

1991
Minutes
of the
Ninety-sixth Annual Session
of the

Georgia Union Association
of the Original Free Will Baptists
held with

The Warner Robins Free Will Baptist Church
Warner Robins, Georgia
Saturday, October 12, 1991

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- ASSISTANT MODERATOR Rev. Paul Smith
- CLERK Bro. Jack Lysaker
- ASSISTANT CLERK Bro. Richard Hodges
- TREASURER Rev. Tim Hutchinson
- ASSISTANT TREASURER Bro. Gerry Dunaway

Dates and Places to Remember

1st Quarterly Session	January 11, 1992	White Oak
2nd Quarterly Session	April 11, 1992	Wilson Chapel
3rd Quarterly Session	July, 11, 1992	Bay Springs
4th Quarterly Session	October 10, 1992	Bethlehem
Sunday School Convention	September 12	Double Branch
Camp Meeting	October 5-9	Christian Life Center, Hawkinsville, Ga.
Women's Auxiliary	September 19, 1992	Pleasant Hill

Speakers

January	Message James Dixon	Devotion David Starr
April	Message Howard Faircloth	Devotion Gary Rucker
July	Message Owen Gainey	Devotion Hollis Smith
October	Message Tony Howell	Devotion Wendell Shurley

Recommended Order of Church Business Meeting

1. Call to order by Moderator
2. Open meeting with Prayer
3. Invite visiting Brethren to sit.
4. Read and adopt minutes of last meeting.
5. Call for acknowledgements in matters of dealing.
6. Report of Deacons
7. Report of Committees
8. Unfinished Business
9. Miscellaneous Business
10. New Business
11. Appointment of Committees
12. Adjourn

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NONE

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First Quarterly Meeting

The Georgia Union Association of Free Will Baptists met on January 12, 1991 at the Pleasant Hill Free Will Baptist Church.

Brother Billy Sharpston called the morning meeting to order and we sang "Promised Land." Rev. Tony Howell led in prayer. Rev. Bill Sumner gave us the welcome from the host church.

Brother Mike Hart from White Oaks Free Will Baptist Church provided the morning devotion speaking on "Faith" using Hebrews 11 and James 1 along with several other scriptures.

M/S/C to seat the regular church delegates.

M/S/C to adopt the program with necessary changes.

Visitors to the Association were recognized which included our missionary to Japan, Debbie Griffin.

Committees appointed: Finance Committee; sister Bessie Bryant and sister Faye Bryant to serve with Brother Jerry Dunaway.

Executive Board report was given with the recommendation that we support the financing of the state office building. M/S/C.

Sister Debbie Griffin was given an opportunity to share with us. She said that she planned to return to Japan in March and would not be able to be in our churches before her departure.

We had a short recess.

Rev. Bill Amerson provided us with our message in the morning service.

Afternoon Session

Our afternoon session began with the singing of "Jesus is a Rock in a Weary Land." Brother Harold Dunaway led in prayer.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Digest Report by Brother Donald Self. Churches reporting 14. No letter from Eastman or Wilson Chapel. Members received 16. Members lost 3 total gained 13. M/S/C that we accept his report and he also recommended to the churches that we support the building of the state office.

Christian Education Report was given by Brother David Starr M/S/C. He brought to our attention the Teen Weekend Retreat the 1st weekend after Easter, the Work Day at Camp Mt Bethel in May. He also spoke of the new five year plan in the workings to renovate all camp facilities. The CE board will be meeting later in January to discuss plans for the 1991 calendar.

Mission Board Report was given by Rev James Bryant. The board met twice. On Dec 29th at Double Branch all members were present. We discussed the Perry Mission, and the feasibility of hiring a full time minister. Brother Bruce stated that he would stay there until we got a man. On January 6 Rev Bruce called and said that the mission voted that they wanted him to stay and they would give \$46 to \$50 per member each month plus offerings which would total about \$600 per month. They agreed to try to reach a goal of 25 members. We called a meeting at Perry for January 10 to verify this information. The Mission Board gave Bro Bruce six months to implement this plan. We are to meet back with the church on July 11 to review their progress. M/S/C. to accept his report. It was noted that Rev. Bruce has resigned from the Perry Mission. Brother Bryant also gave a short report on the state work. which included four specific items: a vote not to give mission money support to established churches; a desire to finish the obligation to the Tifton church in about 10 months after securing a pastor for the work; continue the work in Athens with a 12 month obligation to it; and the intent of the mission board to meet with the Dublin Church on the 16th of January.

The Committee of Ten report was given by Brother Grover Jewell

A nominating committee report was given by Rev Paul Smith. They met to determine a replacement for the Association Clerk. The names of Jack Lysaker and Tim Hutchinson were provided and Jack Lysaker was chosen to replace the clerk.

A report was given by the moderator about the minutes of the Association. There was a problem with the printing and the problem is being corrected.

The treasurer's report was given by Brother Gerry Dunaway. We have the following monies in various accounts: Camp Meeting fund \$318.56; Retirement Fund \$576.02; Association Fees 1620.05; National Fees \$20.00 and a Total funds on hand of 2534.63. The offering for the State Office Building came to \$152.63. M/S/C to receive the report.

Brother Sharpston urged our churches to get involved in paying into our Associational retirement fund.

We had a rising vote of thanks for the host church and for its hospitality.

Ordaining Council report was given by Brother James Bruce. They recommended that Brother Robert Travis be under the watch care of the Georgia Union Association for twelve months.

Several local announcements were given and we were dismissed in prayer.

Moderator


Dr. Billy Sharpston

Clerk


Jack Lysaker

Second Quarterly Meeting

The Georgia Union Association of Free Will Baptists met on April 13, 1991 at the Perry Free Will Baptist Mission Church in Perry, Georgia.

Brother Billy Sharpston called the morning meeting to order and Brother Charles McNeese led us in singing "When we all get to Heaven." Brother Tony Howell led in prayer. Brother McNeese gave the host church welcome.

The morning devotion was given by brother Harold Dunaway from Psalms 89. The thought was "Don't count the days but make the days count for the Lord."

We adopted the program with necessary changes.

M/S/C to seat the regular church delegates (51).

We recognized visitors in attendance. Then moderator Sharpston appointed Sister Bessie Bryant and Sister Faye Bryant to work with the treasurer in counting of monies. We announced the Walkathon for promotion of the State Office Building Project and encouraged every pastor to get his church behind him to walk to raise money.

Rev Herbert Waid spoke briefly concerning both state and national concerns, our State Youth Program, the Bible College and National Meetings this summer.

We had a short recess and then commenced with the morning worship service. Brother McNeese led us in singing "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder." Brother Jack Lysaker sang "I Come to the Garden Alone." Brother L. S. Anthony preached using Acts 3:6 as his text... "Such as I have, give I thee." We sang an invitational Hymn, "Just As I Am" and had a closing altar of prayer.

The morning Offering for the State Land and Building Fund amounted to \$206.30. We recessed for lunch.

Afternoon Session

We opened the afternoon session with brother Charles McNeese leading us in singing "Victory in Jesus," and prayer by brother Billy Sumner. Shine Collins sang "I Come to the Garden Alone" and Catherine Thomlinson sang the afternoon special.

The minutes of the January meeting were read by Brother Jack Lysaker. M/S/C to accept them as read.

The Executive Board report was given by Brother Lysaker. The Board appointed a committee to work with the upcoming walkathon. Chairman Rev. Paul Smith, members Owen Gainey, David Starr, Jack Lysaker and Charles McNeese.

Committee Reports:

Digest Committee given by Rev Howard Faircloth; Churches attending 16, members received, 20 members lost 9, ministers present 22, on roll 25. Offerings for the quarter amounted to \$101,141.77. Each church reported good attendance for church, sunday school and prayer meetings. M/S/C to accept this report.

Mission Board report was given by Rev. James Bryant. Rev. Charles McNeese was hired for the Perry Mission in February 1991 at \$1000 per month and the church will pay him what they can for the rest of his salary. The Board paid his moving expense of \$400, and an advance of his February salary. He has signed a contract for 18 months. The Board met with Brother McNeese in March and shared some concerns with him. He expressed a desire to dress up the mission with shrubs, tree cutting, and placement of a new church sign near the highway. The board presently has \$10,400 in its treasury to sustain the mission work. Brother Bryant also mentioned other state works in progress in Atlanta, Athens, Stone Mountain and the concerns each missionary had for their respective work. Brother McNeese thanked the body for placing trust in him to do the Perry work. M/S/C to accept this report.

Christian Education. Brother Shine Collins spoke on behalf of the board which is in need of a serious meeting to gauge its work and plan for the summer months.

Ordaining Council had nothing to report this session.

A letter was received from the First Church of Warner Robins to place Rev. Hoyt Findley on the honor roll. M/S/C/ to place him on the honor roll.

Double in a Decade. Rev Paul Smith reported on progress to date in the state on this project. On the 23rd of August we are to have a state wide booster meeting to kick off our desires. We will have a comprehensive program for teens age 13 to 19 on Friday all night and for the teens and adults on Saturday. Specific data will be placed in the state promotional bulletin on this project. M/S/C to accept this report.

Camp Meeting: Rev Charles McNeese indicated that this years camp meeting will be held 7-11 October at the Broad Street gym in Hawkinsville. Rev Len Blanchard will be the evangelist. Funds to promote this activity will be raised by each church donating \$50. M/S/C/ to adopt this report.

The Perry Mission was given a rising vote of thanks for hosting this session of our Association.

Financial Report was given by Rev. Don Moore.
Camp Meeting fund 318.56; Retirement fund 401.02;
Associational Fund 1209.28 on hand prior to the meeting
Receipts retirement fund 1430.10 Associational fund 1299.28
Disbursements: CE Board 650; Missions 350; Moderator 37.35;
Howard Faircloth 12.87; Jack Lysaker 48.81 James Bryant 10;
Ga State Association 206.30 Total Expense 1315.26. Balance
on Hand 1553.00 M/S/C to accept this report.

A report on Camp Mt Bethel Teen retreat was given by Jack Lysaker along with a plea for help in the May spring cleaning day. Several local announcements of revivals were given to the body. Closing prayer by Brother Billy Sumner
Moderator Billy Sharpston Clerk Jack Lysaker

Dr. Billy Sharpston

Jack Lysaker

Third Quarterly Meeting

The Georgia Union Association of Free Will Baptists met on July 13, 1991 at the Pine Level Free Will Baptist church near Chester, Georgia.

Brother Billy Sharpston called the morning session to order and Brother David Starr led us in singing "He Lives." Brother Benny Lafferty led us in opening prayer. The Host pastor, Dilmos Johnston bid us welcome.

The morning devotion was given by Brother Wayne Moore of the Pine Level Church taking his text from Ps 19: 7-11, expounding to us the facts of "The Bible as the Word of God, our roadmap for life."

We adopted the program with necessary changes.

M/S/C to seat the designated delegates and the roll call of ministers was taken, 18 present.

A recommendation was received and then tabled from the executive board to change one of the by-laws. The specific change was to change the last line of article 10 on page 24 by deleting the word "equally" and appending the sentence with the phrase "as directed by the Executive Board." paragraph 10 was then to read as follows: "excess funds from this association, after all expenses have been paid and a reasonable balance maintained, shall be distributed between the Georgia Union Mission and Christian Education boards as directed by the Executive Board."

Committees were checked for adequate persons and the finance committee was provided with Sisters Faye and Bessie Bryant to help count the monies received.

The minutes of the 13 April session were read and approved.

The Double in a Decade report was given by Rev Paul Smith. The scheduling is on track for our state wide rally to be held at the Broad Street gym facilities in Hawkinsville, Ga. More information will be forthcoming in the Georgia Bulletin concerning all the activities. M/S/C to accept this report. Brother Paul asked for helpers to sponsor the teen night activities.

The Mission Board report was given by Rev Paul Smith and he reported again the hiring of Rev Charles McNeese for the Perry Mission. He reported a Balance of the board as of the 30th of June to be \$9,600. We are only receiving an average of \$320 per month into the treasury and spending about \$1000. per month for salary. Brother Paul requested that we get involved in giving to missions. As things stand we would only have about \$760 left at the end of the 18 month contract we now have with the Perry Mission. Balance on hand as of 7-13-91 is \$8926.00 M\S\C to accept report.

We had a short recess and then commenced the morning worship service with David Starr leading us in singing "I'll Fly Away." Rev Owen Gainey prayed asking special prayer for Ernest Buckner from Christian Hill Church. We had a special Harmonica solo by Mr. Kilgore from Thomaston,

Ga. He played "Amazing Grace" and "I Saw the Light." Brother Williams from Pine Level played his guitar and sang "This Side of Heaven." Brother James Bruce preached. His text Heb 12:22-24, entitled "Confusion in the church." Invitational Hymn was "Jesus is Tenderly Calling." We recessed for lunch.

Afternoon Session

We commenced the afternoon session with the singing of "When we all get to Heaven" led by David Starr. Special music by David Starr and Jack Lysaker entitled "Redeemed."

The following reports were given in this session:

Digest Committee: Churches attending 15 members received 24 members lost 7 total gained 17. offerings received \$81512.02 M/S/C to adopt report by James Dixon

Christian Education Board by Charles McNeese: activate cts convention, recommended \$50 per semester for students at FWBBC..Youth Rally with the Rejoice Ensemble from FWBBC to be held Sept 28 at Cross Roads, 7:00 P.M. Fall activity to be a hay ride, hot dog roast and film Nov 9 at 5:00 P.M.

Sunday School Convention to be Sept 21, Rev Roy Thomas speaker with puppet team from White Oakes. Double Branch will host the Nov 9 and S.S. Convention activities.

Finances on hand last meeting \$1384.95 minus expenses paid out to date; balance on hand today \$1127.59.

Nomination Committee: Rev Don Moore resigned as treasurer due to poor health. Rev Tim Hutchinson was accepted.

M/S/C.

Ordaining Council, Rev Bill Amerson resigned due to poor health, Rev Albert Rollins was chosen M/S/C.

Camping report given by Jack Lysaker: to date 49 saved, 31 rededications and 1 called to missions; facilities update on track with 60 new mattresses in place M/S/C.

Ordaining Council: Rev James Bruce recommended that we provide Rev. Thomas Jackie Barnard a copy of his ordination papers. M/S/C. That Robert Travis be received in full fellowship, his letters of recommendation came. M/S/C. and that Charles Lysaker be ordained on 28 July, 1991 at 2:30 P.M at the Dublin Mission. M/S/C.

Executive Board:Recommendation number 1: That the association grant the Christian Education Board the authority to change the dates of the Sunday School Convention and the month of the Youth for Christ Rally this year in order to obtain the quality speakers and Bible College teams they deem most appropriate for us at this time. M/S/C. Recommendation #2: voted to remove from the table the recommendation for a constitution change of the by-laws. M/S/C. The constitutional change to the by-laws found on page 24 article 10 last line to delete the word "equally" and add the words "as directed by the Executive Board." Paragraph 10 will now read as follows" 10. Excess funds from this association, after all expenses have been paid and a reasonable balance maintained, shall be

distributed between the Georgia Union and Christian Education Boards as directed by the Executive Board." M/S/C/.

Treasurer's report was given by Faye Bryant. In the absence of the treasurer, only the day's receipts were reported. Association Fees \$585.00 Camp Meeting receipts: 325.00 Retirement Fund receipts \$105.00 and National Fees Received \$10.00. Total receipts today \$1025.00

M/S/C/ to place Rev Don Moore and Rev Bill Amerson on the Georgia Union Honor Roll of Ministers due to health considerations.

Camp Meeting was given by Rev. Charles McNeese: This year's Camp Meeting will be held at the Broad Street Christian Life Center in Hawkinsville October 7-11 daily at 7:30 P.M. Rev Len Blanchard formerly of Lyons Georgia, now pastoring in Birmingham, Alabama will be our evangelist. Churches are asked to provide music through Brother Shine Collins, music director. Each church is asked to provide financial assistance in the amount of \$50.00 M/S/C.


We received an offering to help fund needed repairs to the Alabama Children's Home in Eldridge, Alabama. Offering received amounted to \$168.00.

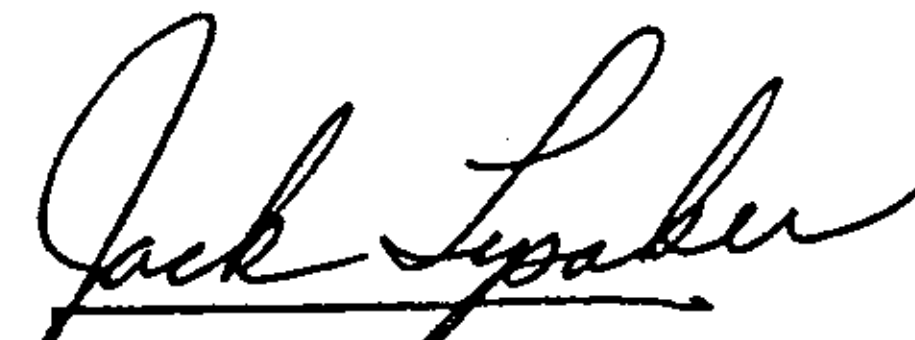
It was noted that we had several young people in attendance and appreciated their desire to be with us.

A plea was given for board members to be aware of dates for other outside activities before planning their own activities; i.e. remember specific dates on the national level before planning so as to allow our youth opportunities to be involved in FWBBC activities as well. After several local announcements we gave the host church a rising vote of thanks.

Closing Prayer was given by Rev. Robert Travis.

Respectfully submitted:

for 
Dr Billy Sharpston
Moderator
Georgia Union


Mr. Jack Lysaker
Clerk
Georgia Union

Annual Session

The Georgia Union Association of Free Will Baptists met 12 October, 1991 at the Warner Robins Free Will Baptist Church in Warner Robins, Georgia for their annual session.

Brother Howard Faircloth called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. Brother Lafferty led us in singing "When We All Get To Heaven." Prayer was given by Rev. Richard McFadden. We were given the host pastors greeting by pastor Lafferty.

Brother Jack Griffin gave a devotion, talking about several Old Testament giants of the faith.

We moved to adopt the program with necessary changes.

Roll call of the delegates was taken by the clerk. M/S/C/ to seat them. Roll call of ministers was taken by the clerk, 23 present. We recognized visiting preachers, Rev Jimmy Smith and Rev. Gerald Brown.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, corrected and approved.

We received a plea for missions from our moderator.

We received a report from the nominating committee and acted upon them item by item as follows: results are:

Digest Committee members: James Dixon & Richard McFadden

Mission Board: Wayne Moore, Maurice Bryant & Gerry Dunaway

Christian Education Board: Robert Travis

State Trustee Board: Gerry Dunaway

State Camping Board: Jack Lysaker

State Christian Education Board: Charles McNeese

Assistant Moderator: Paul Smith

Moderator: Howard Faircloth

Trustee: Alan Williams

Ordaining Council: Albert Rollins

M/S/C to accept state resignation of Brother Emmett Dunaway due to poor health.

Sisters Bessie and Faye Bryant were appointed to help on the finance committee: We recessed.

Our morning worship was initiated with the singing of "Are You Washed in the Blood?" led by pastor Lafferty. Opening prayer was offered by Rev. Hoyt Findley. A special in music was played on the harmonica by Brother Kilgore from Thomaston and sung by Bobby Townsend.

The Ordaining Council presented plaques to five preachers presently on the honor roll: Donald Moore 28 years service; Bill Amerson 37 years service; Hoyt Findley 24 years service; Emmett McDuffie 50 years service; and Henry Bridges 7 years service.

Rev. James Bryant provided the message on the last days from his text in II Timothy chapters 3 and 4. At the close of the service the host pastor gave instructions for the noon meal and Rev. Albert Rollins returned thanks.

Afternoon Session

We opened the afternoon session singing "Joy Unspeakable" led by Jack Lysaker, Prayer by Paul Smith.

Committee reports were given as follows:

Education Board: by Charles McNeese. We had a good Sunday School convention with Rev. Malcolm Fry speaker and the White Oak puppet team in action. Our latest youth rally gave the FWBBC Rejoice Singers our attention at Cross Roads Church. Our next rally will be an outing at Double Branch and will feature a hayride, hot dog roast and a film Nov. 9

Ordaining Council: by James Bruce. We completed last quarters work and recommend placing Rev. Gerald Brown under the watch care of the Association M/S/C to accept it.

Old Camp Meeting: by Charles McNeese. We had an excellent meeting with Rev. Len Blanchard our evangelist and our intended speaker for next year will be Rev. Billy Hanna from Albany, dates October 5 through October 9.

Digest Committee: By Donald Self 14 churches reported. Gain of 40 people, received 62 and lost 22.

Treasurers report: by Tim Hutchinson.

A. Camp Meeting: Beginning Balance 643.56; funds received 422.59; expenses 671.41; Closing Balance 394.74

B. Associational Report: Todays Beginning Balance 1230.56 total expenditures 1354.41; received from churches 615.00 Ending Balance 1845.56. as follows: National Association Funds 120.00; Camp Meeting 394.74; Retirement 469.12; Associational 861.56 TOTAL 1845.56.

C. Retirement Funds at the FWB foundation 2625.92. M/S/C to accept the treasurers report as given.

D. Mission Board; by James Bryant. He discussed the many improvements at the Perry Mission, indicated a treasurers balance of \$8,000 as of 10/21/91 in the mission account; reported the progress of the Dublin Church, the Riverside Church, the Stone Mountain church and the work of Rex Lynn at Rome, Georgia.

E. Bible Camp: by Jack Lysaker. He reported the winning of 62 souls and the rededication of 52 others along with the many facility improvements made this year which included 60 new mattresses for the campers.

F. Ladies Auxiliary: by Mrs Hobbs. She reports 5 auxiliaries at work in our association. Their written report will be placed in the annual book of reports.

G. Masters Men: no report.

H. State Delegates chosen this year are: Jack Lysaker, Gail Smith, Bessie Bryant, and Mary Duneway, with alternates being Mrs McNeese and Odell Faircloth.

We gave the host church a rising vote of thanks.

Don Moore moved that we give the Association Treasurer a \$10.00 honorarium each quarter for keeping the books, M/S/C.

Double in a Decade report was given by Paul Smith. He indicated that our recent rally was a big success and another rally was planned for the near future.

We voted to support National Home Missions on 24 Nov.

An offering was taken for Laura Belle Barnard Missions emphasis and will be forwarded to the state office.

Our next meeting will be January 11 at White Oaks, the Executive Board will be meeting on the 4th of January.

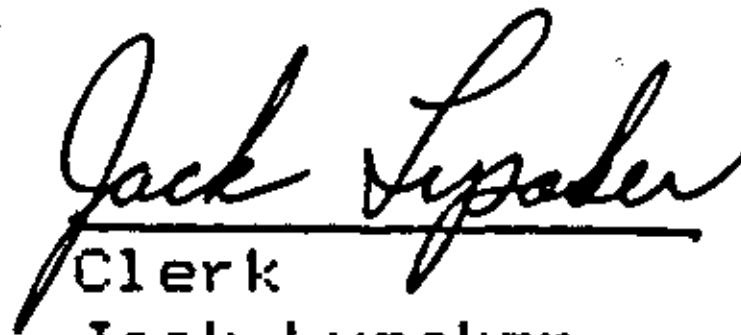
The Association voted to hold a necessary church meeting at Beulah Springs on the 28th of December and designate it Georgia Union Day. Services will be conducted at 11 A.M.

After several announcements of revivals and other meetings, we were dismissed in prayer by James Bruce.



Moderator

Howard Faircloth



Clerk

Jack Lysaker

THE GEORGIA UNION DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY MEETING

The Georgia Union district woman's auxiliary met Sept. 21, 1991 at the Eastman First Free Will Baptist Church. The meeting was called to order by the president, Kathy Douglas.. The song, "Bring Them In" was sung led by Betty Williams with Mary Holden Dunaway at the piano. The welcome was given by Jannette Williams using scripture in Eph. 5. She led in prayer. The group sang "More About Jesus". The delegates were seated by the president. The minutes were read and approved. The treasurer's report was read and approved. Committee reports were as follows: Registration, 17 present, 2 visitors; Credentials, 5 auxiliaries, 58 members in the Georgia Union district; Resolutions, to accept the 1991 resolutions of the National WNAC, those being 1. to share in the Free Will Baptist Bible College celebration of its 50th. anniversary in that we encourage gifts of gratitude to advance the college. 2. to help students enrolled in the Ivory Coast Institute with funds from the Foreign Student Scholarship Fund. 3. to give our attention to an international fellowship of Free Will Baptist woman's group. That we give a rising vote of thanks for the hospitality shown by the host church.

Nominating committee appointed for 1992 was Mary Dunaway, Viola Hunt, and Jannette Williams. The business meeting was adjourned.

The program was brought by Brenda Steedley. She presented "A Woman for all Seasons." Through a slide presentation she showed the four seasons with color and scripture with Winter represented by Reverence, Psm. 115:3, Spring as Renewal, Jer. 8:20, Summer as Rest, Heb. 4:9 and Autumn as Reflection, Phil. 1:6. She concluded her talk by saying to trust in Jesus and receive the abundant life.

The treasurer reported an offering of 21.92 taken today. The next district meeting will be held on Sept. 19, 1992 at Pleasant Hill Church. M/S/C to dismiss. We were led in prayer by Mary Dunaway.

Respectively submitted,

Nita Hobbs, Sec., Ga. Union Dist.

GA. UNION DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TREASURER'S REPORT

Sept. 30, 1990 Balance.....\$ 95.73

1990-1991 Received:

Pre-Thanksgiving.....	15.00
Pre-Easter.....	114.00
Laura Belle Barnard, Personal Acct.....	25.00
Allen Crowson Acct.	505.00
Debbie Griffin Acct.....	130.00
Earl Hanna Acct.	65.00
Rex Lynn Acct.....	110.00
Lora Shutes, Ga. State Project.....	781.00
Co-Laborer Fund.....	162.00
Student Loan Fund.....	26.00
Dot Harvey Loan Fund.....	13.00
Eunice Edwards Fund.....	15.00
Emphasis Month.....	57.95
Membership Fees (58 members).....	159.50
Registration Fees.....	8.00
District meeting offering.(9-21-91).....	21.92
Total \$	2304.10

Money sent to State.....	2163.95
Paid guest speaker.....	75.00
Stamps.....	5.80
Total \$	2244.75

Balance (9-30-91)	Total \$	59.35
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Sent direct-not through WNAC channels

Heather Clark FWBBC student.....\$	75.00
Ala. Children's Home.....	30.00
Crowson's Airfare Home to States.....	1021.96
Retired Ministers.....	85.00
Atlanta Mission Church.....	20.00
Home Church Projects.....	147.47
Gift to Pastor's Wife.....	65.00
Perry Mission.....	100.00
Youth to Nat'l Convention.....	100.00
Debbie Griffin.....	75.00
Co-Laborer Magazine.....	348.00
Total \$	2067.43

Respectively submitted,

Bessie Simmons, Treas., Ga. Union

CONSTITUTION OF GEORGIA UNION ASSOCIATION
OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS
(REVISED, 1980, 1/81, 4/82, 10/87, 4/89, 1/90, 6/91)

ARTICLE I

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

Section 2. This association and its member churches adopt the Treatise of Faith and Practice of the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

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 faith and practices and adopt the doctrines established by the National Association of Free Will Baptists and any further requirements established by this association.

Section 2. The Executive Board shall investigate and submit their recommendations to this association 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 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:

Members	Fee	Members	Fee
1 - 25	\$25.00	151 - 175	\$55.00
26 - 50	30.00	176 - 200	60.00
51 - 75	35.00	201 - 225	65.00
76 - 100	40.00	226 - 250	70.00
101 - 125	45.00	over 250	(70.00 plus \$5
126 - 150	50.00		for every 25 members over).

Section 8. The 10.00 National Fee is due from each church on or before the Annual Meeting.

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 board 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 association. 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 executive committee shall be reimbursed for all special and called meetings they attend at the rate of \$.20 per mile.

ARTICLE IV

Section 1. (A) The Executive Board shall consist of the Chairman of 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 session 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 (A) The Ordaining Council shall consist of five ministers in good standing, elected to five year terms on a staggered basis.

(B) They shall be paid \$.20 a mile for work done between associations.

(C) They shall investigate and question prospective candidates for licensing or ordination as they deem necessary and as outlined by other regulations adopted by this assembly.

(D) 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 three 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 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, boards, and committee members with expired terms, to the October session. They should meet as a Committee and contact each nominee, if possible, for their approval prior to placing their names in nomination. Additional nominees may be submitted by any delegate, except members of the Nominating Committee, during this session.

Section 8 Temporary committees (Resolutions, Finance, etc.) may be appointed 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 regulations or by-laws, not consistent with constitution, which may be deemed essential to the further regulation of this assembly.

Section 4. This Association shall act upon such questions as 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 and 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 the 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
(Revised 1985, 10/87, 6/91)

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. In the absence of the appointed speaker for devotions and messages of each session, the moderator shall appoint said individual. Also in the absence of moderator and assistant moderator, the clerk shall call session to order and elect moderator pro-tem for that session.
4. All ministers on roll shall attend at least two meetings a year or send a letter or oral message 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 and prayer.
7. There shall be a finance committee chosen to work with the treasurer, and report to the association.
8. The association shall always open and close with prayer and praise of God.
9. The executive board shall be in charge of disbursement of the retirement fund for retired ministers.
10. Excess funds from this association, after all expenses have been paid and a reasonable balance maintained, shall be distributed between the Georgia Union Mission and Christian Education Boards as directed by the Executive Board.
11. Each church or mission shall furnish the clerk of the association with three copies of their letter at the October session.

Church	Organized	Pastor	Clerk
Bay Springs	1884	Rev. Howard Faircloth 131 Lawndale Drive Eastman, Ga 31023 374-3017	Hollis Smith Rt 5 Box 504 Eastman Ga. 31023 374-2143
Bethlehem	1917	Rev. Jerry Wishum Rt 4 Tifton Ga 31974 382-0334	Mrs Jack Calhoun 216 Perry Rd Cordele Ga. 31015 273-3947
Christian Hill	1887	Rev. James E. Bruce Rt 1 Box 1110 Pineview Ga. 31071 624-2479	Mary Frances Brown Rt 1 Abbeville Ga 31001 365-7488
Cross Roads	1910	Rev. Robert Travis Rt 3 Box 87-2 Cochran Ga 31014 934-4566	Willie Ruth Rogers Rt 3 Cochran Ga 31014 934-2532
Double Branch	1896	Rev. Paul Smith Rt 3 Box 339 Hawkinsville Ga 31036 892-9474	Mrs H.E. Dunaway Rt 1 Box 77 Unadilla Ga 31091 892-9388
Dublin Mission	1966	Rev Albert Rollins 306 Lassiter Dr. Dublin Ga. 31021 275-7514	Jack Lysaker 102 Prince St Dublin Ga. 31021 272-5663
First Eastman	1961	Rev. Owen Ganey 816 6th Ave N.E. Eastman Ga. 31023 374-2533	Janice Beck Rt 2 Box 22 Eastman Ga. 31023 374-7190
Little Bethel	1915	Rev. Elbert Powell Rt 1 Box 114 Chester Ga. 31012 934-4348	Tommy Parker Rt 3 Cochran Ga. 31014 934-6048
Mt. Ararat	1885	Rev. James E Bryant Rt 2 Box 181-AB Cochran Ga. 31014 934-0004	Ila Mae Johnson Rt 3 Box 110 Eastman Ga. 31023 374-3031
New Hope	1967	Rev. Tony Howell Rt 4 Box 213-A Eastman Ga. 31023 374-3356	Myrtle Howell Rt 5 Cochran Ga. 31014 934-6870
Perry Mission	1974	Rev. Charles McNeese 518 Seminole Perry Ga. 31069 987-3302	Sue Downs 117 Beaver Creek Rd Kathleen Ga. 31047 922-6637
Pine Level	1924	Rev. Dilmos Johnston Rt 1 Box Chester Ga 31012 358-4477	Moniece M. Moore Rt 6 Box 195 Eastman Ga. 31023 374-3217
Pleasant Hill	1898	Rev William J. Sumner Rt 2 Box Vienna Ga. 31092 268-8746	Viola H. Hunt 713 13th Av. East Cordele Ga. 31015 273-3081
Warner Robins	1964	Benny Lee Lafferty P. O. Box 1554 Byron Ga. 31008 956-4660	Jack Griffin 119 Ravenwood Way Warner Robins Ga 31093 923-8855
White Oak	1953	Rev Richard McFadden 4662 Brookhaven Rd. Macon Ga. 31206 474-9522	Margie Collins 1567 Hurley Circle Macon Ga. 31206 788-8530
Wilson Chapel	1960	Rev. L.S. Anthony 530 Ellerbeetown Rd. Thomaston Ga. 30286	Eudene Pitts 404-647-7262 2537 Barnsville Hwy. Thomaston Ga 30286

404-647-3885

Members Rec'd	Members Lost	Total	Sunday School	CTS	Income	Assoc dues
2	1	77	40	No	14,768	40.00
3	1	85	38	No	14,453	40.00
2	2	82	24	No	5,850	40.00
3	0	54	49	37	24,377	35.00
4	5	150	76	50	62,843	50.00
3	2	47	30	15	13,540	30.00
3	1	83	60	NO	25,356	35.00
1	2	115	35	No	22,632	35.00
5	0	67	34	27	17,728	35.00
2	0	62	30	NO	none provided	35.00
8	6	20	27	No	8,618	25.00
7	3	94	48	45	34,822	40.00
2	0	116	45	30	29,402	45.00
0	0	25	15	No	9,455	30.00
20	2	153	85	25	71,764	55.00
0	0	70	20	No	11,819	35.00

RULES FOR LICENSING OF MINISTERS
(Revised 1977, 10/81, 10/87)

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 the church recommending him for not less than three (3) months from the date of the receiving letter stating that he is in good standing with the church, denomination and association that 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 scriptures of the Old and New Testament, measure up to the standards of the treatise of the National Association of Free Will Baptists and our church covenant 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. Upon receipt of a ministers license, which is renewable annually, it is recommended that each licensee complete the following items which are to be considered a part of the examining criteria as indicated in paragraph 2:

A. Read, THE PREACHER AND HIS PREACHING and FAITH FOR TODAY by O'Donnell provided by the association.

B. Read, A TREATISE OF FAITH AND PRACTICES OF THE ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS, with current revisions.

C. Be prepared to discuss personal habits and concern for :

1. Church and Personal Visitation
2. Soul Winning efforts and results
3. Personal Bible Study
4. Sermon Preparation.

7. 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 CALLING PASTORS
(Revised 1980, 10/90)

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 that he is in good standing. The degree of investigation of the candidate is left to the church's 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. Any candidate coming to this association from another denomination shall be placed under the watchcare of this denomination and the church he is pastoring for twelve (12) months. All other license or ordination papers must be turned over to this association and the clerk may destroy them or return them to the denomination from whom they were issued.

3. All ministers desiring to transfer 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, (except ordained ministers transferring from Georgia Free Will Baptist Associations) 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 candidate's 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.

Any church or mission petitioning this association for membership shall be investigated by the Executive Board before the vote can be taken.

RULES FOR ORDINATION OF MINISTERS
(Revised 1960, 77, 78, 1/81, 4/89, 1/90)

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 whereas the applicant can be useful in evangelistic work.
3. Applicant shall be examined by the ordaining council, who having been duly elected by this association to which they hold membership. Examination shall be held at the discretion of the ordaining council.
4. Applicant shall meet the qualifications as laid down in the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments and measure up to the standards of Free Will Baptists and our Church Covenant, which have been adopted by this body. The Pastor and his family are strongly admonished to uphold the standards of the Word of God by being faithful in attendance on the Lord's Day.
5. No applicant for ordination 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 shall submit a minority report on all recommendations that are not unanimous.
- 7 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.

CONSTITUTION OF THE GEORGIA UNION MISSION BOARD
(Adopted 1975, Revised 1979, 7/81, 10/87)

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 an 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 are 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 this board. (B) This board shall have authority over said mission in all matters in regard to calling a Pastor and overseeing the mission work until such mission becomes a Church.

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 of 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 any time title will be transferred to the church, said title to contain a revision 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 Baptist."

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

Signed

Mission Pastor

Mission Clerk

Chairman

Board Clerk

C) 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,
Heeler, 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.

Article IX

Section 1. STATUS: When the congregation has reached a stage
where they desire to organize into a church, it shall request said
status upon completion of an examination by the Georgia Union
Association Executive Board using guidelines as set forth by the
Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists for mission
churches.

BY LAWS 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 2. 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 3. 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 4. EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS: The Chairman shall be an ex-officio member of all committees.

Article I

Voting is restricted to members or their proxies.

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

Article II

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

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
of
THE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD
(Revised 1/82)

ARTICLE I: NAME

Section 1: The name of this board shall be the Christian Education Board of the Georgia Union Association.

Section 2: 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 II: MEMBERS

Section 1: This board shall consist of seven members. Four of which may serve to be a quorum. Three or four shall be laymen.

Section 2: A board member may serve for either two or three years depending on when elected. The first year of the cycle the terms of two shall expire, the second year the terms of two more shall expire, and the third year the terms of three shall expire. The cycle will then be repeated.

Section 3: Each member of this board shall be elected by the Georgia Union Association.

Section 4: Each member of this board shall show an interest in promoting Christian Education. He shall attend as many meetings as possible and as many functions sponsored by this board as is possible. Failure to do so may result in dismissal from the board and a replacement sought immediately.

Section 5: This board shall be responsible for election of its own officers and directors for each of its activities.

ARTICLE III: OFFICERS

Section 1: The officers of this board shall be a chairman, vice-chairman and a secretary/treasurer to be elected annually by the board.

Section 2: The duties of the officers shall be: (A) The chairman shall preside over each meeting according to established parliamentary procedures and appoint all committees. He shall be an ex-officio member of all committees. (B) The vice-chairman shall serve in the full capacity of the chairman when the chairman is unable to serve. (C) The Secretary/treasurer shall keep the minutes of board meetings, notes of other activities and is responsible for receiving and disbursing all finances as directed by this board. He shall also make the reports as outlined in Article V.

ARTICLE IV: MEETINGS

Section 1: This board shall meet often enough to see that its work is carried out effectively.

Section 2: The board chairman may call special meetings when necessary.

ARTICLE V: REPORTS

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

ARTICLE VI: FINANCES

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

ARTICLE VII: ACTIVITIES

Section 1: This board shall sponsor the Sunday School Convention the second

Saturday of each September, the CTS Convention the fourth Saturday of each April, and the YOUTH for Christ Rally quarterly (February, May, August, and November).

Section 2: These activities shall be financed with registration fees, offerings or other feasible means.

Section 3: This board shall sponsor other activities such as retreats, youth camps, workshops, seminars, teacher training courses, etc., at its discretion.

BY-LAWS

1. This constitution and by-laws may be amended in any regular session of the Georgia Union Association and by a 2/3 majority vote provided that the amendment was tabled in the morning session.

2. Board members shall be reimbursed for their mileage to called meetings, other mileages shall be reimbursed at the discretion of the board.

OBITUARIES

REV JAMES POTTER

THE REV JAMES POTTER, 59 OF 3409 RIGGINSMILL ROAD, MACON, GEORGIA DIED ON JANUARY 24, 1991. BORN IN APPLING COUNTY, HE WAS A CHARTER MEMBER AND RETIRED MINISTER OF WHITE OAKS FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH. HE HAD BEEN IN THE MINISTRY FOR 29 YEARS. HIS FIRST CHURCH WAS CORINTH FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH IN EMANUEL COUNTY, THEN DOUBLE BRANCH, LITTLE BETHEL AND BEULAH SPRINGS IN THE GEORGIA UNION ASSOCIATION. SERVICES WERE HELD AT WHITE OAKS CHURCH WITH REV BILLY SHARPSTON AND REV EDDIE WILCOX OFFICIATING. BURIAL WAS IN THE MIDDLE GEORGIA MEMORIAL GARDENS. SURVIVORS INCLUDE HIS WIFE PEGGY POTTER, TWO SONS, JIMMY AND ALL POTTER, MOTHER LULA PARSONS, FIVE GRANDCHILDREN, TWO BROTHERS AND TWO SISTERS.

SISTER NELLIE D. PARAMORE

SISTER NELLIE D. PARAMORE DEPARTED THIS LIFE ON NOVEMBER 17, 1990. SHE WAS A FAITHFUL MEMBER OF CHRISTIAN HILL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH FOR 46 YEARS. SHE HAD SERVED AS SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER AND WAS WILLING TO SERVE THE CHURCH ANYWAY SHE COULD. SHE WAS LOVED, RESPECTED, AND IS SORELY MISSED BY ALL OF CHRISTIAN HILL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH.

BROTHER ERNEST J. BARKER

BROTHER ERNEST BARKER DEPARTED THIS LIFE ON OCTOBER 21, 1991. HE HAD SERVED THE LORD AND CHRISTIAN HILL CHURCH FOR MANY YEARS. HE HAD SERVED OUR CHURCH AS DEACON, CLERK AND TREASURER AND SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT. HE HAD ALSO SERVED AS CLERK, TREASURER AND MISSION BOARD MEMBER OF THE GEORGIA UNION ASSOCIATION. BACK IN THE 50'S HE SERVED AS CLERK OF THE GEORGIA STATE ASSOCIATION AND ALSO ON THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE. HE WILL BE SORELY MISSED BY ALL OF CHRISTIAN HILL CHURCH.

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, to 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 mission, 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.