

1995
Minutes of the
One-Hundreth Annual Session
of the
Georgia Union Association
of the
Original Free Will Baptist
held with
The Warner Robins
Free Will Baptist Church
Warner Robins, Georgia

Saturday, October 7, 1995



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Dates and Places to Remember

1st Quarterly Session	January 13, 1996	White Oaks
2nd Quarterly Session	April 13, 1996	Wilson Chapel
3rd Quarterly Session	July, 13, 1996	Bay Springs
4th Quarterly Session	October 12, 1996	Bethlehem

Missions Conference To be Announced.

Women's Auxiliary	September 21, 1996	Pleasant Hill
Womens Prayer Retreat	Mar 15-16, 1996	Norman Park

Speakers

January	Message	Rev. Gerald Brown	Devotions
April	Message	Rev. Charles Barnard	to
July	Message	Rev. James Bryant	be
October	Message	Rev. James Dixon	assigned

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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First Quarterly Session, 1995

The Georgia Union Association of Free Will Baptists met on January 7, 1995 at the Perry Free Will Baptist Church. Moderator Rev. Howard Faircloth called the meeting to order at 10:00 A. M. Brother Goodrose led us in singing "Power in the Blood" and Grover Jewell led us in prayer.

We were greeted by the Host Pastor, Rev. Charles McNeese and then we sang "When we All Get to Heaven." Our morning devotion was given by Rev. Charles Lysaker on Calling People to the Ministry, using I Corth.. 15:22 as his text.

We adopted the program with necessary changes.

Roll call of ministers was held by the clerk, 14 present.

Roll call of delegates by the clerk, 27 seated.

Recognition of deacons, 18 present.

We recognized Rev and Mrs Waid as guests for the day.

All committees were queried, all present.

The clerk read the minutes of the annual session for 1994.

They were approved as read.

The Executive Board report was given by Jack Lysaker.

During session they distributed monies to the Christian Education Board and the Mission Board, \$400.00 each.

We then sang "Count your Blessings" and received an offering for Rev. Dale Bishop, missionary to Japan.

After prayer we recessed.

Our Morning Worship hour commenced with Shine Collins leading us in singing "All that Thrills my Soul is Jesus" and Donald Self led us in prayer. Grover and Donna Jewell provided special music and Herbert Waid gave greetings from the state office. Rev Paul Smith spoke on Total Commitment from Malachi 1:8. We were then dismissed for the noon meal in the Fellowship Hall.

Afternoon Session

Our afternoon session was begun with the singing of a hymn entitled "Unclouded Day," and Rev. Dilmos Johnston led in prayer. Grover and Donna Jewell sang "Had it not Been."

Our Moderator expressed special concern for several of our churches without pastors, and for Revs. Bruce land Rollins. We then had special prayer for them.

Our Committee Reports were as follows:

Digest report by James Dixon; 17 churches gained 18 and lost 4 members, Membership is now 1023.

Mission Board report by Rev Paul Smith; The Mission Board is in the process of paying off the debt incurred by them to the retirement fund. They will determine the status of the Perry Mission in their March meeting. Brother McNeese gave an update on the Perry Mission.

State Mission report by James Bryant; He indicated that all of the mission churches were doing about the same.

Christian Education Board report by Grover Jewell: He indicated that the November Hay ride was a great success,

He also shared with us that the CE board is getting the FWBBC Drama Team to come to Macon in March for a spring activity. The Georgia Union will Join the Chatahoochee association in camping this summer at FDR Camp Mt Carmel on the week of 25 June, 1995. Age restrictions will be from 7 to 19, \$60.00 fee per camper.

Old Camp Meeting by Charles McNeese: There will be a check to possibly change the time to 31 July through 4 August.

Ordaining Council by Charles McNeese; He gave us some points for information. Rev Murphy's call was rescinded, Rev Lawsons letter of good standing was received and Rev Lafferty provided the association with his papers. Rev Larry Williams received a letter of good standing.

Treasurers report by Brother Gerry Dunaway; Funds in hand as of January 7, Old Camp Fund \$63.70, Retirement Fund 1249.08, and General Fund 362.24. The Executive Committee disbursed 400 each to the CE Board and Mission Board.

Received today: Offering 93.23, Assoc dues 535.00, National Fees 50.00 and retirement fund 115.00 We also have 1745.59 in our Foundation Trust Fund. The mission board gave us \$150 on the loan to the Perry Mission. The treasurer reminded several of the churches to pay their national fees if they have forgotten to do so.

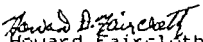
We determined that Rev Emmett McDuffie was in need of financial assistance and voted to help support him \$75.00 per quarter.

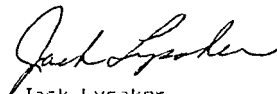
A committee was appointed to review Rev Bridges need and report back to the Executive Committee.

We gave the Perry church a rising vote of thanks.

After several announcements and comments of thanks for prayers offered by Jimmy Smith, Shine Collins and Gerald Brown, our quarterly meeting was dismissed in prayer by Harold Dunaway.

Respectfully submitted:


Howard Faircloth
Moderator


Jack Lysaker
Clerk

Second Quarterly Session

The Georgia Union Association of Free Will Baptists met on April 8, 1995 at Pine Level Free Will Baptist Church for our Second Quarterly Session of the year.

Moderator Rev. Howard Faircloth call the meeting to order and Wayne Moore led us in singing "Love Lifted Me." Rev. Dilmos Johnston the host pastor led us in prayer and gave the body greeting for the session.

Our moderator gave a report on Rev James Bruce who is currently in Atlanta for cancer treatments.

Our morning devotion was given by Donald Self based upon Ephesians 2:1-10 and "Peace in Christ Jesus."

We adopted the program with necessary changes.

The clerk read the roll call of Ministers, 19 present.

The clerk called the roll call of delegates, 40 present. There were 17 deacons present and recognized.

Visitors to the Association were Rev and Mrs Wade and Rev L S Anthony's daughter Doris who was able to come for the first time in 30 years. She gave us greetings.

All committees were acknowledged and ready for business.

The clerk read the minutes of the First Quarterly Session and they were accepted as read. The Executive Board report was given by Jack Lysaker which included the reading of a letter from Rev Emmett McDuffie thanking us for the stipend he now receives each quarter from the association.

We received a morning offering of \$170.00 for use with our local Bible Camp efforts for this summer. After prayer by Rev. Albert Rollins, we recessed.

Our Morning Worship Session began with the Moore Family singing two specials for us; "Mansions" and "Some Call it Heaven." Brother Wade talked to us about COOP giving, the State Teen Camp, the Ministers Retreat and the National Association, and Rev Bill Amersons sons sang "Judgement Morning" and then he preached about "Abrahams Faith Confirmed" from Genesis 22. Our invitation Hymn was "Have you a heart thats weary." Rev Paul Smith prayed our dismissal prayer and graced the noon meal. We recessed.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The Moore Family provided special music "I Want Us to be Together in Heaven," and Anedia Moore sang a solo.

The Mission Board report was given by Rev. Paul Smith: He reported on the progress of the Perry Mission, recognizing that we have a contract with Rev. McNeese only through June 30, 1995. They will evaluate the situation and make future decisions based upon their evaluation. Rev James Bryant said there was nothing new to report on the State Missions.

The Christian Education Board report was given by Grover Jewel: The March 10 Youth Rally at White Oaks was a great success with over 150 in attendance. FWBBC Drama Team gave us a play entitled "Catacombs."

Our next scheduled event is June 25-30; associational Bible Camp at FDR State Park. Bro. Tim Hutchinson is director, and Kent Barwick will be the camp Evangelist.

On the state level, the Ministers retreat will be held in Perry from April 24-26, and the State Youth Competition this year will again be in Albany, Georgia, May 12-13. Brother Grover requested that we look at a constitutional change concerning the frequency of youth events in the association, but that action was tabled.

The Ordaining Council report was given by Rev. Charles McNeese. They recommended that the association ordain Brother Gene McCard on April 23 at 2:30 P.M., and that we send a letter of good standing to Polk Bayou Association of Arkansas concerning Rev. Owen Gainey.

Remarks concerning the Old Camp Meeting: Rev Carl Miller will be our Evangelist from July 31 through August 4. Churches are encouraged to send \$50.00 each to help underwrite this program.

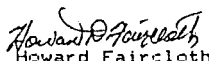
The treasurers report was given by Brother Terry Dossett; Balance on hand \$2370.96 and 1895.59 in the FWB Foundation Trust. Our quarterly deposits were \$860.47; Disbursements \$1762.41 and today's receipts were Association Dues \$615.00, Retirement \$105,000, National Dues \$25 and Perry Mission \$60. It was noted that a few churches have not yet paid their National Dues for last year. They have been notified.


The digest committee reported by Donald Self indicated that we received 29 members, and a loss of 11 for a gain of 18. Our quarterly tithes and offerings totaled \$127,779.38.

Brother Jack Lysaker gave the State Camping report, indicating that we would be having a combined Teen Camp this year and also an associational Camp. The dates, fees and other information items are to be passed directly to each of the churches.

After several announcements, we gave the host church a rising vote of thanks and ended our session in prayer.

Respectfully submitted:


Rev. Howard Faircloth
Moderator


Brother Jack Lysaker
Clerk

Third Quarterly Session

The Georgia Union Association of Free Will Baptists met on July 8, 1995 at the Pleasant Hill Free Will Baptist Church at 10:00 A. M. for our Third Quarterly Meeting.

Moderator Howard Faircloth called the meeting to order and Gloy Hobbs led us in singing "He Keeps Me Singing." Opening prayer was led by Rev. Gerald Brown. Rev. Ledge Ferguson, the host pastor gave us greetings.

After we adopted the program for the day, Rev. Ferguson led us in a devotion using John 20:19-25 as his text and spoke to us about "The Day that Thomas Missed Church."

The clerk called the roll call of ministers, 18 present.

The clerk called the roll call of delegates, 39 present.

The moderator recognized the deacons, 17 present.

We enjoyed two visitors to the Associational meeting, Janet Edge and Gertrude Giddens, guests of our people.

The clerk read the minutes of the second quarterly meeting and they were adopted with one name correction.

Jack Lysaker read the Executive Board Report: 1. A Constitutional change for the CE Board: Change article VII Section 1 to read "This board shall sponsor activities for the Association and its youth as deemed necessary throughout the year." 2. A recommendation that the Association provide this days offering and \$200.00 to help the Youth Competition group go to the national competition and 3. That the Assistant Moderator be excused from this quarterly meeting for personal reasons and that Rev. Paul Smith be appointed as temporary Asst. Moderator if required for this session. M/S/C. The constitutional change recommendation was tabled until the afternoon session.

Our Moderator called for special prayer for Rev. James Bruce, Emmett Dunaway, E.V. Skipper, Charles McNeese and Catherine Faircloth in their time of need. Rev. Paul Smith led us in this time of intercessory prayer.

Rev. Dilmos Johnston from Pine Level rose to request a reading of a recommendation from their church to wit: that the "Constitution and By-laws for the association be changed to limit one member per church to serve on the Executive Board." The Moderator instructed the clerk to look into the matter and discuss it at the afternoon session.

We were led in singing "Bring Them In" by Mr. Hobbs and then received the morning offering (\$123). Shine Collins led us in the offertory prayer. Donald Moore prayed after the receipt of the offering and we recessed.

Our Morning Worship session commenced with the singing of "Faith is the Victory" led by Mr. Hobbs. The Pleasant Hill Choir sang "Its Time to Pray" and Rev. Rollins led us in prayer.

Rev. James Bryant gave us a report on attendance for three of the state mission works and Jack Lysaker gave us a brief report on the five camping sessions for the summer.

The Ordaining Council report was given by Rev. Rollins. They recommended we receive Rev. Ledge Ferguson upon

receipt of a letter of good standing from the Blue Grass conference of Kentucky, that we receive Rev. Charles Barnard upon receipt of a letter of good standing from the Western Conference in North Carolina and that we grant a letter of good standing for Rev. William Sumner to the Little River Association of Georgia. M/S/C.

Our worship service was led by Rev L.S. Anthony. He preached from II Timothy 4:1-8 and asked the question "Does it Pay to Serve God?" Closing prayer was given by Rev. Ledgel Ferguson and he gave instructions for the noon meal.

AFTERNOON SESSION

We started with singing "At the Cross" led by Brother Hobbs, opening prayer by Rev. James Bryant. The Pleasant Hill choir sang, "I'll Tell the World that I'm a Christian" and then we continued with our committee reports.

Digest Committee by Donald Self: 17 churches gained 9 in membership for a total of 1107 members reported.

Mission Board Report by Rev Paul Smith: The board accepted Rev. McNeese's resignation effective 2 July from the Perry Mission and has asked Rev. Gerald Brown to act as interim pastor until a full time pastor is employed. Double Branch Church has determined to underwrite the calling of another missionary for \$1000 per month. The board wanted to thank Rev. McNeese for the wonderful job he has done at Perry.

Old Camp Meeting by Paul Smith: This years meeting will be conducted at Double Branch July 31 through August 4, Rev. Carl Miller will speak. Each church is asked to give \$50 to underwrite the meetings and to cancel their Wednesday night services in support of this effort.

CE Board. An abbreviated report was given by Harold Dunaway expressing the calender of events.


Treasurers Report by Gerry Dunaway: Receipts \$2528.00 Disbursements \$341.10 Balance on hand 7-8-95; \$3957.45. Funds in the FWB Foundation \$3295.59.


The Christian Education Boards proposal was taken off the table, read and approved by the body to allow the CE Board to sponsor activities as deemed necessary.

Pine Level recommendation to limit the Executive Board membership to one member per church was discussed at length by the body and rejected on a 18 to 28 standing vote.

We gave the Pleasant Hill church a rising vote of thanks, heard several announcements and Rev. Larry Williams led us in closing prayer. Our Annual session is to be conducted on 7 October, 1995 at Warner Robins, Georgia.

Respectfully Submitted:


Rev. Howard Faircloth,
Moderator


Jack Lysaker,
Clerk

Annual Session

The Georgia Union Association of Free Will Baptists met on 7 October, 1995 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. We were led in singing "I Feel Like Traveling On" by Virginia Evert and opening prayer was offered by James Bryant.

Rev Gene McCard, the host pastor gave us greetings and Rev Johnny Lewis introduced our devotional speaker from the Bible College. Randy Fosse presented a drama reading of Elijah.

We adopted the program with necessary changes.

The roll call of ministers was taken, 17 present.

The roll call of delegates was given, 41 seated.

Recognition of deacons indicated 19 present.

We recognized three visitors, Randy Fosse from FWBBC, Gertrude Giddens and Robert Fordham, guests of the members.

The clerk read the minutes of the Third Quarterly Session. They were accepted as read. The moderator checked on the various committees and we added two members for the day to the Ordaining Council, Rev Paul Smith and Rev James Bryant. Brother Wayne Moore was appointed for the day to the Digest Committee.

The morning offering was taken with 1/2 of the proceeds going to help support the drama team at the Bible College and the remainder of the offering going to help the Christian School on St Croix to rebuild after the hurricanes of this season. We sang "A Little Talk with Jesus" and then recessed.

We proceeded with the morning session with a special "Eyes of Sorrow" by Virginia Evert. The Executive Board report was given by Jack Lysaker. He indicated that we had received a rebate on the camp session and that we had put aside \$500 toward the needs for next summers session and he also indicated how the offering for today would be used.

Brother Grover Jewell gave us the Christian Education report: The last youth rally was held on October 6th at Double Branch. Terry Dossett brought the devotion and Randy Fosse provided a program skit on Noah. Brother Jewell also reported on the state activities including the Youth Conference, Ministers retreat and consideration for a Senior Saints retreat. Each student of FWBBC received \$25 per month as long as funds were available to help in their schooling.

Brother Randy Fosse from FWBBC brought the morning message from Numbers 21 entitled "Israel on Probation." Rev. Gene McCard closed in prayer and gave instructions for the noon meal.

Afternoon Session

We noted that this session was our 100th meeting for the Georgia Union Annual Association. We opened the afternoon session with Virginia Evert leading us in a song, then she sang a special "Some Call it Heaven."

We continued our committee reports:

Digest Committee by Donald Self: 17 churches reporting, received 73 members, lost 30. Total Membership 1199, Total offerings \$471,245.81.

Mission Board by Paul Smith: He spoke of the Perry Mission and the hiring of Rev Gerald Brown to continue the work interim there. The mission is picking up. He also commended the work that Brother McNeese did in Perry. The board indicated that they had screened several resumes looking for a pastor for the mission. Brother Brown also indicated that the mission was working hard.

Ordaining Council report by Rev. Paul Smith; They recommended that we accept into the association Rev. Gene Cross, Rev. Charles Hardeman and Rev. Tim Hutchinson, and that we hold off on Rev Leon Gibson until such time as he had completed the Georgia Questionnaire for preachers. Of note was that letters of good standing were received for Rev Charles Barnard and Tim Hutchinson.

Treasurers Report given by Jack Lysaker as the treasurer was unable to be with us: Balance on hand as of 9-29-95 was \$2839.80; receipts 3053.06 and disbursements 3206.98. Notice was given that some of the churches had not yet paid their national dues.

Nominating Committee report by Rev. Paul Smith:
The following men were nominated and subsequently voted on to fill the several offices required at both the local and state levels: Trustee Board; Gerry Dunaway.
Ordaining Council; Charles Barnard, Dilmos Johnston and Ledgel Ferguson to replace brother McFadden.
Digest Committee; Ronnie Lawson.
Mission Board: Wayne Moore, Bro. Knighten to replace Maurice Bryant and Gerry Dunaway. .
Christian Education Board; Harold Dunaway and Gary Rucker.
State Mission Board; James Bryant.
State Trustee Board; Gerry Dunaway.
State Camping Board; Jack Lysaker.
State C.E. Board; Grover Jewell.
Finance Committee Bessie Bryant and Faye Bryant.
Nominating Committee; Paul Smith; Wayne Moore and Charles Barnard.

The committee also recommended that the Old Camp Meeting yearly revival be changed to a yearly missions conference and that it be conducted under the control of the Missions Board. M/S/C to change to a Missions Conference.

Delegates to the State Meeting were selected as Suzan Hutchinson, Bessie Bryant, Rose Cross, Gail Smith and Irene Brown. Jack Lysaker was empowered to select other delegates if required at the state meeting.

Note was taken that our next meeting was to be conducted on the 13th of January, 1996 at White Oaks church in Macon.


We heard a report on Rev James Bruce's condition with cancer, and also on Emmett Dunaway. After sharing several other prayer requests, Rev. Paul Smith led us in a session of prayer asking the Lord to help those in need at this time.

We gave the host church a rising vote of thanks, then received several announcements concerning churches and people in the association.

There being no further business to conduct, Rev Dilmos Johnston closed out our one hundredth session in prayer.

The meeting was declared completed.

Respectfully Submitted;


Rev. Howard Faircloth
Moderator


Brother Jack Lysaker
Clerk

GEORGIA UNION DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

The Georgia Union District Woman's Auxiliary met Sept. 16, 1995 at First Free Will Church Of Eastman. Gail Smith called the meeting to order and a welcome was extended to all by Wynelle Smith. Kathy Douglas led the opening song, "The Regions Beyond" with Janette Williams at the piano. After several prayer requests were made, Gail Smith led in prayer.

After the song, "Rescue The Perishing," Naomi Rucker gave the devotion from Eccl. 3:1-9, Time - Use our gift of time appropriately. Brenda Humphries dismissed in prayer before the break.

Entering the business session, the delegates were seated and the minutes were read and accepted. The treasurer's report was given and accepted. Gail Smith explained that the dues for district, state, and national is \$10.75 per member. The state project this year is \$12.00 per member.

Committee reports were as follows:

- Registration - 26 members present representing 4 auxiliaries and three visitors.
- Credentials - Double Branch 11 members, First Eastman 4 members, Pleasant Hill 15 members, White Oaks 4 members for a total of 43 members in the district.
- Resolutions -
 1. Amend last year's resolution to read: We will meet from 9:00 to 12:00 with the host church providing refreshments at their discretion.
 2. Encourage the state auxiliary to start planning host activities for the national in Atlanta. If crafts are to be made for favors, please schedule "how to workshops" so we can get started.
 3. Give the host church a rising cote of thanks.
- Nominating Committee - Brenda Humphries, Kathy Douglas, Stella Ray and Donna Morris.
- Delegates to state will be the following: Jackie Barnard, Stella Ray, Gail Ray, Kathy Douglas, Viola Hunt, Sharon Ferguson, Audrey Hobbs, and Gail Smith.
- Special dates to remember are the following:
 - Nov. 16 1995 - State Woman's Auxiliary
 - March 15 & 16 Prayer Retreat, Norman Park
 - September 21, 1996 - Georgia Union Woman's Aux. Pleasant Hill

Our worship service was begun with special music by Sue and Tori Lindsey. They sang "Now I Belong to Him," and Tori did a recitation of John 3:16.

Our speaker was Jackie Barnard. The scripture was Gal. 5:27. She said, "Character counts especially in Christians. Build Character." Slides were shown of missionary work in the Philippines. Jackie said that if she could be a missionary then anyone can serve the Lord. We were dismissed in prayer by Shirley Jones.

Respectfully submitted:

Gloria Johnson, Secretary.

GA. UNION DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TREASURER'S REPORT
1994-1995 REPORT

BEGINNING BALANCE:	\$144.95
AUXILIARY DISBURSEMENTS	
CO-LABORER OFFERING	132.00
EMPHASIS MONTH	50.00
MEMORIAL STUDENT LOAN	22.00
60TH ANNIVERSARY	30.00
LORI SHUTES	266.00
DOT HARVEY	11.00
MEMBERSHIP	121.00

MISSIONARY DISBURSEMENTS	
AL FWB CHILDRENS HOME	55.00
LAURA BELLE OFFERING	50.00
DEBBIE GRIFFIN	110.00
CROWSONS	535.00
BISHOPS	105.00
HANNA	55.00
PERRY MISSION	258.81
RETIRED MINISTERS	10.00

GAVE DIRECT	
LEN BLANCHARD	100.00
MISS PROVISION CLOSET	50.00
LAURA BARNARD	275.00

EXPENDITURES DURING THE YEAR	
DISTRICT REPORT FORMS	1.40
CHECKS	11.35

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	1860.81
BALANCE ON HAND	132.20

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED
JANETTE WILLIAMS, DISTRICT TREASURER

CONSTITUTION OF GEORGIA UNION ASSOCIATION
OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS
(REVISED, 1980, 1/81, 4/82, 10/87, 4/89, 1/90, 6/91, 10/92,
10/93.)

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 for every 25 members over).
126 - 150	50.00		

Section 8. The \$25.00 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. The Finance Committee is to consist of three members in good standing that have knowledge of financial matters. They shall function at each quarterly meeting to count all monies and report to the treasurer the results of each financial tally, using appropriately prepared forms for such reports. These members will be elected yearly.

Section 3 Temporary committees (such as a Resolutions committee) 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 the moderator and assistant moderator, the clerk shall call the session to order and elect a 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 the 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.

A NOTE FROM YOUR MODERATOR

First of all I will say thank you for your wonderful cooperation and work through the past association year. All of our churches and delegates have done a great job, and as your moderator I appreciate it.

To all of Georgia Union Association Officers and Committees, delegates, churches and pastors, we thank you for making our job a pleasure.

For your support of Free Will Baptist Doctrine and our association, we thank you and ask for your continued support.

To our Association clerk, Brother Jack Lysaker who has so much work in keeping all the association records and having our minutes printed, we thank you.

May God bless our Georgia Union Association and many souls saved through our labor, is our prayer.

Howard D. Faircloth
Moderator

Church	Organized	Pastor	Clerk
• Bay Springs	• 1884	Rev. Howard Faircloth 131 Lawndale Drive Eastman, Ga 31023 374-3017 (Odelle)	Hollis Smith Rt 5 Box 504 Eastman Ga. 31023 374-2143
• Bethlehem	• 1917	Rev. Ronnie Lawson Rt 5 Box 392 Lifton Ga 31974 382-8149 (Brenda)	Shirley Calhoun 216 Perry Rd Cordele Ga. 31015 273-3947
• Christian Hill	• 1887	Rev. James Bryant Rt 2 Box 181-AB Cochran Ga 31014 934-0004 (Bessie)	Mary Frances Brown Rt 1 Box 194 Abbeville Ga 31001 365-7488
Cross Roads	1910	Rev. Leon Gibson Rt 3 Box 87-2 Cochran Ga 31014 934-4566 (Shirley)	Willie Ruth Rogers Rt 3 BOX B2A Cochran Ga 31014 934-2532
Double Branch	• 1896	Rev. Paul Smith Rt 3 Box 3500 Hawkinsville Ga 31036 892-9474 (Gail)	Mrs H.E. Dunaway Rt 1 Box 77 Unadilla Ga 31091 892-9388
Dublin	• 1966	Rev. Gene Cross 279 Springhaven Rd. Dexter Ga 31019 875-4163 (Rose)	Jack Lysaker 102 Prince St Dublin Ga. 31021 272-5663
Faith	1993	unknown	Sue Downs 117 Beaver Creek Road Kathleen Ga 31047 922-6637
First Eastman	• 1961	Rev. Charles Hardeman 816 6th Ave N.E. Eastman Ga. 31023 374-2533 (Bobbie)	Shirley Jones Rt 3 Box 181 A-2 Eastman Ga. 31023 374-4408
Little Bethel	• 1915	Rev. James Dixon Rt 4 Box 260 WPA Road Eastman Ga. 31023 374-5219 (Frances)	Tommy Parker Rt 6 box 3503 Cochran Ga. 31014 934-6048
Mt. Ararat	• 1885	Rev. Jimmy Smith Rt 2 Box 245 D Eastman Ga. 31023 934-3777 (Joan)	Ila Mae Johnson Rt 3 Box 110 Eastman Ga. 31023 374-3031
New Hope	• 1967	Rev. Tony Howell Rt 4 Box 262 Eastman Ga. 31023 374-3356 (Jewell)	Evie Haynes Rt 5 Box 108-B Cochran Ga. 31014 934-7293
Perry Mission	• 1974	Rev. Gerald Brown (I) 1283 Coney Road Cordele Ga 31015 535-6391 (Irene)	Ruth Moss 2837 Hwy 41 North Ft Valley Ga 31030 953-5433
Pine Level	• 1924	Rev. Dilmos Johnston Rt 1 Box 236 Chester Ga 31012 358-4477 (Shirley)	Moniece M. Moore Rt 6 Box 195 Eastman Ga. 31023 374-3217
Pleasant Hill	1898	Rev. Ledgel Ferguson Rt 3 Box 540 Vienna Ga 31092 268-6216 (Sharon)	Gloy Hobbs 435 Pleasant Hill Rd. Vienna Ga. 31092 273-3081
Warner Robins	• 1964	Rev. Gene McCard 214 Brady Drive Warner Robins 31093 923-6344 (Ramona)	Nell Fordham 117 Sudan Road Byron, Ga. 31008 953-4571
White Oak	• 1953	Rev Charles Barnard 5310 Bloomfield Rd. Macon Ga. 31206 781-1846 (Jackie)	Donna Jewell 2916 Markingham Drive Macon Ga. 31206 781-4407
Wilson Chapel	1960	Rev. L.S. Anthony 530 Ellerbeetown Rd. Thomaston Ga. 30286	Eudene Pitts 706-647-7262 2537 Barnsville Hwy. Thomaston Ga 30286
706-647-3885 (Rachel)			

Members Rec'd	Members Lost	Total	Sunday School	CTS	Income	Assoc dues
1	0	73	32	No	19,435	35.00
4	1	95	30	No	43,880	40.00
0	1	69	17	No	13,626	35.00
unk	unk	50	45	No	21,746	30.00
8	2	168	80	No	131,668	55.00
11	19	28	18	No	9,166	30.00
0	0	18	9	9	1,372	25.00
2	0	61	45	No	15,810	30.00
0	0	43	23	No	7,036	30.00
2	1	68	23	18	17,616	35.00
1	0	69	30	No	32,717	35.00
8	6	23	14	No	11,138	25.00
8	4	99	55	45	42,452	40.00
2	2	84	45	30	27,650	40.00
19	0	26	18	No	18,917	25.00
0	0	152	85	No	68,997	55.00
9	4	63	33	No	21,337	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 A, 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, 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.

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, 4/94, 7/95)

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 activities for the Association and its youth as deemed necessary throughout the year.

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 BRUCE

Reverend James Bruce, age 66 departed this life on October 14th, 1995 to be with the Lord. He was laid to rest at the Christian Hill Freewill Baptist Church, near his home in Pineview, Georgia. He was a native of Turner County, a Marine Veteran of the Korean War and a retired farmer. Rev. Bruce was ordained in 1977 and was the pastor of the Faith Freewill Baptist Church located in the Christian Life Center in Hawkinsville.

During his ministry he and his wife Lois were very active in the Georgia Union Association of Freewill Baptists. Rev. Bruce served for several years on the Ordaining Council and was Chairman of the Sunday School Department. He actively supported our mission outreach and was very vocal to have us keep our Freewill Baptist heritage before the people.