

1964-65 MINUTES

of the

Jacks Creek Free Will Baptist Association



Sixty-Ninth Annual Session Held at
Youngs Chapel F.W.B. Church

Rt. 2, Burnsville, N. C.

Aug. 20, 21, 22, 1964



OFFICERS

Rev. Cecil Higgins Moderator

Rev. Holt Herrell Clerk



Next Session

The next session will be held at Keystone F.W.B. Church, 110 Betty St., Johnson City, Tenn. beginning on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1965, at 10:30 A.M. Rev. Cecil Higgins will preach the introductory message; Rev. Holt Herrell will be his alternate.

JACKS CREEK FREEWILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Officers of The Jacks Creek Association and Ministers Conference, 1964

ASSOCIATION:

Moderator - Rev. Cecil Higgins Rt. 1, Elizabethton, Tenn.
Clerk - Rev. Holt Herrell Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.
Treas. Disabled Ministers Fund - Ullis Webb, Rt. 3, Erwin, Tenn.
(Deceased)

Asst. Treas. - Rev. Fulton Williams, Erwin, Tenn.
Treas. Home Missions - Rev. Leonard Shehan, Rt. 1, Erwin, Tenn.
Treas. Foreign Missions - Rev. Clyde Fender, Rt. 1, Nebo, N. C.
Treas. Orphanage Fund - Rev. Troy McCourry, Burnsville, N. C.
Committee of Investigation - The Disabled Ministers Fund:
Rev. Richmond Barnett and Rev. Burnie Arrowood, Tennessee;
Rev. Arnold Wilson and Rev. Troy McCourry, North Carolina.

ASSOCIATION: .

Retained from last year - Rev. Jack Greene. Brothers Jess Clark, Ralph Thompson, and Dayton Guy.

MINISTERS CONFERENCE:

Moderator this session Rev. Cecil J. Higgins
Moderator next session Rev. Farrell Sparks
Clerk for next year Rev. Holt Herrell
Asst. Clerk for next year Rev. Richmond Barnett

ORDAINING COUNCIL:

Rev. Cecil Higgins, Chairman; Rev. Farrell Sparks, Rev. Leonard Shehan, Rev. Quince Miller, Rev. Johnson White.

COMMITTEE OF INVESTIGATION: (Old one retained)

Tennessee - Rev. Leonard Shehan, Rev. Fulton Williams,
and Rev. Burnie Arwood
North Carolina - Rev. Clyde Fender, Rev. Troy McCourry,
and Rev. Arnold Wilson

PROCEEDINGS

The Jack Creek Free Will Baptist Association met with Youngs Chapel F. W. B. Church, Rt. 2, Burnsville, N. C., Aug. 20, 1964, at 10:30 A.M. in its 69th Annual Session. The service opened with the congregation singing "I'll Be Satisfied", led by Rev. Guy Foster of Mt. Holly, N. C. Rev. Jack Greene, pastor of the church, welcomed all and told all to feel free. "Amazing Grace" was also sung, and Rev. Roy Rikard led the congregation in prayer.

Rev. Bruce Fender, Jr., pastor of Unicoi F. W. B. Church brought the introductory message. He used for his scripture reading, John Chap. 1, Verses 1 - 3; also the 14th verse of the same chapter. Text: "There is a God." He brought a wonderful gospel message that was annointed by the power of God, which was greatly enjoyed by all. An alter call was given by Rev. Fender, and then a fellowship handshake was called for. There was much rejoicing.

Rev. Roy Rikard, pastor of Cramerton F. W. B. Church, Cramerton, N. C., read Daniel, Chap. 5, Verses 1-15 also Verses 25-31. Prayer was led again by Bro. Rikard. Text: "The hand writing of Doom." Bringing another wonderful gospel message, also Bro. Fulton Williams gave a wonderful testimony for God. A wonderful service, that the spirit of God existed in greatly. Closed to reconvene at 1:30 P.M. for Business Session.

Thursday Evening

The association convened at 1:30 P.M. for Business Session with congregation singing, "Won't it be Wonderful There." Devotions were read by Rev. Gilbert Abel, reading for his scripture lesson, I John, Chap. 4, Verses 1-9. Prayer was led by Rev. George Higgins. Business part of the association was begun by calling to order by Moderator, Rev. Cecil Higgins. Reading clerks and Finance Committees were appointed. Rev. Richmond Barnett and Rev. Troy McCurry were appointed.

Rev. Bruce Fender, Jr., was appointed "treasurer" pro-tem for Foreign Missions.

Rev. Troy McCurry was retained treasurer of Orphanage Fund.

Rev. Vernal Jones was appointed treasurer for Associational Fund.

Rev. Fulton Williams was appointed asst. treasurer of Disabled Ministers Fund.

Rev. Leonard Shehan was retained as treasurer of Home Missions.

A call was made for churches seeking membership in our association. Burbank F.W.B. Church, Rt. 1, Roan Mtn., Tenn., which had been under watch care of conference and had been under investigation, was voted in full fellowship in our body.

Churches and Delegates

BALD MOUNTAIN — Bro. M. S. Edwards, and Sister Nellie Edwards

BIG CREEK — Sisters Mrs. Deckard Adkins, Mrs. Jim Deyton, and Mrs. G. W. Wilson

BRUMMETTS CREEK — Bro. and Sister Mose Miller, Bro. and Sister Baxter Bennett, Sister Virginia Bennett, and Bro. Paul Bennett

BURBANK — Bro. and Sister John Greer, Bros. Jess Troutman, D. H. Troutman, and Bill Street

BYRD BRANCH — Sisters Alice Woodby and Mrs. Luther Ledford, and Bro. Jim Woodby

CRABTREE — Bros. Ford Shell, Dayton Greene, Louis Mohl, Jay Shell, and Carnie Shell.

DAVISTOWN — Bros. Gordan Walker, Paul Ray, and Clarence Davis

ERNESTVILLE — Sisters Minnie Hollaway, Hammie Howell, and Mrs. Lawrence Byrd

FIRST F. W. B. of FLINT, MICH. — By Letter

FIRST F. W. B. of PENNINGTON GAP, VA. — Bro. and Sister Joe Ellison, Sister Horace Poole, and Bro. Johnie Cox

HAMPTON — Sisters Gladys Johnson, Geneva Garland, Ruby Whisnant, Okie Calhoun, and Jeanette Julian

HIGGINS — Sisters Viola Edwards, Sue Edwards, Sharon Edwards, and Bernice Silvers

KEYSTONE — Sisters Becky Barnes, Grace Abel, Bro. and Sister James Workman, Bro. and Sister L.J. Litton, Bro. Lum Wilcox and Bro. J. H. Renfro

LIBERTY — Bros. Bill Long, Lloyd Allison, and Bob McMahan

LIBERTY CHAPEL — Bros. Claude Cook and Thomas Miller, Sisters Alma Cook and Viola Miller

LOW GAP — Bro. and Sister H. D. Ray, Sr., Bro. and Sister Willard Gardner, and Bro. Cloyce Silvers

MIDDLE DISTRICT — Sisters Atlas Street, Mary Francis Street, Martha Jenkins, Mae Ingram, Lennis Moffitt, Mary Ann Street, and Bro. Roy Street

NICKS CREEK — Bro. and Sister Floyd Robinson, Bro. and Sister Goleman Cook, and Bro. and Sister Marion Elliot

NORTH BENT — Bro. and Sister Park Peterson, Bro. and Sister Noah Hughes, and Bro. Earnest Hughes

PATTERSONS BRANCH — By Letter

PENSACOLA — Sisters Annie Pate, Della Riddle, and Florence Wilson, and Bro. Alex Wilson

PETERSONS CHAPEL — Sister Frances Laws, Bros. Jack Webb, Tony Laws, and Larry Edwards

PILGRAMS CHAPEL — Bro. Clyde Dulaney

PINEY GROVE — Sisters Linda Arnett and Sharon McKinney, Bros. McKinley Woodby, Jerry McLaughlin, and Stanley Hill

PINEY HILL — Sister Burnice Bradford, Bros. Lidge Hylemon, Noah Robinson, and Bro. Leslie Robinson

RIDGEWAY — No report

RIVERVIEW — Bro. and Sister Molt Duncan, Sisters Vergie Bailey, Wilma Stockton, Ethel Webb, and Belle Hensley Miller

SALEM — Bro. Walter Jenkins, Sister Geter Hensley, and Rev. Orphard Hensley

SOUTHSIDE — Bro. and Sister Audie Lingerfelt, Sisters Ruby Blankenship, Wanda Cooper, and Wanda Jones

SUNSET — Bros. Frank Cornett and Brownlon Stevens

UNAKA SPRINGS — Bro. Arson Miller

UNICOI — Sisters Mildred Garland, Velda Fender, Wanda Jordan, Zula Jordan, and Shea Garland

VALE — Bro. and Sister B. A. Calhoun, and Sister Joyce Cornett.

VALLEY FORGE — Sisters Mittie Belle Johnson and Linda Robertson, and Bros. Carl Nave and C. B. Johnson, Jr.

WOODBYP HILL — Bro. and Sister Paris Street, Sisters Doris Stockton and Gladys Clark

YOUNGS CHAPEL — Bros. Turner Price, Robert Carroll, and Ralph Thompson

By motion moved to seat delegates and accept letters.

Moderator and Clerk were elected for Association. Moderator — Rev. Cecil Higgins; Asst. Moderator — Rev. Richmond Barnett. Clerk elected — Rev. Holt Herrell; Asst. Clerk — Rev. Troy McCourry.

Rules of decorum were read by Moderator.

A call was made for visiting ministers — Rev. Milton Hollifield from Blue Ridge Assoc. and pastor of Swannoa F. W. B. Church, Swannoa, N. C. Also Rev. L. H. Clayton from Beaver Dam Association, Spartanburg, S. C. were welcomed and seated in our body.

The following committees were appointed:

CHURCHES AND PASTORS — Rev. Leonard Shehan, Chairman; Bros. Stanley Hill, and Vernal Jones

DEEPER DEVOTIONS — Rev. Charles Webb, Chairman; Bros. George Bucker, and Arson Miller

DISABLED MINISTERS FUND — Rev. Ferrell Sparks, Chairman; Bros. Noah Hughes, and Baxter Bennett

EDUCATION — Rev. Troy McCourry, Chairman; Sisters Wanda Jordan, Mildred Garland, and Bro. Clyde Dulaney.

FOREIGN MISSIONS — Rev. George Higgins, Chairman; Sisters Belle Hensley and Gladys Clark

INVESTIGATION — Rev. Jack Green, Chairman; Bros. Jess Clark, Ralph Thompson, and Dayton Guy

LADIES AUXILIARY — Sisters Mary Herrell, Chairman; Sisters Vergie Bailey, Nelle Fortner, Ada Ray, Becky Street, Marie Barnett, Della Riddle, and Burnice Silvers

OBITUARIES — Sister Wilma Stockton, Chairman; Sisters Ada Jones, Lennis Moffitt, Gladys Riddle, and Fannie Davis

ORPHANAGE — Rev. Jack Greene, Chairman; Bros. Hubert Jenkins, Charlie Street, Robert Carroll, and Lloyd Allison

SABBATH SCHOOLS — Rev. Johnson White, Chairman; Rev. Henderson Woodby, Bros. Gordon Walker, and Noah Hughes

SESSIONS — Rev. Quince Miller, Chairman; Bros. Carl Estep, John Greer, Lonnie Cochran, and Frank Cornett

YOUNG PEOPLES LEAGUE or CHURCH TRAINING SERVICE —

Rev. Bruce Fender, Chairman; Sisters Judy Clark, Judy Herrell, Linda Greene, Zula Jordan, Patricia Shehan, Mary Francis Street, Bros. C. B. Johnson, Jr. and Eddie Stockton

Pulpit committee was called for. Rev. L. H. Clayton was selected for the 7:30 p.m. service. It was moved, seconded, and voted on to accept the committees as read.

Association closed to reconvene Friday morning at 9:30 A.M. for Business Session. Dismissed by Rev. Farrell Sparks.

Thursday Night Session

The 7:30 P.M. service opened with choir singing "The Perfect Day" or "My Child Well Done" and "More and More Like You". An altar of prayer was called, and Rev. Quince Miller led the prayer. A quartet from Keystone F. W. B. Church in Johnson City, Tenn., sang "When I Shall Ride the Clouds", "What Will I Leave Behind", "The Great Beyond", and "What A Time."

Rev. L. H. Clayton brought the message, using for his scripture reading, Romans Chapter 8, Verse 12; II Cor., Chapter 5, Verse 14. Text: "His love constraineth us" and "Therefore we are debtors." Bringing a wonderful gospel message that was annointed by the power of God. Dismissed by pastor, Rev. Jack Greene.

Friday Morning 9:30 A.M.

The association convened at 9:30 a.m. with choir singing "Oh, How I Love Jesus." Devotions were read by Rev. Orville Whitehead. He used for his scripture lesson I Timothy, Chapter 1, Verses 1-7. Prayer was led by Rev. Arnold Wilson. The association was called to order by Moderator. A call was made for visiting ministers and delegates. No response.

Reading of Thursday session was read by clerk and received as read.

A call was made for churches that were not reported at Thursday session. None reported.

Bro. Ray Turnage of the Childrens' Home, Greeneville, Tenn., and a group of children from the home were present for association.

A call was made for Deeper Devotions: Speaker, Rev. Charles Webb. Adopted.

A call was made for Churches and Pastors: Speaker, Rev. Leonard Shehan. Adopted.

A call for committee on Disabled Ministers Fund: Speakers, Rev. Farrell Sparks, Rev. Fulton Williams. Adopted.

A call for committee on Education: Speakers: Rev. Troy McCourry, Sister Wanda Jordan, Bro. Ray Turnage, and Rev. George Higgins. Adopted.

A call for Pulpit Committee: Rev. Farrell Sparks of Greeneville, Tenn. was selected for the 11:00 A.M. service.

Bro. Ray Turnage, Superintendent of Childrens' Home, Rt. 9, Greeneville, Tenn., gave a lecture on work of orphanage. He also expressed his appreciation for what the association had done for the home. The children from the orphanage sang two songs and some of the boys gave some scripture recitations. The girls sang another song, which was greatly enjoyed by all.

An offering was received for the orphanage in the amount of \$58.81

Association closed to reconvene at 1:30 P.M. for Business Session.

Friday 11 A. M Service

Service opened with congregation singing "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms", and "Are You Washed in the Blood?" Led by Bro. Ray Turnage. Prayer was led by Rev Clyde Fender. Rev. Farrell Sparks, pastor of the First F.W.B. Church of Greeneville, Tenn., brought the message. He used for his scripture reading Exodus, Chapter 1, Verse 12; Matthew Chapter 13, Verses 20 and 21; Acts, Chapter 8, Verse 4; and Acts, Chapter 12, Verses 1 and 2.

Text: "The persecuted Church". He brought a wonderful gospel message that was annointed by the power of God. Service dismissed to reconvene at 1:30 P.M. for Business Session.

Friday 1:30 P.M. Service

The association reconvened at 1:30 P.M. with the congregation singing "Tell Me the Old, Old, Story." Devotions were read by Rev. Coy Davis. He read Eph. Chapter 1, Verses 10-18. Prayer was led by Rev. Handy Wilcox.

The Association was called to order by Moderator, Rev. Cecil Higgins.

A call was made again for churches that didn't represent at Thursday's Session. Patterson's Branch F.W.B. Church represented by letter. Also First F.W.B. of Pennington Gap, Va that was under watch care of Association represented by church letter and a good delegation and was received in full fellowship in our body.

Due to the health of Bro. Ulis Webb, Rev. Fulton Williams was elected by unanimous vote for Asst. Treas. of Disabled Ministers Fund.

Call for committee on Orphanage: Speaker, Rev. Jack Greene. Adopted as report read.

Bro. Sherman Branch, pastor of Talon Memorial Church, Stanley, N.C. gave a lecture on the home for the aged to be purchased in Burnsville, N. C.

Rev. Cecil Higgins also spoke on the subject.

A call for report on Missions: Speakers, Rev. Leonard Shehan, Rev. Handy Wilcox, Rev. Cecil Higgins, and Rev. Orville Whitehead. Adopted.

It was moved and seconded and voted on for every church that did not bring any offering for Home Missions, to take up an offering from their church and send it to the treasurer, Rev. Leonard Shehan, Rt. 1, Erwin, Tenn.

A call for committee on Ladies Auxiliary: Speaker, Sister Mary Herrell. Adopted.

A call for committee on Church Training Service: Speaker, Rev. Bruce Fender. Adopted.

A call for committee on Sabbath Schools: Speaker, Rev. Johnson White. Adopted.

An offering was received in the amount of \$36.25 for the clerk, which was greatly appreciated.

Rev. Cecil Higgins, Moderator of the Association, spoke in behalf of the entire association in expressing their appreciation for all the fine food, hospitality, and kindness that the people of Young Chapel F.W.B. Church had shown during the Association, and especially the spirit of God that had existed in the services and in the Business Session.

He also spoke on behalf of Young's Chapel Church and expressed their appreciation for all who attended. He especially commended the sisters of the church for the fine food and care they had taken of the association.

The association adjourned for preaching at 7:30 P.M. with Rev. Ervin Sluder, Moderator of the French Board Association, and to meet back at 9:30 A.M. Saturday morning for Ministers Conference.

Friday Night 7:30 P.M. Service

The 7:30 P.M. service opened with the congregation singing "A Glad Reunion Day", "Take My Hand", "What a Friend in Jesus", and "When They Ring the Bells of Heaven." Prayer was led by Rev. Bruce Fender, Jr. Rev. Ervin Sluder brought the 7:30 P.M. message. He used for his scripture reading I Peter, Chapter 1, Verses 1-5; Matthew Chapter 5, Verse 13. Text: "Ye are the salt of the earth." Lev. Chapter 2, Verse 13. He brought a wonderful gospel message that was greatly enjoyed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS **"Churches and Pastors"**

We, your committee on churches and pastors recommend the following scriptures:

II Cor., Chapter 5, Verses 18-20. The purpose of church and ministers
Ambassadors for Christ.

Romans, Chapter 10, Verses 14 and 15. Purpose of Ministers. Rev. Leonard Shehan, Chairman; Bros. Vernal Jones and Stanley Hill

Church Training Service

We, your committee on Young People's League or Church Training Service offer the following recommendations:

Proverbs 22:6

Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

Ecclesiastes 12:1

Remember thy Creator in the days of the youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say I have no pleasure in them.

1. The teachers of the league should be active in all church activities as as to be an example to the young people.
2. The league program should be arranged so that each person feels his need of responsibility.
3. All preachers to encourage the adults to attend league.
4. We feel that each church in our association should organize a league for the better progress of the church, and better relationship between the young people and adults.
- 5 Each league should strive to have a goal for the betterment of church community, and home life.

Rev. Bruce Fender, Chairman; Sisters Judy Clark, Judy Herrell, Patricia Shehan, Zula Jordan, and Bros. Eddie Stockton and Paul Bennett.

Disabled Ministers Fund

We, your committee on Disabled Ministres Fund recommend the following:

1. "He which soweth sparingly shall also reap sparingly and he which soweth bountifully shall also reap bountifully. For God loveth a cheerful giver. II Cor. Chapter 9, Verses 6 and 7.
2. Neither was there any among them that lacked. Acts 4:34.
3. They continued steadfastly in the apostles doctrine. Acts 2:42.
4. It is more blessed to give than to receive. Acts 20:35.

We challenge each member and each minister to stress this in your churches.

Rev. Farrell Sparks, Chairman; Bros. Baxter Bennett and Noah Hughes

Deeper Devotions

We, your committee on Deeper Devotions recommend the following: That all members of this association read our church covenant and bear afresh in our minds that on becoming a member of this body we made our promise before God to practice our Church Covenant. We call your attention to Article 3 of our Church Covenant:

"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."

"The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." James 5:16. A family altar is not only needful for fathers and mothers but also the place to start training our children of which will be the

church of tomorrow. "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6.

Rev. Charles Webb, Chairman; Bro. George Buckner.

Education

We the education committee submit the following for the consideration of all the churches of the Jack's Creek Free Will Baptist Association.

What is education? Obviously it is not "schooling", it is not "book-learning", though all these may be means of education. It is gaining power to use life to the best advantage. The easiest way to do this is usually through the school; but it is not the only way. The school always needs to be supplemented by the home, the church, and a wholesome public sentiment in the community.

God gave us a mind to use. He expects us to develop it and to make every effort to improve it. If we gain knowledge by our own effort with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, then God will give us wisdom to use that knowledge well. The more we know about God's Word the better He can use it through us.

The Bible is the ultimate source of the highest ideals of life the human race has yet found. It is the foundation of the best in education. Yet let us not forget the great part which science and literature and art play. Our young people should be encouraged to prepare themselves for Christian work in the professional areas such as medicine, teaching, etc.

It is high time that we realized that the Free Will Baptist denomination is not limited to unlearned individuals who have to have someone of their own calibre to reach them. We are a growing denomination and we are constantly in need of well-trained leaders.

Let us be concerned about the Free Will Baptist College through our prayers, support, and encouraging young people to attend.

The Bible says, "The Spirit will guide you into all truth," and "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." As Christians and ministers we are dealing with the eternal souls of men, and we should deem our profession important enough to make study necessary.

At the age of twelve years, Jesus was found in the temple in the midst of the doctors both asking and answering questions. The men were amazed at His knowledge and asked where he received this wisdom, seeing he never learned his letters. Luke 4:15-16: "And he taught in their synagogues, being glorified of all." A great portion of Jesus's life was spent in preaching and teaching the people whom he met.

Matthew 28:19-20: "Go ye therefore and teach all nations. . . teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you."

We as Free Will Baptists should strive to give our children and youth the best Christian education as well as that in public schools. We are instructed to "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it."

Rev. Troy McCourry, Chairman; Sisters Wanda Jordan, Mildred Garland, and Bro. Clyde Dulaney.

Finance

We, your committee on Finance wish to report that we have received from the churches of The Jacks Creek Association, the amount of \$213.67. We recommend that our Moderator be paid \$15.00 and our Clerk \$15.00, for services rendered and the balance go for the Minute Fund. (Also received \$10.00 to be added on from the First F.W.B. Church of Flint, Mich., by letter after the Association.)

Rev. Richmond Barnett and Rev. Troy McCourry

Ladies Auxiliary

Scripture: Romans 16:1-6.

We, the committee on Ladies Auxiliary, wish to commend to this Association that our pastors and pastors wives strive to encourage our Ladies Auxiliary. We should not strive to assist our churches financially but spiritually as well. We should make an effort to get into homes of unsaved people and encourage them to attend church. Romans 16:1-4.

Sister Mary Herrell, Chairman; Sisters Vergie Bailey, Nelle Fortner, Becky Street, Ada Ray, Marie Barnett, Della Riddle, Bernice Silvers.

Foreign Missions

We, your committee on Missions, submit the following:

The great lack of mission endeavors in our churches is due to the fact that our ministers have not received the vision for this great work and are unable to lead, feed, and guide the flock into this great commission.

We recommend very prayerfully the following scripture for the enlightenment of all, especially for the pastors, urging them to establish a systematic way of giving in their church:

Romans 3:23, Romans 10:13-15, Matthew 28:18-20, Acts 4:12, I Timothy 2:5, John 20:21.

Rev. George P. Higgins, Chairman; Sisters Belle Hensley Miller, and Gladys Clark.

Obituaries

We, your committee, on obituaries recommend that each church appoint one member to prepare and then send in an obituary for each deceased member.

Sister Wilma Stockton, Chairman; Sisters Ada Jones, Gladys Riddle, Lennis Moffitt, and Fannie Davis.

Orphanage

We your committee recommend that all Tennessee churches support the Tenn. Home for Children at Greeneville, Tenn.

We also recommend that all churches support the orphanage work. We think that each pastor should take a greater interest in the orphanage work and that we appoint a committee in our North Carolina Orphanage work to decide and act on behalf of the churches concerning the distribution of orphanage money. We recommend that the Moderator and Clerk and the Investigating Committee and Rev. Clyde Fender and Rev. Orphard Hensley be appointed on this committee.

Rev. Jack Greene, Chairman; Bros. Hubert Jenkins, Charlie Street, Robert Carroll, and Lloyd Allison

Sabbath Schools

We your committee on Sabbath Schools wish to report that we agree that much prayer and care be given Sabbath School work. We recommend that the teachers of Sabbath School should be good Christians to teach the young people and the teachers should live a Godly life every-day before the people.

Deut. 4:9-10. Eph. 6:4.

Rev. Johnson White, Chairman; Rev. Henderson Woodby, Noah Hughes.

Sessions

We your committee on Sessions report that the next Association will be held at the Keystone F. W. B. Church in Johnson City, Tenn. Rev. Cecil Higgins to preach the Introductory Message, with Rev. Holt Herrell as his alternate.

Rev. Quince Miller, Chairman; Bros. Carl Estep, John Greer, Lonnie Cochran, and Frank Cornett.

Treasurer's Report

Item: Disabled Ministers' Fund

Cash on hand at last Association	\$4849.82
Received this Association	687.80
Received from Ministers' Conference	159.00
Interest	181.44
Total	\$5878.06

Money paid out from Association:

Rev. Ted Laney	\$100.00
Rev. Burnie Arrowood	100.00
Rev. Cecil Higgins	100.00
Rev. George Higgins	100.00
Rev. Charles Webb	100.00
Rev. Henderson Woodby	50.00
Erwin Insurance Agency	7.50
Total	\$557.50

Leaves Balance of \$5320.56

Signed: Ullis L. Webb, Rt. 3, Erwin, Tenn. (Treasurer) (Deceased)
Rev. Fulton Williams, Treasurer

Foreign Mission Report

Balance in Treasury last year \$1332.30
Paid out this year 432.00

Received this year from churches:

First F.W.B. of Flint, Michigan	200.00
Unicoi	72.00
Ernestville	10.00
Higgins	5.00
Low Gap	36.00
Pensacola	24.00
Piney Grove	12.08
Salem	10.00
Valley Forge	60.00
Young's Chapel	24.00

Balance in Treasury \$1353.38

Additional Information:

\$360.00 was paid to Josephine Stevens

\$72.00 was paid to the Wilkensons

Signed: Rev. Clyde Fender, Rt. 1, Nebo, N. C. (Treasurer)

Home Missions Report

Balance in treasury at close of association year 1963 \$63.50

Received this year from churches:

Ernestville	10.00
Piney Grove	5.00
Valley Forge	100.00

Total in Treasury \$178.50

Signed: Rev. Leonard Shehan, Treasurer of Home Missions

OBITUARIES

DORA DULANEY — Departed this life November 4, 1963, at the age of 72 years. She was a member of Pilgram's Chapel F.W.B. Church. She leaves her husband, Jim Dulaney, 5 daughters, 8 sons 37 grandchildren and a host of friends and loved ones to mourn her passing. She is gone but will never be forgotten.

FONZER C. HERRELL — Father of Rev. Holt Herrell. He was born June 15, 1888 and departed this life December 23, 1963, at the age of 75 years, 6 months, and 8 days. He is greatly missed at home, in the community, and in the church. We feel our loss is Heaven's gain. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Cecil Higgins, a great friend of his. A devoted man to God.

IDA HERRELL — Born February 4, 1885, departed this life December 7, 1963, at the age of 78 years, 9 months, and 3 days. She professed faith in Christ and joined the Middle District F.W.B. Church in 1925 and remained a member until death. She leaves a husband and four sons to mourn her passing. We feel our loss is Heaven's gain.

HARRY HILL — Departed this life on April 22, 1964. He was a member of Woodby Hill Free Will Baptist Church. He leaves a son and a host of friends to mourn his loss.

REBECCA HUGHES — Departed this life December 16, 1963, at the age of 87. She was a member of Hampton Free Will Baptist Church. She leaves two sons, one daughter, and a host of friends and relatives to mourn her passing.

P. O. JARRET — Born September 16, 1913, and departed this life January 7, 1964, at the age of 50 years. He was a member of Burbank F.W.B. Church and was a devoted father, who loved the Lord. We feel our loss is Heaven's gain.

BIS LAWS — Born June 5, 1910. Departed this life September 7, 1964 at the age of 54 years, 3 months, 2 days. He was a member of the Mine Fork Free Will Baptist Church for many years, until the church united with Mount Mitchell Association. He was a faithful father to his family. He leaves his wife, eight children, five grandchildren and a host of friends to mourn his passing. We feel that our loss is Heaven's gain.

MATTIE MILSTEAD — Departed this life July 1, 1964. She united with the First Free Will Baptist Church in Flint, Michigan, in April, 1963. She was loved by all who knew her.

CLAYTON VANOVER — Born July 2, 1899, and departed this life on December 31, 1963. He was a resident of Unicoi, Tennessee, and a member of the Unicoi Free Will Baptist Church.

MINISTERS CONFERENCE

The first quarterly conference was held at First F.W.B. Church of Flint, Michigan, on September 27 and 28, 1963. Rev. Holt Herrell brought the introductory message using for his scripture reading Rev. 7:1-13,

also Titus 2:14. Text: "The people of God." The Church Trio from the church sang, "Sweeter as the Days Go By", "He will Pilot Me", and "I Can't Stand up Alone". Service closed with handshake and much rejoicing. Closed to reconvene at 1:30 P.M. for Business Session.

The Business Session convened at 1:30 P.M. with choir singing. Devotions were read by Rev. Bruce Fender. Rev. Richmond Barnett, Moderator, called conference to order and told all to pray for it. Reading of last session of the conference was read by clerk and received as read. Roll Call was made and \$10.00 was received for Disabled Ministers Fund.

A small delegation from the churches were enrolled, due to the distance to drive to the conference.

Rev. Leonard Shehan, Rev. Orville Whitehead, and Rev. Richmond Barnett were appointed on Topic Committee.

Rev. Horace D. Poole brought the 2:15 P.M. message. He brought a wonderful gospel message that was enjoyed by all. The Spirit of God prevailed through out the service and there was much rejoicing.

Rev. Handy Wilcox brought the 7:30 P.M. message, using for his scripture reading. St. Luke 2:10, and Proverbs 25:25. Text: "Good News." He brought a wonderful message. The church trio also sang two songs. It was a wonderful service.

Saturday morning's session convened at 9:30 A.M. with church quartet singing several songs. Devotions were read by Rev. Zenus Allen. Prayer by Rev. Leonard Shehan. Topic for conference was "Moderation." (Phil. 4:5) Several spoke on topic which everyone enjoyed. Great fellowship was enjoyed at the conference. Rev. Richmond Barnett stayed for night service to help ordain a deacon. The Spirit of God was so great that there wasn't any preaching. Everyone at the Flint Church gave an invitation for conference to meet back with them at the earliest date possible. Everyone thanked the church for the fine care they had taken of everyone, but most of all for the Spirit of God that had existed throughout the conference. Convened until time and place.

Rev. Richmond Barnett, Moderator

Rev. Cecil Higgins, Pro-tem

Rev. Holt Herrell, Clerk

Rev. Richmond Barnett, Pro-tem

The second quarterly conference convened at Unicoi F.W.B. Church, Unicoi, Tenn., December 27 and 28, 10:30, A.M. with the choir singing. Rev. Orville Whitehead brought the introductory message, using for his scripture reading St. John 15:1-3. He based his message on these verses. Bringing a wonderful gospel message that was annointed by the power of God and was greatly enjoyed by all. Service dismissed by Rev. Zenus Allen.

Business part of conference convened at 1:30 p.m. with the choir singing "Victory in Jesus". Devotions were read by Rev. Handy Wilcox. Prayer by Rev. Farrell Sparks. Conference was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. Leonard Shehan, and the Rules of Decorum were read. Reading of last session of conference was read by clerk and received as read. All ministers stood in full fellowship. Roll Call was made and \$24.00 was received for Disabled Ministers Fund. Churches, deacons, and delegates were enrolled with a good delegation. Rev. Carl Osborne of 4020 Grace St., Wayne, Michigan, of the Wolverine Association present-

ed himself as a visiting minister and was welcomed and seated in the body.

Rev. Handy Wilcox, Rev. Burnie Arrowood, and Rev. Charles Webb were selected for speakers on topic for Saturday morning session.

Bro. Stanley Fortner from Harmony Free Will Baptist Church of Baltimore, Md., presented himself as a visiting delegate and was welcomed and seated in our body.

Rev. Fulton Williams brought the 2:45 message, using for his scripture reading II Timothy 2:3-12. He based his message on the scripture he read. He brought a good gospel message that was enjoyed by all. Services closed with a hand-shake. Services were dismissed by Bro. Jess Clark.

The 7:00 P.M. message was brought by Rev. Farrell Sparks. He used for his scripture reading St. Luke 8:22-23, and Acts 27:23-28. Text: "Except these abide in the ship, Ye Can't be Saved." He brought a good gospel message. Service closed with a handshake and much rejoicing. Dismissed by Rev. George P. Higgins.

Conference convened at 9:00 a.m. Saturday morning with choir singing. Devotions were read by Rev. Orphard Hensley. The scripture lesson was Psalms 144:1-5. Prayer by Rev. Bruce Fender. Reading of Friday's session of conference was read by clerk and received as read. Roll call was made and \$7.00 was received for Disabled Ministers Fund.

Bro. Frank Harkleroad from Fairview F.W.B. Church, Marion, N. C., presented himself as a visiting minister and was welcomed, and seated in our body.

Speakers on topic were Rev Handy Wilcox and Rev. Burnie Arrowood. They gave a wonderful talk. Everyone thanked Unicoi F.W.B. Church for the fine care, hospitality, etc., that they had shown for the conference. But most of all for the Spirit of God that had been manifested through out the conference. Rev. Zerus Allen brought the 11:00 a.m. message that was annointed by the spirit of God. A wonderful service with much rejoicing and fellowship handshake. Conference convened until time and place.

Rev. Leonard Shehan, Moderator

Rev. Holt Herrell, Clerk

The third quarterly conference convened at Liberty F. W. B. Church Marion, N. C., March 27 and 28, 1964. Rev. Jack Greene brought the introductory message, using for his scripture reading Matthew 23:37-38. Text: "How oft would I have gathered you together as a hen gathered her flock, but ye would not." He brought a good gospel message. Service closed with handshake and rejoicing. Service was dismissed by Bro. Elmer Bailey.

Business part of conference at 1:30 p.m. opened with choir singing "Glory to His Name." Devotions were read by Rev. Bruce Fender. Reading for his scripture lesson. I Peter 5:1-12. Prayer was led by Rev. Charles Webb. Rules of Decorum were read by Moderator, Rev. Jack Greene. Reading of the last session of conference was read by clerk and received as read. Roll call was made and \$27.00 was received for Disabled Ministers Fund. Every preacher stood in fellowship with each other and with God when the call was given.

Churches, deacons, and delegates were enrolled with a good delegation.

Rev. George Higgins, Rev. Handy Wilcox, and Rev. Orville Whitehead were selected for the topic committee.

Call was mad for applicants for licenses and ordination. Bro. Charles Hill, Jr., presented his letter of recommendation and was turned over to the Investigation Committee under the watch care of Conference for three months or until next conference convened.

Rev. Charles Webb brought the 2:45 message using for his scripture reading, St. Luke 8:4-5. He based his message on this scripture. Bringing a wonderful gospel message that was annointed by the Power of God. Service closed with handshake and rejoicing. Dismissed by Rev. Paul Jordan.

The 7:00 p.m. message was brought by Rev. George Higgins. He used for his scripture lesson, St. Luke 18:1-8. Text: "Determination." He brought a wonderful gospel message that was enjoyed by all.

The conference reconvened Saturday morning at 9:30 a.m. with choir singing. Devotions were conducted by Bro. Verno Davis. He read for his scripture lesson, Psalms 92. Prayer by Rev. Bruce Fender.

The Business Session was opened by Moderator, Rev. Jack Greene. He called conference to order. Reading Friday's session was read by the clerk and received as read. Fellowship was called for and every preacher stood in fellowship. Roll call was made and \$14.00 was received for Disabled Ministers Fund.

Topic committee was called for an the topic was "Study to show thyself approved to God. A workman that needeth not to be ashamed rightly dividing the word of truth" Speakers were Reverends Handy Wilcox, Richmond Barnett, Leonard Shehan, Cecil J. Higgins, and Orphard Hensley.

Rev. Jack Greene, Moderator, spoke for the conference and thanked Liberty F. W. B. Church for the fine care, food, and hospitality that had been shown to the conference, and most of all the spiritual messages and the Spirit of God that had existed through out the conference.

Conference convened until time and place.

Rev. Jack Greene, Moderator
Rev. Holt Herrell, Clerk

The fourth quarterly conference convened at Middle District F.W.B. Church, Rt. 2, Bakersville, N. C., May 29 and 30, 1964. It opened at 10:30 a.m. with choir singing two songs. Rev. J. W. Mann, pastor of the church, welcomed all and told all to feel welcome and free. Prayer by Rev. Farrell Sparks. Rev. George Higgins brought the introductory message, using for his scripture reading, Isiah 57:15. Text: "Eternity". He delivered a wonderful gospel message that was annointed by the power of God. Rev. Cecil Higgins also gave a wonderful testimony for God. Service closed with fellowship handshake and much rejoicing.

Business part of conference convened at 1:30 p.m. with a quartet from First F.W.B. Church of Pennington Gap, Va., singing several songs that was enjoyed by all. Devotions were read by Rev. Darrell Dugger. Prayer by Rev. Bruce Fender. Conference was called to order by the Moder-

ator, Rev. Troy McCurry. He asked all to pray for him and the conference. Reading of last session of the conference was read by clerk and received as read. Roll call was made and \$25.00 was received for Disabled Ministers Fund.

Churches, deacons, and delegates were enrolled with a good delegation Fellowship was called for. Every preacher stood in fellowship with each other and with God. A visiting delegation from Burbank F.W.B. Church presented themselves and were welcomed and seated in our body. Also a visiting delegation from First F.W.B. Church in Pennington Gap, Va. was seated.

Rev. Milton Hollifield from Blue Ridge Association, Swannoa, N. C., was welcomed and seated in our body as a visiting minister.

A call for churches seeking membership in our body was made. Burbank, F.W.B. Church, Rt. 1, Roan, Mtn., Tenn. and the First F.W.B. Church of Pennington Gap, Va. presented their letter and statistical report. They were put in the hands of the Associational Investigating Committee to be investigated

Bro. Gilbert Abel from Keystone F.W.B. Church presented his letter for license and was turned over to the Investigating Committee to be investigated until next conference.

Topic committee was called for. Reverends Burnie Arrowood, Horace Poole, and Darrell Dugger were selected. Rules of Decorum were read by Moderator.

Rev. Paul Jordan brought the 3:00 p.m. message. He used for his scripture reading, Luke 11. Text: "Prayer". He brought a wonderful gospel message that was greatly enjoyed by all.

The 7:30 p.m. service opened with choir singing "Kneel at the Cross." Prayer by Bro. Garland Hughes. Rev. Horace Poole brought the message, using for the scripture lesson Hebrews, Chapter 4. Text: "Power of God." A wonderful gospel message was enjoyed by all.

Saturday's session convened at 9:30 a.m. with choir singing "Glory to His Name." Devotions were read by Rev. Burnie Arrowood. Prayer was led by Rev. Dwight Greene. Conference was called to order by Asst. Moderator, Rev. Bruce Fender. Proceedings of Friday's session of conference was read by clerk and received as read. Every preacher stood in fellowship with each other and with God. A good delegation from Valley Forge F.W.B. Church and Unicoi F.W.B. Church were enrolled that were not at Friday's session. Roll call was made and \$10.00 was received for Disabled Ministers Fund.

The topic presented was "Oneness of the Spirit." Scripture reference was I Cor., Chapter 12, Verses 1-9. Speakers were Rev. Burnie Arrowood, Rev. Handy Wilcox, Rev. Cecil J. Higgins, and Bros. Bill Hughes and Dewey Ingram.

Bro. Gilbert Abel brought the 11:00 a.m. message. Bro Bob Forbes sang a solo - "I'm Lonesome for Heaven." Bro. Abel used for his scripture lesson Hebrews 5:4-8. He based his message on this reading. He brought a wonderful gospel message and there was much rejoicing. Everyone thanked God for the wonderful conference and for the fine

care that Middle District Church had given to everyone. It was a wonderful conference and well attended.

Rev. Troy McCourry, Moderator
Rev. Bruce Fender, Asst. Moderator
Rev. Holt Herrell, Clerk

A session of conference was held Saturday, August 22, 1964, in connection with the Association at Young Chapel F.W.B. Church, Rt. 2, Burnsville, N. C. The conference convened at 9:30 a.m. with the choir singing "Won't It Be Wonderful There". Devotions were conducted by Bro. Gilbert Abel, prayer by Rev. Jack Greene.

The Moderator, Rev. Cecil Higgins, called conference to order and read "Constitution of Ministers Conference of Jacks Creek F.W.B. Association." Roll call was made and \$37.00 was received for Disabled Ministers Fund. Reading of last session of conference was read. Fellowship was called for and every preacher stood in fellowship with each other and with God.

Churches, deacons, and delegates were enrolled with a good delegation.

Rev. Holt Herrell was re-elected for Clerk for the conference for the coming year, with Rev. Richmond Barnett to be his assistant.

The Committee of Investigation for the Disabled Ministers Fund for the conference was appointed. The old committee was retained with the exception of Rev. Burnie Arrowood, who was appointed instead of Rev. Fulton Williams, due to Bro. Williams being the treasurer of the Disabled Ministers Fund.

The Ordaining Council selected for the coming year were Rev. Cecil Higgins, Chairman; Rev. Farrell Sparks, Rev. Leonard Shehan, Rev. Quince Miller, and Rev. Johnson White.

Bros. Gilbert Abel and Charles Hill, Jr., who had been under the watch care of the conference, presented themselves for license. They were questioned by the Ordaining Council, which recommended their licenses, which were written by the clerk. Sister Abel and Sister Hill gave wonderful testimonies for God, concerning their husbands' work in the ministry. These testimonies were annointed greatly by the Power of God.

Rev. Clyde Fender brought the 11:00 a.m. mesage. The service opened with the choir singing "Kneel at the Cross." Prayer was led by Rev. Handy Wilcox. Rev. Fender used for his scripture reading, Psalms, Chapter 40, verses 5 and 17; Psalms, Chapter 139, verses 17 and 18; and Jer., Chapter 29. Text: "God's Thoughts." He delivered a wonderful spirit filled message that was enjoyed by all. Service closed with fellowship and handshake and rejoicing. It was a wonderful Ministers Conference that the Spirit of God had eisted through out.

It was voted to adjourn until the next Ministers Conference which will convene with Piney Grove F.W.B. Church, Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn., on Friday and Saturday before the fifth Sunday in November, 1964. Rev. Farrell Sparks to be the Moderator and Rev. Orville Whitehead to be his alternate.

Rev. Cecil Higgins, Moderator
Rev. Holt Herrell, Clerk

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Church	Pastor	Clerk	Address
Bald Mountain	T. A. Wheeler	Mack Wilson	Rt. 4, Burnsville, N. C.
Big Creek		Mrs. G. W. Wilson	Rt. 1, Relief, N. C.
Brummetts Creek	Charlie Miller	Mrs. Will Bennett	Rt. 1, Relief, N. C.
Burbank	Richmond Barnett	Vernon Crain	Rt. 1, Roan Mtn., Tenn.
Byrd Branch	Elie Robinson	Mrs. Luther Ledford	Rt. 1, Burnsville, N. C.
Crabtree	Charles Hill, Jr.	Ford Shell	Rt. 2, Roan Mtn., N. C.
Davistown	R. C. Stockton	James E. Vess	Star Route, Black Mtn., N. C.
Ernestville	Herman Ledford	Mrs. Lawrence Byrd ..	Rt. 2, Box 46A Erwin, Tenn.
Fairview	Voted into another Association		
First FWB (Mich.) ..	Milford Bazell	Mrs. Susie Anderson ..	11222 Jennings Rd. Fenton, M.
First FWB (Va.) ..	Horace Poole	Mrs. Joe Ellison	Jonesville, Va.
Hampton	Fulton Williams	Mrs. Oakie Calhoun	Hampton, Tenn.
Higgins	Charles Webb	Viola Edwards	Rt. 4, Burnsville, N. C.
Keystone	Handy Wilcox	James Workman	501 Orleans St., J. C., Tenn.
Liberty	Allen Jackson	Lloyd Allison	Rt. 4, Marion N. C.
Liberty Chapel	John Murphy	Viola Miller	Rt. 5, Burnsville, N. C.
Low Gap	Richmond Barnett	Mrs. H. D. Ray, Jr.	Rt. 6, Burnsville, N. C.
Middle District	J. W. Mann	Joe R. Street	Rt. 2, Bakersville, N. C.
Nicks Creek	Coy Davis	Clelia Young	222 High St., Marion, N. C.
North Bent	Dwight Greene	Park Peterson	Green Mountain, N.C.
Patterson's Branch ..	Zenus Allen	Mrs. Burdette Deyton	Burnsville, N. C.
Pensacola	Floyd Ray	Lawrence Wilson	Pensacola, N.C.
Peterson Chapel	Edd Davis	Mrs. Lloyd Laws	Rt. 1, Burnsville, N. C.
Pilgrims Chapel	Floyd Ray	Lloyd Dulaney	Rt. 2, Burnsville, N.C.
Piney Grove	Leonard Shehan	Mrs. Aileen McKinney	Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.
Piney Hill	J. W. Mann	Pearl Cannon	Rt. 4, Burnsville, N. C.
Ridgeway	No report		
Riverview	Quince Miller	Floyd Bailey	Rt. 3, Box 149, Erwin, Tenn.
Salem	James Wilhide	Mrs. James Davis	Rt. 1, Old Fort, N. C.
South Side	Troy McCourry	Fred E. Davis	923 Hoback Ave., Erwin, Tenn.
Sunset	Johnny Harris	Georgia Carlton	Rt. 2, Roan Mtn., Tenn.
Unaka Springs	Charles Webb	E. P. Fender	Rt. 3, Box 179, Erwin, Tenn.
Unicoi	Bruce Fender	Mrs. Bessie Jordan	Unicoi Tenn.
Vale		Coye Calhoun	Rt. 1, Newland, N. C.
Valley Forge	Cecil Higgins	Mrs. Will Stevens	Rt 7, Elizabethton, Tenn.
Woodby Hill	Holt Herrell	Mrs. June McKinney	Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.
Young's Chapel	Jack Greene	Ralph Thompson	Burnsville, N. C.

Jacks' Creek Ministers that are pastoring Churches out of Association:

Minister	Church	Address	Association
Gilbert Abel	Rich Acres	Johnson City, Tenn.	Union
Burnie Arwood	Pigeon Roost	Relief, N. C.	Toe River
Darrell Dugger	Holly Springs	Elizabethton, Tenn.	Union
George Higgins	Central F.W.B.	Johnson City, Tenn.	Union
Joe Honeycutt	Poplar F.W.B.	Rt. 1, Relief, N. C.	Toe River
Charles Webb	Covey Rock	Green Mtn., N. C.	Toe River
	Millers Chapel	Burnsville, N. C.	Toe River

MINISTERS ROLL

MINISTERS PRESENT FOR ASSOCIATION

Gilbert Abel 926-7650 701 Barton St., Johnson City, Tennn.
 Rex Adkins 533 Washington St., Erwin, Tenn.
 Richmond Barnett 926-1283, J.C., Tenn. Rt. 1, Johnson City, Tenn.
 Coy Davis 668-4535, Old Fort, N. C. Rt. 1, Old Fort, N. C.
 Verno Davis Rt. 2, Erwin, Tenn.
 Bruce Fender 743-4808, Erwin, Tenn. Unicoi, Tenn.
 Clyde Fender 697-5105, Marion, N. C. Marion, N. C.
 Jack Greene .. 682-2797, Burnsville, N. C. .. Rt. 2, Burnsville, N. C.
 Orphard Hensley Old Fort, N.C.
 Holt Herrell Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.
 Cecil Higgins .. 542-5344, Eliz., Ten. .. Rt. 1, Elizabethton, Tenn.
 George Higgins 926-8986, J.C., Tenn. 428 Hamilton St., J.C., Tenn.
 Charles Hill, Jr. Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.
 Moss Hollaway Rt. 2, Box 15A, Erwin, Tenn.
 Gus Ledford Rt. 3, Burnsville, N. C.
 Troy McCourry .. Mu 2-2541, Burnsville .. Bx. 68, Burnsville, N.C.
 Quince Miller Rt. 3, Burnsville, N. C.
 H. D. Poole 511 Penn. Gap, Va. .. P. O. Box 383, Penn. Gap, Va.
 Floyd Ray Star Rt., Burnsville, N.C.
 Elzie Robinson Rt. 3, Burnsville, N. C.
 Jason Saylors 3606 N. End Ave., Nashville 5, Tenn.
 Leonard Shehan 742-7162, Erwin, Tenn. Rt. 1, Erwin, Tenn.
 Farrell Sparks Greeneville, Tenn
 Charles Webb .. 668-3364, Burnsville, N. C. .. Green Mtn., N. C.

Johnson White .. HE 7-6841, Morganton, .. Rt. 2, Morganton, N.C.
 Orville Whitehead 542-2956 Eliz., Tenn. Rt 1, Elizabethton, Tenn.
 Handy Wilcox 742-5954, Erwin, Tenn. Unicoi, Tenn.
 Fulton Williams 742-4701, Erwin, Tenn. Erwin, Tenn.
 Arnold Wilson 742-4147, Marion, N. C. Rt. 4, Marion, N. C.
 Henderson Woodby Rt. 1, Unicoi, Tenn.

NOT PRESENT FOR ASSOCIATION

Burnie Arwood 743-3804, Erwin, Tenn. Erwin, Tenn.
 Milford Bazzell 3117 Shaw St., Flint, Mich.
 Darrell Dugger 543-1356, Eliz., Tenn. .. Rt. 4, Elizabethton, Tenn.
 Frank Elliott, Jr. 1120 Grove St., Elizabethton, Tenn.
 Fred Freeman Rt. 7, Nebo, N. C.
 Dwight Greene 669-5811, E. Mtn., N. C. .. Rt. 1, Black Mtn., N.C.
 Joe Honeycutt Unicoi, Tenn.
 Paul Jordan 668-4282, Old Fort, N. C. Old Fort, N. C.
 Ted Laney Rt. 1, Marion, N. C.
 Herman Ledford 310 Crosswhite Lane, Erwin, Tenn.
 Lyda Letterman... Rt. 1, Burnsville, N. C.
 J. W. Mann Rt. 4, Marion, N. C.
 John Murphy Rt. 2, Burnsville, N.C.
 D. C. Patrick Rt. 2, Elizabethton, Tenn.
 Dock Taylor Erwin, Tenn.

TABLE OF STATISTICS

CHURCHES AND MEETING DAYS	Baptised	Added Otherwise	Excluded	Dismissed	Deaths	Total Membership	Number in Sunday School	Communion	Pastor Present	Minute Fund	Paid Pastor	Paid for Revivals	Orphanage	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Disabled Ministers Fund	Ladies Auxiliary	Church Training Service	Poor and Sick Fund	Value Church Property	Improvements To Church Property	Associational Fund
Bald Mt.	2-4	3		1		50	65	1	23	\$4.00	622.60	106.85		48.00		10.00			162.35	4,000.00		5.00
Big Creek	1-3					78	50	1	19	\$5.00	436.90	129.81		18.00		10.00				4,000.00		5.00
Brummetts Creek	1-3	9	1			84	70	1	23	\$5.00	400.00	169.10		130.00		5.00						5.00
Burbank	1-3	6	4		1	140	115	4	28	\$5.00	1955.00	156.69	200.00		357.00	15.00	20		352.00	15,000.00	1,100.00	5.00
Byrd Branch	1-3	2		1		60			39	\$3.00	113.67	68.82				10.00			10.00	3,650.00		5.00
Crabtree	1-3	6	22	6		58	65	2	18	\$5.00	218.77	156.51	66.00		25.00		13		77.14	2,740.00	500.00	
Davistown	1-3-5	4	3	2		49	65	3	28	\$5.00	615.97	183.37		17.50		29.70	7		50.00	15,000.00	201.00	5.00
Ernestville	Full	4		1		55	45	1	Full	\$5.00	198.54	131.77	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00			10.00	5,000.00	75.00	5.00
F.W.B. Flint, M.	Full	13	9	10	1	97	146	2	Full	\$10.00	3024.50	205.00	125.00	284.65	1781.75	25.00	10	15	763.60	50,000.00	755.00	5.00
FWB Penn. Gap	Full	28	37			79	80	3	Full	\$5.00	1939.15	100.00	5.00			10.00	20	40		1,000.00		5.00
Hampton	Full	2	6	4	1	72	65	3	Full	\$5.20	751.24	206.54	42.39	58.63		5.00	24		25.00	40,000.00		5.00
Higgins	2-4	5			1	95	93	2	20	\$5.00	367.27	97.20			5.00	10.00				5,000.00	2,000.00	5.00
Keystone	Full	16	14		3	356	217	3	Full	\$5.00	4415.04	153.09	170.75	14.74	153.01	55.65	35	60	204.69	60,000.00	8,300.00	5.00
Liberty	Full	2	5			81	75	1	Full	\$10.00	1272.71	110.38	240.00	242.00	110.85	10.00	14			26,600.00	1,600.00	5.00
Liberty Chapel	1-3					48	26		22	\$3.00	191.33					10.00			61.49	3,000.00		5.00
Low Gap	2-4	5	3			44	55	1	38	\$5.00	1145.94	174.00		10.30	36.00					11,651.40	597.40	5.00
Middle Dis.	1-3	2				50	35	2	23	\$5.10	306.55	175.53	5.00			5.00				20,000.00	875.00	5.00
Nicks Creek	Full	1	4	1		75	81	3	Full	\$5.00	1195.62	150.00	288.62			10.00	12		139.00	13,587.72		5.00
North Bent	1-3	2			1	103	65	1	20	\$5.50	490.00	149.35				10.00			45.35	7,500.00		5.00
Pattersons Branch	2-4					55	25		46	\$3.00	155.46	150.30				5.00				1,636.00		
Pensecola	2-4	2		3		142	50	1	47	\$5.00	507.00	94.00	78.35	60.00	24.00	15.00	12	22	30.00	15,000.00	25.00	5.00
Peterson's Ch.	Full	8	1			45	34	1	15	\$4.00		263.40								4,000.00	42.00	
Pilarims Chapel	1-3		2		1	31	15	1	24	\$3.00	438.00	129.25							600.00	2,500.00	19.11	5.00
Piney Grove	2-4	5	3			65	73	2	24	\$8.00	1636.39	223.86	50.00	5.00	50.00	15.00	21		197.89	5,600.00	903.79	5.00
Piney Hill	2-4	4	6	6		62	30	2	22	\$3.00	174.89	220.77				5.00				3,000.00		5.00
Riverview	Full	1	1	8		169	60	1	Full	\$10.00	2090.00	125.00		921.60		10.00	25	20	54.25	26,500.00		5.00
Salem	Full	6	8		1	72	124	1	Full	\$12.00	1560.00	167.19	15.00	65.00	10.00	25.00	26			6,000.00		10.00
Southside	Full	9	1		2	238	130	4	Full	\$8.00	1750.53	292.00	40.00			10.00				22,000.00		5.00
Sunset	1-3	1	1	13		95	80	2	46	\$5.00	483.82	100.00	15.00		25.00	10.00			25.50	27,860.82	1,860.82	5.00
Unaka Srinias	2-4					36	80	1	21	\$5.00	938.85	187.45	140.50	75.00						3,375.00		5.00
Unicoi	Full	9	7		1	179	112	2	Full	\$7.21	2860.00	100.86	70.00		212.21	12.20	16	20	33.00	29,600.00	10,000.00	5.00
Vale	2-4					34	65	1	20	\$5.00	400.00	62.00				10.00				5,000.00	2,000.00	5.00
Valley Forge	Full	6	9	6	1	263	198	4	Full	\$25.00	4430.00	210.00	268.43	215.00	334.41	91.00	20	43	844.09	80,300.00	300.00	5.00
Woody Hill	Full	7	13	17		115	88	2	23	\$8.10	1500.00			162.46	72.25	25.00	18	70	73.00	23,750.00	12,750.00	5.00
Youngs Chapel	Full	5	6		1	89	86	1	Full	\$14.56	2467.99	288.29		162.22	59.55	123.45	20		162.22	15,000.00	4,141.38	5.00

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 Saviour; 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 deliberation, 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.

CHURCH COVENANT

1. Having given ourselves to God by faith in Christ, and adopted the "Word of God" as our 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 thee 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 others 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.**

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. II 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. 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 saints 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.

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 five 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 privately before the Ordaining Council.

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 at 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 has 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 offers satisfactory excuse for his absence, his disability may be removed by a majority vote of the Conference. 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.

ARTICLE 18. "A licensed minister cannot attain ordination until he is called to pastor a church, or go into full time evangelistic work. A church that has called him for pastor, must send a letter requesting his ordination."

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.

CHURCH LETTER

To The Jacks Creek Free Will Baptist Association

At Date 19

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—

(1) Our meeting days	(14) For Orphanage	\$
(2) Number baptised	(15) Home Missions	\$
(3) Added otherwise	(16) Foreign Missions	\$
(4) Excluded	(17) Disabled Ministers Fund	\$
(5) Dismissed	(18) Pledged to Dis. Min. F.	\$
(6) Deaths	(19) Monthly mission pledge	\$
(7) Total members	(20) Poor and sick	\$
(8) Number in Sunday school	(21) Value church property	\$
(9) Communion & foot washings	(22) Improv. ch. property	\$
(10) No. times pastor present	(23) Associational fund	\$
(11) Minute Fund	(24) No. members in Women's Aux.	
(12) Paid Pastor	(25) Average attendance in League	
(13) Paid for revivals		

Revival conducted by

Present pastor

Pastor elect

Steward Clerk

Address Address

Remarks:

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