

**MINUTES**  
**OF THE**  
**FORTY EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION**  
**OF THE**  
**Jacks Creek Association**  
**OF**  
**Free Will Baptists**

**HELD WITH THE LOW GAP CHURCH**  
**VIXEN, N. C.**  
**SEPTEMBER 2-5, 1943**



Next Session Bald Mountain Church Thursday  
Before The First Sunday in September 1944  
10:30 A. M.

Introductory Message  
Alternate

Rev. Ebb Wheeler  
Rev. Fulton Williams

To  
Rev. T. E. Woody,

OUR OLDEST MINISTER,  
a humble instrument of God  
among us for thirty-seven years,  
we dedicate this minute with hearts  
full of love and gratitude. And we  
pray that the God of all grace will use  
him to His glory the rest of his days  
here; that his efforts will be crowned with  
abundant success; and that at last he may  
receive that crown of righteousness for which  
he hasso nobly fought the good fight of faith,

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"And we beseech you, brethren, to know them which labour among you, and are over you in the Lord, and admonish you; and to esteem them very highly in love for their works sake." I Thess. 5 : 12, 13.

"Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honor, especially they who labour in the word and doctrine." I Tim. 5:17.

## PROCEEDINGS

The forty-eighth annual session of the Jacks Creek Free Will Baptist Association convened with the Low Gap church, Vixen, N. C., September 3, 1943 at 10:30 a. m. Service opened with singing by the choir: "Nothing But The Blood." Prayer led by Bro. E. P. Blevins. Message brought with much depth of understanding and power of the Spirit from Revelation 13:1-8 by Bro. A. B. Lowery. Subject: "His Deadly Wound Was Healed." Service closed with singing by the Townsend Family of High Point, N. C., and Christian handshake in great fellowship.

### Thursday Afternoon Session

Met Thursday afternoon in business session. Opened with singing by congregation, "The Old Country Church" and "I Want My Friends To Pray For Me." Devotional service conducted by Bro. C. J. Higgins, who read Romans 8:1-14 and spoke briefly. Spiritual prayer led by Bro. Quince Miller.

Body called to order by Moderator, Bro. T. E. Woody who then called for reports of the churches. Bros. C. J. Higgins and Moscoe Towe were appointed reading clerks. Upon hearing read a letter of recommendation from the Beaver Creek Free Will Baptist Association, the body received the Fairview Church of Nebo, N. C. in full fellowship. Liberty Free Will Baptist church of Marion, N. C. Route 1, and Mine Fork Free Will Baptist church of Day Book, N. C. were presented to the Association for investigation and watchcare.

Delegates from the various churches were seated as follows:

Bald Mountain: McKinley Fender, Dave Williams, John Phillips, Allison Edwards, Raleigh Fender, Dorothy Edwards.

Big Creek: Russell Whitson, Mrs. Bert Whitson, Josie Bryant, Mrs. Park Adkins, Mrs. Molt Duncan.



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- Bowditch: Clarence Byrd, John Murphy, Lillie Hensley, Louise Thomas.
- Crabtree: J. B. Lyons.
- Davistown: Wilbur Davis, Vestie Davis, Coy Davis, Verno Davis.
- Fairview: John Berkhardt, Georgia Berkhardt, Maude Fender, Frank Randolph, Tonie Fender.
- Green Mountain: Joe Woody, John Randolph, Burlus Cannon, Chloe Fox, Fannie Styles, Bessie Woody.
- Higgins Chapel: Carter Miller, Sam Miller, Sam Higgins, Virginia Higgins.
- Liberty: (under watchcare of Association) Bob Smith, Dan Walker, Garland Smith.
- Low Gap: William Gardner, Landon Gaddy, Horace D. Ray, Jr. and John Ogle, Jr.
- Mine Fork: (under watchcare of Association) Frank Laws.
- Mountain View: John Miller, Velmer Bailey, Clifford Miller.
- North Bent: Oscar Letterman, Noah Hughes, James Peterson.
- Pattersons Branch: Fred Hileman, Arthur Fox, Ella Hileman.
- Pensacola: Jake Nanney, W. C. McMahan, Jeanette Hutchins.
- Petersons Chapel: Mrs. Eddie Wheeler, Dock Tipton, Mrs. Ben Peterson.
- Piney Hill: Andy Fender, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bradford, Boyd Edwards, Ransom Edwards, Clillon Higgins, Ella Jean Edwards, Minnie Jane Edwards.
- Prices Creek: Roy Blankenship, W. R. Arrowood, Moscoe Towe, Kenneth Westall.
- River View: M. B. Laws, Harley Edwards, J. S. Saylor, Belle Bennette, Belle Hensley.
- Terrys Fork: Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Shepherd, Mrs. W. C. Radford.
- Youngs Chapel: Turner Price, Shelby Beaver, Talmadge Price, Fred Harris.



Body then organized for business by the election of officers; namely, Bro E. P. Blevins, Moderator; and Sister Frances Radford, Clerk. Enrollment of ministers and deacons followed election of officers, and seating of delegates.

### MINISTERS

T. E. Woody,	Windom, N. C.
E. P. Blevins,	Burnsville, N. C. Rt 2
Van Hensley,	Newdale, N. C.
Ebb Wheeler,	Day Book, N. C.
Troy McCurry,	Day Book, N. C.
H. D. Poole,	Nebo, N. C. Rt 1
Jack Hutchins,	Swannanoa, N. C.
Quince Miller,	Higgins, N. C.
Cecil J. Higgins,	Higgins, N. C.
E. L. Beachboard,	Nebo, N. C. Rt 1
F. C. Hollifield,	Pensacola, N. C.
M. G. Lambert,	Linville, N. C.
D. R. Taylor,	Jonesboro, Tenn. Rt. 1, Box 73
David Campbell,	Buladean, N. C.
Talmadge Greene,	Altamont, N. C.
D. N. Walker,	Old Fort, N. C. Rt 1, Box 21
C. H. Honeycutt,	Burnsville, N. C. Rt 1
Fulton Williams,	Erwin, Tenn. Rt. 1
Jim Peterson,	Day Book, N. C.
Coy Davis,	Old Fort, N. C. Rt. 1, Box 197
Verno Davis,	Old Fort, N. C. Rt. 1, Box 197
Britten McMahan,	Vixen, N. C.
Gus Ledford,	Cane River, N. C.
Frances Radford,	Ivy, N. C.

## DEACONS

Bernie Laws	Wayne Shepherd
W. R. Arrowood	Fred Harris
Noah Hughes	Jim Gardner
Allison Edwards	Joe Woody
U. L. Webb	Burlus Cannon
Clifford Miller	J. F. Nanney
T. L. Price	Clarence Byrd
E. W. Tipton	John Murphy
John Miller	Velmer Bailey
Wilbur Davis	Carter Miller
Frank Laws	Sam Miller

The following visiting ministers were welcomed to a seat in the body by a standing vote: Rev. J. A. Corn, French Broad Missionary Baptist Association; Rev. Ervin Sluder, Rev. J. B. Brigmon, Rev. Ralph Mumpower, and Rev. James Compton from the French Broad Free Will Baptist Association.

Then followed the appointment of committees as named hereinafter:

Investigation: T. E. Woody, C. J. Higgins, E. P. Blevins.

Missions: John Ogle, Ervin Sluder, Van Hensley.

Education: Mrs. W. C. Radford, Moscoe Towe, T. E. Woody.

Sunday School: Van Hensley, Troy McCurry, Ralph Mumpower.

Temperance: Quince Miller, Jack Hutchins, Cecil Higgins.

Obituaries: Belle Hensley, Mrs. Park Adkins, Lone Honeycutt.

Resolutions: Clarence Byrd, E. L. Beachboard, C. J. Higgins.

Churches and Pastors: Joe Woody, Raleigh Fender, Ebb Wheeler.

Deeper Devotion: Talmadge Greene, E. L. Beachboard, H. D. Poole.

Session: John Berkhardt, Bernie Laws, Allison Edwards  
Velmer Bailey, Fred Harris.

Orphanage: John Ogle, Moscoe Towe.

Adjourned with singing, "I Want To Love Him More" and benediction by Bro. T. E. Woody.

### Thursday Night Service

Congregational singing of "When I Reach That City" opened service, after which we were led in prayer by Bro. C. J. Higgins. Service was then turned over to Miss Faustina Shearon, manager of a group of children from our orphanage, who introduced the children to the congregation. The program given by them to the delight of all of us was as follows:

Song by group, "Sowing Seeds for Jesus."

Childs Creed, recited by the entire group.

Song by group, "Jesus Is The Sweetest Name I Know."

Playlet, "Little Churchbuilders."

First recitation, Dorothy Wilson, 7 years old.

Second recitation, Joyce Stevenson, 6 years old.

Third recitation, Eugene Tleson, 6 years old.

Fourth recitation, Jerry Connor, 6 years old.

Song by group, "Help Somebody Today."

Song, (with flags), by group, "America."

Song by group, "Smile."

Recitation, by William Lane, 8 years old, "God Is Always Near Me."

Song by group, "Hear The Pennies Dropping."

Miss Shearon then gave a very interesting lecture on the work of the orphanage and more especially on the needs of the orphanage and how we can supply them. Collection for orphanage \$81.28.

### Worship Service

Song by congregation, "I Would Not Be Denied."  
Prayer led by Bro. Talmadge Greene. Scripture reading by Bro. Quince Miller: II Timothy 1:7-12. Subject:



“Life.” Bro. Miller brought a very inspirational message, especially to the ministers, who were charged to preach the whole Gospel, through which “life and immortality are brought to light.” Service closed with Christian handshake in great joy and fellowship.

### **Friday Morning Session**

Service opened with congregational singing of “Precious Memories.” Devotional reading from I John 4, by Bro. Ebb Wheeler. Prayer led by Bro. E. L. Beachboard. Minutes of Thursdays sessions read and approved. Rules of Decorum read by clerk. Reports of the several committees called.

### **REPORT ON MISSIONS**

We, your committee on missions, submit the following: Christ is our example on missions, His mission being to save the world. He suffered that He might bring us to God. When Christ went back to the Father, He delivered this mission to the church. Therefore, as His followers, we should do all possible to spread the Gospel, help the sick and needy in every possible way, doing good as Jesus did while in this life.

Respectfully submitted by committee,

**John Ogle**

**Ervin Sluder**

**Van Hensley**

(Read and discussed by Bro. John Ogle. Adopted-

### **REPORT ON EDUCATION**

We, your committee on education, believe that we should encourage Christian education in every possible way. We earnestly urge our young people, especially our young ministers, to acquire the gift of speaking

correct English, because "A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver." Proverbs 25:11.

Respectfully submitted by committee,

**Mrs. W. C. Radford**

**Moscoe Towe**

**T. E. Woody**

(Read and discussed by Mrs. W. C. Radford. Discussed also by Bro. F. C. Hollifield, Bro. C. J. Higgins, Bro. Moscoe Towe, Bro. E. L. Beachboard, Bro. J. A. Corn, Bro. Quince Miller, Bro. Joe Woody, Bro. Jack Hutchins, Bro. E. P. Blevins. Adopted by standing vote of approval.)

Adjourned for preaching.

### **Worship Service**

Returned following intermission for singing by congregation of "Amazing Grace" and "Leaning on The Everlasting Arm." Scripture reading by Bro. J. A. Corn from Acts 1:1-14. Prayer led by Bro. T. E. Woody. Text: "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you." Acts 1:8. Subject: "Power." Message delivered by Bro. Corn in great demonstration of the Spirit. Service closed with Christian handshake.

Visiting ministers, Bros. W. B. Vance, J. N. Redden, T. H. Edwards, B. J. Woody and Bro. Clarke, welcomed to a seat in our body by a standing vote. Dismissed.

### **Friday Afternoon Session**

Songs by congregation: "You Never Mentioned Him To Me" and "Kneel At The Cross" opened service. Prayer led by Bro. Ralph Mumpower. Visiting ministers welcomed again by a standing vote. Motion was made and acted upon by a unanimous vote that this minute be dedicated to Bro. T. E. Woody as an instrument of God in the ministry of our body for thirty-seven years.

Reports of committees called and submitted as follows:

### REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS

We, your committee on Sabbath schools report as follows: Christ taught us to train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it. We feel that next to the home training would come the Sabbath school where the Word of God is taught in its purity. Let us be careful in the selection of our officers and teachers. Let us select our best Christian men and women. Let us remember the words to the church of Thyatira, Revelation 2:20, "Notwithstanding. I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman, Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants." Let us come back to the Bible and take God's way and His Spirit for our guide and our Sabbath Schools will prosper.

Respectfully submitted by committee,

**Troy McCurry**

**Van Hensley**

**Ralph Mumpower**

(Read and discussed by Bro. Troy McCurry. Discussed also by Bro. Van Hensley. Adopted.)

### REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

We, your committee on temperance, recommend that this association totally abstain from all intoxicating against strong drink. The Scripture says: "Wine is a avainst strong drink. The Scripture says: "Wine is a -mocker, strong drink is raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise." Proverbs 20:1. God said to be temperate in all things; physical, mental, moral, and spiritual. It teaches life at every point. It renders it not excessive, not insufficient, but moderate. We sincerely ask every Christian to endeavor to add to knowledge, temperance, and to temperance, patience,



and to patience, godliness. "For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ." 2 Peter 1:8.

Respectfully submitted by committee,

**Cecil J. Higgins**

**Jack Hutchins**

**Quince Miller**

(Read and discussed by Bro. C. J. Higgins. Discussed also by Bro. Jack Hutchins, Bro. Britten McMahan, Bro. Dan Walker, and Sister Minnie Radford. Pleas for action came with almost every discussion and a plan of action was submitted to the committee on resolutions. Adopted.)

## REPORT ON CHURCHES AND PASTORS

We, your committee on churches and pastors, believing that the revealed facts of the Bible need to be expounded as much as ever before, that we may obtain this promise: "Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself and them that hear thee," (1 Timothy 4:16), do urge our churches to be careful in the selection of their pastors; to be led of the Spirit. "And He gave some, apostles; and some, evangelists; and some pastors and teachers; for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ." Ephesians 4:11-12. Let every man abide in his calling wherein he is called.

Respectfully submitted by committee,

**Joe Woody**

**Ebb Wheeler**

**Raleigh Fender**

(Read and discussed by Bro. Ebb Wheeler. Discussed also by Bro. Joe Woody, Bro. T. E. Woody, Bro. J. A. Corn, Bro. Talmadge Price, and Bro. E. P. Blevins. Adopted.)

Riverside Free Will Baptist church was received by vote of the body under watchcare of the Investigation Committee until next association. This church is located on Big East Fork, Canton, N. C., Rt. 1.

Passed motion to send Bro. T. E. Woody as our delegate to the State Association of Free will Baptists convening at Middlesex, N. C., September 15, 1943. Voted to make collection to pay his expenses as our delegate.

Adjourned to meet at 8:00 o'clock p. m. for preaching service.

### **Friday Night Service**

Singing of, "There's A Beautiful Land," "When I Read My Title Clear," and "How Firm A Foundation" opened the service. Scripture lesson read from 1 Peter 5:1-10 by Bro. Ervin Sluder. Prayer led by Bro. J. B. Brigmon. Subject of Bro. Sluder's discourse: "Shepherds." Wonderful message delivered by Bro. Sluder most especially to the ministry. Service closed with Christian handshake with much rejoicing.

### **Saturday Morning Session**

Opened with singing, "I Can't Feel At Home In This World Anymore" and "The Model Church." Prayer led by Bro. Dan Walker. Minutes of Friday's session read and approved. Visiting ministers from the Missionary Baptist body, Bros. Theodore Letterman, and Fred Wheeler welcomed to a seat in our body. Proceeded with business by calling for committee reports.

### **REPORT ON DEEPER DEVOTION**

We, your committee on deeper devotion, recommend that we adopt the report for last year with the following discussions:

1. Is deeper devotion demanded by the Bible?
2. Why is deeper devotion necessary?
3. What are the results of deeper devotion?

"We recommend that we devote more of our time to God and His cause, to prayer, to the Gospel; more of our means to the support of the Gospel, to the Orphanage, and to every good cause; and that we may be transformed by the renewing of our minds that we may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God." (Report on deeper devotion in last year's minute.)

Respectfully submitted by committee,

**Talmadge Greene**

**E. L. Beachboard**

**H. D. Poole**

(Report read and discussed with great power by Bro. Talmadge Greene, followed by Bro. E. P. Blevins, Bro. Quince Miller, and Bro. Jim Peterson. Unanimously adopted.- Adjourned for preaching.

### **Worship Service**

Congregational singing of, "Where Could I Go?" opened service, after which we were led in prayer by Sister Gladys Riddle. Scripture lesson read from Isaiah 45:20-23 and 2 Corinthians 4:1-5. Prayer led by Bro. E. P. Blevins. Message brought by Sister Frances Radford from text: "There is none beside me." Subject: "Idle Gods." Inspiring talk given by Sister Josephine Mumpower followed by several testimonials. Collection given to Sister Blevins, invalid wife of our Moderator: \$66.76. A special prayer was offered for her speedy recovery, according to the will of God. Adjourned to meet in business session at 2:00 p. m.

### **Saturday Afternoon Session**

Song, "At The Cross" and prayer, led by Bro. H. D. Poole opened session. Reports of committees called and submitted.



### REPORT ON OBITUARIES

We, your committee on obituaries, do urge all churches to turn in all obituaries, and to give the name of the church to which the deceased belonged.

Respectfully submitted by committee,

Belle Hensley

Lona Honeycutt

Mrs. Park Adkins

(Report adopted. Clerk's note: Obituaries will be found toward the back of the minute.)

### REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

We, your committee on resolutions, recommend that we recarry the resolution in the minute of last year's association, with the addition of the following:

"We, the Jacks Creek Free Will Baptist Association, now in session, wish to recommend to our duly elected representatives that they do all within their power to abolish the legal manufacture, sale, and use of intoxicating beverages. It is said that France fell because of the whiskey in her trenches. May God, in His wisdom and mercy, protect our nation from such a fate. 'Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.' Proverbs 20:1.

Therefore, be it resolved that this association go on record as opposed to intoxicating drink in any form; be it further resolved that we, the undersigned members of this association, will not patronize a place of business that sells intoxicating drink; and be it further resolved that we will not support, either by ballot or influence, any man running for public office who represents himself as in favor of legalized whiskey, beer, or wine."

We recommend also that our clerk make copies of this resolution, send one to the pastor of each church; and that he, after having it signed by every member of his church who approves it, return it to the clerk, who

will forward the same to our representative in Washington.

Respectfully submitted by committee,

**C. J. Higgins**

**E. L. Beachboard**

**Clarence Byrd**

(Report read, discussed and adopted.)

### **REPORT ON ORPHANAGE**

Report on orphanage called, and discussed verbally as follows: Motion made and passed that there be an Orphanage Committee in each church to be responsible for the collection of money and commodities for our orphan home at Middlesex, N. C. (Clerk's note: Orphanage committees are to be found toward the back of the minute.) It is recommended by the Association that each church have a box in a conspicuous place with an opening that money can be dropped through and that the seal of the box should not be broken until just before next Association. One church reported a collection of over \$10.00 in small change that would doubtless not have gone to the orphanage except for the box in the front of the church. May God impress each of us with a sense of our responsibility for OUR children at Middlesex.

The general collection of commodities and expense money will be made as usual on the first Monday in October to be delivered not later than Tuesday evening to Fred Harris, at Windom, where the orphanage truck will receive it.

Respectfully submitted by committee,

**John Ogle**

**Moscoe Towe**

### **REPORT ON FINANCE**

We, your committee on finance, report \$58.95 received from the various churches of Jacks Creek Asso-

ciation.

Respectfully submitted by committee,  
**Cecil J. Higgins**  
**Moscoe Towe**

Report read and adopted. Voted to pay clerk of association \$10.00, leaving \$48.95 for minutes.

Collection received for monument for Bro. R. M. Wyatt, deceased, \$10.85.

Old Ministers' Fund discussed by Bro. E. P. Blevins, Bro. T. E. Woody, and Bro. Troy McCurry. Motion made and passed that each pastor ask each member of his church for \$1.00 before next Association for this fund and that the church appoint a committee for the collection of this money. Bro. Moscoe Towe, chairman, and Bros. Ulas Webb and John Ogle will be the Association committee for appropriating this money.

### **REPORT ON SESSIONS**

We, your committee on sessions, wish to report that the next session of the Jacks Creek Free Will Baptist Association will be held with the Bald Mountain church, beginning on Thursday before the First Sunday in September, 1944, at 10:30 a. m.

Bro. Ebb Wheeler will preach the introductory sermon; Bro. Fulton Williams will be his alternate.

Respectfully submitted by committee,

**Bernie Laws**  
**J. B. Berkhardt**  
**Fred Harris**  
**Velmer Bailey**

(Report read and adopted.)

Ministers' reports called for and submitted. (Clerk's note: Ministers' reports are to be found toward the back of the minute.)

Moved that we extend to the people of Low Gap church and community our sincere thanks for their hospitable treatment during our annual meeting. Adjourned.



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## PROCEEDINGS OF MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

Body called to order by Bro. E. P. Blevins, President. Roll called by Bro. C. J. Higgins, Clerk. Passed on character of ministers present. Fellowship of body manifested by standing. Call made for applications for license; Bro. B. J. Woody presented letter of recommendation and was granted license to preach the Gospel for one year. Bro. Dan Walker renewed his request for admission to our body, presented his credentials and letter of recommendation, and was heartily welcomed into full fellowship of the body. Bro. J. M. Redden was received under watchcare of the body until such time as he shall present a letter from the Beaver Creek Conference.

Applications for ordination submitted by Bro. Fulton Williams, Bro. Jim Peterson, Bro. Coy Davis, and Bro. Verno Davis. On motion, they were received for examination. Open examination conducted by the Ordaining Council, consisting of Bro. E. P. Blevins, Bro. T. E. Woody, and Bro. C. J. Higgins. Satisfactory answers to the questions asked them having been given by each of the four brethren, the body voted to set them aside to the work of the Gospel ministry. Bro. T. E. Woody gave the charge from 1 Timothy 4. Text of charge: "Preach the Word." The altar prayer, with the laying on of hands, was led by Bro. Talmadge Greene. Fellowship and a promise of prayer were manifested the newly-ordained brethren by a handshake.

The election of officers for the ensuing year followed the ordination ceremony. Bro. T. E. Woody was elected president, and Bro. C. J. Higgins was retained as clerk.

The next session of the Ministers' Conference is scheduled to be held with the Green Mountain Church beginning Friday before the fifth Sunday in October, 1943. Bro. James Deyton will bring the introductory message; Bro. Fulton Williams will be his alternate. Adjourned.

### **Saturday Night Service**

Met according to appointment for worship service. Service was opened with congregational singing of, "There's Not A Friend Like The Lowly Jesus," after which we were led in prayer by Bro. Ralph Thompson. Scripture lesson read from James 5. Text: "Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain." Message brought by Bro. Talmadge Greene, who compared the early rain to the outpouring of the Spirit upon the early church, and who predicts a latter rain of the Power of God, after which the husbandman, (Our Father) will gather to Himself the precious fruit of the earth. Service closed with altar call and exhortation by Bro. Jake Nanney. Dismissed, to meet Sunday morning for worship and communion.

### **Sunday Morning Service**

Service opened with congregational singing of, "I Know I Have Religion," "Where Could I Go," and "God Holds The Future In His Hands." Prayer led by Sister Frances Radford. Scripture lesson read from James 1 by Bro. T. E. Woody, after which we were again led in prayer by Bro. C. J. Higgins. Text of discourse: "But be ye doers of the word and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. For if any man be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass: for he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was. But whoso looketh into the perfect law

of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed." Very timely and powerful message brought by Bro. T. E. Woody, who stressed the importance of continuing in the perfect law of liberty that we have heard discussed and expounded while in session and of proving that we believe the Gospel by living it.

After preaching service, many Christians took the emblems of our Lord's broken body and spilt blood as we thought soberly on His death and sufferings for our sins.

Supper being ended, we again followed our Saviour's example by humbling ourselves to wash one another's feet. A Christian handshake with great rejoicing closed the service. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

### DIRECTORY

CHURCHES	PASTOR ELECT	CLERKS and ADDRESSES
Bald Mountain .....	Quince Miller .....	Dorothy Edwards, ..... Bee Log
Big Creek .....	Quince Miller .....	Mrs. Park Adkins, ..... Sioux
Bowditch .....	Cecil J. Higgins .....	Julia Boone, ..... Micaville
Crabtree .....	Fulton Williams .....	Mrs. Mae Brown, ..... Roan Mtn, T.
Davistown .....	H. D. Poole .....	Mae Davis, Rt. 1, B 197 Old Fort
Fairview .....	Grady C. Fender .....	Clyde Fender, ..... Rt. 1, Nebo
Green Mountain .....	Ebb Wheeler .....	Mrs. Joe Woody, ..... Burnsville
Higgins Chapel .....	Quince Miller .....	Hiram Higgins, ..... Higgins
Low Gap .....	Ralph Mumpower .....	John Ogle, ..... Vixen
Liberty .....	Grady C. Fender .....	J. D. Allison, ..... Rt. 4, Marion
Mine Fork .....	James Deyton .....	Essie Laws, ..... Rt. 1 Burnsville
Mountain View .....	Ebb Wheeler .....	Hazel Miller, ..... Poplar
North Bend .....	Grady C. Fender .....	Noah Hughes, ..... Green Mountain
Pattersons Branch .....	C. H. Honeycutt .....	Belle Deyton, ..... Day Book
Pensacola .....	T. E. Woody .....	Ezel Thomas, ..... Pensacola
Petersons Chapel .....	Troy McCurry .....	Mrs. Eddie Wheeler, ..... Day Book
Piney Hill .....	Ebb Wheeler .....	Clillon Higgins, ..... Bee Log
Prices Creek .....	T. E. Woody .....	Roy Blankenship, ..... Cane River
Riverside .....	J. N. Redden .....	Elsie Redden, ..... Rt. 1, Canton
Riverview .....	E. P. Blevins .....	Bernie Webb, ..... Rt. 1 Erwin, T.
Terrys Fork .....	Cecil J. Higgins .....	Caralee Swift, ..... Ivy
Youngs Chapel .....	Cecil J. Higgins .....	J. V. Jones, ..... Windom

### SPIRITUAL CONDITION OF CHURCHES

**BOWDITCH**—Our church is in good spiritual condition. Julia Boone, Clerk.

**DAVISTOWN**—Our church is in very good spiritual condition. Very good manifestation of the Spirit in almost every service. Andrew Davis, Wilbur Davis, Verno Davis, delegates.

**FAIRVIEW**—Our spiritual condition is only fair. While we feel God is with us and graciously blessing us, we too realize there is room for much improvement. Clyde Fender, Clerk.

**GREEN MOUNTAIN**—Our church is in a Spiritual condition. All members are in good fellowship. Mrs. Joe Woody, Clerk.

**LOW GAP**—Our spiritual condition is good. John Ogle, Clerk.

**LIBERTY**—The Liberty Free Will Baptist Church is a newly organized body with a great zeal for God, and is in a good spiritual condition, with the manifestation of the Spirit in most of the services. Grady C. Fender, Pastor, J. D. Allison, Clerk.

**MOUNTAIN VIEW**—The spiritual condition of our church is good. Van Hensley Pastor.

**PATTERSONS BRANCH**—We are not very high in Spirit and desire the prayers of all praying people. We hope to grow stronger in the Lord and live closer to Him each day. Mrs. Belle Deyton, Clerk.

**TERRYS FORK**—The condition of our church has improved since last Association, but there are still those among us who need the milk of the Word. Pray that we may love each other more, and that the will of the Lord may be done in us. Cecil J. Higgins, Pastor, Caralee Swift, Clerk.

(Clerk's note:) Only a small percentage of the churches have reported on their spiritual condition. Please note the resolution in the minute of last Association. It was recarried this year.

## OBITUARIES

**Mrs. Hattie Beam:** Was born May 7, 1872; died Dec. 5, 1942 at the age of 70 years. She professed faith in Christ at an early age and joined the Free Will Baptist Church at River View when it organized. She had nine children, five living and four dead; sixteen grandchildren, and a host of friends. She was faithful unto death. She is gone, but not forgotten.

Written by her children.

**Mary Edwards:** Was born Oct. 18, 1861; departed this life May 6, 1943, at the age of 81 years, 6 months, and 18 days.

She united with the Missionary Baptist church at Bee Log when she was young. Three years ago she united with the Piney Hill Free Will Baptist Church, of which she was a member until she departed this life.

Her testimony was that she would soon quit going. She was a devoted, godly mother, and kind to all she met. She carried on godly conversations with people she met in this life.

She left two children, one sister, a number of grandchildren and great grandchildren, and a host of friends who have missed her greatly.

We say "Good-by" to friends and loved ones here, but we believe it will just be a "Good-night," and a while and then we will be with Aunt Mary and our Lord throughout ceaseless ages.

Written by a friend, Clillon Higgins.

**Amanda Haynie:** Born Jan. 1, 1852; died March 23, 1943.

She lived a Christian life since her early childhood. She joined the Pensacola Free Will Baptist church when it was first organized; lived a faithful member until death. In her last days, she was not able to attend church, but she prayed, talked, and sung songs about Heavenly things. She said Heaven would soon be her home.

She is not dead,—just gone away. I thank God we will meet her face to face again some sweet day.



**Cenie Honeycutt:** Died September 2, 1942 at the age of 36 years. She is survived by her husband, her mother, and two sisters. She belonged to the Free Will Baptist Church and left good hopes of her hereafter. I know she is at rest. Among those who were with her before she died, and who heard her testimony, was Bro. Quince Miller. We miss her, but we know she is at rest.

Written by Manda Phillips.

**Mattie Ivey:** Was a member of the Free Will Baptist Church at Bowditch; a faithful member until death. She lived the best she knew. She was poor as for this world's goods, but we feel she is rich in Heaven. We often saw her shout the victory when she was happy. She loved everybody, and was loved by all who knew her. She died Dec. 18, 1942.

Written by a friend, Julia Boone.

**Rebecca Laws:** Born Oct. 3, 1869; died Jan. 30, 1940. She was a member of River View Free Will Baptist Church for many years. She died in the faith of our Lord. We feel assured that she is at rest, and we are on our way to meet her.

Written by her son, M. B. Laws.

**Mrs. Susie Price:** Died July 6, 1943, at the age of 45 years. She was a member of River View Free Will Baptist Church for a number of years. She stated, as Paul did, that she knew there was a crown laid up for her in Heaven..

Written by Mrs. Belle Hensley.

**Sister Laura Tipton:** Wife of Dock Tipton, departed this life June 11, 1943 at the age of 71 years. She professed faith in Christ at the age of about 21. She became a member of the Church of the Brethren. For the last forty years of her life, she attended the Peterson Chapel Free Will Baptist Church, and was always faithful at Sunday School and church services. We miss her from our midst, but we feel that she is at rest with Jesus.

**Mrs. Maggie Tipton:** Was born March 14, 1903; died Aug. 9, 1943. She professed faith in Christ in 1927. She lived a devoted life the last six years of her life. She said she was going home, and requested her friends to meet her in Heaven. She was a member of River View Church for 16 years. Our loss is Heaven's gain.

Written by Mrs. Belle Hensley.

**Heartsel Gardner:** We, the Fairview Free Will Baptist Church, of Nebo, N. C., mourn the loss of a member and loved one, Heartsel Gardner, age 26 years. He departed this life July 3, 1943, when killed instantly by a train at a crossing near Swannanoa, N. C. He leaves a wife and three children, his mother, one brother, six sisters, and a host of friends.

**Sister Ada Morris:** We also mourn the loss of our sister, Ada Morris, who departed this life Aug. 21, 1943, at a ripe old age of 78 years, 9 months and 23 days. She had been a member of the Fairview Free Will Baptist Church about five years. She has been a devoted Christian since early womanhood and will be greatly missed by her friends and loved ones.

"On earth we miss their smiling face,  
Their forms no more will see.  
But bye and bye, by God's own grace,  
We hope again with them be."

Written by Clyde Fender, Church Clerk.

### **Benjamin J. Wyatt**

Another soldier of the cross has laid down the armor to answer the call of his Lord to come up higher. The evening of Jan, 31, 1942 he quietly slipped away into the presence of Christ, whom he loved sincerely and served faithfully for many years.

He was born in Madison County March 7, 1862, but he lived most of his life in Yancey County, and was a charter member of the Low Gap Free Will Baptist Church.

He is survived by his widow and four children, Mrs. Mae Penland, Mrs. Laura Rathbone, Mrs. Cling Briggs and Horace Wyatt all of Yancey County. He was a brother of the late Rev R. M. Wyatt, a Free Will Baptist minister.

Brother Wyatt was loved by all who knew him and will be remembered as an humble self-sacrificing servant of the Lord.

The funeral service was conducted at the home by his pastor the Rev. E. P. Blevins, who gave an inspiring message from John 11:25, "I am the resurrection and the life." The body will rest in the family cemetery at Low Gap awaiting the resurrection morning at the return of our Lord.

Madge Hunter

### Eternal Day

Do not call it dying;  
It is simply going away,  
Stepping out of the night  
Into the dawn of day.

Laying down the burden;  
Casting aside the care,  
Slipping into the sunshine,  
Into a purer air.

Earth's work all ended;  
Pleasure's races run,  
The toll of deeds all counted,  
A well-earned rest is won.

Passing through the night;  
Into an eternal day,  
Do not call it dying—  
Simply going away.

--Eva Bachelder

## CHURCH ORPHANAGE COMMITTEES

### CHURCHES:

Bald Mountain . . . . .	Raleigh Fender
Big Creek . . . . .	Mrs. Park Adkins, Bill Duncan
Bowditch . . . . .	Clarence Byrd
Davistown . . . . .	Wilbur Davis
Green Mountain . . . . .	Earl Fox
Higgins Chapel . . . . .	Sam Higgins
Fairview . . . . .	Clyde Fender
Low Gap . . . . .	Mrs John Ogle
Mountain Dale . . . . .	Richard Hensley
Mountain View . . . . .	Velmer Bailey
North Bend . . . . .	Noah Hughes
Pensacola . . . . .	Mrs. Gladys Riddle
Petersons Chapel . . . . .	Troy McCurry
Prices Creek . . . . .	Moscoe Towe, Roy Blankenship
Piney Hill . . . . .	Andy Fender, John Harmon Edwards
River View . . . . .	Nell Laws
Terrys Fork . . . . .	Wayne Shepherd, Alice Chambers
Youngs Chapel . . . . .	Talmadge Price



# REPORTS OF MINISTERS

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F. W. B. MINUTES, REPORTS, ETC.

NAME														MISCELLANEOUS	
	Professions Witnessed	Number Baptized	Churches Pastored	Messages Delivered	Revivals	Communion Services	Received into Church	Funeral Services	Homes Visited	Prayer Services Led	Miles Traveled	Received	Traveling Expenses	Contributed To Cause	
Rev. E. P. Blevins	5	4	101	3	5	4						\$933.80			
Rev. David Campbell			23	2	2	3						10.00			Organized 1 Sabbath School
Rev. Coy Davis	42		31	1					10	13	691	15.15		21.06	Taught 2 S. School Lessons
Rev. Verno Davis	43		23	1					15	19	692	13.75		23.03	Taught 3 S. School Lessons
Rev. James Deyton	36	4	2	188	4	3	4				2600	170.75			
Rev. Clyde Fender	21			71	4	1	3				1210	\$103.95	\$30.00	\$72.00	
Rev. Grady Fender	64	5	3	104		4	8				5214	422.49			
Rev. F. C. Hollifield	53	11	1	65	2	2	3	1	102	8	1426	87.57	39.58		
Rev. C. H. Honeycutt	45		1	63	2	2	1				693	201.30			
Rev. Jack Hutchins		8	1	135	5							583.14			
Rev. A. B. Lowery	75		1	150	2	12	5	50				1417.00		250.00	Taught 10 S. School Lessons
Rev. Troy McCurry	75	20		87	7	3	13	1				92.79	7.76		
Rev. Britten McMahan	23			28	1					11		35.00			From Dec. 1942 to Sept. 1943
Rev. Jim Peterson					3							4.60		9.00	Taught 3 S. School Lessons
Rev. H. D. Poole	50		2	138	4	2	5			2560		130.90		20.85	
Rev. Virgil Ray		3	2	285	9	5						200.75			
Rev. J. M. Redden	37		1	84	2		7		45		675	13.83		13.70	Taught 36 S. School Lessons
Rev. Ebb Wheeler	47	11	1	114	5	7	18	1				216.50			
Rev. C. J. Higgins	70	29	2	110	6		5	75				405.94			



# REPORTS OF CHURCHES

CHURCHES	No. Baptised	Added Otherwise	Excluded	Dismissed	Deaths	Com. Services Held	Meeting Days	No. in S. S.	Total Membership	Aged Ministers Fund	Minute Fund	Paid Pastor	Paid For Revivals	Orphanage Fund	Home Missions	Poor, Sick and Other funds	Value of Church Property	Repairs And Improvements
Bald Mountain	9	2	1		1	4	1-3	150	252	\$3.50	\$5.00	\$322.00	\$44.16	\$80.32		\$25.00	\$1000	
Big Creek						2	4th	129	162		4.30	128.93	24.85	\$65.00	\$10.00		\$1000	
Bowditch	11	5			1	2	3rd	85	78		3.30	133.94	55.00	84.00	67.80	\$100.00	900	\$100.00
Crabtree	2					2	1st	48	53		1.00	66.17	50.55				500	42.00
Davistown	6	10	7	1		1	3rd	35	28	3.50	3.50	29.80	48.10	18.08			1000	
Fairview	4	3		1	2	1	1-3	75	110		3.00	252.67	23.00	36.34	108.79	58.15	1300	
Green Mountain			1			1	1st	68	59		3.45	83.43	23.00	125.80	66.20	25.85		
Higgins Chapel	3				1	2	2nd	40	70		2.00	95.99		87.25			2000	
Liberty	1	11				2	4th	100	25	1.35	1.60	98.56	50.37		20.92	20.92		
Low Gap	1	1			1	1	1st	60	107		4.50	107.57	40.00	105.00	50.00		1000	70.00
Mine Fork		1				2	4th	21	23		1.50	67.27	18.41					
Mountain View		2			1	4	4th	25	47		1.20	78.85	13.65			5.00	300	
North Bend	2	1		2		3	4th	65	86		3.00	108.66	77.54	48.00		12.00	500	125.00
Pattersons Branch						1	2nd	30	18		2.00	77.20	23.19				650	
Pensacola	15	2			2	2	2nd	60	135		3.10	202.40		88.51	102.14	43.80	1000	
Petersons Chapel						3	3rd	40	32		1.00	25.00	20.00	23.40	19.75		1200	
Piney Hill	12	7			1	3	2nd	44	88		2.00	115.75	70.46		19.81	20.01		
Prices Creek	5					1	3rd	80	109		2.00	123.40		81.70		33.00	1000	
Riverside		7						22	18		2.00	75.00	60.00			35.99		54.74
River View	8		2		4	2	1-3	125	200		4.00	442.78	194.21	115.16	25.00	27.00	2000	50.00
Terrys Fork		2				1	2-4	30	52	3.16	2.30	166.20	40.00	90.55		25.00	1600	
Youngs Chapel	6	2				1	2nd	50	57		3.00	101.01	31.30	133.33	63.00	17.35	2000	
Totals 22 Churches	85	56	11	4	14	41		1382	1319	11.51	58.75	2902.63	907.75	\$1182.44	\$553.41	\$476.07	\$18,950.00	\$441.74

### CONSTITUTION OF MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

1. This body shall be known as the Ministers' Conference of the Jacks Creek Association of the Free Will Baptist.
2. This Conference is formed under and by the authority of the Jacks Creek Association and shall be composed of licensed and ordained ministers.
3. It shall have entire jurisdiction over the ministry in said association, issuing licenses, prescribing qualifications for the ministry, conducting examinations and ordaining ministers, working for the most harmonious and effective ministry.
4. The officers of this conference shall be **Chairman, Secretary** and **Treasurer** who shall be elected annually and perform the duties usually performed by such officers.
5. This conference shall have power to make such by-laws and other regulations as may be necessary for the performance of its duties.
6. This constitution may be amended at any regular meeting by a vote of two thirds.

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### BY-LAWS OF MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

1. The regular meeting of this conference shall be held quarterly and in connection with the meeting of the association.
2. Each member shall report at each regular meeting either in person or by letter.
3. Five members shall constitute a quorum at all regular or legal meetings.
4. Chairman may call a special session at any time on request of three members.
5. At each yearly meeting there shall be elected an ordaining council whose duty it shall be to examine candidates, grant license, conduct ordinations, and to report at the next regular meeting.
6. Licentiates shall pursue a definite course of study under the direction of the ordaining council.
7. Necessary expenses of this organization shall be met by voluntary contribution or by assessment of its members.
8. No member shall serve as a pastor of a church which does not enforce discipline, care for its pastor, and contribute to other benevolent enterprises according to its ability.
9. No member shall meddle with the work of another, or injure his reputation for usefulness, but watch over each other in love, and thus promote harmony and love among the membership.
10. Each member, not excused from age or infirmities is expected to do something to advance the cause of Christ and make a full report at each regular meeting.
11. Membership in this body shall be proof of good standing in the ministry.
12. These by-laws may be amended by vote of two thirds at any regular meeting.

**CONSTITUTION OF JACKS CREEK F. W. B. ASSOCIATION**

1. This Association shall be composed of delegates chosen and sent from each church.
2. The delegates chosen and sent shall be recommended in a letter from the church to which they belong and shall include the minister and some of the ablest members belonging to the church.
3. The Association shall elect annually a moderator and clerk.
4. The Rules of Decorum shall be read immediately after the body is organized.
5. The Association will encourage a sound ministry; such as present Christ as an all-sufficient Savior; having made salvation possible for every human being on the terms of the gospel, which is freely offered to all.
6. Any minister in good standing, whether a delegate or not, may be invited to a seat and take part in the deliberations, and have his name enrolled in our minutes.
7. The Association may appoint such committees as may be necessary to the expedition of business, and every committee appointed to any particular business shall report their proceedings in writing to the Association while in session, and all reports made be adopted or rejected by the body.
8. The Association shall have a book in which shall be kept an accurate account of all its proceedings.
9. Any church may become a member of the Association by making application by letter or by delegate and adopting our articles of faith and church covenant.
10. The Association may withdraw from any church that becomes disorderly or refuses to be represented.
11. There shall be an associational fund for defraying expenses and charges that may accrue, and for replenishing such; each church may contribute at pleasure.
12. There shall be a treasurer appointed by the Association, whose duty it shall be to have care of and account for the money committed to his charge.
13. The Association shall use the Free Will Baptist Treatise in full.
14. Each church shall be allowed one vote for every ten members or fraction thereof.
15. The Association advises all its churches to commemorate the death and suffering of our Lord at least twice a year.
16. The Association shall pay its clerk at least \$5.00 for his services per annum.

## ARTICLES OF FAITH

Article 1.—**The True God.** We believe that there is one and only one living and true God who is in personality the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, equal and harmonious in every divine perfection. —“There is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself a ransom for all to be testified in due time.”—1 Tim. 2:6.

Art. 2.—**Holy Scriptures.** We believe that God is the author of the Holy Bible, and its teachings constitute the only infallible doctrine for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness. II Tim. 3:16.

Art. 3.—**Original Apostasy** We believe that Adam was created holy, but by voluntary transgression fell into depravity and consequently involved his posterity in sin.—And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food and that it was pleasant to the eye, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof and did eat. Gen. 3:6.

Art. 4.—**Free Grace.** We believe that the grace of God comprehends all spiritual blessings; that the Gospel is the power of God unto salvation; that the Holy Spirit not only reproves the world of sin, but is the means whereby sinners are converted and made wise unto salvation.....For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek, for the same Lord is rich unto all that call upon Him. Rom. 10:12.

Art. 5.—**Christian Faith.** We believe that Christian faith is belief in Jesus Christ as the Son of God and Redeemer of the world and in the divinity of the Holy Scriptures, that faith comes by hearing the word of God.—He that believeth in the Son hath everlasting life, but he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him. John 3:36.

Art. 6.—**Repentance.** We believe that repentance is sorrow for sin, and the kind of sorrow which produces Godly repentance must be effectual conviction of sin.—Now I rejoice not that ye were made sorry, but that ye sorrowed to repentance: for ye were made sorrow after a godly manner, that ye might receive damage by us in nothing. For Godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death. III Cor. 7:9-10.

Art. 7.—**Free Agency.** We believe that the human will is free, and that men have the ability to accept or reject the conditions of salvation as they are revealed in the Holy Scriptures. He hath showed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God? Micah 6:8.

Art. 8.—**Perseverance.** We do not believe, under the Gospel dispensation, any soul is elected to eternal life unconditionally, but that those who by faith persevere to the end will be saved; that it is possible for men, who have been converted, to make shipwreck of the faith, turn again to sin and be lost. And Jesus said unto him: No man having put his hands to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God. Luke 9:62.

Art. 9.—**Good Works.** We believe that good works is the result of faith, and not of necessity; that those who have faith will do works of righteousness, while those who have not faith cannot do anything pleasing or acceptable to God.—Every tree that brings not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire: wherefore, by their fruits ye shall know them. Matthew 7:19-20.

Art. 10.—**Christian Baptism.** We believe that Christian Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water, in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost; that baptism cannot be scripturally administered without faith in the subject who receives it. Therefore we are buried with him by baptism unto death: that like as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so also we should walk in newness of life. Romans 6:4.

Art. 11.—**The Lord's Supper.** We believe that the supper was instituted by our Saviour as a commemorative ordinance; that the bread and wine represent His body and blood; that it was instituted for Christians and that all Christians should unite in service regardless of name or denominational distinction.—But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup. For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body. I Cor. 11:28-29.

Art. 12.—**Feet Washing.** We believe that washing the saint's feet is a command of our Saviour, and that his followers ought to practice the same.—If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye ought to wash one another's feet. John 13:14.

Art. 13.—**The Gospel.** We believe it is the duty of all churches to support the Gospel.—Even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the Gospel should live of the Gospel. I Cor. 9:14.

#### RULES OF DECORUM.

Article 1. This Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

Art. 2. There shall be no conversation by members, one with another so as to interrupt business, while in session.

Art. 3. Every member wishing to speak shall first rise to his feet and address the moderator.

Art. 4. No member shall interrupt another while speaking.

Art. 5. We will admit of no other title but that of Brother, while in session.

Art. 6. Every member speaking shall attend to the subject under consideration.

Art. 7. No member shall speak more than three times on one subject.

Art. 8. Every motion made and seconded shall be attended to, unless withdrawn by those who made it.

Art. 9. No member shall absent himself from the body while in session without leave of the Moderator.

Art. 10. On all motions when the vote of the body is taken, a majority shall prevail.

Art. 11. The Moderator shall have the same privilege to speak as any other member, provided the chair is filled.

Art. 12. Any member transgressing the above rules shall be admonished by the Moderator



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**CHURCH COVENANT.**

1. Having given ourselves to the Lord through Jesus Christ, we agree to adopt the Free Will Baptist faith, we now give ourselves to each other by the help of God.

2. We solemnly covenant before God that we will carefully observe the commandments implied by a confession of faith, and in the spirit of meekness rebuke and admonish those who have gone astray, and watch over each other, being careful of each other's reputation, and use our influence to the upbuilding of the church and for the advancement of the cause of Christ, endeavoring to seek the unity of the Spirit in the bonds of peace, and to confess our faults one to another, and to strengthen those that are weak.

3. We promise that by the help of God we will faithfully practice family and secret prayer, and strive to cultivate the doctrine of God's revealed word in the minds of those under our care.

4. We also agree to use our influence for the support of the Gospel and to contribute liberally to aid the ministry according to our several abilities. Also we agree to be liberal with those that are afflicted and needy, and especially those of the household of faith.

5. We also agree to attend the monthly meetings regularly if not providentially hindered, and submit to all ordinances implied in a Profession of Faith.

6. We also agree to abstain from all sinful and vain amusements.

7. We also agree to abstain from all intoxicating liquors and not to use it as a beverage, nor to aid or assist in the manufacture of such nor furnish it to others.

8. We also agree to encourage home and foreign missions, education, Sabbath schools, good morals, and everything that is to the glory of God and to the welfare of men. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly and preserve us blameless until the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, that we may be happily admitted into the Kingdom of God, where we may ascribe honor unto the Lamb forever. Amen.

## SPIRITUAL CONDITION OF THE CHURCH

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By \_\_\_\_\_ Pastor \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Clerk \_\_\_\_\_

**CHURCH LETTER.**  
**JACKS CREEK F. W. B. ASSOCIATION**

Date.....

**GREETINGS IN CHRIST**

We, the Free Will Baptist Church at.....  
now in session, send the following named Delegates to represent us in  
your body: .....

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**OUR STATISTICS ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

Our meeting day is..... No. Baptised.....

No. added otherwise..... No. Excluded..... No. Dismissed.....

Deaths..... Total membership..... No. in Sabbath School.....

paid pastor \$..... Paid for Revival work \$.....

Revival Conducted by .....—.....

Pastor elect .....

How many Communion Services held..... Minute Funds \$..... Has

your Church a Home Mission Board?..... Who.....

.....How much have you given for home missions \$.....

Orphanage..... for poor or sick..... Value of Church property.

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**Improvements in church property, \$**.....

Aged Ministers' Fund \$.....

How many times did your pastor meet you.....

Rev. .... Pastor

Steward ..... Clerk.....

Address .....



1944

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