\$ 986.94	\$ 986.94
Satilla	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 6,617.00	\$ 7,817.00
Savannah, First	\$ 550.00	\$ 13,319.00	\$ 13,869.00
Statesboro	\$ 1,617.94	\$ 940.00	\$ 2,557.94
Statesboro Master's Men	\$ -	\$ 195.00	\$ 195.00
Surrency	\$ -	\$ 1,545.00	\$ 1,545.00
Swainsboro	\$ -	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00
Mission Board	\$ -	\$ 1,474.56	\$ 1,474.56
District Youth Board	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
District Association	\$ -	\$ 670.00	\$ 670.00
Totals	\$ 19,155.27	\$ 83,747.19	\$ 102,902.46

	Cooperative	Designated	Total
Twin Cities Association			
Calvary	\$ 10,680.60	\$ 2,960.00	\$ 13,640.60
Columbus, First	\$ 7,329.00	\$ 305.00	\$ 7,634.00
Weems Road	\$ 1,530.00	\$ 1,609.83	\$ 3,139.83
White Rock	\$ 10,946.38	\$ 200.00	\$ 11,146.38
District Association		\$ 145.00	\$ 145.00
Totals	\$ 30,485.98	\$ 5,219.83	\$ 35,705.81

	Cooperative	Designated	Total
Union Association			
Bay	\$ 1,682.00	\$ 355.00	\$ 2,037.00
Bethlehem	\$ -	\$ 920.00	\$ 920.00
Cairo, First	\$ 1,627.55	\$ 620.00	\$ 2,247.55
Fellowship	\$ 787.80	\$ 4,650.39	\$ 5,438.19
Grace	\$ 2,851.56	\$ 559.50	\$ 3,411.06
Greenwood	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Midway	\$ 6,905.19	\$ 4,019.76	\$ 10,924.95
New Hope	\$ 2,240.00	\$ 220.00	\$ 2,460.00
Poulan	\$ -	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00
Spring Hill	\$ 1,475.00	\$ 275.00	\$ 1,750.00
Sylvester, First	\$ 50.00	\$ 207.00	\$ 257.00
Wrights Chapel	\$ 528.30	\$ -	\$ 528.30
District Association	\$ 183.55	\$ 1,244.22	\$ 1,427.77
Totals	\$ 18,330.95	\$ 14,170.87	\$ 32,501.82

	Cooperative	Designated	Total
Miscellaneous			
Riley Giddens	\$ 1,500.00		\$ 1,500.00
James E Bryants	\$ -	\$ 180.00	\$ 180.00
Billy W Causeys	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
Keiichi Hiraga	\$ -	\$ 360.00	\$ 360.00
M C Powell	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
M Corene Hearn	\$ -	\$ 80.00	\$ 80.00
M/M Grover Edge	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Sara L Poston	\$ -	\$ 40.00	\$ 40.00
Mrs Clyde Martin	\$ -	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Debbie Griffin	\$ -	\$ 541.51	\$ 541.51
J D Law	\$ -	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Herbert Waid	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Decatur Endowment	\$ -	\$ 1,164.35	\$ 1,164.35
Youth Conference Fees	\$ -	\$ 1,458.00	\$ 1,458.00
WGAC	\$ -	\$ 1,245.67	\$ 1,245.67
Chatt WAC	\$ -	\$ 220.00	\$ 220.00
LRWAC	\$ -	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00
SGWAC	\$ 440.00	\$ -	\$ 440.00
WNAC	\$ -	\$ 108.92	\$ 108.92
Martin WAC	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Fellowship WAC	\$ -	\$ 130.00	\$ 130.00
Misc WAC	\$ -	\$ 230.00	\$ 230.00
Dodd's Book	\$ -	\$ 438.75	\$ 438.75
Printing/Misc	\$ -	\$ 487.06	\$ 487.06
Camp Registration	\$ -	\$ 5,145.55	\$ 5,145.55
Food, Entertainment	\$ -	\$ 2,874.05	\$ 2,874.05
Minister's Retreat	\$ -	\$ 380.00	\$ 380.00
Couples Retreat	\$ -	\$ 649.00	\$ 649.00
Senior Retreat	\$ -	\$ 3,612.00	\$ 3,612.00
Teen Retreat	\$ -	\$ 1,741.00	\$ 1,741.00

	Cooperative	Designated	Total
Miscellaneous (continued)			
St Assn Miss Offer	\$ -	\$ 520.50	\$ 520.50
Local Church Dues	\$ -	\$ 44.30	\$ 44.30
Nfay Earnest Pmt	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Lifeline	\$ 1,702.47	\$ -	\$ 1,702.47
Postal Refund	\$ -	\$ 11.92	\$ 11.92
Insurance Refund	\$ -	\$ 68.50	\$ 68.50
Ogeechee Church	\$ -	\$ 805.00	\$ 805.00
South GA Loan	\$ -	\$ 2,520.00	\$ 2,520.00
Ogeechee Loan	\$ -	\$ 3,797.00	\$ 3,797.00
Totals	\$ 3,642.47	\$ 41,587.69	\$ 45,230.16

Association Totals	Cooperative	Designated	Totals
Chattahoochee	\$ 8,377.66	\$ 5,366.84	\$ 13,744.50
Georgia Union	\$ 30,710.77	\$ 39,102.21	\$ 69,812.98
Little River	\$ 9,685.78	\$ 27,403.57	\$ 37,089.35
Martin	\$ 24,044.46	\$ 32,646.30	\$ 56,690.76
Midway	\$ 32,566.68	\$ 42,432.74	\$ 74,999.42
North Georgia	\$ 4,061.50	\$ 22,100.17	\$ 26,161.67
Ogeechee	\$ 1,667.00	\$ 4,672.57	\$ 6,339.57
South Georgia	\$ 19,155.27	\$ 83,747.19	\$ 102,902.46
Twin Cities	\$ 30,485.98	\$ 5,219.83	\$ 35,705.81
Union	\$ 18,330.95	\$ 14,170.87	\$ 32,501.82
Miscellaneous	\$ 3,642.47	\$ 41,587.69	\$ 45,230.16
Grand Total	\$ 182,728.52	\$ 318,449.98	\$ 501,178.50

**CHURCHES THAT GAVE \$1,000.00 IN 1997
THROUGH GEORGIA STATE COOPERATIVE GIVING**

	Church	Association	Amount
1	Double Branch	Georgia Union	14,508.86
2	White Rock	Twin Cities	10,946.38
3	Calvary	Twin Cities	10,680.60
4	Albany, First	Midway	8,137.00
5	Columbus, First	Twin Cities	7,329.00
6	Midway	Union	6,905.19
7	Cedar Springs	Midway	6,644.00
8	White Oaks	Georgia Union	6,003.31
9	New Light	Midway	5,812.17
10	New Salem	Martin	5,537.85
11	Jesup, First	South Georgia	5,041.00
12	Thompson	Martin	5,537.85
13	Philadelphia	South Georgia	3,402.00
14	Turners Chapel	Chattahoochee	2,994.46
15	Mothers Home	Martin	2,917.93
16	Grace	Union	2,851.56
17	Patmos	Midway	2,820.69
18	Pleasant Hill	Georgia Union	2,808.63
19	Bellview	Midway	2,681.87
20	Little Bethel	Chattahoochee	2,571.00
21	Mt Glory	Martin	2,465.00
22	Liberty	South Georgia	2,416.50
23	Corinth	Martin	2,414.99
24	Homerville	Little River	2,375.00
25	New Hope	Union	2,240.00
26	Memorial	South Georgia	2,097.00
27	Zion Hill	Little River	2,000.00
28	Mt Gilead	Martin	1,860.00
29	Trinity	Chattahoochee	1,800.00
30	New Home, Miller County	Martin	1,757.36
31	Bay	Union	1,682.00
32	Liberty Bible	North Georgia	1,661.50
33	Wilson Chapel	Georgia Union	1,641.93
34	Donalsonville, First	Martin	1,632.00
35	Cairo, First	Union	1,627.55
36	Statesboro	South Georgia	1,617.94
37	Weems Road	Twin Cities	1,530.00
38	Hammock Springs	Midway	1,500.00
39	Warner Robins, First	Georgia Union	1,487.43
40	Spring Hill	Union	1,475.00
41	Cool Springs	Little River	1,430.00
42	Tifton, First	Little River	1,407.40
43	Alabaha	South Georgia	1,289.54
44	New Home, Decatur County	Martin	1,233.25
45	North Fayette/Trinty Fellowship	North Georgia	1,200.00

	Church	Association	Amount
45	Shallowford	North Georgia	1,200.00
45	Satilla	South Georgia	1,200.00
46	Berean	Midway	1,193.51
47	White Plains	Midway	1,150.00
48	Christian Hill	Georgia Union	1,138.59
49	Macedonia	Midway	1,100.00
50	Perry	Georgia Union	1,000.00

COOPERATIVE RECEIPTS FROM CHURCHES FOR 1997

Total Georgia State Budget COOP Receipts from Churches:	\$177,7991.66
Average Given By all 121 State Association Churches:	\$ 1,470.26
Average Given by all 81 Giving Churches:	\$ 2,196.32
Percentage of Churches Giving:	67%

81 or 67% of our churches gave something Cooperatively to the Georgia State Budget

52 or 43% of our churches gave over \$1,000.00 Cooperatively to the Georgia State Budget

40 or 33% of our churches gave nothing Cooperatively to the Georgia State Budget

1997 Statistical Reports of District Associations

Association	Churches	Members	Baptism	Ordained Ministers	Licensed Ministers	Ordained Deacons
Chattahoochee	10	792	13	12	5	26
Georgia Union	17	1,094	10	24	2	49
Little River	13	978	40	15	4	32
Martin	13	883	15	16	5	40
Midway	15	1,421	22	21	0	65
North Georgia	4	219	14	6	0	6
Ogeechee	10	729	17	10	3	30
South Georgia	22	2,350	53	24	0	100
Twin Cities	4	724	14	8	1	17
Union	13	716	25	16	1	43
Totals	121	9,906	223	152	21	408

Association	Sunday School Enrollment	CTS Enrollment	WGAC Membership	Masters Men Membership	Church Income \$	Value of Church Property \$
Chattahoochee	340	0	33	17	149,078	1,405,000
Georgia Union	650	220	57	1	494,875	2,399,000
Little River	447	36	39	16	257,079	2,279,000
Martin	347	79	61	0	0	1,782,000
Midway	933	366	97	6	792,102	3,343,658
North Georgia	203	0	40	8	229,067	2,000,000
Ogeechee	305	55	44	5	130,875	1,440,000
South Georgia	1255	135	214	43	1,260,300	8,200,000
Twin Cities	419	51	59	8	353,745	2,210,000
Union	399	90	48	13	255,902	1,523,000
Totals	5,298	1,032	692	117	3,923,023	26,581,658

CAMP BOARD REPORT

November 1997 - November 1998

Camping is alive and well among Georgia Free Will Baptists. Last year we were glad to report a record year of over 500 to participate in our camping program. This year we had a total of 700. To God be the glory for the tremendous growth we have seen in our camping program.

Seven session of camp were held this past summer. Several of our local camps along with our state teen camp had record attendance. The following statistics were given to the state office:

Chattahoochee, Georgia Union, Twin Cities	223
Ogeechee	33
Little River	95
South Georgia	41
Martin, Midway, North Georgia	133
Union	52
State Teen Camp	123

The state camp board gave each local association \$250.00 to be used on for local camp. We also provide insurance for the local camps.

The camp board has discussed the advantages and the disadvantages of owning our own camp. Because of the high turnover rate with the board this past year we are unable to present a detailed plan to build a camp at this years state meeting. Please pray for the board as we seek the Lords' Will concerning this matter.

Brother Terry Pierce will be teen camp director for 1999. The teen camp session will be held June 27 - July 2, 1999, at the FFA-FHA center near Covington.

Thank you for your prayers and support.

Respectfully submitted,

Camp Board

Camp Savings Fund

1/1/97 - 12/31/97

INFLOWS

Balance Forward	163,633.87
Interest 06/30/97	4,909.02
Interest 12/31/97	5,056.29
TOTAL INFLOWS	\$173,599.18

Board of Camping
1/1/97 through 12/31/97

INFLOWS

Balance Forward	24,709.06
Cooperative Giving	17,553.01
Designated Giving	522.14
Food/Canteen Refund	2,027.35
Low Teen Camp Registration	2,640.00
Recreation Refund	846.70
Teen Camp Registration	2,505.55
Teen Retreat Receipts	1,722.50
TOTAL INFLOWS	\$52,526.31

OUTFLOWS

Board:		
Meal	287.80	
Mileage	<u>74.20</u>	
Total Board		362.00
Directory		50.00
Low Teen Camp:		
Bad Check	60.00	
Rent	400.00	
Speaker Honorarium	250.00	
Worker Honorarium	<u>650.00</u>	
Total Low Teen Camp		1,360.00
Teen Camp:		100.00
Recreation	1,831.04	
Rent	1,590.00	
Speaker Honorarium	350.00	
Worker Honorarium	<u>1,050.00</u>	
Total Teen Camp		4,821.04
Teen Camps		
Food/Canteen	4,313.68	
Mileage	447.30	
T Shirts	1,097.10	
Total Teen Camps		5,858.08
Teen Retreat:		
Bad Check	18.50	
Food	718.72	
Games	395.52	
Honorarium	450.00	
Rent	125.00	
Total Teen Retreat		1,707.74
TOTAL OUTFLOWS		\$1,707.74
Overall Total		\$38,367.45

Board of Christian Education

November 1997 – November 1998

The following report is informational and thankfully experiential. The members of the Christian Education Board are not idle. These men do not come together, make decisions and then get others to carry them through. The men of this board are involved in what is being sponsored by the board. The workload of some is greater than that of others, however, each of us supervise and experience first hand the work we have been charged with.

As chairman of the board I gratefully acknowledge the weight of the work is upon each individual member. Without their devotion to each phase of the work, I simply could not handle the responsibility. They are to be commended for anything that has been successful.

The information below is also something you have experienced as well. Your financial gifts create the opportunities we provide and your participation is evidence of your involvement as well. The board's ministry, then, is of benefit to each of us.

We have officially met three times within a year. We met briefly at our state meeting last year, then in February at the Dublin church. We also met in Albany in August. These few meetings seem adequate for our business especially if you consider work goes on through committees as well.

We sponsored three retreats last year, each one very successful. The **Minister's Retreat** attendance has surged in the last couple of years with attendance reaching above 40. This is an encouraging number when all things are considered.

A recent **Minister's Wives'** retreat was held at Jekyll Island with 27 registered. This was made available for the first time this year. The enthusiasm for the retreat is appreciated and the program committee Melissa Lunsford, Geraldine Waid, Ann Lewis and Irene Brown are to be commended for a job well done.

This report is being submitted earlier than the **Senior Citizens'** retreat occurs. So by the time you receive this we will also have had the Senior Citizens retreat on St. Simmons Island.

A **Couples' Retreat** was planned for earlier this year but unforeseen circumstances encouraged us to delay it until next year.

The C. E. board also sponsors the **Youth Conference**. The gracious people of Baxley held it again this year. Mark Findley is the new chairman of the committee, which plans and supervises this conference. He reports that attendance was down some perhaps due to the distance of the National Youth Conference this year in Tulsa, Oklahoma, however we all anticipate record numbers next year with the conference being held in Atlanta.

The board is attempting to promote a new idea, a *video lending library* to be channeled through the state office. Your interest and co-operation will determine the success of such a venture. More information concerning this is forthcoming.

Free Will Baptist Bible College Students continue to receive funds from this board, which we believe to be a real encouragement to our Georgia students. No doubt these funds meet unanticipated needs in the student's lives.

The board plans to include some **Time Machine** articles included as inserts in the promotional bulletin. Any historical information you give us on pastors, deacons, notable women in our churches, and churches, etc. is appreciated and helpful. Geraldine Waid, the board's archivist, is in the process of indexing older Georgia State Association minutes. This will make all the information much easier to access.

The board frequently discusses other ways we might serve our churches. There are many areas of ministry we could pursue. Providing educational opportunities to inform and encourage our pastors and churches is a concern. Focusing on what might be the most useful programs, promoting them and persisting in their success is, to say the least, a job of some magnitude. We are looking for ways to be of greater service and your ideas are welcome.

Please mark these important dates on your calendar. The Couples' Retreat March 19,20, 1999 at Georgia Baptist Assembly in Toccoa, Ga. (\$85.00 a couple). The Minister's Retreat April 12-14, 1999 at Little Ocmulgee State Park in McRae, Georgia (registration fee \$25.00). The Minister's Wives Retreat date & place are forthcoming (\$25.00 registration fee). Senior Citizen's date & place are forthcoming. The State Youth Conference will be held May 14-15, 1999 in Albany.

This has been a fruitful and productive year for us. Thanks for allowing us to serve you.

Board Chairman
Rev. Willie C. Martin

Board of Christian Education
1/1/97 through 12/31/97

INFLOWS

Balance forward	5,875.03
Cooperative Giving	7,268.04
Couple Retreat Receipts	649.00
Designated Giving	210.00
Minister s Retreat Receipts	380.00
Senior Retreat Receipts	3,612.00
State Youth Conference Fees	1,458.00
Student Refund	25.00
TOTAL INFLOWS	\$19,477.07

OUTFLOWS

Board Mileage	585.60
Couples Retreat:	
Honorarium	500.00
Rooms	<u>384.00</u>
Total Couples Retreat	1,130.87
Executive Board Meal	94.38
Gravestones:	
Providence Cemetery	<u>1,618.67</u>
Total Gravestones	1,618.67
Historical Society Expense	73.23
Ministers Retreat:	
Honorarium	150.00
Phone	19.60
Rooms	<u>2,762.76</u>
Total Ministers Retreat	2,932.36
Senior Saints Retreat:	
Honorarium	150.00
Materials	12.00
Rooms	<u>4,090.12</u>
Total Senior Saints Retreat	4,302.12
State Youth Conference:	
Honorarium	200.00
Judges Honorarium	148.75
Materials & Awards	299.00
National Competition Fees	<u>755.00</u>
Total State Youth Conference	1,402.75
Student Gift	3,495.00
Telephone Expense	23.07
TOTAL OUTFLOWS	\$15,658.05
Overall Total	\$3,819.02

MISSION BOARD REPORT

November 1997 - November 1998

"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct thy paths."
Proverbs 3:5-6

This has been a year when the mission board has looked to the Lord for direction on the relocation of the South Atlanta Mission project. At our January meeting the board looked at a three acre piece of property within the cities limits of Lovejoy. The owner agreed to sell the property for \$150,000.00 and give us an option on two more acres. In April the City Commission voted not to rezone the property for church use. This appeared to be a great defeat, but God had bigger and better things in store for us.

Soon after this experience, a real estate agent contacted Brother Paul Smith concerning a lot for sale just two miles south of the property we were trying to purchase. The property was in Henry County outside of Hampton. The owner agreed to sell us 16.92 acres for the price of \$190,000.00. Please pray for Brother Smith as they are now in the final process of having the county rezone the property for church use. So far the process has gone well.

The congregation has changed their name from North Fayette to Trinity Fellowship. They are meeting in a rented facility in the city of Fayetteville. New people are now visiting the mission and there have been new members added this year. The church is averaging 25 on Sunday morning and around 20 on Sunday night.

Brother Brian Ray resigned as missionary to Stone Mountain at our January meeting. We thank Brother Brian for his faithfulness to the Lord. He continues to have services in his home. Please pray for Brother Brian and his family.

At this time we ask that you pray for the Mission Board. Please pray for:

The relocation of the South Atlanta work.

Our missionaries: Paul, Gail, and Justin Smith.

For souls to be saved.

Direction as we look into new areas to begin another mission work.

Thank you for your faithfulness to pray for our board this past year. We appreciate your faithfulness to support the Cooperative Plan.

Respectfully submitted

Malcom Freeman, Chairman

Board of Missions
1/1/97 through 12/31/97

INFLOWS

Balance forward	77,203.99
Brian Ray Receipts	153.00
Cooperative Giving	63,674.28
Designated Giving	1,948.58
Earnest / North Fayette	10,000.00
Georgia Mission Day	930.05
North Fayette Receipts	2,466.65
Smith Designated	1,627.70
State Mission Offering	520.50
TOTAL INFLOWS	\$158,524.75

OUTFLOWS

Board Mileage	1,711.40
Brian Ray:	
Bonus	400.00
Designated	153.00
Housing	5,100.00
Retirement	<u>167.07</u>
Total Brian Ray	5,820.07
North Fayette:	
Bond Payment	7,000.00
Bond Payoff	60,124.24
Designated	185.00
Designated for Bond	2,281.65
Lawyer Fees	<u>374.00</u>
Total North Fayette	69,964.89
Paul Smith	
Bonus	400.00
Insurance	4,177.00
Rent	10,800.00
Retirement	467.07
Salary	28,223.00
Salary Reduction	<u>1,500.00</u>
Total Paul Smith	45,567.07
Training, Evaluation Conference:	
Fees	451.00
Mileage	<u>121.80</u>
Total Training, Evaluation Conference	572.80
TOTAL OUTFLOWS	\$123,636.23
Overall Total	\$34,888.52

Living Memorial Church Building Fund

1/1/97 – 12/31/97

INFLOWS

Balance Forward	45,918.83
General Fund 10% Transfer	7,074.86
Ogeechee Loan	3,797.00
South Georgia Loan Payment	2,520.00

TOTAL INFLOWS	\$45,918.83
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OUTFLOWS

North Fayette:	
Bond Pay Off	55,000.00
Total North Fayette	55,000.00

Total Outflows	\$55,000.00
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Overall Total	\$4,310.69
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Accounts Receivable, Mission Board

1/1/97 – 12/31/97

Ogeechee Association Loan

Balance forward 1/1/97	16,000.15
1/31/97	-389.00
2/28/97	-276.00
3/31/97	-282.00
4/30/97	-362.00
5/30/97	-246.00
6/30/97	-296.00
7/31/97	-383.00
8/29/97	-265.00
9/30/97	-403.00
10/31/97	-294.00
11/28/97	-222.00
12/31/97	-359.00

Balance of Ogeechee Loan	\$12,223.15
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South Georgia Association Loan

Balance forward 1/1/97	22,060.00
1/31/97	-210.00
2/28/97	-210.00
3/31/97	-210.00
4/30/97	-420.00
6/30/97	-210.00
7/31/97	-210.00
8/29/97	-210.00
9/30/97	-420.00
11/28/97	-210.00
12/31/97	-210.00

Balance of South Georgia Loan	\$19,540.00
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Overall Total of Loan Balances	\$31,763.15
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BOARD OF TRUSTEES

November 1997-1998

The Georgia State Board of Trustees is the general overseer and insurer of all State Association property. The Board has the sole responsibility of upkeep of the State Office building and grounds.

This year has been an exciting year for the Georgia State Board of Trustees. Our State Association made an historical, strategic and exciting move in Savannah last year by deciding to relocate our State Office as expeditiously as possible. We have completed the first phase of this directive.

As was instructed by our State Association we completed the sale of the State Office in Moultrie in March to Herbert and Geraldine Waid.

The State Trustees have been busy this year. We have met four times to pray and discuss where the Lord would direct us. We will be suggesting that we purchase a recreational vehicle for the purpose of mobility and that state office will be located each month at a different association to better serve the local churches.

We thank you for your support of the State Cooperative program. Our board does not solicit any funds and receives its support from the State Cooperative Plan.

Until He Comes.

Respectfully submitted by,

Rev. Wayne Miracle, Chairman

Board of Trustees
1/1/97 through 12/31/97

INFLOWS

Balance forward	12634.06
Cooperative Giving	4159.71
Insurance Refund	68.50
TOTAL INFLOWS	\$16,862.27

OUTFLOWS

Insurance	1,981.50
Meals	33.31
Mileage	400.00
State Office	
Appraisal	300.00
Rent	200.00
Siding	5,251.80
Termite Treatment	785.00
Upkeep	86.56
Total State Office	6,623.36
TOTAL OUTFLOWS	\$9,169.77
Overall Total	\$7,692.50

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

We, the Auditing Committee, met January 3, 1998 at the State Office in Moultrie. We examined the financial statements for the year ending December 31, 1997.

We found all State Office records to be in order and properly documented. This included bank statements, reconciliation, and receipts. In our opinion the record keeping is adequate and well organized.

Signed Virginia Grant
Virginia Grant, Chairman

Signed Troy Sullivan
Troy Sullivan

Signed Louvenia Kleedehn
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Calendar of Events

January 1999

- 3 Chattahoochee Association at Spring Hill Church, Mauk. 9:30 a.m.
- 9 Georgia Union Association at Pine Level Church, Chester. 10:00 a.m.
- 9 Martin Association at Highway Church, Brinson. 10:00 a.m.
- 9 Twin Cities Association at Weems Road Church, Columbus. 10:00 a.m.
- 15 **National Association Steering Committee Meeting in Atlanta**
- 16 Little River Association at Corinth Church, Brookfield 9:30 a.m.
- 16 Ogeechee Association at Peace Church, Martinez. 10:00 a.m.
- 16 Chattahoochee Association Youth Rally at Little Bethel Church, Ideal
- 17 **Georgia Free Will Baptist Day of Prayer and Fasting**
- 23 Midway Association at White Plains Church, Lucille. 9:00 a.m.
- 23 South Georgia Association at Baxley Church, Baxley. 9:30 a.m.
- 24-27 Revival at Liberty Bible Church, Gainesville. Jonathan Thigpen, evangelist

February 1999

- 7 Homecoming at Glennville Church, Glennville. 100th Anniversary
- 13 Union Association at New Hope Church, Cooledge. 10:00 a.m.
- 21-24 Revival at Homerville Church, Homerville. Rod Goodman, evangelist

March 1999

- 14 North Georgia Association at Athens Church, Athens
- 19-20 **Couples Retreat at Georgia Baptist Assembly, Toccoa**
- 26-27 **State WGAC Retreat**
- 28 **Roll Call Sunday**

April 1999

- 3 Chattahoochee Association at Little Bethel Church, Ideal. 9:30 a.m.
- 10 Georgia Union Association at Pleasant Hill Church, Vienna. 10:00 a.m.
- 10 Martin Association at Mothers Home Church, Colquitt 10:00 a.m.
- 10 Twin Cities Association at White Rock Church, Phenix City, AL. 10:00 a.m.
- 12-14 **State Ministers Retreat at Little Ocmulgee State Park, McRae**
- 17 Little River Association at Ozias Church, Pearson 9:30 a.m.
- 17 Ogeechee Association at Sand Hill Creek Church, Reidsville. 10:00 a.m.
- 17 Chattahoochee Association Youth Rally at Turner's Chapel Church, Butler
- 24 Midway Association at Bellview Church, Colquitt. 9:00 a.m.
- 24 South Georgia Association at Alabama Church, Blackshear. 9:30 a.m.
- 25 **Laura Bell Barnard Day - Offering for National Foreign Mission Department**

May 1999

- 8 Union Association at New Prospect Church, Ashburn. 10:00 a.m.
- 14-15 **State Youth Conference at First Church, Albany**
- 21 **National Association Steering Committee Meeting in Atlanta**

June 1999

- 27 **June 27 - July 2 Teen Camp at FFA-FHA Center, Covington.**

July 1999

- 10 Chattahoochee Association at First Church, Thomaston. 9:30 a.m.
10 Georgia Union Association at First Church, Warner Robins. 10:00 a.m.
10 Martin Association at Mt. Gilead Church, Brinson. 10:00 a.m.
10 Ogeechee Association at Stoney Hill Church, Glennville. 10:00 a.m.
10 Twin Cities Association at First Church, Columbus. 10:00 a.m.
18-22 **National Association of Free Will Baptists, Atlanta Georgia**
31 Little River Association at Friendship Church, Waycross. 9:30 a.m.
31 Midway Association at Berean Church, Albany. 9:00 a.m.

August 1999

- 7 South Georgia Association at Bethel Church, Baxley. 9:30 a.m.
14 Union Association at Poulan Church, Poulan. 10:00 a.m.

September 1999

- 26 **Rest Of The Family Offering**

October 1999

- 2 Chattahoochee Association at Trinity Church, Mauk. 9:30 a.m.
9 Georgia Union Association at White Oaks Church, Macon. 10:00 a.m.
9 Martin Association at Mt. Glory Church, Quincy, Florida. 10:00 a.m.
9 North Georgia Association at Shallowford Church, Marietta
9 Twin Cities Association at Calvary Church, Columbus. 10:00 a.m.
9 Union Association at Proctor Chapel Church, Pelham. 10:00 a.m.
10 **Georgia Mission Day - Offering for Georgia Acts 1:8 Plan**
16 Little River Association at Forest Hills Church, Adel. 9:30 a.m.
16 Ogeechee Association at First Church, Augusta. 9:00 a.m.
16 Chattahoochee Association Youth Rally at Mt Olive Church, Reynolds
23 Midway Association at Cedar Springs Church, Cedar Springs. 9:00 a.m.
23 South Georgia Association at Corinth Church, Alma. 9:30 a.m.

November 1999

- 17 State Executive Board at First Church, Metter. 10:00 a.m.
17-20 **Georgia State Association at First Church, Metter**
18 **WGAC at First Church, Metter**
28 **Benjamin Randall Day - Offering for National Home Mission Department**

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 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 ordained Ministers, ordained 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 (\$15.00) 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 or 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 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 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 normal rights, privileges and responsibilities of any other Free Will Baptist Church.

SECTION 3. There shall be a **Board of Camping** whose duties shall be to schedule and arrange all camp sessions, and to appoint the Camp Director each year.

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 Baptist.
- B.** To set policy and supervise the functions of the 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 seminars.
- E.** To set policy and supervise the 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: 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 the State Association except otherwise provided in this Constitution.

SECTION 6. There shall be a **Credentials Committee**, which shall consist of three (3) members of three-year terms. And the term of one expiring each year thereafter according to seniority of service, who shall be in charge of the registration and examination of delegates and the receiving of all dues.

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.

SECTION 8. There shall be a **Georgia State Master's Men**. They shall select their own officers and conduct their own business.

SECTION 9. There shall be a **Georgia State Woman's Auxiliary Convention (GWAC)**. They shall elect their officers, conduct their business and maintain their treasury.

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 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 the officer or board member who does not conduct his or her office in a Christian, business like 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 or Assistant Moderator of the Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists, upon the request of the majority of the members of said boards.

SECTION 7. An auditing Committee of three (3) members will be elected annually.

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.

BY-LAWS

SECTION 1.

- A. All real property, checking and savings account 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 Secretary/Treasurer.
- C. The State Office shall be responsible for the safekeeping of the corporate seal and all official documents of the State Association.
- D. No State Board may borrow money or financially obligate the State Association without the approval of the 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 amount stipulated by the State Executive Board.

1. This Association shall meet for its regular session annually on Thursday following the second Sunday in March 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 duly 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, and August. The March meeting shall be held just prior to the regular meeting of the State Association.

SECTION 3.

- A. The Moderator shall preside at the Annual Session 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 *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 remuneration received by the Executive Secretary during his four (4) weeks vacation, which 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 the Secretary/Treasurer of the Corporation known as the *Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists, Inc.*
- E. **General Promotion.** He is to be present, or cause to be represented, the association at all affairs of interest to the association and he is to promote the work of the association as well promote both the state and national works, missionaries, mission conferences, etc. Through personal communication he shall keep close contact with pastors, churches, and district associations.
- G. **Administration.** He shall administer the affairs of the executive office and carry out the responsibilities delegated to him by the State Association and the Executive Board. He is to serve with all standing boards and committees of the association in an ex-officio capacity. He is to report to the association during each annual session.
- H. **Stewardship.** He shall serve as treasurer of this association. An accurate and complete record of all funds received and disbursed shall be kept and a written report shall be included in his report to this association in its annual session. He shall receive, hold and disburse money as is made available by the State Association to the various boards. Disbursements to the various boards will be made available when requested.
- I. **Publications.** It shall be his duty to edit and publish the state paper. He shall direct the production of general promotional materials, pamphlets, audiovisuals, and books as approved by the Executive Board.
- J. **Arranging State Association.** He shall expedite the planning of the State Association program, enroll all ministers and delegates, print and distribute minutes, and investigate future sites for the annual sessions.

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. Meetings 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 the session the allocations to be observed in the Cooperative Plan for Giving. This board shall, in addition to the above state duties, also recommend a mileage rate for travel by the members of all 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.

(Revised 1998)

GEORGIA WOMEN ACTIVE FOR CHRIST
ANNUAL SESSION
NOVEMBER 12, 1998
"Passing the Torch"

President Gail Smith welcomed everyone to the 1998 session of the WGAC at 10:00 a.m. Congregational singing was led by Lucy Hyman and Pianist was Susan Waters. Lucy began the morning worship by leading us in "Follow On" and the chorus of "I Will Call Upon the Lord". Edwina Drinkwater led us in a special prayer for Herbert Waid, whose father recently passed away, and Bill Robinson and Jackie Barnard, who were suffering from heart problems. Edwina also remembered others in her sweet prayer.

Patsy Merritt gave a very moving rendition of "He's All I Need".

Rhoda Creech, Missionary to Ivory Coast, gave the morning devotion and focused on our theme, "Passing the Torch", and the fact that when the last one crosses the finish line, the entire team wins. She told of the heritage of the Baoli Tribe and read from Deut. 6:7&17.

The Business Session was called to order by President Gail Smith. Secretary Donna Jewell opened the session by reading the 1997 minutes. M/S/C to accept.

Rachel Horne gave the Credentials Committee report and encouraged everyone to submit their reports in a timely and correct manner, pursuant to the Constitution and Bylaws. M/S/C to accept this report. (Report attached hereto)

The delegates were recognized and seated.

President Gail noted that only four districts submitted names for the Nominating Committee. She encouraged district officers to let the secretary know of any other names for this committee.

Sherrie Bailey submitted as information a brief report regarding the 1998 Retreat at Norman Park. Nadine Blanton gave a report on the WNAC events in Tulsa. There were 963 delegates and visitors registered. The theme was "Living Sacrifices". She noted that Mary Ruth Wischart was recognized as being the Executive Secretary and for her many years of faithful service. She also noted that Marjorie Workman was elected as the new Executive Secretary. Debra VanPelt gave a report on the Ridgecrest Retreat. The theme was "Order My Steps." 439 were registered.

Remembrances were taken from the floor:

Inez Bartholemey	Albany Church	(Midway)
Odell Colvin and Joyce Moss	First Columbus	(Twin Cities)
Opal Coughran	Sylvester Church	(Union)
Maude Clower	New Light Church	(Midway)
Calista Coffee	Colquitt Church	(Martin)
Sally Ferguson	Spring Hill Church	(Union)

Edith Shiver remembered all of these in a special prayer.

Announcements were given and we took a 10-minute break.

When we reconvened, Lucy Hyman led us in "Here Am I Send Me" and "We Have Come Into His House". Lora Shutes led in the offertory prayer and the offertory music was a touching rendition of "His Eye Is On The Sparrow" with Paige Goodman on the flute accompanied by Susan Waters on the piano. Tisha Glover rendered the special music by singing "Each One Reach One".

President Gail introduced our speaker, Rev. Ronald Wallace, Home Missionary to Alaska. Bro. Ron began by thanking each church that gave gifts, money, gift baskets, etc. He read from II Timothy 2:1-7, reminding us of our responsibility to "Pass the Torch". He mentioned faithful servants Laura Bell Barnard, Mom Willey and Dr. and Mrs. Miley. He said that Paul challenged Timothy to serve with dedication (servant), discipline (soldier), determination (sportsman) and dependence (farmer/sharecropper). He also read from Hebrews 12, saying that Jesus is the Author and Finisher of our faith. His closing prayer challenged everyone to go forth in God's work.

BREAK FOR LUNCH - Reconvened at 1:45 p.m.

Afternoon Session:

Lucy Hyman led singing with "I Will Sing of the Mercies" and "To Be Like Jesus". The afternoon session was opened in prayer by Nora McCarty.

The Finance Committee Report was given by Sandy Hobbs. M/S/C to accept. (Report attached hereto)

The Treasurer's Report was given by Janice Temples. M/S/C to accept this report and to print in State Minute Book. (Report attached hereto)

The Resolutions Committee Report was read by Shirley Kimbrell and voted item-by-item.

1. RESOLVE that each church raise \$100.00 for WNAC 99 Convention expense in 1999. (M/S/C to accept after clarification)
2. RESOLVE that each Auxiliary will continue to support the Dot Harvey Loan Fund for Georgia students. September is designated for special offerings.
(See Bylaws, Article VI, #7) (M/S/C to accept)
3. RESOLVE that the WGAC Constitution and Bylaws be printed in the State Minutes each year. (M/S/C to accept)
4. RESOLVE that the Lora Shutes State Foreign Missions Project for 1998-1999 be given through the Acts 1:8 Program; setting a goal of \$7,000.00. (M/S/C to accept after clarification)
5. WHEREAS, the women of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Albany have hosted the Georgia Women Active for Christ in their State Meeting in such a gracious manner: BE IT RESOLVED that this body give a rising vote of thanks to them for their wonderful hospitality. (M/S/C to accept)

Martha Morris read an additional resolution from the floor as follows:

6. WHEREAS, the women of the state have always supported our missionaries to help fulfill the Great Commission, and WHEREAS, our mission boards recognize the need to provide for our missionaries financially so as to free the missionaries to do the work; BE IT RESOLVED that we encourage our ladies to encourage our churches to do the same for our pastors by providing adequate salaries and benefits so that at retirement age, he and his family will be provided for. (M/S/C after clarification)

The Registration Committee report was given by Sherrie Bailey. (Report attached hereto)

Miscellaneous Business

*President Gail read the changes to the Constitution and Bylaws, Article 1, Section 1, and Article I, Section 5. (M/S/C to accept changes) (Constitution and Bylaws attached hereto)

*Clarification was given regarding the Lora Shutes Project and the Acts 1:8 Program.

Nora McCarty made a motion to change the Constitution and Bylaws, Article VI, Section 10, to read as follows: "This is a statewide project with the goal set each year at the annual meeting. Funds are disbursed to missionaries through the State Acts 1: 8 Program." The motion was seconded and carried. President Gail commended the ladies for their giving. Information:

1. Rev. Charles Barnard is the Prayer Committee Chairman for the 1999 Convention and he will be corresponding with each WGAC prayer chairman prior to the National Convention.
2. President Gail said that the State Office has offered to share an exhibit booth with the WGAC at the 1999 Convention. This will be free of charge if we help to "man" the booth. She encouraged all of us to help provide "favors" to sell and give away such as crafts, candy, peanuts, etc.

The Planning Committee Report for the 1999 Convention was given by Nora McCarty. Mrs. Nora commended everyone for their support and hard work. She said that several hostesses have already signed up for the banquet and said there was a need for many more. She gave a brief history of the Meadors pottery. Because of the location of the banquet, we may not need as many tables as we originally anticipated. Therefore, we may have some pieces of pottery left over to sell, or if not, Mr. Meadors has offered to make additional pieces to sell to those interested in obtaining a piece. (A representative from each district was encouraged to take supplies for 10 centerpieces, as provided by Wanda Powell, and bring them back to the Retreat at Norman Park.) This report was accepted as information. President Gail explained the table favors. She thanked everyone for their support for the Atlanta Convention, and she said more information would be available at the Retreat at Norman Park.

The following delegates were selected to go to the WNAC Convention in Atlanta in 1999:

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| 1. Lula Holt | 9. Nadine Blanton |
| 2. Nora McCarty | 10. Willie Clyde Henderson |
| 3. Ann Lewis | 11. Melinda Pinson |
| 4. Mary Jane Coogle | 12. Terra Smith |
| 5. Debra Van Pelt | 13. Edith Shiver |
| 6. Robin Faison | 14. Chris Wilson |
| 7. Belyn Pierce | 15. Susan Waters |
| 8. Diane Martin | |

President Gail read the names submitted for the Nominating Committee. They are Terra Smith (Martin), Debra Van Pelt (Twin Cities), Betty Creech (Midway), Belyn Pierce (North Georgia), and Ann Lewis (Georgia Union). M/S/C to accept these and any others submitted in the near future.

Secretary Donna Jewell read the minutes of the current session.

Announcements were given.

M/S/C to adjourn the 1998 Session.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Jewell, WGAC Secretary

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT

We, your Credentials Committee, wish to submit the following report:
According to Article IV of the Constitution and Article V of the By-Laws, the
following districts have properly reported and are eligible for seats in this
Convention:

Martin, Midway, South Georgia, Union

and these districts have reported and are eligible for seats in this convention:
Chattahoochee, Georgia Union, Little River, North Georgia, Twin Cities

and 2 locals: Marietta Church and Sand Hill Church of the Ogeechee Association have
reported and are eligible for seats in this convention.

We recommend that this report be adopted and the delegates seated.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rachel Home, Chair
Pat Freeman
Stella Ray

FINANCE-REPORT

11-12-98

We, the Finance Committee, recommend the following disbursements:

Balance on hand in General Treasury as of November 12, 98: \$1,919.29

State Convention offering on 11-12-98: \$346.10

(we recommend this offering go to General Fund)

Balance on hand as of November 12, 98, in General Fund: \$2,265.39

Disbursements:

\$450.00

State Minutes: \$100.00

Honorarium to Reverend Ronald Wallace: \$250.00

Honorarium to Missionary Rhoda Creech: \$100.00

Balance on hand as of 11-12-98, in the General Treasury: \$1,815.39

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Ursery.

Louise Ivey.

Sandy Hobbs.

Janice Temples

November 12, 1998
GEORGIA WOMEN ACTIVE FOR CHRIST
Registration

District Association	State Officer	District Presidents	Appointed Delegates	Missionary	Visitors	TOTALS
<i>Chattahoochee</i>	1	0	0	0	0	1
<i>Georgia Union</i>	1	1	5	1	3	11
<i>Little River</i>	0	1	1	0	1	3
<i>Midway</i>	3	0	19	0	10	32
<i>Martin</i>	0	1	3	0	7	11
<i>North Georgia</i>	1	1	2	1	1	6
<i>South Georgia</i>	1	0	3	0	7	11
<i>Twin Cities</i>	2	1	2	0	0	5
<i>Union</i>	0	0	6	1	3	11
<i>Ogeechee</i>	0	0	0	0	2	2
TOTALS	9	5	41	3	34	92

1998 State Meeting at Albany, GA

Total: 92

Sherrie Bailey – Chairperson
 Marie Glover

ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT, NOV. 97 THRU OCT. 98

WOMEN OF GEORGIA ACTIVE FOR CHRIST

State of receipts and disbursements for year ending Oct. 31, 98.

Balance on hand as of 10-31--97

\$5,231.65

Receivables:

Designated giving	31,614.26
97 State Convention Offering	251.15
98 Prayer Retreat fees	2,305.00
98 Prayer Retreat fees	3,396.00
98 Prayer Retreat fees	55.00
98 Prayer Retreat offering	347.60
98 Prayer Retreat special 99 offering	487.12
Donation from Donna Jewell	20.00
Interest on checking account	241.74
(3 1/4% if a balance of \$1000.00 is maintained, <u>NOW</u> account)	

\$38,717.87

Total receipts

\$43,949.52

Disbursements:

WNAC	*25,072.99
Ga. Memorial Student Loan	196.00
State Ministries (sent to State Office)	511.00
97 State Convention, Debbie Griffin	700.00
(500.00 Wardrobe, 200.00 expenses)	
Ronald & Janice Wallace	500.00
State Minutes	100.00
98 Prayer Retreat, Karen Rice (speaker)	200.00
Norman Park, charges for expenses	4,238.02
99 Prayer Retreat deposit to Norman Park	625.00
Donna Jewell for postage	52.00
David Meaders (pottery for 99 convention.)	1,000.00
Melinda Pinson (jars)	55.00

Total disbursements:

\$33,250.01

Balance on hand as of October 31, 1998 \$10,699.51

1999 Atlanta Convention Fund: \$8,780.22

General Fund (spendable monies) \$1,919.29

Respectfully Submitted,

Janice N. Temples / Treasurer

DESIGNATED GIVING

WNAC:	* 25,072.99
WNAC MEMORIAL STUDENT LOAN	196.00
99 CONVENTION	5,280.10
STATE MINUTES	9.00
STATE DUES	250.50
STATE OFFICE	511.00
<u>GENERAL TREASURY</u>	<u>294.67</u>
TOTAL	31,614.26

****WNAC BREAKDOWN:***

WNAC	7,873.75
FWB BIBLE COLLEGE	17.50
FOREIGN MISSIONS	12,036.85
HOME MISSIONS	3,349.08
<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>	<u>1,095.81</u>
TOTAL	25,072.99

STATE PROJECT (*LORA SHUTES MISSION PROJECT*)

\$7,000.00 GOAL

ACTUAL: \$4,421.35 Divided Equally to: Griffin, Snows, Bishops, and Creech.

\$1,105.34	Snow
\$1,105.34	Creech
\$1,105.34	Bishop
\$1,105.33	Griffin + \$700.00 from personal wardrobe, meals and lodging would equal \$1805.33.

State Project Total: \$5,121.35

1999 ATLANTA CONVENTION FUND

\$ 4,068.00 SET ASIDE AT 97 CONVENTION FOR 99 CONVENTION

\$ 5,280.10 RECEIVED FROM GA WAC

\$ 487.12 SPECIAL OFFERING FOR 99 CONVENTION AT 98 PRAYER RETREAT

(\$ 55.00) DISBURSEMENT TO MELINDA PINSON (JARS)

(\$1,000.00) DISBURSEMENT TO DAVID MEADERS (POTTERY)

BALANCE IN 1999 CONVENTION FUND: \$8,780.22

1999 ATLANTA CONVENTION FUNDS GIVEN BY DISTRICT

NOVEMBER 1997, THRU OCTOBER, 1998

CHATTAHOOCHEE	25.00
GEORGIA UNION	690.00
LITTLE RIVER (HOMERVILLE)	50.00
MARIETTA CHURCH	120.00
MARTIN	395.00
MIDWAY	1,705.00
NORTH GEORGIA	650.00
SOUTH GEORGIA	721.00
TWIN CITIES	899.10
UNION	25.00
TOTAL	\$5,280.10

FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE DOT HARVEY STUDENT LOAN FUND

Annual Report

October 1, 1997 - September 30, 1998

Loans awarded 1997-1998 school year

7 Loans	\$9,359.40
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Loans awarded August and September of 1998-1999 school year	\$1,000.00
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Total Loans Awarded	\$10,359.40
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Total Gifts Received - 10	\$728.50
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Payments Collected - 36 payments	\$2,552.25
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Former Students in Repayment	5
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Student Borrowers currently enrolled at FWBBC	3
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LOAN FUND SUMMARY

September 30, 1998

Funds Available	\$ 7,926.78
<u>Amount Borrowed</u>	<u>\$24,363.77</u>

TOTAL FUND WORTH	\$32,290.55
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Women of Georgia Active for Christ
Of the Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists
Constitution and By-Laws
1995

Article I

Name

This organization shall be known as Women of Georgia Active for Christ of the Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists, commonly known by its initials, WGAC. Its members shall elect their officers, conduct their business and maintain their treasury.

Article II

Purpose

The purpose of this organization shall be to assist the various women composing the WGAC in providing opportunities for them to understand and fulfill the Great Commission through their responsibilities in the family, in the church, in the community and around the world.

It shall bring the women of each district together for fellowship sharing information and encouraging one another in the work of the Lord and furthering the purpose and goals of the Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists.

Article III

Officers

1. The officers of this convention shall be a president, a vice president, a recording secretary, a treasurer, a field worker, a historian, and three members at large, all of which are elected by the convention. These shall serve as the State Executive Committee. Five of these shall be a quorum for transacting business.

2. Any officer or elected committee member of this convention must be an active member of a local Free Will Baptist Church and an active member of the WGAC group of a local church.

Article IV

Membership

1. This convention shall be composed of the officers of the convention together with the district coordinators, the district field workers, ten delegates (duly accredited by the credentials committee) from each district convention, four delegates and the

coordinator from each local WGAC in good standing with its district convention.

2. Local groups in an area where there is no district convention may represent with five delegates by payment of their membership fees. All delegates as well as the officers of the convention should be in good standing with a church that is in good standing with the Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists and shall perform the duties as set forth for them in the present manual.

Article V

Meetings

1. The annual meeting shall be held each year the day before the Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists is held, being in the same place or at such a time and place as may be determined at the previous annual meeting or by the executive committee.

2. A prayer retreat shall be held in the spring, time and place to be planned by the executive committee.

Article VI

Amendments

This constitution may be amended at any annual meeting of the convention by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

By Laws

Article I

Duties of Officers

Section 1. - President - The president shall preside over all meetings, appoint such committees as may be needed; call the executive committee together when necessary- be ex-officio member of all committees, except the nominating committee; see that reports are made promptly to the National WNAC secretary; and perform all duties usually pertaining to such an office. She should see that the WGAC is represented in the State Promotional Bulletin in the WGAC news section. Articles should be sent to the state executive office by the

7th of each month. She may either write the articles or ask someone to write them for her. (rev. 98)

Section 2. - Vice President - The vice president shall preside in the absence of the president or by her request and otherwise assist her in the oversight of the work in general. She shall serve as chairman of the credentials committee.

Section 3. - Recording Secretary - The secretary shall keep an accurate record of all proceedings of the convention and executive committee meetings preserve all valuable papers and turn same over to her successor in office. She shall make an annual report to the national secretary of WNAC on a form available from WNAC office within 15 days after the State WGAC Convention. She shall compile the districts' slates of officers and addresses immediately after the convention and send all state officers a list of district officers. She shall send a slate of state officers to the National Executive Secretary and to each state officer. She is responsible for getting the minutes prepared and to the state associational office in time to be included in the state minutes each year.

Section 4. - Treasurer - The treasurer shall have charge of all funds belonging to this convention and shall pay out same only when authorized by the convention. The treasurer shall keep an accurate account, and give a written report of all fund received and disbursed at each annual meeting of the convention. She shall send an annual report to the WNAC Executive Secretary-Treasurer within 15 days after the convention. She is required to deposit and distribute all checks in her possession by the 30th of each month. She shall be bonded through the state office and audited annually.

Section 5. - Field Worker - The field worker shall promote the WGAC program -of work through personal contact and the distribution of literature. She shall assist the state officers in organizing state conventions. (rev. 98)

Section 6. - Historian - The historian shall keep a historical record and have a display at the state meeting. She shall send historical information to the National Executive Secretary annually.

Section 7. - Members at Large - The members at large shall help promote the work in general, meet with the executive committee and serve wherever needed.

Article II

Elections

The general officers and members at large shall be nominated by a nominating committee. Following the nominating committee's 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 each; other wise they may be elected by acclamation. The officers shall be elected every two years on odd number years. Not more than one-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.

Article III

Expenses

An appropriation toward the expense of the secretary's postage and stationary shall be made by the convention. Expenses for postage and telephone calls made by the president shall be reimbursed. All field promotional work is subject to the state executive committee, who should approve all work done by state officers in the interest of state work as well as expense of same.

Article IV

Committees

Section 1. - Executive Committee - This committee shall be composed of the six officers and three members at large elected by the convention. Five of these shall compose a quorum. They shall hold meetings for the transaction of business as often as necessary. It shall be the duty of the executive committee to maintain an oversight of the work at large. The committee shall act for the convention when necessary. It shall prepare the program for the regular meeting of the convention, and fill any vacancy between elections.

Section 2. - Resolutions Committee - A resolutions committee shall be appointed by the president. A member of the executive committee shall chair this committee.

Section 3. - Nominating Committee The nominating committee shall be composed of one member from each district convention and shall be elected one year prior to making their report. The name of the member from each district shall be submitted with the convention annual report. This committee shall serve for two (2) years.

Section 4. - Credentials Committee - The vice president shall be the chairman of the credentials committee and the president shall appoint two other members.

Section 5. - Finance Committee -The treasurer shall be chairman of the finance committee and four other members may be appointed by the coordinator. This committee reviews the financial records of the year, reports on same to the convention, and makes recommendations of disbursements of the funds of the convention.

Section 6. - Registration Committee - The president shall appoint members as needed to serve on this committee. This committee registers those in attendance and gives a report to the convention.

Article V

Fees and Reports

Active members shall pay dues yearly as required by the WGAC Convention for membership fee. These fees should come through the district treasurers. In 1995 the dues are \$10.50 per member. Georgia will retain \$.50 per member and the WNAC receives dues of \$10 per member.

Article VI

Gifts

1 - Season of Prayer Offerings

(a) **Pre-Easter Week of Prayer** offering is used for Foreign Missions in memory of Laura Bell Barnard, our first foreign missionary.

(b) **Pre-Thanksgiving Week of Prayer** offering is used for Home Missions in memory of Mrs. Lizzie McAdams, a great writer of our literature and a first National officer.

(c) **The December Week of Prayer** offering is used for State Missions in memory of Mrs. Alice E. Lupton, our first National president.

2 - **Co-Laborer Offering** is the financial plan of support of the WNAC. Each local WGAC is encouraged to support the WNAC office with a monthly offering.

3 - **Provision Closet** - This project helps missionaries as they return home to pick up household items, etc., from the closet in/at the National Office. Each local WGAC is encouraged to keep abreast of the items and supplies needed as they are listed in the Co-Laborer periodically and give to this project at least once a year.

4 - **WNAC Emphasis** - A special offering to supplement the Co-Laborer offerings for WNAC expenses of operation, literature, etc. This offering is received during August when locals present a special program to enlist others in the work.

5 - **Remembrance Fund** - This is a fund established by WNAC and a distinct way to honor any occasion the donor wishes to note: anniversaries, birthdays, or as a memorial at the time of death. A

remembrance card notifying the family of the person being honored and the donor will be entered in the Book of Remembrance permanently kept in the WNAC office. These gifts will be recorded and used to advance the Kingdom of God through WNAC.

A Remembrance Service is to be conducted at our state WGAC convention each year.

6 - **Foreign Student Scholarship Fund** - Any WGAC group who wishes to may contribute to the special fund set up by WNAC to train Nationals from our foreign fields. February is designated as Foreign Student month.

7 - **Dot Harvey Loan Fund** - A revolving loan fund set up by the Georgia Woman's Auxiliary Convention in 1954 to aid worthy Georgia Students who need financial assistance to attend Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville, Tennessee. This fund was planned in honor of Miss Dot Harvey who was a forerunner of the youth work in Georgia. She died in 1993. Each local WGAC group is asked to send one dollar per month toward this project. Annual offerings are received in September to add to this fund.

8 - **Westfield Church Fund** - This fund is used to assist the church in Kotogiri, South India in memory of Miss Laura Bell Barnard. All groups are encouraged to give to this Georgia project \$1 monthly.

9 - **Other Gifts** - The State WGAC may decide upon and promote other projects for funds at its discretion.

10 - **Lora Shutes Mission Project** - This is a statewide project with the goal set each year at the annual meeting. Funds are disbursed to missionaries through the State Acts 1:8 Program.

(revised 1998)