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MINUTES
OF THE
EIGHTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
GEORGIA UNION ASSOCIATION
OF THE
ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS
HELD WITH
CROSSROADS CHURCH
Near Cochran, Georgia
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10, 1981

— OFFICERS —

Rev. Billy Sharpston Moderator
Rev. Larry Williams Assistant Moderator
Charles Strickland Clerk
Rev. Ronnie Lawson. Assistant Clerk
Ernest Barker Treasurer
Emory E. Nobles Assistant Treasurer

DATES TO REMEMBER

1st Quarterly Session – January 9, 1981	Christian Hill
2nd Quarterly Session – April 10, 1982	Double Branch
3rd Quarterly Session – July 10, 1982	First Eastman
Annual Session – October 9, 1982	Little Bethel
Sunday School Convention – July 31, 1982	First Eastman
Woman’s Auxiliary – September 18, 1982	Double Branch

**RECOMMENDED 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

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Rev. Elbert Powell	Rt. 1, Chester, Ga. 31012	934-2655

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* Officers and Board Members to be retained or replaced at next Annual Session.

(1) Board Chairman

MINISTERS ON ROLL

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Bridges, Rev. Henry E.	Cochran, Ga. 31014	934-2369
Duckworth, Rev. E. B.	406 Story Rd., W. Robins 31093	923-6882
Haynes, Rev. Morgan J.	Rt. 4, Cochran, Ga. 31014	934-7019

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LICENSED MINISTERS:

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(expires July, 1982)		
Dorris, Rev. Roger Lee	503 Vandenberg, W. Robins, Ga.	923-6032
(expires October, 1982)		

MINISTERS NOT IN FULL FELLOWSHIP (By-Law No. 4):

Scott, Rev. David	1905 Miles St., Coperas Cove, Texas
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*Pastors

GEORGIA UNION ASSOCIATION

January Session

The first quarter session convened with Bay Springs Church on January 10, 1981. Singing was led by Rev. Ronnie Moore and prayer by Rev. C. B. Dowdney. Welcome was extended by host pastor, Rev. Ronnie Moore. The morning devotion was brought by Rev. Tony Howell, using I Kings 17:1-7 as scripture text. The church covenant was read by Rev. James Roland and by-laws were read by Rev. Ronnie Moore.

M/S/C to adopt program as a guide.

M/S/C to seat delegates as read by clerk.

Roll call of ministers indicated 18 ministers on roll were present.

M/S/C moderator appoint committees needed. Clyde Martin and Donald Self appointed to Finance Committee.

M/S/C to adopt minutes of last session as read by clerk.

M/S/C to reelect Rev. Donald Moore, Rev. Charles Hardeman, and Frank McKinney to Nominating Committee.

Clerk read the following Executive Board report:

Your executive board met on 1/2/81 with seven (7) members present. After discussing the need for the Ordaining Council to examine candidates in some instances at times other than regular sessions, M/S/C to change the last sentence in Item No. 3 in the Rules for Ordination of Ministers to read "Examination shall be held at the discretion of the Ordaining Council."

Your executive board recommends the following change in our constitution in Article 5, Section 5: (A) The executive board shall be the program committee and shall be responsible for the speakers and program outline. (B) The member churches normally rotate alphabetically in hosting this association but may ask to be excused for cause.

M/S/C to table until afternoon.

Rev. C. B. Dowdney gave a report of state work.

Moderator read the following letter from Christian Hill Church:

Christian Hill Church voted to withdraw from this association in conference on 10/22/80. Christian Hill Church voted to rejoin this association in conference on 11/26/80. Christian Hill Church voted in conference on 12/31/80 to dismiss all members that had a part in voting the church out of the association including Rev. Joe Owens.

M/S/C to accept Christian Hill Church back into this association.

Rev. Donald Moore offered special prayer for Rev. Henry Bridges who is seriously ill.

Morning message was brought by Rev. Charles Hardeman using Rev. 2 as scripture text.

AFTERNOON SESSION

After singing, the devotion was brought by Rev. Larry Williams using John 4:20-24 as scripture text.

Rev. Ronald Wallace spoke on the Atlanta Mission work.

M/S/C to accept the following Digest Committee report:

Churches represented	16	Offerings	\$57,537
Members received	39	Disbursements	50,737
Members lost	12		

Submitted by Rev. Howard Faircloth, Rev. Jimmy Smith, and Rev. Ronnie Moore.

M/S/C to accept the following Christian Education Board's report:

We plan to try and have a joint camp session this year with another association. We are working on a plan to stagger the election of our board members. We plan to hold a camp work day, possibly on May 23. We hope to hold a leadership seminar.

M/S/C to accept Rev. Billy Brown's resignation because of his moving to Tennessee.

Bro. Sherman Jones gave an oral Mission Board report and requested to meet with ministers regarding support. Mrs. Lawson gave an oral report on the Perry Mission. Rev. Jimmy Smith gave an oral report on Warner Robins. Rev. Tim Hutchinson gave an oral report on the Dublin Mission. M/S/C to receive these reports as information.

M/S/C to elect Rev. Tim Hutchinson to association and Rev. Willie Martin to state Christian Education Boards to replace Rev. Billy Brown.

M/S/C to remove executive board's recommendation from table. M/S/C to adopt proposed change in Article 5, Section 4 (see morning session).

M/S/C to give Bay Springs Church a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality.

M/S/C to receive the following Treasurer's report:

10/13/80	Paid state association	\$60.00
10/22/80	Received for printing S/S Minutes	10.00
10/27/80	Received from Dublin Mission	12.00
1/10/81	Paid clerk and moderator	56.83
	Received this session	412.00
	Balance on hand	\$1,028.24

M/S/C to receive the following Ordaining Council report and act on each item:

1. We recommend Rev. Tim Hutchinson be ordained by this association. M/S/C to adopt.
2. We recommend our clerk write Bro. E. E. Kelley asking him to submit his credentials to this association because he has been married twice since his first wife died. M/S/C to adopt.
3. We recommend to this association that we withdraw fellowship from Bro. Joe Owens and instruct the clerk to write the state executive secretary for publication in the state paper. M/S/C to adopt.
4. We recommend further action on Rev. Leroy Lightfoot be tabled until our next meeting because we can't get some questions cleared up at this time. M/S/C to adopt.

M/S/C Bro. E. E. Kelley be included in letter to state executive secretary (item 3 above).

M/S/C this body express their appreciation to Rev. Billy Sharpston and Rev. Donald Moore in their opposition to alcoholic beverages being sold in the Macon Coliseum.

Ordaining service was held for Rev. Tim Hutchinson by the Ordaining Council.

M/S/C to adjourn.



Rev. Billy Sharpston, Moderator



Charles Strickland, Clerk

GEORGIA UNION ASSOCIATION

April Session

The second quarter session convened at Bethlehem Church near Cordele on April 11, 1981. Singing was led by Rev. Willie Martin and prayer by Rev. Larry Williams. Welcome was extended by host pastor, Rev. Leroy Lightfoot. The morning devotion was brought by Roy Faircloth using II Peter 3:8-9 as scripture text. The church covenant was read by Rev. James Roland and by-laws were read by Rev. Donald Moore.

M/S/C to adopt program as a guide.

M/S/C to seat delegates as read by clerk.

Ministers' roll call indicated 17 ministers present and one(1) reporting by letter.

Moderator appointed Rev. Leroy Lightfoot and Clyde Martin to serve on Finance Committee. Rev. Larry Williams, Rev. Jackie Barnard, and Donald Self were appointed to Resolutions Committee.

M/S/C to adopt minutes as read by clerk.

Clerk read letter sent Joe Owens from the executive board denying his request for a joint meeting between him, Christian Hill Church, and this body. The board concluded no useful purpose would be served in such a meeting since he has united with a church out of this association and could not be placed under our watchcare. M/S/C this body adopt the decision of the Executive Board.

Rev. Willie Martin reported on the Christian Education Board and plans are underway to have a joint camp session with the Ogeechee Association the fourth week in June. Rev. Martin will be the camp director this year. There is increased interest now in the camp and remodelling is well underway. Bro. Alton Everson will live in residence at the camp. The board presently has \$454.56 in its treasury. M/S/C to receive as information.

Rev. C. B. Dowdney gave a report on state work and urged the churches to consistently give through the cooperative plan. M/S/C to receive as information.

Special music was provided by all ministers present.

The morning message was brought by Rev. C. B. Dowdney using Matthew 28: 18-20 as scripture text.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Singing was led by Rev. Willie Martin. Devotion was brought by Rev. Jackie Barnard using Titus 2:11-15 as scripture text.

Bro. James E. Bryant gave the following Mission Board report:

Rev. Ronnie Lawson has resigned as pastor of the Perry Mission effective June 1. We have received \$835.50 and gave \$220.00 to Warner Robins and \$615.00 to Perry. Our 4/1/81 balance is \$313.96, and we ask that all churches try to give some support to our local missions. M/S/C to receive as information.

The Ordaining Council gave the following report:

We recommend we receive Rev. Leroy Lightfoot as an ordained minister in good standing in this association. M/S/C to adopt.

The Digest Committee reported:

Offerings \$50,871; disbursements, \$44,706; members received, 17; members lost, 10; and 15 churches are represented. M/S/C to receive as information.

The Resolutions Committee recommended this body adopt the following resolution to be mailed to the Chairman of the State Study Committee and the State Moderator: M/S/C to adopt.

"WHEREAS, the Executive office of the State Association is a long established position in the state, and

"WHEREAS, Over the years it has proved its effectiveness in serving the people of the State Association, and

"WHEREAS, It has been responsible for coordinating the work, and unifying our churches, and

"WHEREAS, This could not have been done without a man free to travel,

"THEREFORE, Be it resolved that we, the Georgia Union Association, go on record as supporting the full-time office of Promotional (we support this change) Secretary of the State Association of Free Will Baptist."

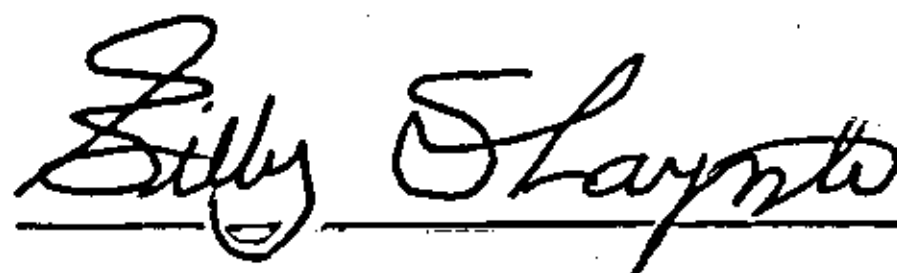
The Finance Committee submitted the following report:

1/12/81	1980 Minutes	\$300.00
1/20/81	Xerox Costs (old minutes)	19.67
1/20/81	Bible for ordaining service	32.52
2/5/81	Georgia State Association (camp)	162.50
2/5/81	Georgia Union Mission Board]	243.75
2/5/81	Georgia Union Christian Education Board	243.75
2/24/81	Bank Service Charge	1.00
4/11/81	Received this session	400.00
	Paid clerk and moderator	61.63
	Balance in Treasury	363.42

M/S/C to receive as information.

M/S/C to give Bethlehem Church a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality.

M/S/C to adjourn.



Rev. Billy Sharpston, Moderator



Charles Strickland, Clerk

GEORGIA UNION ASSOCIATION

July Session

The third quarter session convened at Beulah Springs Church near Cochran, Georgia on July 11, 1981. Singing was led by Rev. Willie Martin and prayer by Rev. Ronnie Moore. The morning devotion was brought by James E. Bryant using John 15:1-2 as scripture text. The church covenant was read by Rev. Ronnie Moore and the by-laws were read by Roy Faircloth.

M/S/C to adopt program as a guide.

M/S/C to seat delegates as read by clerk.

Ministers' roll call indicated 15 ministers present with two reporting by letter.

Moderator appointed Clyde Martin and Donald Self to serve on Finance Committee.

M/S/C to adopt minutes as read by clerk.

Sherman Jones read proposed change in Article VIII of the Mission Board's Constitution. M/S/C to table the following until afternoon session:

ARTICLE VIII

Section 1 (A) Missions receiving help from this board must either be established or accepted by the board.

1. The board reserves the right, in consultation with the Mission, to regulate and reconcile the financial disbursements of any and all of this mission churches under its sponsorship with a view to helping these groups to remain financially solvent.

2. Neither the mission church nor the missionary shall incur any major indebtedness requiring monthly payments involving the work other than ordinary accounts, such as utilities, church supplies (literature, cleaning supplies, etc.) without written consent of the board.

3. Neither the mission church nor the missionary shall involve themselves in site location or land purchase until the board has first been notified of such intentions and has inspected and approved the proposed site or land purchase.

4. Any real estate of whatsoever type or style available and to be purchased, rented, leased, or otherwise contracted for must first be approved by the board. If any transaction be made, it must be by and in the name of the board, with any contingent title, deed, or lease agreement to be made in favor of the board and to be retained by the board.

5. Land purchases authorized by the board and made in the name of the board shall be financed in a manner approved by the board. Any appeals for funds with which to make such purchase shall be under the auspices and in the name of the board for and in behalf of the mission church.

6. Title to any real property purchased for a mission church under the sponsorship of the board shall be retained by the board until such time as the mission church is organized into a bona-fide Free Will Baptist Church and is operating on a self-sustaining basis. At that time title will be transferred to the church, said title to contain a reversion clause as follows:

If _____ Free Will Baptist Church, located at _____ ever ceases for any reason(s) whatsoever to operate and function as a Free Will Baptist Church or pull themselves out of the Georgia Union Association, this property with all the appurtenances thereto affixed and belonging, shall revert to the Board of Missions of the Georgia Union Association of Free Will Baptists.

All missions must comply with Section 1, Article VIII, Sub-section A, and signed by the pastor and clerk: We agree to abide by these guidelines.

Signed _____
Mission Pastor

Mission Clerk

Chairman

Board Clerk

Clerk read the following minutes of Executive Board meetings:

4/18/81, Crossroads Church: Board members discussed with the Mission Board the problems related to the Perry Mission obtaining a pastor to replace Rev. Lawson.

M/S/C to encourage the Mission Board to assist the Perry Mission find a pastor and to authorize the Mission Board to pursue obtaining legal papers to present to the next association to protect the association to protect the association's investment in missions.

M/S/C to adjourn.

7/2/81, Crossroads Church: Clerk read letter from Union Association stating their body had received Joe Owens into their membership pending a letter of recommendation from the Georgia Union Association.

M/S/C for clerk to write a letter stating the action this association took in January, 1981, and that he is no longer considered a Free Will Baptist minister by this association.

M/S/C to adjourn.

Rev. Willie Martin reported that 100 campers attended the June Camp session and they have \$364.28 in their treasury.

Rev. Jackie Barnard gave the following Christian Education Board report: We have not yet arrived at a solution in staggering board members' terms under the present constitution. Your Christian Education Board senses a need for a revision of our present Christian Education auxiliaries (C.T.S., Youth Rally, Sunday School Convention) for these reasons. The C.T.S. Convention and Youth Rallies have greatly deteriorated. The Sunday School Convention has become repetitious with no obvious goals. Therefore, we recommend the association consider reconstructing each of these auxiliaries by abolishing their present separate constitutions and by-laws and authorizing the Christian Education Board to incorporate these auxiliaries within the Constitution of the Christian Education Board. Your board feels this action will unify these auxiliaries and bring them under closer supervision and direction of the Christian Education Board which is in keeping with By-Law VI of our present constitution.

M/S/C to authorize the Christian Education Board to rewrite the constitutions as they deem necessary and present the proposed changes to the next session.

Rev. L. S. Anthony gave a report on State Missions and the present financial need at the Atlanta Mission.

The morning message was brought by Rev. Tim Hutchinson using Matthew 28:18-20 as scripture text.

AFTERNOON SESSION

After singing, prayer was offered by Rev. Tony Howell. The afternoon devotion was given by Rev. Willie Martin, using Matthew 24:36-42 as scripture text.

M/S/C to remove proposed change in Article VIII of Mission Board Constitution from table for action. M/S/C to adopt change.

Sherman Jones reported that Rev. Ronnie Lawson has agreed to remain at Perry as interim pastor until a new pastor is called.

The Ordaining Council submitted the following report: We recommend Bro. James E. Bryant be licensed to preach the gospel for one year. M/S/C to adopt.

The Digest Committee reported: Members received 13; Members lost 7; Members baptized 13; Offerings \$59,659; Disbursements \$49,845; Churches represented 16. M/S/C to receive as information.

The Finance Committee reported:

Received this session	\$405.00
Paid clerk and moderator	51.45
Balance in treasury	715.97

M/S/C to receive as information.

M/S/C to give Beulah Springs Church a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality.

M/S/C to adjourn.



Rev. Billy Sharpston, Moderator



11 Charles Strickland, Clerk

GEORGIA UNION ASSOCIATION

October Session

The October (annual) session of the Georgia Union Association convened at Crossroads Church near Cochran on October 19, 1981. Singing was led by Rev. Jackie Barnard and the session was opened with prayer by Rev. James Bryant. Welcome was extended by host pastor, Rev. Jackie Barnard.

The morning devotion was brought by Rev. Larry Williams using Psalms 91 as scripture text.

The church covenant was read by Rev. Tim Hutchinson and the by-laws were read by Rev. Elbert Powell.

M/S/C to adopt program as a guide.

M/S/C to seat delegates.

Ministers roll call indicated 18 ministers present and one reporting by letter.

M/S/C that moderator make needed committee appointments. Appointed were: Digest: Edison Smith, Roy Faircloth. Finance: Clyde Martin, Donald Self; Resolutions: Rev. Larry Williams, Rev. L. S. Anthony. Nominating: Rev. Tim Hutchinson, Rev. Jackie Barnard.

M/S/C to adopt minutes of last session.

M/S/C to receive the following Executive Board recommendations and act on each item: (1) We recommend Rev. R. B. McFaddin, Sr. be deleted from our ministerial roll for nonattendance at our meetings or any Free Will Baptist Church. M/S/C. (2) We recommend Rev. David Scott be listed in our ministerial roll as not in full fellowship for violation of By-Law No. 4. M/S/C. (3) We recommend Article No. 2 under Rules of Licensing of Ministers be changed to: "Applicant shall be examined and asked the questions from the Standard and Doctrinal Examination for Licensing and Ordaining Free Will Baptist Ministers in Georgia by the Ordaining Council duly elected by the association." M/S/C.

M/S/C to receive the following Christian Education Board's report: Our Board has made a great deal of progress in its attempt to revise the constitutions and by-laws of our auxiliaries. However, the work is not yet complete enough to present as a finished product. We hope to have the project completed by next session. We have two recommendations regarding the 1982 camp sessions: (1) We recommend a joint camp to include Ogeechee and Little River Associations. M/S/C. (2) We recommend two camp sessions with one week for pre-teens and one week for teens. M/S/C.

Rev. Milton Adams rendered special music and brought the morning message using Rev. 2 & 3 as scripture text.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Singing was led by Rev. Willie Martin with prayer by Rev. Jimmy Smith. The afternoon devotion was brought by Rev. James Roland, using Numbers 14: 39 - 45 as scripture text.

M/S/C to receive the following Mission Board report: Our Board has held all its regular meetings and met with Perry and Warner Robins. Rev. Ronnie Lawson has agreed to serve as pastor at Perry for another year. The Perry Mission has met the conditions of the Mission Board concerning the property at the Oak Ridge address. Groundbreaking services will be held on the Marshallville Road property on November 8 at 3:30 P. M. We have made three (3) land payments. Our treasury balance is \$319.

M/S/C to receive the following Digest Committee report: Churches representing: 16; Offerings, \$175,562; Disbursements, \$137,000; Members received, 106; lost, 31; Baptized, 38; Net gain, 75. We recommend our church clerks complete the church letters because about half were incomplete making the above statistics incorrect.

M/S/C to receive the following Ordaining Council recommendations: (1) We recommend Rev. Leroy Lightfoot be removed from our ministers roll and the clerk notify him of this action because he got a letter of dismissal from Bethlehem Church. M/S/C. (2) We recommend this body grant Rev. James Miller a letter of recommendation to the Beaver Creek Association in South Carolina. M/S/C. (3) We recommend Rev. Morgan J. Haynes be reinstated as an ordained minister and placed on our Honor Roll because of bad health. M/S/C. (4) We recommend Bro. Roger Lee Dorris be licensed to preach for a period of one year. M/S/C.

The Nominating Committee submitted the following nominations: Executive Board: H. E. Dunaway be retained; Trustee Board: Ross Bennett be retained; Ordaining Council: Rev. Elbert Powell be retained; Board of Retirement: H. E. Dunaway be retained, Jack Griffin to replace Rev. LeRoy Lightfoot; Mission Board: Sherman Jones be retained, Donald Self to replace Robert Rogers; Christian Education Board: Emory Nobles to replace Phillip Faircloth; State Mission Board: Rev. James R. Ryant; State Trustee Board: H. E. Dunaway; State Christian Education Board: Rev. Willie Martin. M/S/C to elect the above officers.

M/S/C to receive the following Resolution Committee report: (1) We recommend to the state association that the executive secretary investigate any minister to ensure he is in good standing before placing his name in the Promotional Bulletin as available for pastor. M/S/C. (2) We recommend all churches in this association seriously consider helping to pay the indebtedness incurred by the national association and also give financial help to the Crowsons in returning to France. M/S/C to recommend. (3) We recommend each minister in this association submit a copy of his Ordination Certificate and questionnaire to the clerk of the association to be kept on file. M/S/C to recommend.

M/S/C to receive the following Finance report:

Received since last session	\$55.00
Program expense	(7.44)
October 1 balance	763.53
State delegate fee	(75.00)
Paid clerk and moderator	(53.45)
Received this session	440.00
Balance	\$1,075.08

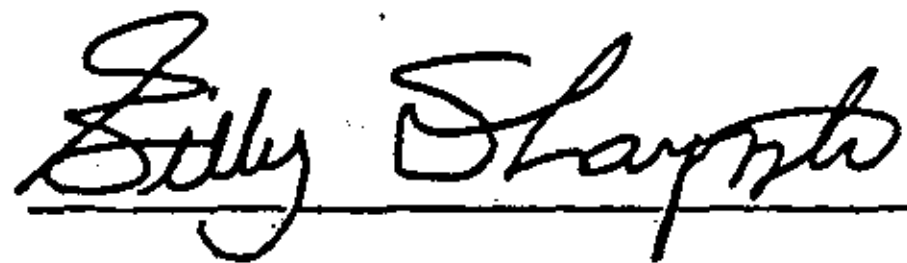
M/S/C that moderator appoint state delegates. Appointed were: Mrs. Earl Bryant, Regina Barnard, Dianne Martin, Sherman Jones. M/S/C that delegates may substitute any vacancies.

M/S/C for clerk to print 400 minutes.

M/S/C to give Crossroads Church a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality.

M/S/C that this association go on record opposing beer sales in the Macon Coliseum.

M/S/C to adjourn.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Billy Sharpston", written over a horizontal line.

Rev. Billy Sharpston, Moderator

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Charles Strickland", written over a horizontal line.
Charles Strickland, Clerk

GEORGIA UNION SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The Georgia Union Sunday School Convention was held at Pine Level Free Will Baptist Church on July 25, 1981 at 10:00 A.M. The convention was brought to order by congregational singing. Bro. Wayne Moore welcomed everyone to the convention. Bro. Gene Nutt presented the devotion.

Philip Faircloth appointed the nominating committee as follows: (1) Hubert Wilson (2) Sammie Moore (3) Tony Howell. The program judges appointed were: (1) Mrs. Selph (2) Diane Martin (3) Margie Hobbs (4) Bro. Nobles (5) Walter Cook.

Programs were presented as follows: (1) Pine Level (2) Crossroads (3) White Oak.

Rev. Jackie Barnard presented the morning message after which an offering was received. The convention was dismissed for the noon meal.

The convention reconvened with congregational signing. Programs continued as follows: (4) Double Branch (5) Little Bethel.

The president opened the business session with prayer and the minutes and treasury report was read and adopted.

Report from the nominating committee: Pres. - Gene Nutt, Vice-Pres. - Walter Cook, Sec.-Treas. - Harold Dunaway, Assist. Sec.-Treas. - Johnny Johnson. M/S/C to accept the officers.

There was no old business.

New Business: M/S/C to let White Oak keep the Standard Plaque until further notification by the convention. M/S/C to have the next convention at First Eastman with the understanding for the officers to change the meeting place if not agreeable with First Eastman Church.

Report from the program judges: 1st Place - Pine Level; 2nd Place - White Oak.

The Attendance Banner was presented to Little Bethel with an 11% increase. Bethlehem was recognized with a 6% increase.

The convention was adjourned with prayer.

TREASURER'S REPORT

EXPENSES:

Printing of minutes	\$10.00
Banners	
Program	30.17
Attendance	8.27
Plates, Cups, Napkins	31.55
Stamps and Supplies	3.60
Ice	3.00
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	\$86.59

INCOME:

Balance F'wd.	\$299.40
Special Offerings	
Beulah Springs	10.00
Bethlehem	13.52
Convention Offering	45.64
Church Fees	35.00
	<u>\$403.56</u>
	- <u>86.59</u>
BALANCE ---	\$316.97

GEORGIA UNION DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

September 19, 1981

The annual meeting of the Georgia Union District Woman's Auxiliary Convention met September 19, 1981, at Pleasant Hill Church. The meeting was opened by song and prayer by our President, Caroline Hightower. Our theme was "Motive for Missions". Our pianist was Gloria Johnson and chorister Fay Easom. Fay led the congregation in singing "More About Jesus". After which Viola Hunt welcomed everyone to the meeting. Jewell Patridge gave an inspiring devotion on missions taken from Romans 10:10 - 17. Special singing by Gloria Johnson.

Appointment of committees:

Registration - Patricia Roland, Fay Easom
Credentials - Mary Dunaway, Inez Parks, Thelma Culpepper
Finance - Gloria Johnson, Bessie Simmons, Myrtis Langford
Resolutions - Cathy Herron, Dianne Martin, Viola Hunt

Mrs. Martha Everson our State Field worker gave us an inspiring talk on missions. Scripture taken from II Corinthians 5:6-21. Love is the motive of missions. Bro. James Roland sang "You Never Mentioned Him To Me". After which Cathy Herron presented a film called "Peace Child." We dismissed for lunch.

After lunch we assembled back to the singing of "Wonderful Words of Life" and prayer by Inez Parks. Dianne Martin gave an inspiring devotion, Scripture taken from Ezekiel 22:30, 31 and 33: 7 - 9. Standing in the Gap.

Reports of Committees:

Registration - 3 churches represented, 18 present, 2 visitors.

Credentials - Read and accepted, all reports were in order.

Finance - Read and accepted, all reports were in order.

Resolutions:

1. That the 1981 - 82 theme, scripture and song be as follows: Theme - "Motive for Missions". Scripture - "The Love of Christ Constrains Us" II Corinthians 5:14 Song - "The Saviour's Love"

2. The Georgia Union Woman's Auxiliary support the special fund set up by WNAC to train Nationals from our foreign fields in their native tongues and that February be designated as "National Student Month."

3. That each Mission Prayer Chairman go to their local auxiliary and encourage homebound persons to become members of WNAC's team of MISSION PRAYERS, thereby making a major contribution to the Kingdom work. This group is for women confined to the home because of personal illness or for other reasons.

4. That January, 1982 be designed Big "M" Month. Special efforts to enlist women not only in membership but in active service, will be recognized at the 1982 convention.

5. That the Georgia Union Woman Auxiliary dues be increased to \$2.00 per member per year.

6. Since we did not have much response on our workshop in March that we discontinue the workshop.

7. That at each quarterly association, the auxiliary have a short skit to try to encourage other churches to organize auxiliaries and to join our district. For the next year the committee is to consist of Cathy Herron, chairman, from White Oaks, in January; Kay Langford from Double Branch in April Mrs. Patridge from Pleasant Hill in July; and all three combined in October annual meeting.

8. That we have the next regular meeting at Double Branch.

9. That we give Pleasant Hill Auxiliary a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality.

Cathy Herron, Dianne Martin, Viola Hunt

Each auxiliary shared ways to make our auxiliary work more interesting.

Delegates appointed to the state convention:

Bessie Simmons
Viola Hunt
Patricia Roland
Jewell Patridge
Cathy Herron

Dianne Martin
Inez Parks
Mary Dunaway
Myrtis Langford
Stella Ray

Caroline Hightower, President
Mary Dunaway, Secretary

Finance:

Balance Brought Forward	\$ 29.02
Membership Dues	70.00
Registration	6.00
State Speaker	15.00
District Speaker	15.00
Offering	51.00
State Project	350.00
	<u>\$536.02</u>
Total Cash Disbursements	\$1,482.31
Total Non-Cash	280.00
Balance	<u>\$1,762.31</u>

Church	Organized	Pastor	Clerk
BAY SPRINGS	1884	Rev. Ronnie Moore	Hollis M. Smith, Rt. 5, Box 504 Eastman, Ga. 31023 374-2143
BETHLEHEM (Services only on 1st 3rd & 5th Sundays)	1917	*	Mrs. Jack Calhoun, Rt. 1, Box 102A Cordele, Ga. 31015 273-3947
BEULAH SPRINGS	1926	Rev. James E. Bryant	Bessie Bryant, Route 1 Montrose, Ga. 31065 934-7940
CHRISTIAN HILL	1887	Rev. James E. Bruce	Marquerite Martin, Rt. 2 Rochelle, Ga. 31079 624-2402
CROSS ROADS	1910	Rev. T. J. Barnard	Cynthia Davis, Route 3 Cochran, Ga. 31014, 934-7653
DOUBLE BRANCH	1896	Rev. Willie C. Martin	Mrs. H. E. Dunaway, Route 1 Unadilla, Ga. 31091 892-9388
FIRST EASTMAN	1961	Rev. Tim Hutchinson	Julia Smith, Route 6, Box 118 Eastman, Ga. 31023 374-3677
LITTLE BETHEL	1915	Rev. Tony Howell	Tommy Parker, Route 3 Cochran, Ga. 31014 934-6048
MT. ARARAT	1885	Rev. Howard Faircloth	Mary Hardeman, Route 4 Eastman, Ga. 31023 374-5731
NEW HOPE	1967	*	Jessie H. Greene, Rt. 2, Box 212 Cochran, Georgia 31014 934-6594
PINE LEVEL	1924	Rev. Larry Williams	Moniece Moore, Rt. 6, Box 195 Eastman, Ga. 31023 374-3217
PLEASANT HILL	1898	Rev. James Roland	Viola H. Hunt, 713 3rd Ave. E. Cordele, Ga. 31015 273-3081
WARNER ROBINS	1964	Rev. Jimmy Smith	Jack Griffin, 119 Ravenwood Way, Warner Robins, Ga. 31093 923-8855
WHITE OAKS	1953	Rev. Billy Sharpston	Margie Collins, 1567 Hurley Circle Macon, Ga. 31206 788-8530
WILSON CHAPEL	1960	Rev. L. S. Anthony	Clara Wilson, 512 Cobb town Road Thomaston, Ga. 30286 404/648-3526
DUBLIN MISSION	*	* (Did not report)	Mrs. Frances Jones, 107 Helen Drive Dublin, Ga. 31021
PERRY MISSION	1974	Rev. Ronnie Lawson	Mrs. Margie Hobbs, 816 Oakridge Dr. Perry, Ga. 31069 987-5941
			TOTALS

* Incomplete Data or No Report

Members			Average Attendance		Expenditures		Income	Assoc. Fee
Received	Lost	Total	S. S.	C.T.S.	Local	Outside Causes		
2	0	85	31	None	\$ 7,182	\$ 284	\$ 8,421	\$ 25
2	7	58	33	None	3,996	*	4,482	25
*	3	31	*	None	2,448	619	3,190	20
5	14	71	*	None	2,374	177	3,248	25
10	3	69	*	*	16,689	*	21,238	25
10	3	97	64	50	15,602	1,798	35,284	30
4	4	69	35	None	*	183	*	25
8	0	120	*	*	*	*	*	35
4	2	41	*	16	7,314	327	6,901	20
4	3	70	45	30	*	*	*	25
5	1	101	44	38	*	*	*	35
0	2	107	30	19	23,372	1,044	24,376	35
24	*	43	30	18	11,960	*	13,178	10
17	14	247	90	74	50,949	2,400	48,350	*
2	3	92	26	10	7,436	300	8,184	25
8	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	0
0	1	40	25	20	5,729	32	7,880	20
97	60	1,341	453	275	\$155,051	\$7,164	\$184,732	\$380

CONSTITUTION OF GEORGIA UNION ASSOCIATION
OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS
(Revised, 1980 1/81)

ARTICLE I

Section 1. This assembly shall be known as The Georgia Union Association of Free Will Baptists.

Section 2. This assembly and its constituents adopt the Treatise of The National Association of Free Will Baptists in faith and practice.

ARTICLE II

Section 1. Any well organized Free Will Baptist Church or Mission, conveniently located to the majority of the member churches, may apply for membership in this association. The applicant church or mission must conform to the practices and adopt the doctrines established by the National Association of Free Will Baptists and any further requirements established by this assembly.

Section 2. The Executive Board shall investigate and submit their recommendation to this assembly before any church or mission can be accepted into this body.

Section 3. This Association may discipline member churches or missions, if labor proves unsuccessful, by exclusion or withdrawing fellowship. However, in no case can this Association reverse the Church or Missions decisions, NOR interfere with any of their internal regulations.

Section 4. A two-third majority vote of this body is required for acceptance or exclusion of any church or mission.

Section 5. Ministers, deacons, officers, committee and board members in good standing shall be standing delegates to this association and shall duly attend.

Section 6. Each church or mission shall be entitled to the following delegates with full voting privileges:

50 members or below - 3 delegates
over 50 members - 3 delegates plus 2 for each 50 members or fraction thereof

Section 7. The association fee for each meeting shall be:

<u>Members</u>	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Members</u>	<u>Fee</u>
1 - 25	\$15.00	151 - 175	\$45.00
26 - 50	20.00	176 - 200	50.00
51 - 75	25.00	201 - 225	55.00
76 - 100	30.00	226 - 250	60.00
101 - 125	35.00	Over 250	(\$60 plus \$5 for every 25 members)
126 - 150	40.00		

ARTICLE III

Section 1. The officers of this Association shall be a moderator, assistant moderator, a clerk, assistant clerk, a treasurer, and assistant treasurer. They shall serve two year terms, with tenure beginning immediately at the close of the October session.

Section 2. The moderator shall preside over each association meeting according to established parliamentary usage. It shall be his duty to see that all business is carried on in a way pleasing to God. The moderator is chairman of the executive board and shall call this board into session as needed. The moderator is an ex-officio member of all committees and boards as needed. He shall be the official representative of this association.

Section 3. The clerk shall keep accurate minutes of each association and executive board meeting. He shall prepare the minutes for publication and see that they are printed and available for distribution at the January session. He is responsible for the correspondence and records of this association.

Section 4. The treasurer shall receive and disburse all funds as directed by this assembly. He shall be chairman of the Finance Committee and will submit a financial report to this body during each session.

Section 5. The assistants to the above officers shall serve in the full capacity of the office when the elected officer is absent or unable to serve.

Section 6. The officers and board members shall be reimbursed for all special meetings they attend at the rate of \$.12 per mile.

ARTICLE IV

Section 1. (A) The Executive Board shall consist of the Chairmen of the Trustee Board, Mission Board, Christian Education Board, Ordaining Council, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and one member elected at large. These above boards will meet immediately after the October sessions to elect a chairman and notify the clerk. The executive board is the official body of this association when not in session and is empowered to act on behalf of this assembly on matters that, in the judgement of this board, should not be delayed until the next session. The moderator shall be chairman of this board.

(B) All churches or missions applying for membership in this body will be investigated by this board before the vote can be taken. This board shall have the right to investigate any church or mission belonging to this association concerning their doctrinal views. Matters submitted to this board should be in writing and signed.

Section 2. The Trustee Board shall consist of five members, each elected to five year terms on a staggered basis. This board shall oversee any assets owned by this association. They are authorized to sign legal documents on behalf of this Association but only after such approval has been granted from this assembly by majority vote while in session.

Section 3. The Ordaining Council shall consist of five ministers in good standing, elected to 5 year terms on a staggered basis. They shall investigate and question prospective candidates for licensing or ordination as they deem necessary and as outlined by the other regulations adopted by this assembly. No candidate for licensing or ordination may come to this body for a vote until the recommendation of this council has been submitted.

Section 4. The Mission Board shall consist of five members in good standing, having a zeal for missions. They shall have the general oversight of all missions supported by this assembly as outlined in the constitution of the Mission Board. The board shall submit a report of activities to this body during each session.

Section 5. The Christian Education Board shall have the general responsibility of all Christian Education endeavors of this Association as outlined in the constitution of this board. The board shall submit a report of activities to this assembly during each session.

Section 6. The Digest Committee shall consist of three members in good standing, elected to 3 year terms on a staggered basis. They shall compile the information from the church letters and submit a report to this assembly during each session.

Section 7. The Board of Retirement and Insurance shall consist of 3 members elected to three year terms on a staggered basis. This board will stay abreast of available retirement programs and encourage our churches to assist their pastors in a retirement and insurance program.

Section 8. The nominating committee shall consist of three members in good standing, elected for a term of one year from the floor. They shall submit their recommended nominees for all officers, board, and committee members with expired terms, to the October session. They should contact each nominee, if possible, for their approval prior to placing their names in nomination. Additional nominees may be submitted by any delegate during this session.

Section 9. Temporary committees (Resolutions, Finance, etc.) may be elected as needed during any session to carry on the business or to address any prevailing subject of the current times as may be determined by this body.

ARTICLE V

Section 1. This Association shall meet on the Saturday before the second Sunday in January, April, July and October of each year. Meetings will begin at 10:00 a.m.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of each member church or mission to represent themselves by letter and delegates and to report their standings and statistics. All matters requiring the attention of a committee, board of ordaining council should be in writing and submitted to the clerk.

Section 3. This association shall have power to adopt any regulation or by-laws, not consistent with this constitution, which may be deemed essential to the further regulation of this assembly.

Section 4. This Association shall act upon such questions and topics referred to it by its member churches and transact any other business not repugnant to this constitution or to the practices of the denomination.

Section 5. (A) The Executive Board shall be the Program Committee and shall be responsible for the speakers program outline. (B) The member churches normally rotate alphabetically in hosting this Association but may ask to be excused for cause.

Section 6. The parliamentary procedures employed in this meeting shall be governed by Roberts Rules of Order.

ARTICLE VI

Section 1. This constitution and by-laws 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 morning, then tabled until afternoon. The amendment can then be removed from table, read again, and acted upon.

Section 2. No action concerning changes of this constitution or by-laws can be taken until all committees are present.

BY-LAWS

Addition 1980

1. Any member, in the judgement of this association, that shows anger in discussing any subject, shall forfeit their seat in that session.
2. No member shall be at liberty to withdraw without leave of the moderator.
3. No members shall be at liberty to fill any place, such as preaching or hearing at the stage, only as liberty shall be granted by the association.
4. All ministers on roll shall attend at least two meetings a year or send a letter explaining their absence in order to remain in good standing with this association. Ministers on honor roll are exempt from this requirement.
5. The minutes of the association shall be signed by the moderator and clerk.
6. The association shall always adjourn by vote.
7. There shall be a finance committee chosen to work with Treasurer, and report to the association.
8. The association shall always open and close with prayer and praise of God.
9. The moderator shall read or have read, the by-laws and church covenant at each session.
10. Excess funds from this Association, after all expenses have been paid and a reasonable balance maintained, shall be distributed 25% to camp Mt. Bethel, with the remainder equally divided between the Mission and Christian Education Boards.
11. Each church or mission shall furnish the clerk of the association with three copies of their church letter at the October session.

RULES FOR CALLING PASTORS

(Revised 1980)

1. Each church should familiarize themselves with the rules for licensing of ministers and ask the candidate the same questions, even though he may or may not be coming for license. If a member of another association, the pastor should indicate he is in good standing. The degree of investigation of the candidate is left to the churches discretion. Each church should be mindful that the standards of this association are for the good of the body.
2. No pastor of a church or mission in this association can hold license or ordination papers from another denomination and be in good standing with this body. All other license or ordination papers must be turned over to this association and the clerk may destroy them or return to the denomination from whom they were issued.
3. All ministers desiring to transfer to or join this association shall:
 - A. Be recommended to this association in writing by one of our member churches or missions. The completed ordaining questionnaire shall be submitted with the recommendation on all candidates, whether for licensing or ordination. The questionnaires may be obtained from members of the ordaining council or clerk of the association.
 - B. The candidate shall meet with the ordaining council. No candidate for membership in this association may come to this body for a vote until the recommendation of the ordaining council is submitted.
 - C. If there are any questions concerning the candidates doctrine or character, the association may open the examination to the majority present at the association. The church recommending the candidate, or any member present, should make known any questions that should be considered.
 - D. Transferring ministers shall be under the watchcare of this body until a letter of good standing is received from his previous association.
 - E. It is the responsibility of the church or mission calling a pastor to inform him of the requirements of this association.
4. Any church or mission petitioning this association for membership shall be investigated by the Executive Board before the vote can be taken.

RULES FOR LICENSING OF MINISTERS

(Revised 1977, 10/81)

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 questions from the Standard and Doctrinal Examination for licensing and ordaining Free Will Baptist ministers in Georgia by the ordaining council duly elected by the association.

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 his wife 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.

RULES FOR ORDINATION OF MINISTERS

(Revised 1960, Addition 1977, Addition 1978, 1/81)

1. Applicant shall bear license for not less than one year and shall be recommended to the quarterly association by the church of which he is a member.
2. Be called to one or more churches, except that evidence be shown where-
as the applicant can be useful in evangelistic work
3. Applicant shall be examined by the ordaining council, who having been
duly elected by the association to which they hold membership. Examination
shall be held at the discretion of the ordaining council.
4. Applicant shall meet the qualification 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. No applicant for ordaining into the ministry will be eligible for
ordination if he or his wife has more than one living husband or wife.
6. The ordaining council should submit a minority report on all recom-
mendations that are not unanimous.
7. These rules may be changed and re-written only by two-third (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.

CONSTITUTION OF THE GEORGIA UNION MISSION BOARD

(ADOPTED 1975, REVISED 1979, 7/81)

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: (A) Missions receiving help from this board must either be established or accepted by the board.

1. The board reserves the right, in consultation with the Mission, to regulate and reconcile the financial disbursements of any and all of the mission churches under its sponsorship with a view to helping these groups to remain financially solvent.

2. Neither the mission church nor the missionary shall incur any major indebtedness requiring monthly payments involving the work other than ordinary accounts, such as utilities, church supplies (literature, cleaning supplies, etc.) without written consent of the board.

3. Neither the mission church nor the missionary shall involve themselves in site location or land purchase until the board has first been notified of such intentions and has inspected and approved the proposed site or land purchase.

4. Any real estate of whatsoever type or style available and to be purchased, rented, leased, or otherwise contracted for must first be approved by the board. If any transaction be made, it must be by and in the name of the board, with any contingent title, deed, or lease agreement to be made in favor of the board and to be retained by the board.

5. Land purchases authorized by the board and made in the name of the board shall be financed in a manner approved by the board. Any appeals for funds with which to make such purchase shall be under the auspices and in the name of the board for and in behalf of the mission church.

6. Title to any real property purchased for a mission church under the sponsorship of the board shall be retained by the board until such time as the mission church is organized into a bona-fide Free Will Baptist Church and is operating on a self-sustaining basis. At that time title will be transferred to the church, said title to contain a reversion clause as follows:

If _____ Free Will Baptist Church, located at _____
_____ ever ceases for any reason(s) whatsoever to operate
and function as a Free Will Baptist Church or pull themselves out of the
Georgia Union Association, this property with all the appurtenances there-
to affixed and belonging, shall revert to the Board of Missions of the
Georgia Union Association of Free Will Baptists.

All missions must comply with Section 1, Article VIII, Sub-section A,
and signed by the pastor and clerk: We agree to abide by these guide-
lines.

Signed _____

Mission Pastor

Mission Clerk

Chairman

Board Clerk

(B) In so much as responsive assistance and supervision both to the mission and from association is essential for successful mission work, the following counties shall be designated as the home missions field for this mission board: Bibb, Peach, Twiggs, Wilkinson, Laurens, Bleckley, Houston, Macon, Dooly, Pulaski, Dodge, Wheeler, Telfair, Wilcox and Crisp.

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

I DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS

Section 1. CHAIRMAN: He shall preside over each meeting, 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 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.

CONSTITUTION OF THE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD

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 of 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 Secretary-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 allotted to them by the Georgia Union Association, gifts from churches, registration fees from workshops, etc., and personal gifts.

BY-LAWS

DUTIES OF OFFICERS:

Section 1 - Chairman shall preside over each meeting according to established parliamentary 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.

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 1

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 and assistant secretary-treasurer. They shall be elected annually.

ARTICLE III

MEETING - This Convention shall be held annually the last Saturday in July at 10:00 A. M. with registration at 9:30 A. 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. A second place banner is awarded for second 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 or 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 and they shall be compensated for their mileage.
5. Assistant Secretary-Treasurer shall assist the Secretary-Treasurer.

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.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF DISTRICT CTS CONVENTION

PREAMBLE:

We, the Church Training Services of the Original Free Will Baptist of the Georgia Union Association, desire to promote the cause of Jesus Christ as represented by our denomination and to put the "Kingdom of God first", through the study and promotion of CTS in the Georgia Union Association and establish this constitution and By-Laws.

CONSTITUTION:

ARTICLE 1. NAME: This organization shall be known as the Georgia Union District Church Training Service Convention.

ARTICLE 2. PURPOSE: The purpose of this convention shall be to promote the general welfare of the Free Will Baptist CTS throughout the association and to assist pastors in enlisting the youth of our churches in active Christian Service.

ARTICLE 3. OFFICERS: The officers of this District CTS Convention shall be a President, Vice President, Recording Secretary who shall serve as Treasurer, Assistant Recording Secretary who shall serve as Assistant Treasurer, and Bible Quiz Leader. All officers and committees shall be elected annually at the session prior to the State CTS Convention. Election shall be the last item of business at the close of the session and tenure of officers shall begin immediately following the close of session.

ARTICLE 4. SECTIONAL: Section 1 Membership: Each CTS shall be entitled to 8 delegates. All ordained ministers, officers, standing committees, and duly appointed delegates shall be considered members of this convention and shall be privileged to vote. Section 2. Dues: The dues to the convention shall be \$15.00.

ARTICLE 5. COMMITTEES: The executive committee of this convention shall be composed of the officers of the convention.

- (1) Nomination Committee, consisting of one member from each CTS.
- (2) Program Committee, consisting of the Host Church.
- (3) Committees as necessary and not already provided for shall be appointed by the president and shall hold office until work is completed for until successors are elected.

ARTICLE 6. MEETINGS: This convention shall convene annually on the (4) fourth Saturday in April of each year.

AMENDMENTS:

This Constitution shall not be changed or altered except by a 2/3 majority vote of all delegates present. All amendments shall be read and lie on table from morning session until evening session, at which time they shall be read again prior to being considered. Additional committees and officers may be added as there is need.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE YOUTH FOR CHRIST FELLOWSHIP

PREAMBLE:

Seeing the satanic forces which are attempting to engulf humanity; especially our youth, and seeing the tendency of society to be carried down by a mighty swirl of sin, and, realizing the need of God's people to do all they can to keep the youth out of this swirl by offering them something wholesome, and of a spiritual nature, we do ordain and establish this constitution.

ARTICLE 1 - NAME: The name of this organization shall be the Youth for Christ Fellowship of the Georgia Union Association of FWB.

ARTICLE 2 - OFFICERS: The officers of this organization shall be a President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary and Treasurer, all of whom shall be elected annually.

ARTICLE 3 - MEMBERSHIP: The Youth for Christ Fellowship is sponsored especially for the young, however, there is no age limit on those who may associate in the meetings. Adults of our churches in the district are encouraged to attend the meetings for encouragement to the youth, but the general programs are to be carried out, as much as possible, by the young people. Adults may take part in general activities, but may not have the privilege of making motions and voting in the sessions. Any officer is to be a member in good standing with the Georgia Union Association of Free Will Baptists.

ARTICLE 4 - BANNER: A banner will be presented at each meeting to the church having the largest attendance of persons in age bracket from 8 to 30 years old. Upon reception of the banner three times in a row, that church shall receive a plaque for their presence.

ARTICLE 5 - MEETINGS: Fellowship meetings shall be held once a quarter at places designated by the assembly, however, each church in the district is encouraged to hold such meeting as often as may be deemed wise. November to November shall be the year for the Youth for Christ Fellowship.

ARTICLE 6 - ELECTIONS: The designated officers for this fellowship shall be elected annually in the last meeting of the associational year. One year shall be the tenure of office for the official staff of this organization; however, officers may be re-elected as many years as their services may prove satisfactory to the organization. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to declare the office of any chosen to serve vacant upon his (her) failure to properly carry out the duties assigned, and, thereupon recommend another to the organization to succeed the one retired. A nomination Committee may be appointed in due time before the annual elections, whose duty it shall be to present nominees to the fellowship, or, nomination may be made from the floor of the meeting.

ARTICLE 7 - COMMITTEES: This organization shall have an Executive Committee composed of its President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer, and one member from each church elected at large from the body.

ARTICLE 8 - PURPOSE: The purpose of this organization shall be: To promote fellowship in our churches, especially among the youth; To seek to evangelize by winning young people to Christ; To develop the talent of the young people of our churches by giving them something to do within this movement; To induce our young people to take their places in the churches, and carry on the work in an efficient way; not forgetting that if they fail to appropriate the power of the Holy Spirit for their motivation they defeat the cause they propose to promote.

ARTICLE 9 - FINANCE: Each church shall pay a two dollar fee at each meeting. An offering shall be taken up at each meeting.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE 1. DUTIES OF OFFICERS:

Section 1 - PRESIDENT: It shall be the duty of the president of the Youth for Christ Fellowship to preside over its meetings, serve as Ex-Officio member of all committees, and to serve as chairman of the program committee. As such responsibility of all programs shall rest upon him (her), however, he (she) may appoint the host church to be responsible for the program convening with the given church, or, members of this committee may be chosen from the representatives from the several churches. Speakers may be chosen from anywhere in the denomination from such as are in good standing. All outside speakers from other denominations shall be approved by the Executive Board.

Section 2 - VICE PRESIDENT: It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to perform the duties of the President in the President's absence or upon his call and to serve with him on the Executive Committee.

Section 3 - RECORDING SECRETARY: It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to record and keep accurate records of transactions in all business meetings of the fellowship; as well as of meetings of the Executive Committee, and to act as Treasurer for the fellowship should he (she) be so elected.

Section 4 - TREASURER: The Treasurer shall receive and be responsible for all funds of this Youth Fellowship, and shall expend such only as ordered by a vote of the organization.

ARTICLE 2. DUTIES OF COMMITTEES:

Section 1 - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: The Executive Committee which is composed of the Fellowship's official staff, together with one person from each church elected by the body. These shall have the general oversight of The Youth for Christ Fellowship, and shall carry on any necessary business for the organization between regular meetings. It shall be their prerogative to present items of business to the meetings of this body, which, in turn may be disposed of at the option of the general organization. All visitors shall be counted for that respective church with the discretion of the Executive Board.

PLEDGES

I pledge allegiance to the Christian Flag and to the Savior for whose kingdom it stands, one Savior, crucified, risen and coming again, with life and liberty to all who believe.

I pledge allegiance to the Bible, God's holy word, and will make it a lamp unto my feet, a light unto my path, and hide its words in my heart that I may not sin against God.

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

LEAGUE MOTTO: "The Kingdom of God First" - Matt. 6:33.

FELLOWSHIP WATCHWORD: "United Christians in service & love"

FELLOWSHIP GUIDE: "We are saved to serve"

LEAGUE SONG: Free Will Baptist Leaguers (Music, Onward Christian Soldiers)

FELLOWSHIP CHORUS: Heavenly Sunshine

FELLOWSHIP SCRIPTURE VERSE: 1 John 1:7 - "But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleaneth us from all sin."

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Meeting called to order.
2. Minutes of previous session read.
3. Treasurer's Report.
4. Reference or Deferred Business.
5. Miscellaneous Business.
6. Selecting place for next meeting.
7. Check attendance for banner.
8. Adjournment by regular motion and second (vote)
9. Pray the League Benediction.

LEAGUE BENEDICTION: "The Lord watch between me and thee, when we are absent one from another." - Genesis 31:49.

HISTORY OF MT. ARARAT FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Mt. Ararat Free Will Baptist Church was constituted in 1885 by the Rev. Miles. The pastors serving this church from 1885 until 1899 were: Rev. Mr. Miles, Rev. Wilson Dean, Rev. C. C. Horne, and Rev. Mr. Thompson.

The pastors for the church from 1899 until 1917 were: Rev. B. F. Horne a period of 18 years. Then Rev. Newt Powell served from 1917 to 1919. The Rev. L. S. Yates served from 1920 - 1923. Then Rev. B. F. Horne became pastor again and served from 1924 until 1931. The pastors serving from 1931 - 1937 are as follows: Rev. C. J. Harvey, Rev. W. C. Coleman, Rev. B. F. Horne, Rev. Jack Pitts. Then from 1938 - 1966 the pastors were as follows: Rev. C. E. Peacock, Rev. V. L. Pritchette, Rev. W. R. Lumpkin, Rev. J. B. Price, Rev. Johnnie B. Lumpkin, Rev. Charles Clark, Rev. J. F. Smith, Rev. E. V. Skipper, Rev. Emmett McDuffie. From 1966 - 1981 the pastors were: Rev. Spurgeon Jones, Rev. Gene Ross, Rev. W. R. Warren, Rev. Ronnie Moore, Rev. Tony Howell, Rev. Alton Emerson, Rev. Charles Hardeman and our present pastor is Rev. Howard Faircloth.

All the members, present and past, would like to express our deepest thanks to our pastors of our ninety-six years of existence. They have given freely of their time and effort to feed the Lord's flock at Mt. Ararat, so we would like to say "Thank You." We wouldn't have known the way to go without their direction.

The first Sunday School was organized in November, 1895. W. B. Harrell was elected Sunday School Superintendent, W. L. Peacock was elected teacher of the Senior Class. Georgia McCranie was elected teacher for the Intermediate Class and Margaret Phillips was elected to teach the Primary Class. We still have an active Sunday School today and we thank God for this.

As we look back over the church records we have, here are some of the interesting facts we would like to share with you. Miss Maggie Peacock has had her name on our church roll the longest of any of our living members. Miss Maggie Peacock and Mr. Alton Flemings married and later moved to Macon, Georgia and they were active in church up there. Bro. Alton has retired and he and Mrs. Flemings moved back to Dodge County and they are very active in our church today. You can always depend on them being at church for every service unless sickness keeps them away. Mrs. Flemings is also our substitute pianist. Mr. Alton Flemings was our church treasurer from 1968 - 1979, and did a very good job. Now Mrs. Jean Linder holds this office and is doing a very splendid job. God has so richly blessed us with our financial needs.

Mrs. Lorena Pridgen and Mr. Roy Pridgen united with our church in 1936 where they have been members at from then until now. Around 1937 Bro. Roy was ordained as a Deacon and still serves as a deacon today.

It was in 1966 Mt. Ararat church went full time and has been full time until the present time. Bro. Gene Ross was the pastor at that time.

From around the beginning of the church the parentage has lingered through the years and is still active in church today.

By: Mrs. Mary Hardeman
Church Clerk

BROTHER EARNEST (MANN) COLLINS

Some men's personality stands out in a crowd; it meets you head on. The man himself has to be special. Brother Earnest Collins was such a man. Brother Earnest's life touched many people as he marched through this world.

He loved the Lord very much. Brother Earnest was a soul-winner. Many that are now at White Oaks are there because he believed in visitation. He was always ready to go on visitation. He would witness to people in their homes, the hospital, or wherever the opportunity arose. He was impatient with people who were not faithful to the Lord and the church.

He was a good deacon, and Brother Earnest also loved to teach. He studied the Word, and knew it quite well. You could always be sure that he would help you preach. But no one minded, because this was Brother Earnest, and he was sincere in what he was doing. He was truly a soldier of the cross.

I believe a song that he learned to love says something about his Christian life: "In shady green pastures so rich and so sweet, God leads His dear children along. Some through the fire, some through the flood, some through great trails, but all through the blood. . . God leads his dear children along."

Written by Rev. Billy Sharpston

BROTHER N. C. PERRY

Members and friends of Bethlehem Free Will Baptist Church of Cordele were deeply saddened by the illness and death of Brother N. C. Perry. Bro. Perry had been an active member of Bethlehem for 30 years and a deacon since November 4, 1955.

Bro. Perry was faithful to our Saviour, our church and represented us well in the Georgia Union Association. He considered it his duty and privilege to be present at each service of the church, visit the sick, take care of the church, and to be available when anyone needed a friend.

Bro. Perry died May 18, 1981, following a short illness. Funeral services were held May 20 at Bethlehem with Rev. Elbert Powell and Rev. James E. Bruce officiating and burial in Cedar Creek Cemetery.

Bro. Perry will live on in our memory, and together one day we hope to sing with him: "When we've been here ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun: We've no less days to sing God's praise, than when we've first begun."

Written by Mrs. Jack Calhoun

BROTHER CARL GAY

A "quiet man" characterized Brother Carl Gay. In the time I knew him, I came to realize that he loved the Lord and his church.

Brother Carl was up in age, but was still an active deacon until he became ill. Even then he wanted to attend the board meetings and his church. As long as his health held out, he wanted to do what he could at White Oaks. He was full of life and fun. We loved him. His faith was strong, and the last time I had a good talk with him, I went away rejoicing.

Another of the Lord's servants was called home. We miss him, but we know he is happier now.

Written by Rev. Billy Sharpston

CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God, by faith in Jesus 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, to avoid all appearance 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 study of the Scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship, and by self-denial, faith, and good works endeavor to grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

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

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

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

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprises, the support of missions, the success of Sunday Schools, and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of the world.

And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.