

**1956 MINUTES**  
**OF THE**  
**JACKS CREEK FREE**  
**WILL BAPTIST**  
**ASSOCIATION**

**61st. Annual Session**  
**Held at The Youngs Chapel F.W.B.**  
**Church, Windom, N. C., August**  
**30 - 31, 1956**

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**Officers:**

Rev. C. J. HIGGINS,	-	-	-	Moderator
Rev. TROY McCOURRY,	-	-	-	Clerk

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**NEXT SESSION—**

The next session will be held with Liberty F. W. B. Church, Rt. 4, Marion, N. C. Beginning on Thursday before First Sunday in September, 1957, at 10:30. Introductory message by Bro. Paul Jordan. Alternate, Rev Johnson White.

## OFFICERS OF JACKS CREEK ASSOCIATION AND MINISTERS CONFERENCE

### ASSOCIATION

Moderator ..... Cecil J. Higgins, Valley Forge, Tenn.  
Clerk ..... Troy McCourry, Burnsville, N. C.  
Treasurer ..... Ullis Webb, Rt. 3, Erwin, Tenn.  
Treasurer Foreign Missions ..... Clyde Fender, Rt. 1, Nebo, N. C.  
Committee of Investigation, Disabled Ministers Fund.  
..... Troy McCourry, Johnson White, Fulton Williams  
Committee of Investigation, for Association,—  
..... Fulton Williams, Ullis Webb, Garvil Honeycutt

### MINISTERS CONFERENCE

Moderator ..... Troy McCourry  
Clerk ..... Tom Tittle  
Assistant Moderator ..... Paul Jordan  
Assistant Clerk ..... Richmond Barnett  
Ordaining Council ..... Quince Miller, Joe Honeycutt, Cecil Higgins  
Committee of Investigation—Troy McCourry, Fulton Williams,  
Arnold Wilson

## PROCEEDINGS

### JACKS CREEK FREEWILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The Jacks Creek Association met with the Youngs Chapel Church Windom, N. C., Thursday, August 30, 1956 at 10:30 a.m., in its sixty-first annual session. Song service: "The Blood that stained the Old Rugged Cross" and the "Uncloudy Day." Prayer by Brother E. L. Beachboard. Scripture lesson from Romans 13-1; 1 Timothy 4:8. The Introductory message was given by Brother Paul Jordan. His subject was: "Godliness is profitable unto all things." The service closed with handshake and assignment of delegates, until 2:00 p.m.

### Thursday Evening

Met at 2:00 p.m. Song service—"When we all get to Heaven." Devotional by Bro. Richmond Barnett. Prayer by Bro. Stanley Parkey. The Superintendent of the Orphanage, Rev. Jackson, was present and spoke in behalf of the work and needs of the Home. He expressed their thanks for the food and money that had been sent them. An offering was received in the amount of \$46.53; also \$191.55 was sent in by the churches.

Brother Willis spoke on the work of the Home Mission Board and the work of the Free Will Baptist Press. The ministers were enrolled. (Note: the ministers roll will be found near the back of this minute together with church reports.)

Finance Committee and Reading Clerks were appointed as follows: Brother Richmond Barnett and sister Clillin Bailey. Brother Fulton Williams appointed to receive the Orphanage funds. Brother Clyde Fender elected Treasurer for Foreign Missions. The churches were enrolled with delegations as follows:—

### CHURCHES and DELEGATES

BALD MOUNTAIN—Raleigh Fender, Mack Wilson, George Miller, Buster Fender.

BIG CREEK—Jim Adkins, Mrs. Leona Whitson.

BYRD BRANCH—Mr. & Mrs. Hollis Silvers, Jim Lloyd Woodby, Roy Fender

CRABTREE—Will McKinney, Jude Brown, Mae Brown, Rebecca Barnett, Wilma Screws.

DAVISTOWN—Wilburn Davis, Paul Ray.

ERNESTVILLE—Margaret Howell, Frank Loyd.

FAIRVIEW—Donald Wilson, Alma Hollifield, Delia Fender.

HIGGINS—Hiram Higgins, Vince Higgins.

LIBERTY—Oscar Suttles, J. W. Mann, Lloyd Dennis.

LIBERTY CHAPEL—Alma Miller, Cecil Gurley, Myrtle Grindstaff, Kate Edwards, Clarence Wilson.

LOW GAP—Landon Gaddy, Mr. & Mrs. V. M. Gardner, Mr. & Mrs. Horace D. Ray, Sr.  
 MOUNTAIN DALE—Howell Hensley, Lola Hensley, Joe Hensley, Pearl Bradford.  
 NICKS CREEK—Clarence Marlow, Annie Marlow, Christine Ledbetter, Iva Jones.  
 PENSACOLA—Mrs. Jessie Penland, Mrs. Lawrence Wilson, Mrs. Gladys Wilson, Mrs. Inez Wilson, Mr. & Mrs. John Ogle.  
 PETERSONS CHAPEL—Lloyd Laws, Mrs. Ben Peterson.  
 PILGRIMS CHAPEL—Ernest Hughes.  
 PINEY HILL—Ford Cannon, Rex Edwards, Bessie Edwards.  
 PISGAH—Mr. & Mrs. A. B. Henson.  
 PATTERSONS BRANCH—Jim Hensley, John H. Miller.  
 RIVERVIEW—Mr. & Mrs. Ulis (Ulyses) Webb, Molt Duncan, Mrs. Mary Adkins.  
 RIDGEWAY—Harrison Hall, Harley Hall, Robert Arrowood, Mrs. Lilly Wiggins.  
 TRINITY—By letter only.  
 UNAKA SPRINGS—Bill Carroll.  
 YOUNGS CHAPEL—Will Robinson, Daniel Honeycutt, Robert Carroll.

Rev. Cecil Higgins was elected Moderator and Troy McCourry was elected Clerk. The following Committees were appointed:—

INVESTIGATION: Fulton Williams, Eulis Webb, Garvel Honeycutt.

MISSIONS: Lloyd Dennis, Rev. & Mrs. Johnson White.

EDUCATION: Lillie Wiggins, Alma Holland, Richmond Barnett.

SABBATH SCHOOLS: Clyde Fender, Clarence Wilson, Ada Ray.

TEMPERANCE: Floyd Ray, Ted Laney, Arnold Wilson.

OBITUARIES: Sisters Joanna Wilson, Moet Duncan, Mae Miller, Dorothy Edwards, Lona Honeycutt.

RESOLUTIONS: Grady Fender, Paul Jordan, Robert Arrowood, J. W. Mann.

DEEPER DEVOTION: Joe Honeycutt, Harley Hall, Robert Carroll.

SESSIONS: Raleigh Fender, Moet Duncan, Don Wilson, Lloyd Dennis, John Ogle.

ORPHANAGE: John H. Miller, Daniel Honeycutt, Jim Adkins.

DISABLED MINISTERS FUND: E. L. Beachboard, W. M. Gardner, Mrs. Leona Whitson.

CHURCHES AND PASTORS: Lida Letterman, Edgar McPeters, Turner Price.

The following visiting ministers were welcomed: Rex Adkins, Erwin, Tenn, of Toe River Conference, T. A. Wheeler, Canton, N. C., French Broad.

Hudgins Chapel Church was received under watchcare until next Association session. Adjourned until 9:30 Friday with preaching tonight by Brother Johnson White.



## The Night Worship Service

Song service—"Singing on my Way," "What a time we'll have up Yonder," "A Touch of Heaven," "In God's Garden," "Shelter in time of storm," "Where could I go?" Prayer by Bro. Howard Whitson. Scripture lesson, 32 ch. Deut. vs. 35. Hebrews 11-5;7; Jude vs. 14. Subject, "Behold the Lord cometh."

## Friday Morning Session

Met at 9:00 a.m. Song: "What a time we'll have in Glory" and "Rest and Peace." Opening prayer by Rev. Quince Miller. The minute of Thursday's session was read and adopted. The following visiting ministers were welcomed: Rev. E. P. Blevins, Mt. Mitchell Association; Farell Sparks, Erwin, Tenn., Toe River.

The reports of the various committees were received as follows: (These reports will be printed in the last pages of this minute.)

Sabbath Schools ..... was read and adopted.  
Missions ..... Discussed by Mrs. Johnson White, and adopted.  
Education ..... Discussed by Mrs. Lillie Wiggins and adopted.  
Temperance ..... Discussed by Bro. Floyd Ray and adopted.  
Resolutions ..... Speakers were Bro. Grady C. Fender and Bro. Arrowood—adopted.

Deeper Devotion ..... Speakers were Bros. C. J. Higgins and Quince Miller.

Adjournment for preaching at 11:00 A.M.—to meet back at 2:00 p.m. Prayer by Bro. Clyde Fender.

## Worship Service—11:00 A.M.

Song by choir—"If the Savior came to your house. "The small Arrowood boys from Ridgeway sang the following songs:—

"Would you like to wear a Crown?"

"Pray for Me."

"The Plan of Salvation" and "What can He Do?"

Mrs. Howard Whitson sang, "The Lord will make a way somehow." Prayer by Bro. Ralph Thompson. Scripture Lesson I Cor. 3 vs. 7-9. Brother Farell Sparks brought a good message from the subject, "We are Laborers together with Him." Closed with prayer by Bro. Howard Whitson.

## Friday Evening Session

Song service, "The Glory Did Roll." Brother Alfred Harris sang, "For Pilgrims of Sorrow." Devotional conducted by Bro. M. C. Franklin reading Romans 12. Prayer by Bro. Edmonds.

The report on Sessions was read and accepted.

The Report on Orphanage was read and discussed by Bro. Jim Adkins and C. J. Higgins and adopted.

The Treasurers Report on Disabled Ministers Fund was received. The report on disabled ministers fund was discussed by Bros. E. L. Beachboard and Horace Poole. Adopted.

The report on Churches and Pastors was discussed by Bro. Lida Letterman and adopted.

The Report of the Finance Committee was read and adopted.

The Investigating Committee reported that they had nothing to report or investigate.

Offering received for Clerk in amount of \$24.49.

The following Committee was elected to serve for the Disabled Ministers Fund Investigation Committee: Revs. Johnson White, Troy McCourry, Fulton Williams.

The Moderator extended thanks to the community and church for the fine way in which they cared for the Association. Closing prayer by Brother Ebb Wheeler. Adjourned until time and place.

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## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Missions

We, your committee on missions present the following Scriptures: Mark 16:15-16; Acts 2-39; Romans 10-14:16. And He said unto them, go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptised shall be saved; but he that believeth not, shall be damned.

Mrs. Martha White

Lloyd Dennis

### Education

We wish to submit the following: "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might, for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom in the grave whither thou goest." Eccl. 9:10. Then with a Holy zeal we must tell forth all the wondrous works of the Lord. Acts 4-20. We also recommend that we use members who are qualified as teachers.

Mrs. Alma Holland

Mrs. Lillie Wiggins

### Sabbath Schools

Proverbs 22-6—Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it. The Sunday school teacher is in position to get Christ to the hearts of children while they are

young and tender. Since the kind of men and women our children grow up to be, depends greatly upon what they are taught in early life. We urge that our churches use the Free Will Baptist literature—and above all, that those who teach, be Christians.

Clyde Fender

Mrs. Ada Ray

## Temperance

Then, therefore my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus, and the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men who shall be able to teach others also. 2 Tim. 2-1. Gal. 6-1. Prov. 16-35. Acts 24-25.

Arnold Wilson

Floyd Ray

Ted Laney

## Resolutions

We, your committee on Resolutions wish to recommend that the pastors advise their churches and the duty of their delegates. The most able members should be selected, and they should stay at the Association until all the business is over.

Rev. Grady C. Fender

Robert Arrowood

J. W. Mann

## Deeper Devotion

We, your Committee on Deeper Devotion wish to submit the following: "Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace that we may obtain mercy and find grace to keep in time of need." Heb. 4-16. May God help us to do as others. We find in Eccl. 7-25, to give our whole heart to God.

Joe Honeycutt

Robert Carroll

Harley Hall

## Orphanage

We urge our churches to continue to support our Orphanage; for all pastors to remind their churches about the once-a-year gathering of the foods, which are to be gathered the first Monday in October. Bring it to Windem, N. C. on Tuesday before, with an offering to help pay the transportation to the Orphanage. We feel that more people should visit the Orphanage and help them spiritually, so that they may grow up in the ways of the Lord. Train a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it. Prov. 22-6.

Dan Honeycutt

Jim Adkins

Rev. John H. Miller

## Disabled Ministers Fund

We, your Committee on Disabled Ministers Fund recommend that all churches send at least \$10.00, or more.

W. M. Gardner  
E. L. Beachboard  
Leona Whitson

## Churches and Pastors

We offer the following to think upon: Those that sin rebuke before all that others also may fear. I Tim. 5-20. We feel that this is needful in the church as a whole. Romans 10:13-18; Ephesians 4-11; I Cor. 7:20.

Edgar McPeters  
Turner Price  
Lyda Letterman

## Sessions

The next session will be held with Liberty Free Will Baptist Church, Marion, Rt. 4, N. C. To begin Thursday before the First Sunday in September, 1957, at 10:00 a.m. The Introductory message by Rev. Paul Jordan; Rev. Johnson White to be his alternate.

Nate Duncan  
Raleigh Fender  
Don Wilson  
John Ogle  
Lloyd Dennis

## Finance

We, your Committee on Finance report that we have received \$117.90 from the churches of the Jacks Creek Association. We recommend that we give our Moderator \$10.00 and the Clerk \$15.00, leaving \$92.90 for Minutes.

Rev. Barnett  
Clillon Bailey

## Treasurer's Report

Disabled Ministers' Fund, money on hand	
last Association .....	\$2231.42
Received this Association Session .....	229.20
From Ministers' Conference .....	167.00
Trinity Church .....	28.00
Interest .....	66.43
Total . . . . .	\$2722.05



## Treasurer's Report

(Continued)

**Paid Out: —**

Mrs. Van Hensley .....	\$ 75.00	
Rev. M. B. Westall .....	75.00	
Rev. Moss <del>West</del> Holloway .....	50.00	
Rev. Shelby Beaver .....	50.00	
Rev. H. D. Poole .....	100.00	
Mrs. L. H. Griffith .....	7.85	
Bond .....	5.00	
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	362.85	362.85

Balance .....		\$2359.20
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Signed. Ulis L. Webb, Treasurer.

*Disabled Ministers Fund.*

## Treasurer's Report—Missions

Balance on hand 1955 Association .....	\$ 97.13
Received 1955 session Association .....	207.87

Balance beginning 1956 year .....	305.00
Money received during 1956 .....	612.70

Total . . . .	\$917.70
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Sent to Mrs. Stevens—

12/5/55 .....	\$200.00	
3/14/56 .....	200.00	
6/8/56 .....	100.00	
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Balance .....	\$417.70
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Check to Clyde Fender, new Treasurer .....	\$417.00
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## MINISTERS CONFERENCE JACKS CREEK FREWILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

First Conference October 28, 29, 1955

Held with Nicks Creek Church, Marion, N. C. Introductory message was given by Brother Floyd Ray. Offering of \$25.00 was taken for disabled ministers' Fund. Colan Cable was dropped from roll because of delinquency. Committee on Topics, Bros. Johnson White, Paul Jordan, Quince Miller—"The Gospel and its Power." Brother Ted Laney was received under watch care of Conference for three months.

## Second Quarterly Conference

January 27, 28, 1956

The Conference met with the church at Bald Mountain. The Introductory message was given by Bro. Richmond Barnett. Subject: "Something to Forget, Something to Remember, Something to look Forward to." Offering of \$15.00 received for flowers for Brother Pack's funeral. \$8.37 was received to start a flower fund. Brother Stanley Parkey was granted a letter of recommendation.

## Third Conference—April, 1956

Held with Unaka Springs church, Erwin, Tenn. Introductory message by Brother Blevins. Brother and Sister Blevins turned in their credentials since they had joined the new Mount Mitchell Conference. Motion passed for clerks to write all those who had united with the new Conference to send in their credentials. Offering of \$38.00 for disabled ministers Fund.

The following topic was offered for discussion: "What is man that Thou art mindful of him?" Brother Ted Laney was examined by the Ordaining Council and was granted exchange of ordination papers. The Conference accepted his ordination by a Missionary Baptist Church.

## Fourth Conference, July 27, 28, 1956

Held with Piney Hill Church. Message was by Rev. E. L. Beachboard. Subject: "Be Strong and Show Yourself a Man." Offering for disabled ministers fund, \$22.00; offering for Flower Fund, \$2.50. Bro. Zeneus Allen was received under watchcare of the Conference. Brother Ernest Howell and John H. Miller were ordained. Brother Horace Poole was able to attend the Conference, after having been sick for a long time. He expressed his thanks to the Conference and the Association for the help he had received from the disabled ministers' Fund.

Committee reported they had investigated reports on Brother L. H. Griffith, concerning his having told things which were untrue. Conference voted to ask for his credentials.

## Fifth Conference, Sept. 1, 1956.

Held in connection with the Association at Youngs Chapel church, Windom, N. C. Officers were elected as follows: Moderator, Troy McCourry, Assistant Moderator, Paul Jordan. Clerk Tom E. Tittle. Assistant Clerk, Richmond Barnett. Ordaining Council—Quince Miller, Joe Honeycutt, Cecil Higgins, Bro. Grady C. Fender was granted a letter of recommendation. Next Conference to be held at Low Gap church.

# MINISTER'S ROLL

Richard Barnett	Erwin, Tennessee
Shelby Beaver	Erwin, Tennessee
E. L. Beachboard	Marion, N. C.
David Campbell	Beuladean, N. C.
Verno Davis	Rt. 2, Erwin, Tennessee
Coy Davis	Rt. 1, Old Fort, N. C.
Grady C. Fender	Rt. 1, Nebo, N. C.
Clyde Fender	Rt. 1, Nebo, N. C.
M. C. Franklin	Rt. 1, Flag Pond, Tennessee
Rosco Franklin	Rt. 3, Erwin, Tennessee
C. J. Higgins	Rt. Elizabethton, Tennessee
Joe Honeycutt	Unicoi, Tennessee
Ernest Howell	Erwin, Tennessee
Jack Hutchins	Swannanoa, N. C.
Moss Holloway	Erwin, Tennessee
Paul Jordan	Rt. 1, Box 35A, Marion, N. C.
Gus Ledford	Rt. 3, Burnsville, N. C.
Lida Letterman	Rt. 1, Burnsville, N. C.
Troy McCourry	Burnsville, N. C.
Quince Miller	Rt. 3, Burnsville, N. C.
John H. Miller	Rt. 1, Green Mtn., N. C.
John Murphy	Rt. 2, Burnsville, N. C.
H. D. Poole	Erwin, Tennessee
Floyd Ray	Star Route, Burnsville
Tom Tittle	Erwin, Tennessee
Dock Taylor	Rt. 1, Burnsville, N. C.
Arnold Wilson	Rt. 4, Marion, N. C.
Fulton Williams	Erwin, Tennessee
Johnson White	Rt. 2, Box 400, Morganton, N. C.
M. B. Westall	Cane River, N. C.
M. M. Whitson	Deer Field, West Virginia
Allison Robinson	Fletcher, N. C.
Ted Laney	Rt. 1, Marion, N. C.

# CHURCH DIRECTORY

CHURCH	PASTOR	CLERK AND ADDRESS
Bald Mountain.....	T. A. Wheeler.....	Chap Fender, Rt. 3, Burnsville, N. C.
Big Creek.....	T. E. Woody.....	Mrs. Wash Wilson, Rt. 1 Box 174, Relief, N. C.
Bird Branch.....	Elzie Robinson.....	Mrs. Hollis Silvers, Rt. 1, Box 93, Burnsville, N. C.
Crabtree.....	Johnson White.....	Mrs. Mae Brown, Rt. 2, Roan Mountain, Tenn.
Davistown.....	Paul Jordan.....	James Emory Vess, Rt. 1, Black Mountain, N. C.
Ernestville.....	Ernest Howell.....	Margaret Howell, 133 Simmons St., Erwin, Tenn.
Fairview.....	Clyde Fender.....	Mrs. Alma Holland, Rt. 1, Marion, N. C.
Higgins.....	Elzie Robinson.....	Viola Edwards, Rt. 4, Burnsville, N. C.
Hudgins Chapel.....	E. L. Beachboard.....	Mrs. W. B. Hudgins, Black Mountain, N. C.
Liberty.....	Grady Harris.....	Bob McMahan, Rt. 4, Marion, N. C.
Liberty Chapel.....	Paul Jordan.....	Cecil Gurley, Celo, N. C.
Low Gap.....	Johnson White.....	Mrs. Wade McMahan, Star Route, Burnsville, N. C.
Mountain Dale.....	Clate Whitson.....	Pearl Bradford, Rt. 2, Erwin, Tenn.
Nicks Creek.....	Arnold Wilson.....	Dewey Jones, Rt. 1, Marion, N. C.
Pensacola.....	T. E. Woody.....	Lawrence Wilson, Pensacola, N. C.
Petersons Chapel.....	Troy McCourry.....	Mrs. Lloyd Laws, Rt. 1, Burnsville, N. C.
Pattersons Branch...	M. C. Holloway.....	Mrs. Evelyn Woodby, Rt. 1, Green Mountain, N. C.
Pisgah.....	Thora Wheeler.....	Mrs. Fred Pless, Rt. 2, Canton, N. C.
Piney Hill.....	Johnson White.....	Mrs. Pearl Fender, Rt. 4, Box 197, Burnsville, N. C.
Pilgrims Chapel.....	John Murphy.....	Clyde Dulaney, Rt. 2, Burnsville, N. C.
Ridgeway.....	Ted Laney.....	W. A. Romine, Rt. 1 Box 33, Marion, N. C.
Riverview.....	Farrel Sparks.....	Floyd Bailey, Rt. 3, Erwin, Tenn.
Trinity.....	Stanley Parkey.....	Mrs. D. A. Calhoun, Rt. 1 Box 130A, Erwin, Tenn.
Unaka Springs.....	Herman Gentry.....	Thelma M. Tipton, 545 Monroe St., Erwin, Tenn.
Youngs Chapel.....	Bill Beam.....	Daniel Honeycutt, Rt. 2, Burnsville, N. C.

# TABLE OF STATISTICS

CHURCH AND MEETING DAYS	Baptized	Add. Otherwise	Excluded	Dismissed	Deaths	Total Members	No. In S. S.	Communion	Times Pastor Pres.	Minutae Fund	Paid Pastor	Paid for Revivals	Orphanage	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Disabled Ministers Fund	Pledges Disabled Ministers Fund	Monthly Mission Pledge	Poor & Sick	Value of Church	Improvements Church Property	Other Funds
Bald Mountain 2-4	15	8	0	0	1	62	85	1	23	5.50	1510.43	265.32	45.75	61.30		10.00			50.57	3750.00	844.94	
Big Creek 1-3	3	0	0	0	0	78	65	1	23	5.00	262.68	150.00	30.80	85.00		10.00			174.00	1500.00		
Byrd Branch 1-3	1	0	0	0	1	31	16	1	33	1.00	43.77	11.00						24.00	3000.00			
Crabtree 2	5	2	0	0	0	65	45	2	39	3.00	214.61	57.50	7.00						8.85	2000.00		
Davistown 2-4	7	0	0	5	0	108	75	1	23	5.42	292.77	63.00	77.76	43.50		10.00			95.75	3000.00	111.72	
Ernestville Full	1	2	0	0	2	63	25		F.	2.00	43.18	14.64	5.00			10.00				5000.00	35.00	
Fairview Full	19	5	0	8	1	119	125	1	51	5.00	1469.00	191.69	100.00	204.12	60.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	358.28	10000.00	1154.80	
Higgins 2-4	5			1		60	40			3.00	80.00	71.98								3000.00		
Hudgins Chapel	6					33					920.00											500.00
Liberty Full	9					100	85	1	F.	10.00	1781.10	141.56	229.23		24.00	10.00	10.00	2.00	374.91	3000.00		
Liberty Chapel 1-3	0	4	0	8	0	36	35	1	56	4.00	316.06	200.61	49.00	154.25		10.00			100.58	2500.00	135.00	
Low Gap 1-3	0	0	0	0	1	82	68	1	24	6.23	225.25	103.53	128.25		40.00	10.00				3000.00		
Mountain Dale 1-3	1	0	0	0	1	110	100	4	24	5.00	675.95	110.00							25.00	8000.00		
Nicks Creek 3	6	9	2	0	0	50	49	4	100	5.00	336.78	131.60	224.62		72.01	10.00	10.00	1.00	318.00	2700.00	400.00	
Petersons Chapel 1-3	0	0	0	0	1	39	40	1	25	2.75	216.40	66.66	12.50			10.00	10.00		2.00	400.00	200.00	
Pattersons Branch		8				34																
Pisgah 1-3	0	0	0	0	1	55	40	1	23	5.00	454.42				24.00	10.00		2.00	4.22	3000.00		
Piney Hill 3	0	0	0	0	1	64	40	1	44	2.00	26.76	15.25							7.00	3000.00		
Pilgrims Chapel 1-3	3	3	0	0	0	25	46	2	24	4.00	364.25	108.25	48.00	16.00	24.00	10.00	10.00	2.00	361.90	2500.00		
Ridgeway 2-4	13	2	2	0	1	44	84	4	96	5.00	279.28	158.82	29.25			28.00			163.79	2000.00	228.25	
Riverview - Full	10	30		60	2	135	110	1	F.	10.00	2600.00	105.00	50.00	783.00	40.00	25.00	25.00	10.00	102.00	21000.00		
Trinity - Full		6				1190	106	1	F.	5.00	1950.00	200.80	16.26	95.26	190.53	47.63				12000.00		
Unaka Springs 1-3						1	67	100	2	19	4.00	461.02	68.00			10.00				2500.00		
Pensacola 2-4	1	1	0	2	1	135	80	1	24	5.00	402.22		202.45	44.00	24.00	15.00	15.00	2.00	108.00	10000.00	324.00	
Youngs Chapel 2-4	4	1	0	1	0	75		1	22	6.00	686.80	115.18	171.80	36.50	24.00					2800.00	400.00	

## CHURCH COVENANT

1. Having given ourselves to God by faith in Christ, and adopted the Word of God as our own rule of faith and practice, 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 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.



**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.”—I 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 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 are 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 bringeth 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. 12. All applicants for ordination shall present to the Conference of recommendation from his church properly signed by both pastor

**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.

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## 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.

## CONSTITUTION OF THE MINISTERS' CONFERENCE Of Jacks Creek Free Will Baptist Association Ministers' Conference

ARTICLE 1. This body shall be known as The Ministers' Conference of Jacks Creek Association of Free-Will Baptists; and shall be composed of all licensed and ordained ministers of said Association.

ARTICLE 2. This Conference may receive any Christian minister, as a visiting member, and when thus received, he may enjoy all rights and privileges of the regular members not in conflict with Article 3.

ARTICLE 3. This body shall elect annually a president or moderator and a clerk, both ordained ministers of one year or more membership in this Conference, after his ordination.

ARTICLE 4. Each church may send two of its members as delegates to this Conference, and when thus sent, they are entitled to a seat in the Conference with all privileges of visiting brethren, as provided by Article 2.

ARTICLE 5. The Conference shall meet on Friday before each fifth Sunday, with some church in the Association, previously agreed upon, or at the call of the president; provided that more than one session may not be held with any church during the same conference year.

ARTICLE 6. The president is empowered and it is his duty, to call an extra session of the Conference upon the petition of the members of this Conference; provided however, that said petition is properly signed by seven members, three of whom shall be ordained ministers.

ARTICLE 7. The Conference, upon being organized each year, shall proceed to elect an ordaining council, composed of three regularly ordained ministers; all having been ordained at least two years; and one or more shall have served one or more years on ordaining council, and one of the senior members shall be the chairman of council thus constituted.

ARTICLE 8. The ordaining council, when properly organized, shall have charge of all examinations and ordinations of candidates for the ministry who have been ordained before it by the Conference.

ARTICLE 9. All applicants for license to preach, shall be recommended by the pastor and deacons of his church; and if the Conference, after due inquiry and prayerful consideration; and after examination by the ordaining council, as to gifts, qualifications, and the divine call; said applicant shall be granted a license to preach the gospel for the period of one year; provided however, he may have said license renewed at the expiration of the year, from time to time. All applicants for license and ordination shall first be passed upon by the Committee of Investigation, as to their character and moral standards. If satisfactory, they are then to be examined by the ordaining council openly before the house.

ARTICLE 10. All licensed preachers are required to preach twenty-four sermons each year; and at least fifty sermons before he can succeed to ordination; provided however, he cannot be ordained until he has proved himself faithful and successful in the gospel ministry for a period of at least one year. and if any shall fail to do so, because of negligence, he shall be entitled to a seat in the Conference only as a visiting minister, as in Article 2; provided, however, the above requirements shall not apply to ministers who have passed sixty years of age, or to any minister who is rendered unable to conform to the above rules by disease or continued sickness of himself or family.

ARTICLE 11. Any minister being absent from two sessions of conference, in succession, shall stand charged with delinquency, and shall be deprived of his vote on any question until his disability is removed by a vote of the Conference. However, if the delinquent brother offer satisfactory excuse for his absence, his disability may be removed by a majority vote of the Conference.—

Amendment Any minister who does not report to Conference either in person or by letter, for one year, shall be dropped from the roll and his credentials called for.

ARTICLE 12. All applicants for ordination shall present to the Conference a letter of recommendation from his church, properly signed by both pastor and clerk.

ARTICLE 13. The Conference may withdraw fellowship from any member who becomes disorderly.

ARTICLE 14. No session of Conference will be considered legal, if three or more ordained ministers are not present.

ARTICLE 15. This constitution and by-laws, or any article thereof, may be suspended or amended, by a two-thirds vote of the Conference.

ARTICLE 16. The president or moderator may have power to appoint any and all committees to carry on the work of the Conference.

ARTICLE 17. A session of conference, shall be held in connection with the yearly Association.

The above constitution and by-laws, duly adopted by conference in regular session at North Bend Church, June 1919. Re-adopted in conference September, 1944.

## BY-LAWS OF MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

### Jacks Creek F.W.B. Association

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. All ministers received from sister F.W.B. conferences shall be issued a certificate of ordination from our conference bearing the signatures of our council with original council's name on margin. All ministers seeking license or membership shall be received under watchcare for three months.

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.

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