

# 1950 MINUTES

OF THE

## FIFTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

# Georgia Union Association

Of The Original Free Will Baptist

HELD WITH

## LITTLE BETHEL CHURCH

BLECKLEY COUNTY, GEORGIA, OCTOBER 5TH, 6TH, 1950

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## OFFICERS

Rev. Emmett McDuffie, Moderator .....	Rochelle, Ga.
Rev. J. F. Smith, Vice Moderator .....	Eastman, Ga.
Sherman D. Jones, Clerk and Treasurer .....	Chester, Ga.
Wesley Hobbs, Mission Treasurer .....	Cordele, Ga.

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## NEXT SESSION

The next session convenes with Bethlehem Church, Crisp County, Georgia, on October 11th and 12th, 1951. Introductory Sermon by Rev. H. F. Lloyd.

### **EXECUTIVE BOARD, THEIR CHURCH AND ADDRESS**

John F. Ross—New Ebenezer ..... Cochran, Ga.  
Cicero Powell — Little Bethel ..... Chester, Ga.  
W. H. Nobels — Pine Level ..... Chester, Ga.  
T. B. Ethridge — Double Branch ..... Vienna, Ga.  
W. W. Hobbs — Pleasant Hill ..... Vienna Ga.

### **MISSION BOARD AND THEIR ADDRESSES**

Manse Cason ..... Seville, Ga.  
Rev. Neal H. Parrish ..... Hahira, Ga.  
G. W. Nobles, 838C Warner Drive ..... Warner Robins, Ga.  
John F. Ross ..... Route 3, Cochran, Ga.  
Ernest J. Barker ..... Oglethorpe, Ga.

### **SUPERANNUATION BOARD AND THEIR ADDRESSES**

J. C. Smith, Treasurer ..... Cordele, Ga.  
Cicero Powell ..... Chester, Ga.  
W. H. Nobles ..... Chester, Ga.

### **EDUCATION BOARD AND THEIR ADDRESSES**

Chester Holmes ..... Route 1, Vienna, Ga.  
W. L. Amerson ..... Chester, Ga.  
L. E. Leonard, 4308 Trammell Ave. ..... Macon, Ga.

## FIFTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

### ORDER OF CHURCH BUSINESS MEETINGS

1. Call to order by Moderator.
2. Open meeting with prayer.
3. Invite visiting brethren to seats.
4. Read and adopt minutes of last meeting.
5. Call for acknowledgements, and matters of dealing.
6. Report of Deacons.
7. Report of Committees.
8. Unfinished Business.
9. New Business.
10. Miscellaneous business.
11. Appointment of committees.
12. Adjournment.

### ORDER OF BUSINESS ANNUAL CONFERENCE

1. Call to order by Moderator.
2. Call for corresponding letters from churches.
3. Read the letters, complete the roll.
4. Call for petitionary letters.
5. Elect Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and Report.
6. Introduce visiting brethren and admit them to honorary seats.
7. Call for corresponding messengers from other bodies.
8. Appoint D. C.
9. Appoint the various committees.
10. Elect place for holding next session.
11. Call for Ministerial and all other conference reports.
12. Call for reports of committees.
13. Call for ordiances and consecrations.
14. Call for miscellaneous business; elect all officers not already elected, elect any special boards, or committees, needed; or any other matter of miscellany.
15. Adjourn.

PROCEEDINGS

The Fifty-Sixth Annual Session of the Georgia Union Association of Free Will Baptists, convened with Little Bethel Church, Bleckley County, Georgia, Thursday, October 5, 1950.

Rev. Charlie Bartlett brought the Introductory sermon. Dismissed by Prayer. Refreshments followed.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

After having greatly enjoyed the temporal blessings that had been spread before us, the crowd gathered in the church and after singing several songs and offering up prayer, the body was called to order by the Moderator.

Corresponding letters called for by the Moderator.

Read the letters and completed the roll.

On motion, body elected Bro. Wayne Mills and Bro. Elmer Leonard to read letters.

Letters read and delegates listed as follows:

Pine Level: Bro. E. L. Long and wife, Bro. Ed Butler and wife, Bro. Homer Ramage and wife, Bro. Ben Butler and Bro. Donald Selph.

Bay Springs: Bro. Johnnie Horne, Sister Addie Lee Butler, Bro. Walter Golden and Sister Horne.

Liberty Chapel: Bro. H. E. Leonard, Bro. O. L. Etheridge, Sister Bettie Mae Leonard and Sister Jean Mills.

Bethlehem: Bro. Charles Kernick and wife, Bro. Gene Brown and Sister Gertrude Jones.

New Ebenezer: Bro. John Ross, Bro. E. R. Roland, Bro. C. W. Warren, Sister Willie Ruth Rogers and Sister Rose Cannon.

Mt. Ararat: Bro. T. D. Jump and wife, Bro. V. L. Pritchett, Bro. Alton Fleming, Sister Fannie Peacock, Sister Mattie Sue Jones and Bro. Gradie Helms.

Double Branch: Bro. L. W. Allen and wife, Bro. George Noble and wife, Bro. E. Stokes and wife and Bro. James Goodrow and wife.

Pleasant Hill: Bro. W. W. Hobbs, W. L. Cason and wife, Sister Eva Rhodes, Bro. Harold Davidson and Sister Lizzie Clark.

Little Bethel: Bro. Sherman D. Jones, Bro. Oscar Collins, Bro. Harold Davis and Bro. Morris Bryant.

Beulah Springs: Bro. B. J. Johnson and wife.

Christian Hill: Bro. L. W. McKenney, Bro. John Barker, Bro. and Sister Martin.

Antioch: Bro. W. H. Owens and wife and Sister Pearl Johnson.

Little Bethel Women's Auxiliary: Sister Harlod Davis and Sister Katie Wright.

Liberty Chapel Women's Auxliary: Sister J. D. Payne, Sister Mills and Sister Etheridge.

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Christian Hill Women's Auxiliary: Sister Lena McDuffie and Sister Marquente Martin.

Pine Level Women's Auxiliary: Sister Florine Nobles, Sister Ola Ramage and Sister Mae Long.

Quarterly Conference: Bro. W. H. Nobles.

On motion letters received and delegates received.

Moderator called for petitionary letters. None received.

On motion officers were nominated from the floor as follows:

Moderator, Elder Emmett McDuffie; Vice Moderator, Elder J. F. Smith; Clerk and Treasurer, Sherman D. Jones.

Motion carried for Bro. H. E. Leonard to assist Bro. Jones.

Moderator called for visiting Bros. Responding were Bro. Johnson, Baptist from Macon; Bro. Thompson, Methodist from Macon.

Moderator called for corresponing messengers. None were received.

On motion Moderator appoints Devotional Committee as follows:

Bro. W. H. Nobles, Bro. E. R. Roland and Bro. E. L. Long.

On motion body to recess 10 minutes for Moderator and Clerk to appoint various committees as follows:

Sunday School: Sister Jean Mills, Sister Jean Brown and Sister Rose Cannon.

Woman's Auxiliary: Sister J. D. Payne, Sister Florene Nobles and Sister Martin.

State of Churches and Character of Minutes: Bro. L. W. Allen, Bro. H. E. Leonard and Bro. John Ross.

Temperance: Bro. Frank McKenney, Bro. B. J. Johnson and Bro. Oscar Collins.

Education: Sister Willie Ruth Rodgers, Bro. Donald Selph and Sister Fannie Peacock.

Finance: Bro. L. W. McKenney, Bro. Charles Hernick and Bro. V. L. Pritchett.

Suggestion: Bro. Harold Davis, Bro. Ed Stokes and Sister Gertrude Jones.

Report of Devotional Committee read and adopted. Rev. Henry Mills to preach night service and Bro. A. W. Mills Friday morning service.

Motion carried we suspend regular order of business and take up miscellaneous business.

Motion carried to allow Woman's Auxiliary to have one hour program at Annual sessions hereafter.

Motion carried to appoint Bro. J. F. Smith to Ordaining Council.

Motion carried for the next session convene with Bethlehem, Cordele, Georgia, on October 11th, 12th, 1951

Motion carried Elder H. F. Loyd preach introductory Sermon and Bro. A. W. Mills alternate.

Motion carried to have 600 Minutes printed.

Motion carried to have Minutes printed as early as possible.

Motion carried to retain Bro. W. W. Hobbs on the Executive Board.

Motion carried to retain Bro. Ernest J. Barek to Mission Board.

Motion carried to retain Bro. W. H. Nobles to Superannuation Board.

Motion carried to elect Bro. H. E. Leonard to Education Board.

Motion carried to correspond with various Associations as follows:

Union, Bro. Emmett McDuffie; Little River, J. F. Smith; Chattahoochee, Bro. H. F. Lloyd, South, Georgia, Midway, Martin, North Florida by Minutes.

State: Bro. Charles Hernick and Bro. L. W. McKenney.

Motion carried to send fee to State and National Association.

Next session of Sunday School Convention convenes with Double Branch first Sunday in September, 1951.

Motion carried to examine Bro. A. W. Mills by Ordianing Council.

Motion carried to adjourn until Friday morning at 10:00 a. m.

#### THURSDAY NIGHT

Song No. 305 "How I Love Jesus" was sung by congregation. Prayer by Bro. Payne. Devotional was led by Bro. Manse Cason. After the devotional service Bro. Henry Mills brought the Message. Reading scripture 12th Chapter St. Matthew, verses 15 through 21.

#### FRIDAY MORNING

Song by body. Prayer. Devotional by Moderator, reading Romans 15, verses 1-7 after which he made brief comment.

Motion carried that Bro. Charlie Bartlett be elected Acting Moderator in absence of Moderator.

Motion carried that Bro. Ernest Barker read letters from following:

Christian Hill, Antioch, Auxiliary of Christian Hill and Quarterly Conference. (See letters and list of delegates).

On motion we suspend miscellaneous business and take up regular order of business.

Various reports called for by Moderator and read as follows:

Motion carried that each chairman read report of committee.

Woman's Auxiliary, Sunday School, Education and Temperance were read and adopted. The committees were released.

Bro. C. J. Harvey recommends that the Georgia Union Association have a field worker for Sunday School, League and Prayer Meetings.

Suggestion Committee, report shelved until more of delegates are present in the body.

Motion carried that a donation be taken for the beautification of Camp Bethel.

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Talks on the encampment by Sister McKenney, Bro. Harvey, Bro. Parrish and Bro. Pritchett.

Nomination of Bro. John Ross and Bro. T. B. Ethridge to a committee to gather produce and foods for the camp.

Motion carried to end nominations.

Motion carried to elect these Bros. to this committee.

Motion carried to adjourn until Friday afternoon.

Free Will offering taken for camp in amount of \$23.70.

Thanks turned over to Altar by Bro. Parrish.

### FRIDAYAFTERNOON

One song by body. Prayer by Bro. Poston. Devotional by Moderator, reading 40th Psalm, verses 8-17 after which he made brief comments.

Moderator called for other reports of committees still unreported. They were as follows:

Finance: State of churches and character of ministers and Ordaining Council.

Motion carried to accept report of Finance Committee.

Motion carried by vote of 22 - 7 in favovr of adoption of State of Churches and Character of Ministers.

Motion carried to accept report of Ordaining Council.

Motion carried to adopt amendment on report of Suggestion Committee. (See report)

Motion carried to take up miscellaneous business.

On motion a rising vote of thanks to Little Bethel Church and Community was extended for the generous hospitality and kindness shown during this session.

On motion, Clerk prepare manuscript for press without being read before body.

On motion Moderator and Clerk be paid same as before.

On motion this body adjourn to convene with Bethlehem near Cordele, Georgia, on Thursday and Friday before second Sunday in October, 1951.

ELDER EMMETT McDUFFIE, Moderator  
SHERMAN D. JONES, Clerk and Treas.

### ORDAINED MINISTERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Elder Neal H. Parrish .....	Hahira, Georgia
Elder Emmett McDuffie .....	Rochelle, Georgia
Elder N. R. Sullivan .....	Pinehurst, Georgia
Elder G. C. Sullivan .....	Pinehurst, Georgia
Elder J. F. Smith .....	Eastman, Georgia
Elder J. D. Payne .....	1256 Bailey Ave., Macon, Georgia
Elder J. W. Hightower .....	124 Grady St., Macon, Georgia
Elder Manse Cason .....	Seville, Georgia

Elder Spurgeon Jones ..... Eastman, Georgia  
 Elder J. L. Poston ..... Chester, Georgia  
 Elder G. W. Nobles ..... Hawkinsville Road, Macon, Georgia  
 Elder H. F. Loyd ..... 838 Second St., Macon, Georgia  
 Elder Charlie Bartlett ..... Cordele, Georgia

## LICENSED MINISTERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

~~Rev. W. O. Knighton ..... Cochran, Georgia~~  
~~Rev. Charlie Knott ..... Cordele, Georgia~~  
 Rev. A. W. Mills ..... 3046 Baily Place, Macon, Georgia

## NAMES OF MINISTERS PRESENT AT THIS SESSION

Elder Charlie Bartlett ..... Cordele, Georgia  
 Elder Neal H. Parrish ..... Hahira, Georgia  
 Elder Emmett McDuffie ..... Rochelle, Georgia  
 Elder J. F. Smith ..... Eastman, Georgia  
 Elder J. D. Payne ..... 1256 Bailey Ave., Macon, Georgia  
 Elder Manse Cason ..... Seville, Georgia  
 Elder Spurgeon Jones ..... Eastman, Georgia  
 Elder J. L. Poston ..... Chester, Georgia  
 Elder H. F. Loyd ..... 838 Second St., Macon, Georgia

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

#### Women's Auxiliary

By experience we find our Auxiliary brings the ladies of our church closer together and helps them to understand how they work together in church and helps them to know there is a work for ladies to do.

We urge every church that has no Auxiliary to get organized as soon as possible. Sister Harvey will be glad to help you to get organized.

We think the ladies should take part in all Denominational enterprises such as Sunday School, League, Home Mission, Foreign Mission and Superannuation and everything that is upbuilding to the cause.

MRS. W. H. NOBLES, Chairman.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

We, as Sunday School committee wish to report that our Sunday Schools are progressing and we thank the Lord and we desire the prayers of all the people that we might do better.

MRS. JOHN F. CANNON, Chairman

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### EDUCATION

We, your committee are thankful of the growing of Sunday Schools, League work and Prayer Meetings. Positive that it will be educational to all.

MRS. WILLIE RUTH RODGERS, Chairman

### TEMPERANCE

We, your committee think our pastors should preach more on Temperance. On all things. We suggest our members unite in one band of co-workers for the Master.

FRANK E. McKENNEY, Chairman.

### FINANCE

We, your finance committee find a balance of \$3.89 and funds to this session as follows:

Balance on hand .....	\$ 3.89
Associational Purposes .....	89.25

TOTAL .....	\$93.14
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Superannuation .....	\$ 5.00
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To Promotional Secretary .....	15.00	Already forwarded to Bro. Morris by Bro. Barker.
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Donation received from Quarterly Conference in amount of \$21.50

L. W. McKENNEY, Chairman

CHARLES KERNICK

V. L. PRITCHETT

### STATE OF CHURCHES AND CHARACTER OF MINISTERS

We, your committee wish to make the following report. We find all churches in order but we find some of our ministers are without proper Ordination papers. We ask that this matter be attended to at once. We also recommend that all our ministers ordination papers have a set time for renewal and expiration.

H. E. LEONARD,

JOHN F. ROSS

L. W. ALLEN

### SUGGESTION COMMITTEE

We, your committee believe that every one should work in one mind and accord and be lead by the Spirit of God for all things work together for good to them that love the Lord.

We suggest that when any new ruling or amendment is made to our national treaties it be inserted in our national treaties so we will know just where we stand and not have to look everywhere for our

treaties. We must have something definite to go by. We think it will eliminate a lot of confusion.

**MRS. GERTRUDE JONES, Chairman**

Amendment to Report— To incorporate in our Associational Minutes the Constitution as carried in our National Treatise.

### **REPORT OF ORDAINING COUNCIL**

We, your ordaining council hereby recommend that Rev. A. W. Mills be granted Elders Orders for a period of twelve (12) months beginning as of today (Oct. 6, 1950).

**J. F. SMITH,**

**EMMETT McDUFFIE,**

**J. D. PAYNE**

### **DEVOTIONAL COMMITTEE**

We, your committee wish to make the following report:

Rev. Henry Mills to preach Thursday night. Rev. A. W. Mills Friday morning.

**W. H. NOBLES**

**E. R. ROLAND**

**E. L. LONG**

### **IN MEMORY OF BRO. W. W. POTTER**

Bro. Potter joined Pleasant Hill Church when a young man and lived a faithful and devout member for a long number of years. He was always at his post of duty when physically able.

Bro. Potter will be missed in his church community and at the Quarterly and Annual meetings for he was widely known.

Written by **BRO. W. L. CARSON**

### **IN MEMORY OF SISTER MATTIE M. CRANFORD**

Mattie M. Cranford was born in Wilkinson County in 1880.

In later years she came to Dodge county to make her home. She was a faithful and loyal member of Pine Level Church since it was organized. On the 4th of September the angels came knocking on her door.

"She is gone and we shall miss her, there will be one vacant chair.

"We will long to comfort her, when we say our evening prayer."

Written by **MR. and MRS. E. L. LONG**

### **ARTICLES OF FAITH**

1. **THE BIBLE**— The scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by inspiration of God, and are our infallable rules of Faith and Practice.

2. **GOD**— There is one living and true God, revealed in nature as the Creator of the universe; and in the Scriptures as Father, Son and Holy Ghost, yet as one God, infinitely wise and good, whom all intelligent creatures are supremely to love, adore, obey.

3. **CHRIST**— Christ is God manifest in the flesh; in His divine nature truly God, in His human nature truly man. The mediator between God and man, once crucified. He is now risen and glorified, and is our ever present Saviour and Lord.

4. **THE HOLY SPIRIT**— The scriptures assign to the Holy Spirit all the attributes of God. He is the Reprover, Comforter, Guide and Sanctifier of men.

5. **THE GOVERNMENT OF GOD**— God exercises a wise and benevolent providence over all beings and all things by maintaining the constitution and laws of nature. He also performs special acts of grace, not otherwise provided for, as the highest welfare of man requires.

6. **THE SINFULNESS OF MAN**— Man was created innocent, but by disobedience fell into a state of sin and condemnation. His posterity, therefore, inherit a fallen nature of such tendencies that all who come to years of accountability sin and become guilty before God.

7. **THE WORK OF CHRIST**— The Son of God by His incarnation, life, sufferings, death and resurrection, effected for all a redemption from sin that is full and free and is the ground of salvation by faith.

8. **THE TERMS OF SALVATION**— The conditions of salvation are: 1. Repentance of sincere sorrow for sin and hearty renunciation of it. 2, Faith or the unswerved committal of one's self to Christ as Savior and Lord with purpose to love and obey Him in all things. In the exercise of saving faith the soul is renewed by the Holy Spirit freed from dominion of sin and become a child of God. 3, Continuance in faith and obedience until death.

9. **ELECTION**— God determined from the beginning to save all who should comply with the conditions of salvation. Hence by faith in Christ, men became His elect.

10. **FREEDOM OF WILL**— The human will is free and self-controlled, having power to yield to the influence of the truth and the spirit, or to resist them and perish.

11. **SALVATION FREE**— God desires the salvation of all, the Gospel invites all, the Holy Spirit strives with all, and whosoever will may come and take of the water of life freely.

12. **PRESERVERANCE**— All believers in Christ, who through grace preserve in holiness to the end of life, have promise of eternal salvation.

13. **GOSPEL ORDINANCES**— Baptism, or the immersion of believers in water, and the Lord's Supper are ordinances to be perpetuated under the Gospel; Feet washing, an ordinance teaching humility, of universal obligation, and to be administered to all true believers.

14. **TITHING**— God commanded tithes and offerings in the Old Testament; Jesus Christ indorsed it in the Gospel (Matt. 23: 23) and

the Apostle Paul said "upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store as God hath prospered him." (1 Cor. 16:2).

15. THE CHRISTIAN SABBATH— The divine law requires that one day in seven be set apart for secular employments and amusements, for rest, worship, Holy works and activities, and for personal communion with God.

16 RESURRECTION, JUDGEMENT AND FINAL RETRIBUTION— The Scriptures teach the resurrection of all men of the last day. They that have done good will come forth to the resurrection of life, and they that have done evil unto the resurrection of damnation; then the wicked will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.

### CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God by faith in Christ, and adopted the word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this solemn covenant.

We promise by His grace to love and obey Him in all things and to avoid all appearance of evil, to sustain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages and to "provide things honest in the sight of all men."

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of the Scripture, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship; and by self-denial, faith and good works, endeavor to "grow in grace and the knowledge our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

We will not forget the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences; public worship and the observance of the ordinances of the Gospel, nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor and all its benevolent work.

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness: and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to "keep the unity of the Spirit" in the bonds of peace, to be careful one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and as far as we are able promote the success of the church and of the Gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principle sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme: counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society; constantly praying and toiling that the Kingdom of God may come and His will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprises; the support of missions, the success of Sunday Schools, and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of the world. And may the God of Peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

## BY-LAWS

- Article 1. Annual conferences shall be annually held.
- Art. 2. Every Elder, Minister and Preacher in good standing, and delegates shall duly attend.
- Art. 3. If any member in the judgement of the conference, shall show anger in his discussion on any subject, he shall forfeit his seat in the conference.
- Art. 4. No member of the Annual Conference shall be at liberty to withdraw without leave of the Moderator.
- Art. 5. The conference shall always adjourn by vote.
- Art. 6. There shall annually be a committee of finance chosen to settle with the treasurer and report to conference.
- Art. 7. The officers and standing committees shall be entitled to seats in the annual conference.
- Art. 8. No Elder, Minister, Preacher or delegate shall during the sitting of the annual conference, be at liberty to fill any place, as to preaching or hearing at the stage, only as liberty shall be granted by the conference.
- Art. 9. Conference shall always open and adjourn by prayer and praise of God.
- Art. 10. The Minutes of the conference shall be signed by the Moderator and Clerk.

## CONSTITUTION

## Preamble

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

## Article I

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

## Article II

SECTION 1. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, an assistant Moderator, a Secretary, an assistant Secretary and a Treasurer.

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

SECTION 3. This association shall be composed of all active Ministers who are members of an affiliated body, one delegate for every 500 members or fractions thereof of each affiliated association. One delegate for every 1000 members or fraction thereof of each affiliated Union meeting, and one delegate for every 100 members or a fraction thereof of every affiliated local Free Will Baptist church.

SECTION 4. All delegates from associations, union meetings and local churches shall be elected from the laity of the body sending them.

SECTION 5. Funds to meet the current and benevolent allocations shall be paid in on a voluntary basis to the treasurer of this association; However, it is suggested that each affiliated body contribute as a minimum in the following order: Each district association one half of one per cent per capita of their respective membership and \$5.00 in addition for the National Association dues, each Union meeting one fourth of one per cent per capita of their respective membership and each local church according to their ability.

### Article III

SECTION 1. It shall be the privilege of each affiliated district Association to furnish a member for each standing board with the term of office being four years, approximately fifty percent of the boards being elected at each election. The number of each board shall not be less than five.

SECTION 2. There shall be a board of Missions composed of members who are noted for missionary zeal and they shall have the supervisions of all mission interest sponsored by this body both home and foreign. Undesignated funds sent to the general Treasurer shall be allocated by the body and undesignated mission funds shall be equally divided between home and foreign.

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

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

### Article IV

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

SECTION 2. Any officers may be reelected as the body shall see fit.

SECTION 3. When vacancies occur for any cause they shall be filled by the Executive Board, or by any of the standing boards, subject to the approval of the Executive Board, until the time of the regular election of officers.

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

SECTION 5. Any member who fails in the function of his or her duties without reason, the board to which the delinquent member has been elected, shall the office vacate. Further, the body shall have and does reserve the right to deal with any officer or board member who does not conduct his or her office in a Christian and business-like manner according to the rules of Christian conduct laid down in the New Testament. Thus, the right to discipline in this body is confined to this body, but a charge against a member of this body and the member of a local church shall constitute a charge against said member in this body and the body shall abide accordingly.

SECTION 6. The duties of officers not defined shall be the same as those for any deliberative assembly.

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

#### AMENDMENTS

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

#### RULES FOR ORDINATION OF MINISTERS

- (1) Applicant shall bear license for not less than one (1) year.
- (2) Be called to one (1) or more churches, except that evidence be shown where as the applicant can be useful in evangelistic work.
- (3) Applicant shall be examined by the Ordaining Council, who having been duly elected by the Association to which they hold membership.
- (4) Applicant shall meet the qualifications as laid down in the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, measure up to the standards of the treatise of National Association of Free Will Baptist, of which have been adopted by this body.
- (5) These rules may be changed and re-written only by a two-thirds majority of those voting for a change by the Georgia Union Association while in session.

The above rules having been adopted by the executive board and the Quarterly Conference of the Georgia Union Association, the same shall be carried in the Minutes of the Georgia Union Association of Free Will Baptist.

**RULES FOR LICENSING MINISTERS**

A person having felt the calling of the ministry must be recommended by the church of which he is a member, to the Quarterly Conference or the Association while in session, there examined by the ordaining council and upon their approval be granted license of which shall carry the name of each council member and the seal of Georgia Union Association of Free Will Baptist.

# STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	CLERKS AND ADDRESSES	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	Meeting Days	Baptized	Total Membership	Members Received	Deceased	Lettered Out	Home Mission	Foreign Mission	Education	Superannuation	Orphanage	Evangelistic Work	Asso. Purposes	Paid Pastor
Antioch .....	Mrs. Bertha Owens, Pitts, Ga. ....	N. R. Sullivan, Pinehurst, Ga. ....	3		32			1	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$20.55	\$ 2.00	\$99.50
Bay Spring .....	I. M. Smith, Eastman, Ga. ....	J. F. Smith, Eastman, Ga. ....	2	4	64	4	1							34.00	5.00	100.00
Bethlehem .....	Mrs. Louise Bartlett, Cordele, Ga.	J. F. Smith, Eastman, Ga. ....	1	3	78	5		1	51.00					32.86	5.25	26.20
Beulah Spring	Mrs. G. R. Maddox, Montrose, Ga.	H. F. Lloyd, 838 2nd St., Macon...	2-4	1	38											58.50
Christian Hill ..	Ernest J. Barker, Oglethorpe, Ga.	J. D. Payne 1256 Bailey Av, Macon	1-3	8	153	11		3	16.43	26.43	35.47	2.00		185.00	9.00	433.29
Double Branch	Marion Stokes, Vienna, Ga. ....	C. H. Moore, Reynolds, Ga. ....	4	6	157	6		3						63.02	10.00	315.98
Liberty Chapel	H. E. Leonard, 4308 Trammell Ave. Macon, Ga. ....	A. W. Mills, 3046 Bailey Pl, Macon		1	56	9		6		5.00		3.00		58.68	2.00	61.74
Mt. Ararat .....	Edna Fordham, Chester, Ga. ....	J. D. Payne 1256 Bailey Av, Macon	2	11	104	17		1	41.36	5.00				86.00	6.00	212.92
Little Bethel ..	V. L. Clements, Box 222, Eastman	J. B. Lumpkin, Howard, Ga. ....	1	4	80	4		2	25.00		5.00			88.68	5.00	175.00
New Ebenezer	Mrs. John F. Ross, Cochran, Ga. ..	Emmett McDuffie, Rochelle, Ga. ..	2-4	5	57	10	1		23.33	5.40	9.60	3.60		235.00	10.00	271.90
Pine Level .....	Donald Selph, Chester, Ga. ....	C. H. Moore, Reynolds, Ga. ....	1	7	117	7	2	2	6.30	6.30	11.20.			85.00	10.00	334.00
Pleasant Hill	Viola Hobbs, Vienna, Ga. ....		2	1	116	1	1							50.00	10.00	300.00