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PROCEEDINGS

The Thirty-Fifth Annual Session of the Georgia Union Association of the original Free Will Baptist, convened with Pleasant Hill Church, in Dooly County, Friday morning, October 11, 1929. The introductory sermon was preached by Eld. Neal H. Parrish, in the absence of Eld. J. R. Davidson the appointee. The lesson read was from the 24th chapter of Proverbs. Bro. Parrish brought us a great message on service in our church. Closed and dismissed for refreshments by Eld. B. F. Horne.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

The body reassembled after adjournment. After song prayer was offered by Eld. W. C. Coleman. Devotional service was by the moderator. Lesson read 1 Timothy 6th chapter. The moderator called for associational letters. On motion the moderator appointed Elds. Neal H. Parrish, and H. L. Lumpkin to read them. The letters were read and the delegates seated in the following order:

Antioch.—Mrs. Janie Harvey, J. H. Owens, Mrs. Ella Goff, Miss Abbie Owens.

Christian Hill.—J. R. Lacy, Mrs. Essie Bruce, Mrs. G. W. Rhodes.

Bay Springs.—Lewis Lamb, J. F. Smith.

Double Branch.—A. J. Dunaway, Mrs. A. J. Dunaway, Mrs. R. H. Marshburn, Mrs. W. G. Dunaway.

Mount Ararat.—W. L. Peacock, J. H. Peacock, H. C. Peacock, C. A. Peacock, R. L. Bohanon.

Pleasant Hill.—P. M. Calhoun, R. M. McGlamory, J. N. Langston, J. N. Hobbs, R. L. Clark, M. J. Hobbs.

Bethlehem.—J. B. Lewis.

The next item of business was the election of officers. The same were elected by acclamation as follows:

Eld. Neal H. Parrish, moderator; C. J. Harvey, clerk; the moderator appointed Eld. W. C. Coleman, assistant moderator.

The moderator called for corresponding messengers. They responded as follows:

From the Chattahoochee Association:—Eld. H. L. Lumpkin, Mrs. H. L. Lumpkin.

Little River Association:—Eld. B. O. Brown.

On motion the moderator appointed the various committees. The same were appointed in the following order:

Devotional:—R. M. McGlamory, J. R. Lacy, J. N. Hobbs.

State of Churches and Character of Ministers:—C. J. Harvey, C. H. Hobbs, A. J. Dunaway, J. F. Smith, J. R. Lacy, R. M. McGlamory.

Resolution:—Eld. B. F. Horne, J. H. Owens, G. W. Rhodes, B. L. Bohanon, J. H. Peacock.

Finance:—J. H. Owens, P. M. Calhoun, H. C. Peacock.

Sabbath School:—Mrs. G. W. Rhodes, Mrs. R. M. Marshburn, Mrs. A. J. Dunaway.

Temperance:—Mrs. Janie Harvey, Mrs. Essie Bruce, Mrs. Ella Goff, Lewis Lamb.

Missions:—Eld. W. C. Coleman, M. J. Hobbs, C. A. Peacock.

Ladies Aid Work:—R. L. Clark, Mrs. Janie Harvey, Mrs. R. M. Marshburn, Miss Abbie Owens.

On motion we hear the report of the devotional committee. They report Eld. W. C. Coleman preach tonight; Eld. H. L. Lumpkin Saturday morning; Eld. B. O. Brown Saturday night; Eld. B. F. Horne Sunday morning. J. R. Lacy, chairman.

Benediction by Eld. H. L. Lumpkin.

SATURDAY MORNING

Called to order by the moderator. Sang, "Old Time Religion." Prayer by Bro. R. L. Bohanon. The moderator read the 33 Psalm.

The moderator declared the house ready for business. Intermission was given for 30 minutes.

Double Branch and Bethlehem churches asked for the next session of the association. Bethlehem received the greater number of votes, hence we will meet with them one year from now. Eld. W. C. Coleman is to preach the introductory.

Next, appointed messengers to the various associations as follows:

Chattahoochee—Eld. B. F. Horne, C. J. Harvey.

Little River—Eld. Neal H. Parrish, Eld. W. C. Coleman.

South Georgia—Eld. Neal H. Parrish, Eld. W. C. Coleman.

Blountstown—Eld. Neal H. Parrish.

To represent by letter to Union of Ga., Salem of Fla., Liberty of Fla., State Line of Ala., and North Florida.

On motion, we have 200 minutes printed.

Took a rising vote of appreciation to Eld. J. R. Davidson for his letters to this body.

On motion we leave all items from articles of faith out of our minutes, and then have our articles of faith and other items usually appearing in the minutes, printed in pamphlet form.

On motion this body approve the expense account of Eld. Neal H. Parrish paid by C. H. Hobbs from mission funds.

On motion we give the clerk \$10.00 for his services.

On motion the moderator appointed C. J. Harvey president of our mission board.

On motion we extend a rising vote of thanks to Pleasant Hill church and community for their hospitality.

A mission collection was taken from the audience amounting to \$13.63. An intermission of ten minutes was given before preaching.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

The house was called to order by the moderator. The 3 Psalm was read and prayer was offered by C. J. Harvey.

Committee reports were called for. They were read and adopted in the following order:

Report of Sabbath School Committee

We find only four schools within our bounds, and they report a very good school. We should try to get all of our churches to maintain a school for it is the life of a church, and a good place to train our children for the Master's kingdom work. It is our duty as parents to work with them there.

MRS. G. W. RHODES, Chairman.

Report of Temperance Committee

We your committee make this report: We are glad to believe that our people are becoming more temperate, and we ask our leaders to work more earnestly and pray more sincerely for a greater move of temperance to overshadow us.

MRS. JANIE HARVEY, Chairman.

Report of Ladies Aid Work

We find only two aids in our association and we know they are doing a good work. We realize more than ever the great need of encouraging our ladies work, and the churches need of trained leaders. We beg that each church organize a society and that our pastors help and encourage them at all times.

R. L. CLARK, Chairman.

Report of Mission Committee

We find from the letters from the various churches that comparatively nothing in the way of mission funds is being sent into our association. We ask that each member of our mission board take offerings and send same to the next session of the association.

W. C. COLEMAN, Chairman.

Report of Finance Committee

We your committee make this our report:

Balance on hand from last session	\$43.01
Paid for minutes	\$30.00
Paid General Conference fee	10.00
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Balance in treasury	\$ 3.01
Sent to this session	53.00
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Total on hand	\$56.01

J. H. OWENS, Chairman.

Report of Resolution Committee

Be it resolved, 1, That this association elect an Ordaining Council whose duty it shall be to examine all applicants for the ministry both in licensing and ordaining. Said examination shall be based on general Biblical doctrine.

2. That any church holding membership in this association, rebelling against the ruling of this body, all of such church property shall become the property of this association; and in the case that such property is divided over ruling of the association; the faction sustaining and standing loyally by these rules shall be regarded as the church proper, and title of all property shall become the property of said loyal faction.

3. That all of the pastors of our churches preach special sermons to their churches on the Articles of Faith of the Original Free Will Baptist at their earliest convenience.

ELD. B. F. HORNE, Chairman.

Report of Committee on State of Churches and Character of Ministers

We find Bay Spring Church out of order, because they have used a preacher as pastor from a conference that we have declared non-fellowship with. We find all other churches that are represented in good order as far as we know. We find all of our ministers in good standing.

Prayerfully submitted,

C. J. HARVEY, Chairman.

On motion we pay the expense of corresponding messengers.

On motion C. H. Hobbs and J. H. Owens are reappointed on Executive Committee.

Moved that we adjourn after singing, "God Be With You."

Benediction prayer by Eld. Neal H. Parrish.

ELD. NEAL H. PARRISH, Moderator.

C. J. HARVEY, Clerk.

ORDAINED MINISTERS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES

Neal H. Parrish.—Hahira, Ga.

B. F. Horne.—Pitts, Ga., Route 2.

W. C. Coleman.—Rhine, Ga.

A. L. Davidson.—Ayden, N. C.

J. R. Davidson, Trustee of Eureka College.—Ayden, N. C.

C. J. Harvey.—Pitts, Ga., Route 2.

Licentiates

B. J. Tucker.—Cordele, Ga., Route A.

C. E. Peacock, Rhine, Ga., Route 2.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

J. H. Owens.—Pitts, Ga.

C. H. Hobbs.—Cordele, Ga.

W. L. Peacock.—Rhine, Ga.

C. A. Dunaway.—Unadilla, Ga.

E. C. Davidson.—Pineview, Ga.

CHURCH CLERKS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES

Antioch.—Mrs. Bertha Owens, Pitts, Ga., Route 2.

Bay Spring.—I. M. Smith, Plainfield, Ga.

Bethlehem.—J. C. Smith, Cordele, Ga.

Christian Hill.—J. A. Barker, Rochelle, Ga.

Double Branch.—W. R. Langford, Unadilla, Ga.

Mount Ararat.—B. I. Peacock, Rhine, Ga.

Pleasant Hill.—O. L. McGlamory, Seville, Ga.

MISSION BOARD

Antioch.—C. J. Harvey, President, Pitts, Ga.

Bay Spring.—B. F. Horne, Jr., Plainfield, Ga.

Bethlehem.—E. J. Staines, Cordele, Ga.

Christian Hill.—J. A. Barker, Rochelle, Ga.

Double Branch.—J. P. Nobles, Hawkinsville, Ga.

Mount Ararat.—W. L. Peacock, Rhine, Ga.

Pleasant Hill.—E. C. Davidson, Pineview, Ga.

C. H. Hobbs, Treasurer, Cordele, Ga.

IN HONOR OF OUR DEAD

Antioch.—B. Johnson, born May 22, died December, 1928.

Bethlehem.—James F. Smith, born March 23, 1908, died October 23, 1929.

Mount Ararat.—Mollie Wry.

Pleasant Hill.—J. R. Yawn, born November 11, 1859, died June 22, 1928.

Pleasant Hill.—Betty Yawn, born February 17, 1854, died July 12, 1929.

They were loyal and obedient until death.

ARTICLES OF FAITH.

1. We believe that there is but one living, true and eternal God, the Father of whom are all things from everlasting to everlasting, glorious and immutable in all His attributes.—I. Cor. 8:6; Isa. 40:28.

2. We believe that there is one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things the only begotten Son of God, born of the virgin Mary, whom God freely sent into this world, because of the great love wherewith He loved the world; and Christ as freely gave Himself a ransom for all, tasting death for every man; who was buried and rose again the third day, and ascended into heaven, from whence we look for Him the second time in the clouds of heaven at the last day to judge both quick and dead.—I. Tim. 2:5, 6; Heb. 2:9; St. John 3:16. Rev. 1:7; Acts 24:15; I. John 2:2.

3. We believe that there is one Holy Ghost, the precious gift of the Father through His dear Son, unto the world, who quickeneth and draweth sinners home to God.—St. John 16:7, 8; Acts 2:4; Eph. 2:1; Eph. 4:4-6.

4. We believe in the beginning God made man upright, and placed him in a state of glory without the least mixture of misery, from which he voluntarily by transgression, fell, and by that means brought on himself a miserable and mortal state subject to death.—Gen. 2:17; 3:19.

5. We believe that God is not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance and the knowledge of truth, that they might be saved; for which end Christ hath commanded the Gospel to be preached among all nations and to every creature.—Mark 16:15; Luke 24:47; John 3:15-17; I. Tim. 2:4.

6. We believe that no man shall suffer in hell for want of a Christ who died for him, but as the Scripture has said, for denying the Lord that bought them; because they believed not in the name of the only begotten Son of God. Unbelief, therefore, being the cause why the just and righteous God of heaven will condemn the children of men; it follows against all argument that all men at one time or other, are found in such capacity as that through the grace of God they may be eternally saved.—Acts 17:30; Mark 6:6; Heb. 8:10; 1 John 5:1, 10.

7. We believe the whole Scriptures are infallibly true, and that they are the only rules of faith and practice.—II. Tim. 3:16, 17.

8. We believe in the doctrine of General Provision made of God in Christ, for the benefit of all mankind, who repent and believe the Gospel.—Luke 14:16-20; Matt. 28:19, 20; Luke 13:3-5. Acts 3:19; Mark 1:15.

9. We believe that sinners are drawn to God, the Father, by the Holy Ghost, through Christ His Son, and that the Holy Ghost offers His divine aid to all the human family; so as they all might be happy, would they give place to His divine teachings; whereas, such who do not receive the divine impressions of His Holy Spirit, shall, at a future day, own their condemnation just, and charge themselves with their own damnation for wilfully rejecting the offers of sovereign grace.—Matt. 11:27; St. John 6:45, 65. Ps. 1:1; Tit. 2:11, 12; Jer. 22:29.

10. We believe that men, not considered simply as men, but ungodly men, were of old ordained to condemnation, considered such who turn the grace of God into lasciviousness, denying the only Lord God and our Lord Jesus Christ who bought them, and therefore, shall bring upon themselves swift destruction; but we observe that they, and such the Apostle saith because they receive not the love of the truth, that they might be saved therefore the indignation and wrath of God is upon every soul of man that doeth evil, living and dying therein; for there is no respect of persons with God.—Jude 1:4. II. Peter 2:1; II. Thess. 2:11, 12; Rom. 2:9-11.

11. We believe that all children dying in infancy, having not actually transgressed against the law of God, in their own persons, are only subject to the first death, which was brought on them by the fall of the first Adam, and not that any of them dying in that state, shall suffer punishment in hell by the guilt of Adam's sin, for "of such is the kingdom of God."—I. Cor. 15:22; Matt. 18:2-5; Mark 9:36, 37; Matt. 19:14.

12. We believe that good works are the fruits of a saving faith, and that in the use of the means of grace, and not out of the use of those means, eternal life is promised to men.—Rev. 22:14, 15; Isa. 1:19, 20; Matt. 7:8. Jer. 6:16; Luke 13:34, 35.

13. We believe that no man has any warrant in the Holy Scriptures for justification before God through his own works, power or ability, which he has in and of himself, only as he by grace is made able to come to God through Jesus Christ; believing the righteousness of Jesus Christ to be imputed to all believers for their eternal acceptance with God.—Rom. 4:24; Acts 8:20, 21.

14. We believe that all things are foreseen in the wisdom of God, so that God knoweth whatsoever can or cannot come to pass upon all supposed conditions; yet not as having decreed any person to everlasting life, out of respect or mere choice farther than He hath appointed the godly unto life, and the ungodly, who die in sin, unto death.—Heb. 4:13; Prov. 8:22-31. Matt. 25:31-46.

15. We believe, as touching Gospel ordinances, in believers' baptism, laying on of hands, receiving of the sacrament in bread and wine, washing the saints' feet, anointing the sick with oil in the name of the Lord, fasting, prayer, singing praise to God, and the public ministry of the Word, with every institution of the Lord we shall find in the New Testament.—Mark 16:15-16; Acts 8:17; Acts 19:6; Luke 22:19, 20; John 13:5-17; Jas. 5:14.

16. We believe the Gospel mode of baptism is by immersion, and that believers are the only subjects for baptism.—Matt. 3:16; Mark 1:9, 10; Acts 2:38, 39; Rom. 6:4; Col. 2:12.

17. We believe in a general resurrection of the dead and a final judgment at the last day.—John 5:28, 29; II. Cor. 5:10.

18. We believe the happiness of the righteous is eternal and the torments of the wicked are endless.—Matt. 25:46.

ASSOCIATIONAL LETTER FORM.

From _____ Church in _____ County
 To the members of the Georgia Union Association of Free Will Baptist to con-
 vene with _____ church in _____
 County, Ga., Friday night before the second Sunday in October, 192....

1. Time of meeting _____ Sunday
2. Spiritual condition of church _____
3. Served by _____ as pastor.
- We have called _____ as pastor for next year.
5. We send as delegates, names and post offices follow:

6. Received by baptism _____ 7. Received by letter _____
8. Received on profession of faith _____ 9. Dismissed by letter _____
10. Expelled _____ 11. Died _____ 12. Total membership _____
13. We send for Associational purposes \$ _____ 14. We send for mis-
 sion \$ _____ 15. Value church \$ _____ 16. Donations \$ _____
17. Improvements this year \$ _____ Gave pastor \$ _____ 18.
 Names of ministers in church and their address.

19. Names of Licentiates in church and their address _____
20. Number of teachers in Sunday school _____ 21. Number of pu-
 pils in Sunday school _____ 22. Average attendance _____
23. Expended for literature and other educational work \$ _____ 24.
 Number on roll in Ladies Aid including officers _____ 25. Funds
 raised and expended by Ladies Aid \$ _____

Done by order of Church in Conference this _____ day of
 _____ 192....

 Moderator _____ Ga.

 Clerk _____ Ga.

Churches	Counties	Pastors	Meeting Days	Baptized	Con. Faith	Rec. by letter	Restored	Lettered Out	Deceased	Expelled	Total Mem.	Min. As. Pur.	Home Missions	Paid Pastor	Donation	Gave Visiting Preachers
Antioch	Wilcox	B. F. Horne	3						1		58	\$10.00	\$	\$44.93	\$19.67	\$
Bay Springs	Dodge	W. C. Coleman	1						1	3	51	5.00		66.50		
Bethlehem	Crisp	H. L. Lumpkin	1	4							60	8.00		119.20		
Christian Hill	Wilcox	W. H. Emerson	4	2	2	3					85	5.00				
Double Branches	Douley	B. F. Horne	4	7		2					141	10.00		69.00	11.00	
Mt. Aarat	Dodge	H. L. Lumpkin	1						3		91	15.00	7.61	162.00	29.00	25.00
Pleasant Hill	Douley		2		1											

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