# 1971

### MINUTES

OF THE

## SEVENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

# GEORGIA UNION ASSOCIATION

## OF THE ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS

HELD WITH

### WHITE OAK CHURCH

Macon, Georgia

Saturday, October 9, 1971

## OFFICERS

Rev. H. D. Faircloth, Moderator Eastr	ian, Ga
Rev. E. E. Kelly, Vice Moderator Hawkinsv	ille, Ga
Rev. Donald W. Moore, Clerk	con, Ga
Hollis Smith, Assistant Clerk Eastn	ıan, Ga
Rev. John F. Cannon, Treasurer Ches	ter, Ga
Rose Cannon, Assistant Treasurer Ches	ster, Ga

#### DATES TO REMEMBER

1st Quarterly Session —January 8, 1972 Wilson Chapel
2nd Quarterly Session—April 8, 1972 Antioch
3rd Quarterly Session—July 8, 1972 Bay Springs
Annual Session—October 14, 1972 Bethlehem
C. T. S. Convention—May 27, 1972 Double Branch
Sunday School Convention—July 29, 1972 Bleckley County
Elementary School

#### 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 acknowledgement in 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. Adjourn.

M/S/C-Moved, seconded and carried.

#### EXECUTIVE BOARD

EXECUTIVE BOARD	
Hollis Smith Eastman,	Ga.
Henry Nobles Chester,	
Emmett Dunaway	
Julian Davis Cochran,	Ga.
Edison Smith Eastman,	
TRUSTEE BOARD	
Horace Hobbs Vienna,	Ga.
Leonard Emerson Macon,	
Arthur Etheridge	
Hezzie Smith Eastman,	
Ross Bennett Chester,	Ga.
ORDAINING COUNCIL	
Rev. Joe England Chester,	Ga,
Rev. Elbert Powell	
Rev. Mance Cason Eastman,	
MISSION BOARD	
James E. Bryant	Ga,
Rev. Donald W. Moore	Ga.
Gerald Brown Rt. 1, Cordele,	Ga.
Rev. L. S. Anthony	Ga.
Donald Self Chester,	Ga.
DIGEST COMMITTEE	
Ross Bennett Chester,	Ga,
W. R. Rogers Chester,	Ga.
Rev. H. E. Bridges Cochran,	Ga.
SUPERANNUATION BOARD	
Emmett Dunaway Unadilla,	
Ernest Barker Rochelle,	
James Johnson Cochran,	Ga.
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD	

Charles Strickland-Emory E. Nobles-Kim Kelly-Rev. Mance Cason Sherman Jones-Harold Johnson-Edward Bruce

#### MINUTES OF THE GEORGIA UNION ASSOCIATION

### NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

Rev. Morgan J. Haynes Rt. 5, Cochran, Ga.	
Rev. Darrell Everson Rt. 3, Vienna, Ga.	
Rev. Ronnie Moore Rt. 6, Eastman, Ga.	
Rev. H. D. Faircloth Rt. 2, Eastman, Ga.	
Rev. Elbert Powell	
Rev. Donald W. Moore	
Rev. Gerald Brown Pineview, Ga.	
Rev. E. E. Kelly	
Rev. N. R. Sullivan Rt. 1, Unadilla, Ga.	
Rev. Mance Cason 6th Ave., Eastman, Ga.	
Rev. James W. Potter	
Rev. W. A. Warren Jessup St., Cochran, Ga.	
Rev. Hoyt Findley	
Rev. John F. Cannon Rt. 1, Chester, Ga.	
Rev. Jimmy Smith Rt. 2, Box 181, Cochran, Ga.	
Rev. Joe England Chester, Ga.	
Rev. W. L. Amerson	
Rev. J. M. Herrold Rt. 3, Vienna, Ga.	
Rev. E. B. Duckworth	
Rev. Joe Owens	
Rev. L. S. Anthony	
Rev. E. L. Hewett P. O. Box 533, Thomaston, Ga.	
Rev. Monroe Winters G. Circle, Thomaston, Ga.	
NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF LICENSED MINISTERS	
Rev. G. G. Hobbs	
Rev. Billy McKenny Rt. 1, Abbeville, Ga.	
Rev. Henry E. Bridges Rt. 2, Cochran, Ga.	
Rev. Charlie Knott Rt. 1, Cordele, Ga.	

#### FIRST QUARTERLY MEETING-1971

January 9, 1971

The first quarterly association meeting convened with Pine Level Church near Chester, Georgia. Session was opened with singing, led by Rev. Ronnie Moore and prayer by Bro. Sherman Jones.

Welcome extended by Rev. Joe England, pastor of host church.

Moderator declared session in order. Devotion was brought by Rev. E. E. Kelly; scripture was 1st verse of Psalms 23, challenging each of us to really let the Lord be our Shepherd. Visitors recognized by moderator.

Minutes of previous meeting were read. Moved, seconded, and carried to accept minutes as read. Church Letters received and delegates read by clerk. Moved, seconded, and carried to seat delegates present and any that may come in later.

Moved, seconded, and carried to use program outline by host church as outline. Church covenant was read by Bro. Harold Johnson.

Bro. Harold Dunaway and Bro. Edward Bruce appointed to serve on finance committee with Treasurer, Bro. John Cannon.

Report on Harvest Day Drive was given by Bro. Sherman Jones, stating that this was the most successful drive ever undertaken. Moved, seconded, and carried to appoint Bro. Mance Cason as chairman of this year's Harvest Day Drive.

Moved, seconded, and carried to accept report and release committee to contact Bro. Charles Clark. Report as follows:

Bro. Clark was contacted by your committee November 11, 1970. We asked him why he had not been attending our meetings, and he indicated he had been real sick. We asked him if there was anything that the Georgia Union Association could do to help him and his family; he said no that we should have come sooner when he needed help. Other churches have been helping them, and they had been attending services with them. We asked him and his family to come back to our meeting, and he said he would.

Submitted by,
BRO. ERNEST COLLINS
BRO. DONALD SELF
BRO. JOE OWENS

Moved, seconded, and carried that clerk write Bro. Clark a letter of apology and that moderator and clerk deliver this letter in person.

Moved, seconded ,and carried that committee report on ministers coming from another association be tabled until next session.

Moved, seconded ,and carried that Ordaining Council be allowed to sit in with this commtitee.

Moved ,seconded, and carried that above committee will spell out specific duties of various officers of association.

Moved, seconded, and carried to grant Rev. Floyd Seay letter of recommendation.

Moved, seconded, and carried that clerk be given authority to purchase a metal filing cabinet for purpose of keeping important papers.

Moved, seconded, and carried that chairman appoint a committee to get important papers and turn over to clerk. Appointed were Bro. Cason, Bro. Faircloth, and Bro. Powell.

Moved, seconded, and carried to adjourn morning session and enter into worship service.

Special singing was rendered by a group from Wilson's Chapel.

Bro. Morris, our state missionary, brought the morning message, scripture taken from Exodus 18:13-24, a very inspiring message.

Afternoon session was opened with singing led by Rev. Ronnie Moore and prayer by Bro. Harold Johnson.

Moved, seconded, and carried to accept Digest Committee report as fellows:

Churches reporting	16
Members received	17
Baptized	7
Auxiliary	40
Members lost	24
Disbursements	
Offering \$18,755	.36

Submitted by,

REV. JIMMY SMITH

BRO. HAROLD JOHNSON

BRO. HERSHEL JOHNSON

Report of Mission Board was given by Bro. Earl Bryant. Bro. John Cannon reported that at present he did not need assistance from Mission Board. Bro. Anthony asked that each church support our Mission Board with at least \$5.00 per month.

Bro. Bill Amerson gave a report concerning the deeds to the Warner Robins Church. He stated all of past board members have signed all legal papers except one member, and he was to do so Monday. The deed could then be turned over to Trustee Board for deeding said property to Warner Robins Church.

Financial report of Mission Board was given by Bro. Donald Self, stating that Board had \$1,167.34 in treasury. Moved, seconded, and carried to accept report.

Bro. Jones gave a report concerning "Dollar-Per-Schooler", a fund raising for Bible College. Awards were given to various churches that met or exceeded their quota. Also mentioned was the teacher training course to be held at New Hope Free Will Baptist Church.

Moved, seconded, and carried to accept finance report as for	ollows:
Balance in treasury	\$198.00
From churches	158.00
Offering	
Total	\$406.11

BRO. JOHN CANNON
BRO. HAROLD DUNAWAY
BRO. EDWARD BRUCE

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Bro. Morris gave a report concerning starting a mission in Statesboro, Ga. Financial support and prayers were needed.

Bro. Truluck, our state promotional secretary, challenged our hearts about a complete revival in our own hearts.

Clean-up day at Camp Mt. Bethel will be March 6, 1971; camp is in need of recreational facilities. Sunday, January 17, was to be Bible Sunday for Braziel. A Brazilian Bible could be purchased for 25.

Moved, seconded, and carried to give host church a rising vote of thanks for their fine hospitality.

Moved, seconded, and carried that Bro. Johnson be given the responsibility of taking care of the P. A. system.

Moved, seconded, and carried that all ministers and board members' address and phone number be included in the minutes.

Moved, seconded, and carried to accept Ordaining Council report as follows: We recommend that Bro. Russell Horne and Bro. E. E. Kelly be accepted into the fellowship of this association with all the rights of any member. We further recommend that Bro. Winter be ordained at our next session.

Submitted by, BRO. ELBERT POWELL BRO. J. M. HARRELL BRO. MANCE CASON

Moved, seconded, and carried to adjourn.

Submitted by,

REV. JOE OWENS, Moderator

REV. DONALD MOORE, Clerk

#### SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING—1971

April, 10, 1971

The Second Session of the Georgia Union Association convened at Pleasant Hill Free Will Baptist Church. It was opened with singing led by Bro. Sherman Jones and prayer by Bro. Barker.

Devotion was given by Bro. McDuffie. Scripture was taken from Psalms 15, very inspiring devotion.

Letters received and delegates read by clerk.

Moved, seconded, and carried to seat delegates present and any that may come in later. Church covenant read by Bro. Kelly.

Minutes were read by clerk. Moved, seconded, and carried to accept minutes as read.

Bro. Joe England and Bro. Barker were appointed to serve on Finance Committee with Bro. John Cannon.

Moved, seconded, and carried that office of Bro. J. M. Herrold be declared vacant.

Moved, seconded, and carried that moderator appoint committee to find unexpired term of Bro. J. M. Herrold. Appointed were: Bro. Horne, Bro. Self and Bro. Cason.

Moved, seconded, and carried to remove from table the committee concerning ministers.

Moved, seconded, and carried to accept report of committee on ministers as given.

Moved, seconded, and carried to table committee report until afternoon session.

Oral report was given by Bro. Powell on important papers.

Moved, seconded, and carried after clerk told of cost of metal cabinet to purchase one for \$51.38.

Moved, seconded, and carried that moderator appoint someone to bring morning message. Bro. Horne appointed.

Bro. Amerson led prayer to end business session.

Bro. Horne used as scripture II Peter 3:12-15, a very inspiring message on remembrance.

The afternoon session opened with singing led by Bro. Horne and prayer by Bro. England.

Report of committee to fill Bro. J. M. Herrold's office was made. Bro. Joe England recommended by committee.

Moved, seconded, and carried that Bro. Joe England finish out unexpired term of Ordaining Council.

Afternoon devotion was given by Bro. James Shield using scripture from Matthew 28:19-20, challenging us to put our lives on line for Jesus.

Moved, seconded, and car	ried to accept	Digest Commit	tee's report:
Members received			30
Members lost		• • • • • • • • • • • • • •	1
Auxiliary			36
Disbursements			\$15,925.91
Offering		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	\$17,733,49

#### Submitted by,

REV. JIMMY SMITH

BRO. HERSHEL JOHNSON

BRO. HAROLD JOHNSON

Moved, seconded,	and carried	to accept	Finance	Committee's	report:
Balance in treasury			• • • • • • • • •		\$ 29.63
Received from churc	<b>h</b>		• • • • • • • •		148.00
Offering	·		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		. 28.21
Total					\$205.84

Moved, seconded, and carried to remove item concerning ministers from table for discussion. Moved, seconded, and carried to adopt items concerning ministers and to be known as "Rules for Calling Pastors" and

to be made a permanent part of minutes. Report as follows:

#### RULES FOR CALLING PASTORS

1. Any church in the Georgia Union Association or mission supported by said association upon calling a pastor from another association.

The pastor is required to bring or get a letter from the association he is leaving, stating that he is in good standing with the association and present the letter to the church or mission calling him.

The individual churches are to familiarize themselves with rule for licensing of ministers and are required to ask him the same questions,

even though he may or may not be coming for License.

If there is any question concerning his doctrine or his character, the church or mission calling him is to recommend him to the association to be examined by ordaining council or if association has any question concerning the pastor's doctrine or character, the association may request the pastor to be examined by majority present at association. It is the responsibility of the church or mission calling a pastor under the above conditions to inform him of the required information to present the church or mission calling him as pastor.

- II. No pastor or minister in the Georgia Union Association can hold license or ordination papers from another denomination and be in good standing with this association. All license or ordination papers must be turned over to association. Clerk may destroy them or return them to denomination issuing them.
- III. Any courch or mission petitioning Georgia Union Association for membership when examined and found in order, the church or mission and pastor may be received together. Where there is not an association to recommend them or association has disbanded, there is no waiting period required.

If there are any questions concerning the church, mission or pastor, the association may receive the church, mission or pastor under the watch-care of said association until question or questions are settled. If no agreement can be reached, the association may remove the church, mission or pastor from the association roll by majority vote present at association meeting.

Moved, seconded, and carried that clerk send copies of above report to each church.

Moved, seconded, and carried to release committee concerning ministers.

Moved, seconded, and carried if clerk has any expenses of report that bill be presented to treasury.

Moved, seconded, and carried that oral report of Mission Board and Treasury report as follows be received:

Moved, seonded ,and carried to adopt Ordaining report as follows:

- 1. We recommend that Bro. Bridges license be re-newed for another year.
- We recommend that Bro. James Shields be officially acepted into the association at the July session at which time he will have been pastoring in the association for over 3 months.
- 3. Inasmuch as Bro. Winters is not present to be ordained today, we recommend that his ordination be postponed until he appears before council for re-examination.

REV. ELBERT POWELL REV. MANCE CASON REV.JOE ENGLAND Resolution submitted to association by First Eastman Church as follows asking that a promotional secretary for association be elected whose duty shall be to publish a monthly news letter about association activities.

Moved, seconded, and carried that promotional secretary be elected.

Moved, seconded, and carried amendment to the effect that Executive Committee will take study of this resolution & report back at next session.

Moved, seconded, & carried that all officers be a part of this committee Moved, seconded, and carried that Trustee Board work with Warner Robins Church about deeds and have a reversing clause.

Moved, seconded, and carried that Board of Trustees be in charge of preparing and getting charter for Georgia Union Association.

Moved, seconded, and carried that clerk be given authority to have minutes printed wherever it's the cheapest and quickest in order that minutes will be available at first quarterly meeting.

Moved, seconded, and carried that this body give a rising vote of thanks to host church for their fine hospitality. Moved, seconded, and carried to adjourn.

Respectively submitted, REV. JOE OWENS, Moderator REV. DONALD MOORE, Clerk

#### THIRD QUARTERLY MEETING-1971

July 10, 1971

The Third Quarterly Session of the Georgia Union Association convened at Warner Robins Church. This session was opened with singing led by Bro. James Shield. Welcome to association meeting was extended by Bro. Shield, pastor of church.

Devotion was brought by Bro. Donald Moore using scripture taken from I Peter 4:18.

Session was declared in order by moderator with prayer by Rev. Joe England. List of delegates was read by clerk.

Moved, seconded, and carried to seat delegates present and any that may come in later.

Bro. Kelly and Bro. James Johnson volunteered to serve on Finance Committee with treasurer, Bro. John Cannon.

The minutes of the second quarterly association meeting were read by the clerk and adopted as read. The church covenant was read by moderator.

Bro. Ross Bennett gave a report about the charter for association and the deed to the Warner Robins Church. He stated that the deed is ready to be signed and turned over to said church upon receiving address of each board member.

Moved, seconded, and carried that Trustee Board be released from committee on getting charter and turn this matter over to the Executive Committee along with the moderator and clerk.

No action was taken concerning promotional secretary by the Executive Committee.

Moved, seonded, and carried that this item be tabled until afternoon

session and for this to be discussed during lunch period by committee.

Moved, seconded, and carried that Bro. Shield be allowed to excuse himself from afternoon session.

Bro. Billy McKinney to serve on Digest Committee.

Moved, seconded, and carried to adjourn from morning business session and enter into worship hour.

Morning message was brought by Bro. Mance Cason. Scripture was taken from II Timothy 4:1-5. The theme of the message was to quit compromising and preach the word.

The afternoon session was opened with singing and prayer by Rev. E. Kelly. Special singing was rendered by a group of young people from Wilson Chapel Church.

The afternoon devotion was given by Bro. Howard Faircloth.

By-laws were read by Bro. Faircloth.

Moved, seconded, and carried to take item concerning promotional secretary for association from table for discussion and action. Said item was voted to go in effect. Bro. Charles Strickland was nominated. Moved, seconded, and carried that nominations cease and Bro. Strickland be elected by acclamation. Moved, seconded, and carried that Bro. Strickland be re-imbursed for his expenses at the next session.

Committee for yearly association was appointed as follows:

Nominating Committee-Little Bethel.

Christian Education-Wilson Chapel.

Master's Men—Pine Level.

C. T. S.—First Eastman.

Sunday School—New Ebenezer.

Woman's Auxiliary-White Oak.

Superannuation—Double Branch.

Oral report from Mission Board was given by Bro. Anthony. He stated that the Mission Board was assuming rent of Dublin Mission as of July 1 and that New Ebenezer should be commended for what they have done for the mission. Oral treasury report of Mission Board was given by Bro. Donald Self.

Finance Committee report was given as follows:
Balance in treasury \$80.37
Received from churches
Total \$248.37
Submitted by,
BRO. JOHN CANNON
BRO. E. E. KELLY
BRO. JAMES JOHNSON
Moved, seconded, and carried to accept Finance Committee's report.
Moved, seconded, and carried to receive Digest Committee report:
Members received 26
Members lost
Auxiliaries
Offerings \$17,933.26

> Submitted by, BRO. BILLY McKINNEY BRO. HAROLD JOHNSON BRO. JIMMY SMITH

Report of Sunday School Board was given by Bro. Sherman Jones: Whereas our Lord commissioned His followers to "Go . . . . teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you", Matt. 28:19-20 and whereas, both Old and New Testaments emphasize the importance of faithfully teaching the word of God, which is the only way of truth and life, be it therefore resolved that the Christian Education Board of the Georgia Union Association of Free Will Baptists be charged with the responsibility of making a study of our present Christian Education Program and report the results of their study to the next session of this association and be it resolved that a constitution be written pointing out specific duties and function of said Board.

Submitted by, BRO. SHERMAN JONES BRO CHARLES STRICKLAND

Moved, seconded, and carried to adopt above report.

Moved, seconded, and carried that Sunday School Board and C. T. S. work together on Christian Education until annual session.

Report from state office was given by Bro. Pirtle, substituting for Bro. Truluck.

Move, seconded, and carried to accept Ordaining Council report as follows and to adjourn after ordination service:

We recommend that Bro. Monroe Winter be ordained at this session of the association today. We further recommend that Bro. Shield and Bro. L. R. Lightfoot be accepted into the association with all rights of any member belonging thereto.

> Submitted by, REV. ELBERT POWELL REV. JOE ENGLAND REV. MANCE CASON

Moved, seconded, and carried that body give the church a rising vote of thanks for their fine hospitality. Adjourned after ordination service.

Submitted by,
REV. JOE OWENS, Moderator
REV. DONALD MOORE, Clerk
ANNUAL SESSION—1971

October 9, 1971

The Annual Session of the Georgia Union Association convened at White Oak Free Will Baptist Church. The session was opened with singing led by Rev. Russell Horne and prayer by Rev. James Potter. Welcome was extended by Host pastor, Rev. Joe Owens.

Business session was opened with prayer by Rev. E. E. Kelly.

Morning devotion was delivered by Rev. Joe England. Scripture was used from Genesis 32:24-28, theme: Seeking God's Blessing and Holy Power.

Moved, seconded, and carried to adopt program outline and follow closely as possible.

Bro. James Lawhorn and Bro. Ernest Barker were appointed to serve on Finance Committee with Treasurer, Rev. John F. Cannon.

Bro. Emmett Dunaway and Bro. Donald Self were appointed to serve on Digest Committee.

Church covenant and by-laws were read by clerk. Moved, seconded, and carried to adopt minutes as read.

Clerk read list of delegates. Moved, seconded, and carried to seat delegates.

Move, seconded, and carried to accept treasury report of Mission Board as follows:

Balance brought forward	\$1,064.22
Churches and individual offerings	721.93
Georgia Union Association	279.07
Total Expenses (Rent—Dublin Mission)	240.00
Balance in treasury	\$1,853.97

Moved, seconded, and carried to accept Christian Education Board report along with constitution. (See constitution)

Change of meeting date for Sunday School Convention was discussed. Moved, seconded, and carried to table item until afternoon session.

Moved, seconded, and carried to adjourn from morning business session and enter into worship hour. Morning message was delivered by Rev. James Shield. Scripture was Acts 11:26, a very inspiring message and a challenge for each of us to live a life which represents Christ.

Afternoon session convened with singing led by Rev. Russell Horne and prayer by Bro. Ernest Barker. Afternoon devotion was given by Rev. Hoyt Findley. Scripture was Colossians 3:1-3, challenging each of us to set our mind on things above.

Moved, seconded, and carried to take item on by-laws of Sunday School off table for discussion. Article III to read last Saturday of July instead of last Sunday.

Moved, seconded, and carried to accept Sunday School report as follows: We, the committee, urge every church to select teachers that meet the qualifications as laid down in the scripture. They are to observe and comply with the articles of faith and church covenant. We urge every teacher to use the Bible as their guide and not the commentator text. We recommend that all teachers take some type of instruction in teaching methods such as "Commission to Communicate", Bible study course.

#### Submitted by, NEW EBENEZER CHURCH

Moved, seconded, and carried to accept Master's Men report as follows: We, your Master's Men Committee, find that only about 10% of our

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CHURCHES	Clerks & Addresses	Pastors & Addresses	Meetin Days	mbe	L'Je Smi	Total Member	Co. Up Flan	Litera	Buildi and Repair	Evang. Work	Paid	Assoc. Fee	Total
ANTIOCH	Mrs. Naida Johnson Rt. 2, Pitts, Ga. 31072	Rev. Emmett McDuffie Rt. 2, Rochelle, Ga. Phone 365-2669	ALL	0	0	12	<b>\$</b> 0	\$ ?	\$ None	\$ ?	\$ ?	\$ ?	\$
BAY SPRINGS	Hollis Smith Rt. 5, Eastman, Ga.	Rev. Elbert Powell Rt. 1, Chester, Ga. Phone 934-2655	ALL	4	9	66	50.00	150.84	840.00	205.00	1,244.00	15.00	3,
BETHLEHEM	Mrs. Shirley Calhoun Rt. 1, Cordele, Ga.	Rev. Lee Roy Lightfoot Rt. 1, Doerun, Ga. Phone 776-4106	1&3	8	10	41	0	101.28	117.74	160.41	633.40	12.00	1,
BEULAH SPRINGS	Mrs. Evelyn Cannon Rt. 1, Chester, Ga.	Rev. Donald W. Moore 4040 Lafayette Dr., Macon, Ga. Phone 788-8260	1,2, 3&4	4	1	29	128.52	44.89	0	400.00	675.00	12.00	1,
CALVARY	Jeanette Culpepper 3253 Apache Dr. Columbus, Ga.	Rev. Russell Horne 3918 Reese Rd., Columbus, Ga.	ALL	. 7	0	88	0	450.00	41163.00	120.00	3,900.00	15.00	10,
CHRISTIAN HILL	E. J. Barker P. O. Box 245, Rochelb, Ga.	Rev. Gerald Brown P.O.Box 42, Pineview, Ga. Phone 624-2711	ALL	1	6	139	262.84	136.14	236.12	170.00	2,195.00	25.00	3,
DOUBLE BRANCH	Mrs. H. E. Dunaway Rt.l, Unadilla, Ga.	Rev. E. E. Kelly Rt.3, Hawkinsville, Ga. Phone 892-9942	ALL	15	4	135	244.90	315.28	5,316.75	310.00	4,075.00	20.00	12,
DUBLIN MISSION	Mrs. Ruby Purser 211 Mitchell St., Dublin, Ga.	Rev. John F. Cannon Rt. 1, Chester, Ga. Phone 358-4458	ALL	17	0	17	0	84.00	0	350.00	100.00	5.00	
EASTMAN FIRST	Bobbye F. Smith (Miss) Rt. 4, Eastman, Ga.	Rev. Mance R. Cason 816 Sixth Ave., Eastman, Ga. Phone 374-4702	ALL	0	1	33	10.00	412.77	2,457.00	130.00	2,760.00	12.00	7,
LITTLE BETHEL	Robert Rogers Rt. 1, Chester, Ga.	Rev. James W. Potter 2762 Lakeshore Dr., Macon, Ga. Phone 746-1529	ALL	0	2	102	192.00	156.00	784.00	475.00	2,175.00	20.00	5,
MT. ARARAT	Mrs. Ila Mae Johnson Rt. 3, Eastman, Ga.	Rev. Ronnie Moore Rt., 6, Eastman, Ga. Phone 374-2965	ALL	2	3	21	315.44	121.93	673.73	110.00	1,425.00	5.00	2,
NEW-EBENEZER	Mrs. John F. Ross Rt. 3, Cochran, Ga.	Rev. Hoyt Findley 100 Eleanor Circle Warner Robins, Ga. Ph. 922-5601	ALL	3	8	56	144.00	468.95	0	485.00	2,975.00	15.00	9,
NEW HOPE	Mrs. Myrtle Howell Empire, Ga.	Rev. L. L. Sapp 1121 Jewel Dr., Perry, Ga. Phone 987-3126	ALL	9	2	38	262.00	308.23	1,152.33	65.00	1,300.00	12.00	3,
PINE LEVEL	W. H. Nobles Rt. 1, Chester, Ga.	Rev. Joe England Rt. 1, Chester, Ga. Phone 358-4477	ALL	16	1	107	300.00	250.64	935.61	200.00	3,900.00	15.00	6,
PLEASANT HILL	Mrs. Viola Hunt 713-13th Ave., Cordele, Ga.	Rev. Darrell Emerson Rt. 3, Vienna, Ga. Phone 268-8746	ALL	3	6	132	173.90	87.28	0	125.00	3,115.00	15.00	4,
WARNER ROBINS	Mrs. Martha Brown 226 Delaware Ave. Warner Robins, Ga.	Rev. James E. Shield 104 Phillip Dr. Warner Robins, Ga. Ph. 923-489	ALL	2	0	39	164.95	47.62	326.97	0	1,500.00	10.00	3,
WHITE OAK	Mrs. Minnie Faircloth Box 70B, Rt.1 Lizella, Ga.	Rev. Joe Owens 2560 Echols Pl., Macon, Ga. Phone 781-1846	ALL	29	10	151	480.00	524.26	72.36	165.00	532.00	25.00	12,
WILSON CHAPEL	Mrs. Clara Wilson Rt. 1, Box 21 Thomaston, Ga.	Rev. L. S. Anthony Rt. 3, Thomaston, Ga. Phone 647-3885	ALL	6	0	58	122.00	150.01	48.07	101.20	884.00	15.00	2,

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churches have reported having Master's Men during the last associational year.

We recommend that our association set a goal for each church in our association to organize a Master's Men during this associational year. There is so much that we can do through our Master's Men if we work together in the Lord.

Submitted by, REV. JOE R. ENGLAND PINE LEVEL CHURCH

Moved, seonded, and carried to accept C. T. S. report as follows: "Be thou strong, and show thyself a man", I Kings 2:2. Jesus chose His disciples and spent more than three years training them for ser-

His disciples and spent more than three years training them for service. If those who were directly called of the Lord and followed Him during His earthly ministry needed training, to be sure today's Christian must be trained to effectively carry on the Lord's work. Such training will also help the individual Christian to "Be strong and show himself a man in service for God". The Church Training Service provides Free Will Baptists with a well-rounded training program for all groups. No church should do less than make full use of the C. T. S. training program.

# Respectively submitted, FIRST EASTMAN FWB CHURCH

Moved, seconded, and carried to accept Christian Education report as follows:

Proverbs 22:6 says, "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it." God firmly stated that we are to teach our children the truths of the Bible. Christian Education in the home is the beginning of this responsibility for Christian parents in our denomination. Unfortunately, many children attending our churches do not come from Christian homes. Thus begins the role of our churches. We should above all else devote our time, efforts and money to strengthen the Sunday School, Youth Camp and Bible Colleges. We also feel that our high school graduates should seriously consider spending at least one year at our Bible College. If one does this, he will be prepared to meet the many temptations he will encounter if he plans to attend a secular college afterwards.

If we fail in the area of Christian Education, we will not have the firmly grounded spiritual leaders for our churches that we so desperately need now and in the years to come. Our children are there, are you willing to accept the challenge?

> Submitted by, REV. L. S. ANTHONY, Pastor WILSON CHAPEL

Moved, seconded and carried to accept Digest Committee report:	
Churches reporting	
Full- time churches	16
Part-time church	1

Sunday School		
C. T. S		. 10
Woman's Auxiliary		
Master's Men	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	. 2
Churches having parsonages		
Members received		126
Members lost		63
Increase of 63		
Total offering received	\$88,69	90.70
Total expenditures	•	
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Submitted by,

BRO. EMMETT DUNAWAY

BRO. DONALD SELF

BRO. HAROLD JOHNSON

Moved, seconded, and carried to accept Superannuation Committee report as follows:

Georgia Union Superannuation Board is paying two (2) retired ministers \$20.00 each per quarter. This is a total of \$160.00 paid out annually. We have donations from five churches. We believe this coming year we can increase our quarterly gifts to these two men by \$5.00 each. We encourage each church to contribute to this cause that we might do more.

Respectively in God, H. E. DUNAWAY DOUBLE BRANCH CHURCH

Oral report of Mission Board was given by Rev. L. S. Anthony. He stated that the Board would continue to pay rent for Dublin Mission for another quarter. He also stated that it might be possible to start a Mission in Macon.

Bro. Pirtle, substituting for Bro. Truluck, gave a report from the state office. He gave certificates to various churches that gave to the cooperative plan. He also said that Mt. Ararat was the top-giving church in our association and second in the state.

Moved, seconded, and carried to back a move by the state promotional office to have a downtown bookstore.

Moved, seconded, and carried to accept Ordaining Council report: We, the Ordaining Council, recommend that Bro. Billy McKinney and Bro. G. G. Hobbs be relicensed to preach the gospel for another year.

Submitted by,

REV. JOE ENGLAND REV. ELBERT POWELL REV. MANCE CASON

Moved, seconded, and carried that Ordaining Council draw up a set of guidelines for licenses and ordaining ministers and present them at a later session.

Moved, seconded, and carried to accept Finance Committee's	report:
Balance from last July	\$ 28.95
Total offering	834.42

Total	•••••••••••••	\$863.37
Expenses:	some some som and an analysis of the sound o	
Minutes		\$275.00
File Cabinet		51.38
Paid Moderator	••••••	40.00
Paid Clerk		60.03
Paid Mission Board	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	318.02
Total	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	744.40
Balance in treasury	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	\$118.97
	REV. JOHN F. CANNON, Treasurer	• .
We, your Finance Cor	nmittee, wish to make the following repo	ort:
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Moved, seconded, and carried to accept report of state of churches and characters of ministers as follows:

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 in order.

We recommend that the annual ministerial certificates be submitted to the annual association with the church letters and all churches whose pasors have not appeared before the Ordaining Council may appear before the Ordaining Council at the request of the association.

> Submitted by, BRO. DONALD SELF BRO. ERNEST L. COLLINS BRO. CARL GAY

Moved, seconded, and carried to accept Woman's Auxiliary report: The Georgia Union Woman's Auxiliary held its regular annual meeting September 18 at Pine Level. Six Auxiliaries reported with a present enrollment of 51. Those churches with auxiliaries reporting were: Double Branch, First Eastman, New Hope, Pine Level, Pleasant Hill and White Oak. We encourage every church to organize an auxiliary and to participate in the Georgia Union and Georgia State Auxiliaries. The giving through the auxiliary during the past year was as follows:

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Pre-season of prayer	\$165.86
Co-laborer offering	25.00
Student loan fund	12.0
WNAC Emphasis Month	14.00
W. A. Retreat	30.07
State project—Westfield Ministry	220.63
Statesboro Mission	15.0C

Priniting of minutes	40.00
Priniting of minutes  Miscellaneous expenses	55.92
Per capita due to State Convention	51.00
	\$634.00

## Submitted by, WHITE OAK CHURCH

Report from Georgia Union Association promotional secretary on expenses for the past quarter were \$24.60.

#### Submitted by, BRO. CHARLES STRICKLAND

Moved, seconded, and carried that nominating cease and elect Rev. E. E. Kelly to serve on the State Superannuation Board.

Rev. Howard Faircloth was elected to serve on State Budgeting Board. Volunteering to serve as delegates to State Association are: Bro. Ross Bennett, Sis. L. S Anthony and Bro. E. J. Barker.

Moved, seconded, and carried to extend the host church a rising vote of thanks for their fine hospitality.

Moved, seconded, and carried to retain promotional secretary officer. Elected as follows:

Moderator	Rev. H. D. Faircloth
Vice Moderator	Rev. E. E. Kelly
Clerk	Rev. Donald W. Moore
Assistant Clerk	Bro. Hollis Smith
Treasurer	Rev. John F. Cannon
Assistant Treasurer	Sis. Rose Cannon
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Rev. Mance R. Cason re-elected to serve on Ordaining Council.

Bro. Edison Smith retained on Executive Committee.

#### REPORT FROM SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

#### **OFFICERS:**

President	Charles Strickland
Vice President	Edward Bruce
Secretary and Treasurer	. Harold Dunaway
Moved seconded and carried to change convention	n date to last Sat-

urday in July beginning at 5:00 P. M.

Moved, seconded, and carried that Sunday School members should not be taken off Sunday School roll except by death, moved, joined another Sunday School or by their request. If none of these apply, they are still prospects.

Twenty-three (23) of our teachers now have teacher certificates from the Sunday School department.

The 1972 meeting will be at Bleckley County Elementary School, the last Saturday in July beginning at 5:00 P. M. Please bring a covered dish.

Moved, seconded, and carried to adjourn. Adjourned with prayer by Rev. Russell Horne.

Respectively submitted,
REV. JOE OWENS, Moderator
REV. DONALD MOORE, Clerk

#### BASIS FOR ASSOCIATIONAL FEE

Membership	Fee
1— 25	. \$ 5.00
26— 50	
51—100	
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 commital 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

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 with-draw 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. Examination shall be held at the Quartery 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 scrip ture of the Old and New Testament, measure up to standards of the treastise 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 elegible 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 (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 comforming 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-laws, not consistant with this constitution, which may be deemed essential 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.

# 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.

#### 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 exofficio 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.

# CONSTITUTION OF THE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD GEORGIA UNION ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

#### **PREAMBLE**

The purpose of this board shall be to promote and execute all phases of Christian Education as set forth in this Constitution and as may be delegated to the board by the Georgia Union Association.

#### ARTICLE I

NAME. The name af this board shall be known as the Board of Christian Education of the Georgia Union Association.

#### ARTICLE II

MEMBERS: This board shall consist of seven (7) members.

#### ARTICLE III

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

#### ARTICLE IV

MEETINGS: This board shall hold two meetings a year to be decided by Board, and meetings when necessary to be called by chairman.

#### ARTICLE V

COMMITTEES: Committees shall be appointed by the chairman as needs arise which would demand the work of a committee.

#### ARTICLE VI

#### **REPORTS:**

Section I This board shall make a written report at each session of the association, outlining the board's immediate activities and future plans.

Section II The Secreatry-Treasurer shall provide the promotional secretary with a copy of each report of the board so that upcoming activities may be published in the association's newsletter.

#### ARTICLE VII

This board shall be supported by the quota of finances alloted to them by the Georgia Union Association, gifts from churches, registration fees from workshops, etc., and personal gifts.

#### **BY-LAWS**

#### **DUTIES OF OFFICERS:**

Section I Chairman shall preside over each meeting according to established parlimentary usage and appoint all committees. He shall have

the right to call meetings when necessary. He shall be an ex-officio member of all committees.

Section II The Vice-Chairman shall serve in the full capacity of the chairman when the chairman is absent or unable to serve.

Section III Secretary-Treasurer shall keep the minutes of board meetings and shall make the reports as outlined in Article VI, and is responsible for receiving and disbursing all finances of this board.

Section IV Four members shall compose a quorum.

Section V Members—This board shall be composed of representatives of Sunday School Convention, C. T. S. Convention, Youth for Christ Rally, one minister, and three members at large. All members shall be elected by the association.

Section VI Duties of Board—This board shall have the general oversight and responsibility of all Christian Education endeavors of the Georgia Union Association: Namely, Sunday School, C. T. S., Youth for Christ Rallies, retreats, youth camps, workshops, seminars, teacher training courses, etc.

Section VII If a member of this board fails to serve, the board may declare his office vacant and ask the executive Committee of the Georgia Union Association for an immediate replacement.

Section VIII This constitution and by-laws may be amended by a majority vote by the association.

We, your committee selected to write a constitution for the Christian Education Board, do make a motion that this constitution be adopted and printed in the minutes.

CHARLES STRICKLAND EMORY E. NOBLES JAMES E. BRUCE HAROLD JOHNSON HAROLD DUNAWAY CHARLENE DUNAWAY

We further suggest the following people to serve on this board the first year: Emory E. Nobles, Charles Strickland, Kim Kelly, Mance Cason, Sherman Jones, Harold Johnson, Edward Bruce.

# GEORGIA UNION ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS 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 Saturday in July at 5:00 P. M.

#### 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 the treasury.
- 4. The offering received by the officers shall be turned over to the secretary-treasurer & 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.