

**1970**  
**MINUTES**  
**OF THE**  
**SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION**  
**OF THE**  
**GEORGIA UNION**  
**ASSOCIATION**

**Of The Original Free Will Baptists**

**HELD WITH**  
**NEW HOPE CHURCH**

**Empire, Georgia**

**Saturday, October 10, 1970**

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**NEXT ANNUAL SESSION**

White Oak ..... October 9, 1971

**ORDER OF CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING**

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 in matters of dealings.
6. Report of deacons.
7. Report of Committees.
8. Unfinished business.
9. New business.
10. Miscellaneous business.
11. Appointment of Committees.
12. Adjournment.

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Rev. Mance Cason	Eastman, Ga.
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Jimmy Smith	Empire, Ga.
Harold Johnson	
Hershel Johnson	

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Earnest Barker	Rochelle, Ga.
James Johnson	Cochran, Ga.

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Rev. Ronnie Moore ..... Rt. 6, Eastman, Ga.  
Rev. H. D. Faircloth..... 374-3017, Rt. 2, Eastman, Ga.  
Rev. Elbert Powell ..... Rt. 1, Chester, Ga.  
Rev. Donald Moore 788-8260, 4040 Lafayette Dr., Macon, Ga.  
Rev. Gerald Brown ..... Rt. 2, Cordele, Ga.  
Rev. E. E. Kelly ..... Sale City, Ga.  
Rev. N. R. Sullivan ..... Rt. 1, Unadilla, Ga.  
Rev. Mance Cason ..... 6th Ave., Eastman, Ga.  
Rev. James W. Potter ..... 2762 Lakeshore Dr., Macon, Ga.  
Rev. W. A. Warren ..... Jessup St., Cochran, Ga.  
Rev. Hoyt Findley ..... 100 Elinor Cir., Warner Robins, Ga.  
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Rev. E. B. Duckworth ..... Rt. 1, Box 800, Warner Robins, Ga.  
Rev. Joe Owens ..... 2560 Echols Pl., Macon, Ga.  
Rev. L. S. Anthany ..... Rt. 3, Thomaston, Ga.

## NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF LICENSED MINISTERS

Rev. G. G. Hobbs ..... 705 Miller Drive, Warner Robins, Ga.  
Rev. Billy McKenny ..... Rt. 1, Abbeville, Ga.  
Rev. Henry E. Bridges ..... Rt. 2, Cochran, Ga.  
Rev. Charlie Knott ..... Rt. 1, Cordele, Ga.

# GEORGIA UNION ASSOCIATION

## ANNUAL SESSION — 1970

October 10, 1970

1. The annual session of the Ga. Union Assoc. convened at New Hope Free Will Baptist Church. Opened with singing and prayer by Bro. Donald Moore. Welcome was extended by host pastor, Rev. Jimmy Smith.
2. Business session opened with reading of By-Laws and Church Covenant.
3. Church letters received and delegates answered roll call.
4. M/S/C to seat all delegates.
5. M/S/C to accept program prepared by Host Church.
6. Minutes of last meeting read.
7. M/S/C to accept as read.
8. M/S/C to appoint Bro. Collins and Bro. Anthony to Finance Committee to serve with Bro. Cannon.
9. M/S/C to table letter from Calvary Free Will Baptist Church until noon session.
10. M/S/C to adjourn morning business session.
11. Reconvened with song, "Rescue The Perishing" and special music.
12. Morning message brought by Rev. A. C. Truluck.
13. Adjourned with prayer for lunch.
14. Reconvened evening session with singing and prayer.
15. Rev. Howard Faircloth called business session to order.
16. M/S/C to appoint Bro. Bruce, Bro. Dunaway, to serve with Bro. Sherman Jones on committee of "Harvest Day" Drive.
17. Finance Committee report given by Bro. Cannon as following: Total offering for fiscal year '69-'70—\$873.55. Total Expenditure—\$873.55. Balance in treasury—None.
18. M/S/C to accept report.
19. Digest Committee report given by Bro. Donald Moore as following: Members received, 61—Members dismissed, 53—Members increased, 8.

20. M/S/C to accept report.
21. Committee on State of Church and Character of Ministers given by Bro. Owens reads as following: That after examining church letters we find all churches in good fellowship and our ministers are in order with the exception of Rev. Charles Clark. We recommend that the Assoc. appoint a committee to contact him and see why he is not supporting the church and Assoc.
22. M/S/C to accept report.
23. Bro. Owens, Bro. Collins and Bro. Donald Self were elected to contact Rev. Charles Clark about not supporting associational work.
24. M/S/C to accept super-annuation report.
25. Report on Ladies' Auxiliary given by Sis. Noble.
26. M/S/C to accept report.
27. Report on CTS given by Bro. Findley.
28. M/S/C to accept report.
29. Report on Christian Ed. given by Rev. Duckworth.
30. M/S/C to accept report.
31. Report on Sunday School given by Rev. Mance Cason.
32. M/S/C to accept report.
33. Report was given on Ga. Union Mission Board by Bro. Donald Self.
34. M/S/C to accept report.
35. M/S/C to retain committee on securing a place to keep association's important documents.
36. M/S/C to accept Ordination Council's report as follows:
  - (1.) Recommend that Calvary Free Will Bapt. Church be accepted and delegates seated.
  - (2.) Recommend Bro. John Cannon be ordained to the Gospel Ministry.
  - (3.) Recommend Bro. C. B. Doudney be granted letter to Union Assoc.
  - (4.) We recommend Bro. Monroe Winters come before council at next meeting.



- (5.) Recommend Bro. E. E. Kelly come before council at next meeting.
  - (6.) Recommend that Bro. Billy McKinney be licensed for another year.
  - (7.) Recommend that Bro. Horne come before the next meeting.
- 37. Master's Men report given.
  - 38. M/S/C to accept report.
  - 39. M/S/C that Super-annuation be able to raise or lower funds for people they support.
  - 40. M/S/C to send delegates to State Assoc. Bro. and Sis. Donald Self and Sis. Rose Cannon were appointed as representatives.
  - 41. M/S/C to appoint committee to insert an amendment in constitution that 3 months waiting period be applied to ordained ministers as well as licensed ministers. Appointed was Bro. Bill Amerson, Bro. Hoyt Findley, Bro. Hollis Smith.
  - 42. M/S/C to accept mission in Dublin as Ga. Union Assoc. Mission..
  - 43. M/S/C the Assoc. recommend to State Assoc. that pastor change-over be changed from 1st of Sept. to 1st of August.
  - 44. M/S/C to print 400 minutes.
  - 45. M/S/C to list names of committees in minutes.
  - 46. M/S/C to list all quarterly minutes in yearly minutes.
  - 47. M/S/C to retain super-annuation committee as listed: Bro. Dunaway, Bro. Barker & Bro. James Johnson.
  - 48. M/S/C to receive the report of the nominating committee.
  - 49. M/S/C to give the host church a rising vote of appreciation for their hospitality at this 4th session of Ga. Union Assoc. meeting.
  - 50. M/S/C to adjourn meeting.

Respectively, submitted,  
Rev. Howard Faircloth, Mod.  
Bro. Edison Smith, Clerk

# GEORGIA UNION ASSOCIATION

## Christian Education Report

The following words of Scripture are found in Nehemiah 2: 17-18. 17—"Then said I unto them, ye see the distress that we are in, how Jerusalem liveth waste, and the gates therefore are burned with fire: Come, and let us build up the wall of Jerusalem that we be no more a reproach."

18 B. "... And they said, let us rise up and build, so they strengthened their hand for their good work."

We believe that the world has drifted into a moral depression very much like the physical and spiritual condition of the Israelites, as referred to in this part of the Scripture. We have seen the "Family Alter" (almost) disappear from our homes, the simple Christian services which we were accustomed to have in our schools has gone down the drain by the decree of our "High Courts". We have seen the deterioration of the real home relationship between parents and children. So many things to do, and so many places to go, leaves very little time for teaching children about Christ and his work, such as reading the Bible and having "Family" prayer services, the result: Drug usage, drinking, gambling, seeking to follow a life of "Free Love", practices of the abuse of sex privileges and many more acts of sin.

We recommend that the leaders of our association and churches and especially the ministers pray very sincerely about these conditions. After we have prayed and are directed by the Lord, let us use our energy to "build again" — the wall of protection about our people. We, your committee, further recommend that our people rally to the support of all our Christian needs in the church or elsewhere, as it pertains to the Christian teaching and leadership of our young people. Make an effort to place our prayers and our services in the way that they might be available to one and all that needs the better enlightenment of the way of Christian Living. We also feel that it is needful for the better training of our ministers for the great work that lies ahead. First, we should know that God has called us to preach his word; thence prepare for this work by securing a Christian Education that we will be literally qualified as well as spiritual.

First Free Will Baptist Church

Warner Robins, Ga.

Rev. E. B. Duckworth



## REPORT OF STATE OF CHURCHES AND CHARACTER OF MINISTERS

We, your committee on State of Churches and Character of Ministers, wish to report that after examining the church letters we find all churches in fellowship, and our ministers are in order, with the exception of Bro. Charles Clark. We recommend that the Association appoint a committee to contact him and see why he is not supporting the Church and Association.

Bro. Donald Self,  
Bro. Ernest Collins,  
Bro. Joe Owens

## REPORT OF ORDAINING COUNCIL

We, the Ordaining Council make the following report:

We recommend that Calvary Church be accepted and the delegates seated.

We recommend that Bro. Russell Horne, come before the Ordaining Council at the next quarterly meeting.

We recommend Bro. John F. Cannon be ordained to the gospel ministry.

We recommend Bro. C. B. Dowdney be granted letter to Union Association.

We received letter for Bro. Joe England.

We recommend Bro. Monroe Winters come before Ordaining Council at next quarterly meeting.

We recommend that Bro. E. E. Kelly come before Ordaining Council at next quarterly meeting.

We recommend Bro. Billy McKinney be licensed for another year.

W. L. Amerson  
C. B. Dowdney  
Elbert Powell

## REPORT OF WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

We your committee of Woman's Auxiliary wish to make the following report. The Auxiliary is a vital part of the church and its main purpose is to help the church promote missions. Through our state project, we help support a home and a foreign missionary.

We urge all churches that don't have an Auxiliary to organize one.

We also urge the pastors to attend the District Auxiliary meetings.

Pine Level Church and Pastor

### GA. UNION MISSION BOARD TREASURER'S REPORT

Bal. Brought Forward .....	\$ 314.16
Church and Individual Offering .....	570.56
Ga. Union Association .....	179.50
Total Offerings .....	750.06
Total in Treasury .....	\$1,064.22

Georgia Union Mission Treasurer  
Donald Self

### REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We, the Nominating Committee, submit the following names:

Moderator .....	Bro. Joe Owens
Vice Moderator .....	Bro. Jerald Brown
Clerk .....	Rev. Donald Moore
Vice Clerk .....	Bro. Hollis Smith
Treasurer .....	Rev. John F. Cannon
Assistant Treasurer .....	Sis. Rose Cannon

#### MISSION BOARD:

Bro. James Bryant  
Bro. Donald Moore  
Bro. Jerald Brown  
Bro. L. S. Anthony  
Bro. Donald Self

#### ORDAINING COUNCIL:

Rev. Mance Cason  
Rev. J. M. Herrold  
Rev. Elbert Powell

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Bro. Edison Smith  
Bro. Hollis Smith  
Bro. Henry Nobles  
Bro. Emmett Dunaway  
Bro. Julian Davis

DIGEST COMMITTEE  
Bro. Jimmy Smith  
Bro. Harold Johnson  
Bro. Hershel Johnson

Submitted by  
Bro. Alton Fleming  
Bro. F. McKinney  
Rev. Hoyt Findley

### REPORT OF MASTER'S MEN COMMITTEE

We, your Master's Men Committee, find two (2) churches reporting a Master's Men at this session.

We wish to recommend that each church organize a Master's Men. There is so much we can do through our Master's Men if we work together.

Respectfully Submitted,  
H. E. Dunaway  
Double Branch Church

### C T S COMMITTEE REPORT

We, your C T S Committee wish to make the following recommendations:

1. That our churches train our people in all phases of the church and denomination work, and we believe this can best be done through the C T S.
2. That we teach and indoctrinate our people that God is depending on us to reach the lost. The C T S is one of the places this can be done.
3. We recommend to all churches that do not have a C T S to organize one.

Submitted by  
New Ebenezer Church

### DIGEST COMMITTEE

We, your Digest Committee find the following at this annual association.

Members Received .....	61
Members Dismissed .....	53
Members Increased .....	8
Decreased .....	13

Total Membership .....	975
Sunday Schools .....	15
Prayer Meeting .....	14
C T S .....	7
Woman's Auxiliary .....	6
Master's Men .....	2
Vacation Bible School .....	4
Full Time Churches .....	All But 4
Church Parsonages .....	2
Value of Church Property .....	\$196,750.00
Spent for Outside Causes .....	15,445.09
Total Offerings .....	66,157.37
Paid Pastors .....	26,657.58

We recommend that in the future all letters be thoroughly completed.

Donald Moore  
Harold Johnson  
Hershel L. Johnson

#### FINANCE REPORT FOR YEAR '69-'70

Total Offerings .....	\$873.55
Total Expenditures .....	873.55
Balance in Treasury .....	—0—
Itemized Report of Expenses	
Paid Moderator .....	40.00
Paid Clerk .....	60.00
F U B Children's Home .....	55.00
State & National Entrance Fee .....	60.00
Ministers ID Cards .....	36.00
P. A. System .....	282.76
Minutes .....	117.42
Superannuation .....	35.40
Ga. Union Mission Board .....	180.55
Printing Church Letters .....	6.42
Total .....	\$873.55

John F. Cannon  
Treasurer

## SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

The emphasis that Christ placed upon teaching in the Great Commission indicates that the principal method through which He chose to herald His gospel was teaching. In fact, the major part of His ministry was a teaching ministry.

As the educational arm of the church, the Sunday School occupies a position of tremendous importance. Its objective is to; win men to Christ, teach and train them in Christian character, and service. This is in harmony with the "marching orders" that Christ gave the church when he commanded his followers, "Go ye into all the world and make disciples . . . teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded . . ." We should bear in mind at all times that the Sunday School is a means by which we can effectively accomplish this great purpose.

First Eastman Free Will Baptist Church  
Rev. Mance Cason, Pastor

## SUPERANNUATION REPORT

Eight churches in the Georgia Union Association contributed to this fund. At the present time we are giving two ministers \$5.00 per month — sent quarterly.

The ministers are:

Rev. N. R. Sullivan  
Unadilla, Georgia

Rev. Eddie Lee Hewitt  
Thomaston, Georgia

Balance from last year .....	\$154.10
Received 1969-1970 .....	209.19
Total Receipts .....	\$363.29
Paid During 1969-1970 .....	\$120.00
Balance in Treasury .....	\$243.29

The body might like to recommend a raise for each of these ministers since the balance in the treasury is as large as it is. We would like to encourage each church in the Georgia Union Association to support the Superannuation Fund.

White Oak Free Will Baptist Church  
Rev. Joe D. Owens, Pastor



**GEORGIA UNION ASSOCIATION**  
**FIRST QUARTERLY MEETING—1970**

January 10, 1970

1. The first session of the Georgia Union Association convened at Little Bethel Church. Opened with a song, "Amazing Grace". Prayer by Bro. Donald Moore. Meeting was called to order by moderator. Welcome was given by Bro. Robert Rogers from host church. Devotion given by Bro. Billy McKinney, reading from Luke 11:2.
2. Reading of by-laws and church covenant given by moderator.
3. Minutes read from last meeting by the clerk.
4. M/S/C that minutes stand approved as read.
5. Moderator called for church letters and roll call of delegates. M/S/C to accept church letters. 15 churches were represented with letters.
6. Visitors were welcomed.
7. M/S/C to accept program outline by host church.
8. M/S/C that chair appoint a delegate to serve on digest committee with Bro. Ross Bennett and Bro. Donald Selph. Bro. Robert Rogers was appointed to serve.
9. M/S/C to seat delegates.
10. M/S/C for moderator to appoint finance committee. Bro. Perry, Bro. James Cook was appointed by moderator to serve with Bro. John Cannon.
11. No unfinished business from last session.
12. M/S/C to adjourn from business session and enter into worship service.
13. Message was brought by Rev. Floyd W. Seay. Scripture from Malachi 3:8.
14. Offering was received for support of association.
15. Benediction was given by Rev. Jimmy Smith.
16. Afternoon session was opened with song & prayer.
17. Rev. Truluck spoke on State Associational work.
18. M/S/C that conference enter into the afternoon business session..



19. M/S/C that treasurer pay for church letter forms (500).
20. M/S/C to receive the Digest Committee's report.
21. Digest Committee recommended Rev. C. C. Harrell to Ordaining Council.
22. M/S/C that moderator appoint a committee to investigate price of public address system, and report back to conference.
23. Bro. Albert Mullis and Bro. Collins, Bro. Dick Jones and Bro. Hollis Smith was appointed by moderator.
24. M/S/C to accept Finance report.
25. M/S/C that the conference extend thanks and appreciation to Little Bethel Church for their hospitality.
26. Report of Ordination Council.
27. M/S/C to accept report of Ordination Report, item by item.

(1.) After examining Bro. E. N. Skipper, we recommend that he obtain a letter of recommendation from the South Ga. Assoc., and report back to Ordaining Council at next meeting.

M/S/C

(2.) After examining Bro. Jimmy Smith, we recommend that his license be renewed for one year.

M/S/C

(3.) After examination of Rev. J. M. Harrell of the Pleasant Hill FWB Church we recommend him to the association.

M/S/C

(4.) Statement of Ordination Council, the Liberty Chapel Church be declared out of order, until they present their pastor to Ordination Council.

M/S/C

28. M/S/C that moderator appoint executive committee, with moderator and clerk, to deal with Liberty Chapel Church.
29. M/S/C that conference be adjourned.

Respectively Submitted,

Rev. C. B. Dowdney, Mod.

Edison Smith, Clerk

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

April 1, 1970

A special called meeting of the executive committee of the Ga. Union Association met at the Liberty Chapel Free Will Baptist Church Wednesday, April 1, 1970. Report of the Executive Committee to the Georgia Union Association:

We, the Executive Committee, because of the misunderstanding of the Liberty Chapel Church that their pastor came from White Oak Church and not from another association, recommend that delegates from Liberty Chapel Church be seated in this association provided that Liberty Chapel Church present their pastor, Bro. Dunlap, to the Ordaining Council at the next meeting of the Ga. Union Association.

Respectively submitted,  
Rev. C. B. Dowdney, Mod.  
Edison Smith, Clerk

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### GEORGIA UNION ASSOCIATION SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING — 1970

March 14, 1970

1. The second session of the Georgia Union Association convened at Mt. Ararat Free Will Baptist Church. Opened with song, "I am Thine, Oh Lord." Prayer by Brother Owens. Welcome was given by host church. Scripture was read from II Corinthians, Chapter 14.  
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2. Reading of by-laws and church covenant given by moderator.
3. Moderator called for church letters and roll call of delegates. M/S/C to accept church letters. M/S/C to seat delegates. 15 churches were represented with letters.
4. M/S/C to accept program outline by host church.
5. Minutes read from last meeting by clerk.
6. M/S/C that minutes stand approved as read.
7. Visitors are welcomed.
8. M/S/C that all sessions of Georgia Union Association be moved to Camp Mt. Bethel. M/S/C that it be tabled till noon session.

9. M/S/C to adjourn morning session.
10. Session reconvened with Bro. A. C. Truluck giving the message. from Luke 5:1-11.
11. Benediction was given by Brother Mance Cason.
12. Afternoon session was opened with song and prayer.
13. Rev. A. C. Truluck spoke on State Association work.
14. M/S/C to accept Finance report.
15. M/S/C to accept Digest report.
16. M/S/C to accept report on Public Address System.
17. M/S/C to take item off table for action.
18. M/S/C to have quarterly conference meetings at host churches within Ga. Union Association.
19. Report of Ga. Union Mission Board accepted as information.
20. M/S/C that assoc. appoint a one man committee to purchase PA system. Bro. Shine Collins was appointed.
21. M/S/C to designate money in treasury of association to be held for Pubic Address System.
22. Report of Ordination Council.
23. M/S/C to accept Ordaining Council in 2 separate items. I. Recommend Bro. Mance Cason to Ga. Union Association pending letter from Union Assoc. Recommend Bro. Ronnie Moore to be ordained to the ministry. Recommend Bro. Jimmy Smith to be ordained to the ministry. Recommend Bro. Lloyd to meet with Ordaining Council at next association meeting.
24. M/S/C to accept report of Executive Committee dealing with Liberty Chapel Church was as following:

Due to the fact that Liberty Chapel Church will not adhere to Executive Committee recommendations and have voted in conference not to represent at the association, or to send their pastor before the ordaining Council, we recommend that the assoc. withdraw fellowship from them and to drop their church from list of churches within assoc.
25. Special offering of \$42 dollars was received for PA system.
26. Rising vote of thanks for host church was given.
27. M/S/C to adjourn.

Respectively submitted  
Rev. C. B. Dowdney, Mod.  
Edison Smith, Clerk

CHURCHES	Clerks & Addresses	Pastors & Addresses	Meeting Days	Members Received	Members Dismissed	Total Members	Cooper. Plan	Literature	Build & Repair	Evang. Work	Paid Pastor	Assoc. Fee	Total Expend.
ANTIOCH.....	Naida A. Johnson..... Rt. 2, Box 101B, Pitts, Ga.....	Rev. Ronnie Moore..... Rt. 6, Eastman, Ga.....	ALL	0	5	12	\$ 0	\$ 50.00	\$ 73.20	\$ 0	\$ 149.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 343.42
BAY SPRINGS.....	Hollis M. Smith..... Rt. 5, Eastman, Ga.....	Rev. H. D. Faircloth..... Rt. 2, Eastman, Ga.....	ALL	4	1	68	55.00	146.00	967.00	250.00	1,212.00	15.00	2,919.00
BETHLEHEM.....	Mrs. Shirley Calhoun..... Rt. 1, Box 35.....		1-3	1	5	43	0	59.19	0	118.55	564.72	12.00	1,065.20
BEULAH SPRINGS..	Mrs. Evelyn Cannon..... Rt. 1, Chester, Ga.....	Rev. Donald Moore..... 4040 LaFayette Dr., Macon, Ga.....	ALL	3	4	26	98.13	58.98	545.26	140.00	680.00	0	1,932.78
CHRISTIAN HILL....	Ernest J. Barker..... Box 245, Rochelle, Ga.....	Rev. Gerald Brown..... Rt. 2, Cordele, Ga.....	ALL	7	4	144	38.41	151.51	1824.06	256.21	1,684.26	25.00	4,378.44
DOUBLE BRANCH...	Mrs. H. E. Dunaway..... Rt. 1, Unadilla, Ga.....	Rev. E. E. Kelley..... Sale City, Ga.....	ALL	7	10	124	237.62	294.66	0	515.00	3,070.00	20.00	6,149.83
EASTMAN FIRST....	Miss Bobbye F. Smith..... 212 S. Pine St., Eastman, Ga.....	Rev. Mance Cason..... 6th Ave., Eastman, Ga.....	ALL	3	2	34	0	300.00	2,456.75	225.00	2,764.16	12.00	6,826.44
LITTLE BETHEL....	James E. Bryant..... Rt. 1, Montrose, Ga.....	Rev. James W. Potter..... 2762 Lakeshore Dr., Macon, Ga.....	ALL	0	0	104	182.00	175.00	658.00	240.00	1,910.00	20.00	4,231.00
MT. ARARAT.....	Ila Mae Johnson..... Rt. 3, Eastman, Ga.....	Rev. W. A. Warren..... Jessup St., Cochran, Ga.....	ALL	1	1	22	302.16	62.97	2,288.17	100.00	1,235.44	5.00	4,246.92
NEW EBENEZER....	Mrs. John F. Ross..... Rt. 3, Cochran, Ga.....	Rev. Hoyt Findley..... 100 Elinor Cir., Warner Robins, Ga..	ALL	3	7	60	210.00	409.19	362.00	325.00	2,654.00	15.00	5,985.36
NEW HOPE.....	Mrs. Joan Smith..... Rt. 2, Box 181, Cochran, Ga.....	Rev. Jimmy Smith..... Rt. 2, Box 181, Cochran, Ga.....	ALL	7	3	31	137.00	268.55	648.25	105.00	0	0	1,484.83
PINE LEVEL.....	W. H. Nobles..... Chester, Ga.....	Rev. Joe England..... Chester, Ga.....	ALL	6	8	86	400.00	256.41	1,902.25	200.00	3,525.00	15.00	10,688.54
PLEASANT HILL....	Mrs. Violo H. Hunt..... 713-13th Ave., E. Cordele, Ga.....	Rev. J. M. Herrold..... Rt. 3, Vienna, Ga.....	ALL	1	9	135	100.00	91.58	4,541.64	100.00	3,380.00	15.00	8,498.01
WARNER ROBINS...	Mrs. Martha Brown..... 117 E. Waverly Way, Warner Robins, Ga..		ALL	0	1	35	165.35	93.30	1,438.65	140.00	1,500.00	10.00	3,878.35
WHITE OAK.....	Mrs. Ernestine Collins..... 4064 St. Charles Pl., Macon, Ga.....	Rev. Joe Owens..... 2560 Echols Pl., Macon, Ga.....	ALL	15	5	132	370.84	597.94	2,694.43	307.26	4,780.00	20.00	9,067.40
WILSON CHAPEL...	Mrs. Clara Wilson..... Rt. 1, Box 21, Thomaston, Ga. ....	Rev. L. S. Anthony..... Rt. 3, Thomaston, Ga.....	ALL	4	3	54	133.73	183.50	398.62	268.35	884.00	15.00	2,735.00
CALVARY.....	Dean Harris..... 3969 Beallwood Ave.....	Rev. Russell L. Horne..... 3918 Reese Rd., Columbus, Ga.....	ALL	8	0	80	0	600.00	5,878.00	150.00	3,380.00	0	10,047.00
FIRST DUBLIN..... MISSION.....	Mrs. Ruby Purser..... 211 Mitchell St., Dublin, Ga.....	Rev. John Cannon..... Rt. 1, Box 43, Chester, Ga.....											



# GEORGIA UNION ASSOCIATION

## THIRD QUARTERLY MEETING— 1970

July 11, 1970

1. The third session of the Georgia Union Assoc. convened at New Ebenezer Free Will Baptist Church. Opened with singing and prayer by Rev. Joe England. Welcome was extended by host pastor, Rev. Hoyt Findley..
2. Business session opened with prayer by Rev. Donald Moore.
3. By-laws and church covenant read by Billy McKinney.
4. Church letters received and delegates answered roll call. 14 churches reported by letter.
5. M/S/C to seat all delegates.
6. M/S/C to adopt program presented by host church.
7. Mrs. Myrtle Evans appointed to serve on Digest Committee.
8. Minutes of last association read.  
M/S/C to adopt as read.
9. M/S/C that the following be appointed on the Trustee Board to act as agents for the association in legal matters: Ross Bennett, Horace Hobbs, Leonard Emerson, Arthur Etheridge and Hezzie Smith. M/S/C on amendment that last name on Trustee Board be extended or re-elected each year.
10. M/S/C to adjourn morning business session.
11. Reconvened with special singing by Master's Trio.
12. Message brought by Billy McKinney.
13. Lunch break.
14. Reconvened with singing and prayer by Joel Butler.
15. Rev. Howard Faircloth called business session to order.
16. Sherman Jones reported that \$335.95 was received from our churches for the "Dollars for the Scholars" fund. Report received as information.
17. Ordaining Council report: Rev. Joe England accepted pending letter from his assoc. Rev. Mance Cason's letter was received from his previous assoc. Rev. Charles Bartless has surrendered his ordination papers. M/S/C to receive report.

18. M/S/C for committee to be appointed to present a plan for securing suitable place to store valuable papers of the association. Appointed were Edison Smith, Donald Moore, and Jimmy Smith.
19. M/S/C to receive Digest Committee's report.
20. M/S/C that moderator appoint committees for annual association. The committees appointed were:
  - Sunday School — First Eastman
  - C.T.S. — New Ebenezer
  - Master's Men — Double Branch
  - Woman's Auxiliary — Pine Level
  - Christian Education — Warner Robins
  - Super-Annuation — White Oak
21. M/S/C that moderator appoint standing delegates on the committee of state of church and character of ministers. Appointed to this committee were Donald Self, Ernest Collins, J. C. Langford.
22. M/S/C for moderator to appoint nominating committee: Appointed were Rev. Hoyt Findley, chairman, M. E. Fleming, Mr. McKinney.
23. M/S/C to receive report of Finance Committee.
24. M/S/C to give host church rising vote of thanks.
25. M/S/C to adjourn.

Respectively submitted,  
Rev. C. B. Dowdney, Mod.  
Charles Strickland, Asst. Clerk

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## GEORGIA UNION ASSOCIATION — SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

### PREAMBLE

We, the Georgia Union Association of the original Free Will Baptists, do ordain this Constitution and By-Laws for the purpose of promoting all Sunday School endeavors of the Georgia Union Association.

### ARTICLE I

NAME — This organization shall be known as the Sunday School Convention of the Georgia Union Association.



## ARTICLE II

OFFICERS — Officers of this Convention shall be president, vice-president, secretary-treasurer. They shall be elected annually.

## ARTICLE III

MEETING — This Convention shall be held annually the last Sunday in July.

## ARTICLE IV

### PURPOSE —

1. For each Sunday School to present a program, with the youth presenting the program where possible.
2. By the youth presenting the program, we are giving them a part in our service for the glory of God. They will be our future leaders.
3. A program banner shall be awarded the Sunday School with the best program.
4. A banner shall be awarded to the Sunday School with the best average attendance.

## ARTICLE V

There shall be a judging committee appointed by the presiding officer for the purpose of judging the program and average attendance.

## ARTICLE VI

FINANCE — This Convention shall be supported by each Sunday School with no less than \$5.00 fee.

Also, it shall be supported by a special offering taken by each church when visited by Sunday School officials and a special offering during Convention.

## ARTICLE VII

### DUTIES OF OFFICERS —

1. It shall be the duty of the president and vice-president to visit each church in the association for the purpose of promoting the Sunday School and offering assistance where needed.

2. The president shall preside at all meetings.
3. The secretary-treasurer shall keep the minutes and keep the treasury.
4. The offering received by the officers shall be turned over to the secretary-treasurer and they shall be compensated for their mileage.

## ARTICLE VIII

JUDGING — The judging shall be as follows:

1. Theme.
2. Time (20 minutes for getting ready and presenting program).
3. Take into consideration the membership of the church, with the young people presenting the program where possible.
4. How well each part is presented, by how the individual speaks up.

## ARTICLE IX

A gospel message of approximately 20 minutes shall be delivered just before lunch hour by someone appointed by the officers of the Convention.

## ARTICLE X

PLACE — It shall be decided by officers and printed in the minutes of the Georgia Union Association, and if change has to be made, each church shall be notified.

## ARTICLE XI

These by-laws may be changed by two-thirds majority vote while Convention is in session.

# GEORGIA UNION DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

MINUTES — SEPTEMBER 19, 1970

The Georgia Union District Woman's Auxiliary Convention met Saturday, September 19, 1970, at White Oak Free Will Baptist Church in Macon, Georgia. Session was opened by singing, "To the Work" and prayer by Mrs. Ruby Moore. Convention was called to order by president, Mrs. Caroline Hightower. The Welcome was given by Mrs. Shirley Johnson and the response by Mrs. Janice Cason. Mrs. Barbara Goolsby was appointed to serve as recording secretary.

The president then appointed the following committees:

Credentials: Mrs. Barbara Goolsby, Chairman; Mrs. Gladys Etheridge, and Mrs. Florence Nobles.

Registration: Mrs. Christine Owens, Chairman; Mrs. Shirley Johnson, and Mrs. Tom Sangster.

Resolutions: Mrs. Janice Clark, Chairman; Mrs. Ellen Dunn, and Mrs. Janice Cason.

Finance: Mrs. Lillie Kirkman, Chairman; Mrs. Avis Butler, and Mrs. Frank Simmons.

These committees were to meet during the lunch hour and to report in the afternoon business session. The president asked the Finance Committee to also act as the Funds Appropriations Committee.

The congregation was led in singing "The Regions Beyond" by Mrs. Janice Clark and pianist was Mrs. Jackie Strickland. Special music was rendered by Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Strickland. They sang, "It's Not An Easy Road".

The morning devotion was brought by Mrs. Tina Rigby, of White Oak Church. Her scripture was taken from Matthew 25:40, "Ministering Unto Christ" in soul winning. She brought a very informative visual-aids program on "How God Uses Broken Things".

Congregation sang "Rescue the Perishing" followed by prayer by Mrs. Janice Cason.

Our morning message was a very challenging film entitled "The Harvester". A story of an evangelistic and medical missionary to Pakistan and the problems they face in token involvement versus total involvement for Christ.

Dismissed for lunch with prayer by Mrs. Ernestine Collins.

The afternoon session was opened by congregational singing of "The Light or the World is Jesus" and prayer by Mrs. Viola Hunt.

The business session was called to order by the president. Minutes were read and accepted. Reports from committees were heard and adopted as follows:

Registration Committee: Seven Auxiliaries were represented with 26 delegates and two visitors.

Credentials Committee:

Seven auxiliaries reported: Double Branch, First East, Liberty Chapel, New Hope, Pine Level, Pleasant Hill and White Oak.

Six fees were paid and papers in order with the exception of New Hope.

Enlistment

Number of beginning members: 69

Number at End of year:: 63

Average Attendance: 41

Study

Number of study courses held: 12

Number of daily Bible readers: 20

Program Prayer

-Number of special programs: 17

Number of seasons of prayer observed: 17

Personal Service Evangelism

Number of souls won: 2

Publicity

Number subscribers to Contact: 17, Co-Laborer: 41

Articles-letters, card written: 41

After a motion and second this report was received as information:

Resolutions Committee:

1. That since the duties of the Finance Committee and Funds Appropriation Committee are the same, be it resolved, that these two committees be combined and be known as the Finance Committee.

2. That the minutes and resolutions of our convention be printed in the association minutes each year and the secretary be responsible for getting these to the clerk by November 1.

3. That personal officers reports be omitted from our convention.
4. That local auxiliaries encourage their pastor to attend local meetings as well as district meetings of Woman's Auxiliary.
5. That we cooperate with the State Convention and the State Project and the National work as well.
6. That we give the White Oak Church a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality and the officers of the past year a vote of appreciation for their work and services rendered.

These resolutions were adopted, item by item, as requested by the committee.

#### Funds Appropriation Committee:

The Committee recommended that \$19.21 be given for the use of the film and the treasurer be given authority to pay part of the expense on the printing of the Auxiliary Convention minutes in the Association minutes. \$10.00 was appropriated for this:

#### FINANCIAL REPORT — 1969-70

Balance Brought Forward .....	\$210.36
Amount taken in .....	489.56
From dues, per capita membership .....	80.25
Total .....	\$780.17

#### DISBURSEMENTS:

Pre seasons of prayer .....	\$174.56
Co-Laborer — WNAC .....	63.00
Blanton's Account .....	9.00
Dot Harvey Loan Fund .....	18.00
State Project — 1969-70 .....	59.55
Garcia's Account .....	4.00
Bible College Furniture .....	5.00
WNAC Emphasis Month .....	8.00
Wilkinson's Account .....	36.00
Missionary Provision Closet .....	5.00
Virgin Island Project .....	130.00
Per Capita Dues 1969-70 .....	111.00
Miscellaneous Expense .....	2.69
Total .....	\$637.80
Balance .....	\$142.37



These items were voted on and passed.

Next Woman's Auxiliary Workshop is to be held at Pleasant Hill on March 20, 1971 and the next annual session of the District Convention will be held at Pine Level on September 18, 1971.

Motion, seconded and carried, that a study committee be appointed by the President to study by-laws for District convention for the purpose of proposed changes by WNAC. Those appointed were: Mrs. Janice Cason, Chairman; Mrs. Avis Butler, and Mrs. Mary Dunaway.

State delegates appointed were as follows: Mrs. Janice Cason, Mrs. Ruby Moore, Mrs. Joyce England, Mrs. Christine Owens, Mrs. Annie Ruth Self, Mrs. Barbara Goolsby, Mrs. Nadine Rozier, and Mrs. Jackie Strickland. Vacancies which occur can be filled by those attending from the District.

The Nominating Committee made the following report:  
President: Caroline Hightower

Vice President: Avis Butler

Field Worker: Janice Cason

Corresponding & Recording Secretary: Barbara Goolsby

Treasurer: Christine Owens

Asst. Corres. & Rec. Secretary: Mrs. Bessie Simmons

Study Course Chairman: Jackie Strickland

Stewardship-Prayer Chairman: Joyce England

Personal Service-Evangelism Chairman:

Myrtice Langford

These officers were voted on and accepted and will serve for next two years.

Due to change in officers effective in July, 1971, the nominating committee recommended that the Corresponding and Recording Secretary be combined, that the Mission Chairman and Historian be omitted and that the Study Course Chairman be automatically changed to Mission Study Chairman; Personal-Service Evangelism Chairman to Mission Action Chairman; and Stewardship-Prayer Chairman to Mission Prayer Chairman. This eliminates the process of electing officers again in 1971. This recommendation was passed.

A very impressive installation service was given by Christine Owens and a prayer of dedication by Janice Clark.

An offering was received and song "Praise Him" was sung by the congregation. The session was dismissed in prayer by president, Caroline Hightower.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara Goolsby, Acting Secretary  
Caroline Hightower, President



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### BASIS FOR ASSOCIATIONAL FEE

Membership	Fee
1— 25 .....	\$ 5.00
26— 50 .....	12.00
51—100 .....	15.00
101—125 .....	20.00
125 and above .....	25.00

### ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. **THE BIBLE**—The scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were 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 Scripture 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 nature truly man. The mediator between God and man, one crucified. He is now risen and glorified, and is our 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 arts 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, suffering, death, and resurrection, effected for all a redemption from sin, that is full and free, is the ground of salvation by faith.

8. **TERMS OF SALVATION**—The conditions of salvation are:  
1. Repentance of sincere sorrow for sin and hearty renunciation of it.  
2. Faith of the unswerved committal of one's self to Christ as Saviour and Lord with purpose to love and obey Him in all things. In the exercise of saving faith with the soul renewed by the Holy Spirit freed from domination 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 condition of salvation. Hence by faith in Christ, men become 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

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invites all, the Holy Spirit strives with all, whosoever will may come and take the water of life freely.

12. **PERSERVERANCE**—All believers in Christ, who through grace preserves in holiness to the end of life, have promised of eternal salvation.

13. **GOSPEL ORDINANCES**—Baptism, or immersion of believers in water, and the Lord's Supper are ordinances to be perpetuated under the Gospel: Feet Washing, and ordinances 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 endorses it in Gospel (Mattt. 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." (I Cor. 16:2).

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

16. **RESURRECTION, JUDGMENT AND FINAL RETRIBUTION**—The Scriptures teach the resurrection of all men on 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 abstain from appearances of evil, to abstain 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 of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ."

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for 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 of one another's happiness and reputation, and to seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and so far as we are able promote the success of the church and of the gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principles 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

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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 education 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

We, the Committee on By-Laws recommend the following changes:

Article 1. The Georgia Union Association shall meet quarterly. The last meeting of the year shall be the Annual Session.

Article 2. Every Elder, Minister, Deacon and Board Member in good standing, and delegates shall duly attend.

Article 3. If any member, in the judgement of the Association, shall show anger in his discussion on any subject, shall forfeit his seat in that session of the Association.

Article 4. No member of the Association shall be at liberty to withdraw without leave of the Moderator.

Article 5. The Association shall always adjourn by vote.

Article 6. There shall be a finance committee chosen to work with the treasurer, and report to the Association.

Article 7. The officers and standing committees shall be entitled to seats in the Association.

Article 8. No Elder, Minister, Deacon, Board Member or Delegate, shall be at liberty to fill any place, such as preaching or hearing at the stage, only as liberty shall be given by the Association.

Article 9. The Association shall always open and close with prayer and praise of God.

Article 10. The minutes of the Association shall be signed by the Moderator and Clerk.

Article 11. The Moderator shall read, or have read, the by-laws and Church Covenant at each session of the Association.

Article 12. All church clerks shall furnish the clerk of the Association with three (3) copies of their church letter at the annual session of the Association.

### RULES FOR ORDINATION OF MINISTERS

Revised 1960

1. Applicant shall bear license for not less than one (1) year and shall be recommended to the quarterly conference or association by the church of which he is a member.

2. Be called to one (1) or more churches, except that evidence be shown whereas 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. Ex-



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amination shall be held at the Quarterly meeting or the annual association while in session.

4. Applicant shall meet the qualifications as laid down in the scripture of the Old and New Testaments. Measure up to the Standards of Free Will Baptists and our church covenant, of which have been adopted by this body.

5. These rules may be changed and re-written only by two-thirds (2/3) majority of those voting, for a change, by the Georgia Union Association. The same shall be carried in the minutes of the Georgia Union Association of Free Will Baptists.

### RULES FOR LICENSING OF MINISTERS

Revised 1960

1. Applicant must be a member of church recommending him, and if applicant is coming from another denomination or association, he shall be a member of church recommending him for not less than three (3) months from date receiving letter stating he is in good standing with church, denomination and association he is leaving.

2. Applicant shall be examined and asked the following questions at the quarterly meeting or annual association while in session, by the ordaining council duly elected by the association.

Q. 1 Do you believe and accept the Old and New Testaments as inspired word of God?

Q. 2. Do you believe in baptism by immersion in water?

Q. 3. Do you believe the ordinances of the Lord's Supper and washing of the saints feet?

Q. 4. Do you believe in tithing and offerings as given in the inspired word of God?

Q. 5. Do you believe in the sale of intoxicating beverages?

3. Approved license shall carry the names of the Pastor and Clerk of the church issuing the license.

4. Applicant shall meet the qualifications as laid down in the scripture of the Old and New Testament, measure up to standards of the treatise of the National Association of Free Will Baptists and our church covenant of which have been adopted by this body.

5. No applicant for license to the ministry will be eligible for license if he or she has more than one living husband or wife.

6. These rules may be changed and re-written only by two-thirds (2/3) majority of those voting at a regular session of the Georgia Union Association.

### CONSTITUTION

Article 1. This Meeting or Association shall be called the Georgia Union Association and shall be composed of such regularly organized and disciplined Free Will Baptist Churches conveniently located, as may embody themselves under this constitution.

Article 2. The conference of this body or association shall consist of ministers, deacons, board members in good standing and delegates from the several churches of which it is composed, all of whom shall have voting power. Every church with 50 members or less shall be entitled to three

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(3) delegates, and churches with more than 50 members shall be entitled to three (3) delegates, plus two (2) for each additional 50 members or fraction thereof.

Article 3. The officers of this Association shall be a Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Moderator, Assistant Moderator, and program committee, consisting of The Host Church.

Article 4. Any well organized and well regulated Free Will Baptist Church conforming to the practice and adopting the doctrines of the Free Will Baptist Denomination, as published in the Treatise of their faith and in the Minutes of the National Association and one in favor of all benevolent enterprise of the denomination may at any time on application by two-thirds vote of this body become a member thereof.

Article 5. This association shall have power to discipline the churches of which it is composed and to exclude them for disorderly work, if labor proves unsuccessful but in NO case to reverse their decision NOR interfere with any of their internal regulations.

Article 6. The sessions of this Association shall be held on Saturday before second Sunday in January, April, July and October at which time it shall be the duty of the churches of which this association is composed, to represent themselves by letter and delegates and report their standings, prospects, and statistics, at which time the association shall act upon such questions and topics as may be referred to it by its respective churches and transact such other business not repugnant to this constitution or to the practices of the denomination as in its judgements may promote the cause of Christ and the interest of the churches within the limits of this association.

Article 7. This association shall have power to adopt any regulation or by-aws, not consistant with this constitution, which may be deemed essenital to the further regulation of its session.

Article 8. This constitution shall not be changed or altered except by two-thirds majority of all members present at a regular session. All proposed amendments shall be in writing and shall be read in open session during the first day, then lie on the table until second day, read for second time in open session prior to being considered.

# **GEORGIA UNION ASSOCIATION**

## **CONSTITUTION OF THE GEORGIA UNION BOARD OF MISSIONS OF THE ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS**

### **PREAMBLE**

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

### **ARTICLE I**

**NAME:** This organization shall be known as the Georgia Union Board of Missions of the Original Free Will Baptists.

### **ARTICLE II**

**MEMBERS:** This Board shall be composed of five (5) members. (Members to be elected for a two (2) years period alternation by electing two (2) one year and three (3) the next year so as not to have all new board at any time). Each member must be a member in good standing with the Church that is a member in good standing with the Georgia Union Association. If any member is employed by the board or is called to work with or pastor a Mission or Mission-Church supported by the board, he will make this known to this Association and relinquish his position on the Mission Board. Members elected at the discretion of the Association.

### **ARTICLE III**

**OFFICERS:** Officers of this board shall be Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer elected annually.

### **ARTICLE IV**

**MEETINGS:** This board shall hold four (4) regular meetings each year, to be decided by the board and meetings when necessary to be called by the Chairman.

### **ARTICLE V**

**COMMITTEES:** Committees shall be appointed by the board or its Chairman as needs arise which would demand the work of a Committee.

### **ARTICLE VI**

**REPORTS:** Section 1. This board should report annually to the Georgia Union Association, giving account of all funds received and disbursed and activities of the board during this year and state the objectives and future plans for the following year.

Section 2. The Secretary and Treasurer serving the mission board shall submit written reports to the board members as often as the board may deem it necessary. Also, that reports be submitted through our state publications as often as may be deemed necessary by the board.



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### **ARTICLE VII**

**FINANCE:** This board shall be supported by special offerings, Church, and personal gifts.

### **ARTICLE VIII**

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

**Section 2. CHURCHES:** (A) Any Church receiving financial aid must accept such on conditions agreed upon by the board and the Church.

(B) Any Church finding itself unable to operate as such, may request mission status, or mission church status.

### **BY-LAWS**

#### **DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS**

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

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

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

**Section IV: EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS:** The Chairman shall be ex-officio member of all committees.

### **ARTICLE I**

Voting is restricted to members or their proxies.

**QUORUM:** Three (3) members will compose a quorum.

### **ARTICLE II**

**AMENDMENTS:** This constitution and by-laws may be amended by two-thirds vote of the membership of the Georgia Union Association while in session.

Adopted by the Georgia Union Association, January 9, 1965, at Christian Hill Free Will Baptist Church, in Wilcox County, Rochelle, Georgia.