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# 1966-67 MINUTES

of the

## Jack's Creek Free Will Baptist Association



Seventy-First Annual Session Held At  
Sunset F.W.B. Church

Rt. 2, Roan Mountain, Tenn.

Aug. 25, 26, and 27th, 1966



### OFFICERS

Rev. Cecil Higgins ..... Moderator

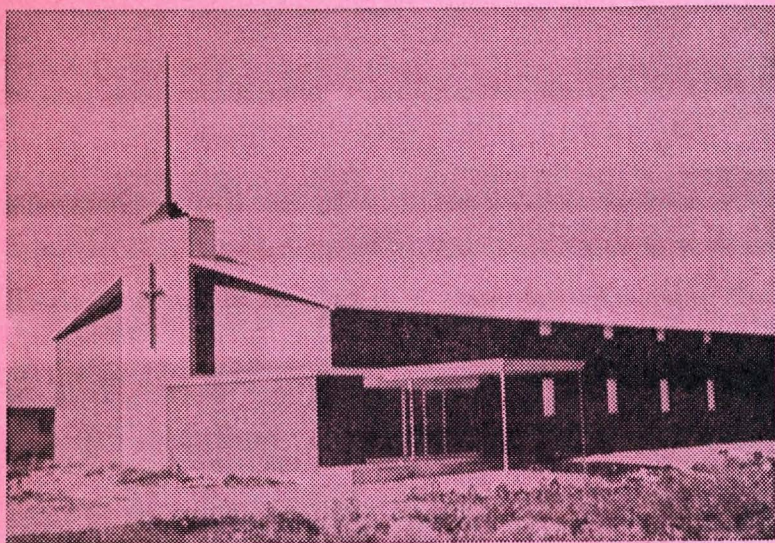
Rev. Holt Herrell ..... Clerk



### Next Session

The next session will be held at Liberty F.W.B. Church,  
Rt. 4, Marion, N. C. beginning on Thursday before the  
fourth Sunday in Aug. 1967, At 10:30 A.M. Rev. Ferrel  
Sparks to preach the Introductory Message. Rev. Clyde  
Fender to be his alternate.





**This is the First Free Will Baptist Church of Flint, Mich., which the Jacks Creek F.W.B. Association is thankful for. Rev. Fred H. Greene pastor.**

# JACKS CREEK FREEWILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

## Officers of The Jacks Creek Association and Ministers Conference, 1966

### ASSOCIATION:

Moderator - Rev. Cecil Higgins ..... Rt. 1, Elizabethton, Tenn.  
Clerk - Rev. Holt Herrell ..... Rt. 1, Roan Mtn., Tenn.  
Treas. Disabled Ministers Fund - Rev. Holt Herrell  
Roan Mtn., Tenn.  
Asst. Treas. - Rev. Richmond Barnett, Rt. 1, Johnson City, Tenn.  
Treas. Home Missions - Rev. Leonard Shehan, Rt. 1, Erwin, Tenn.  
Treas. Foreign Mission - Rev. Bruce Fender,  
Rt. 1, Johnson City, Tenn.  
Treas. Orphanage Fund - Rev. Troy McCourry, Burnsville, N. C.  
Committee of Investigation - The Disabled Ministers Fund:  
Rev. Richmond Barnett, Rev. Burnie Arwood, Rev. Bruce  
Fender, Tennessee; Rev. Arnold Wilson, Rev. Troy McCourry,  
Rev. Orphard Hensley, North Carolina.

### ASSOCIATION: .

Rev. Burnie Arwood, Chairman; Rev. Arnold Wilson, Bros.  
Dayton Guy, Jess Clark, and Ralph Thompson.

### MINISTERS CONFERENCE:

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

### ORDAINING COUNCIL:

Rev. Handy Wilcox, Chairman; Rev. Quince Miller, Rev.  
Leonard Shehan, Rev. Farrell Sparks, and Rev. Burnie Arwood.

### COMMITTEE OF INVESTIGATION:

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

## PROCEEDINGS

The Jacks Creek Free Will Baptist Association met with Sunset F.W.B. Church, Rt. 2, Roan Mtn., Tenn. on Aug. 25, 1966 at 10:30 A.M. in its Seventy-First Annual session. The service opened with choir singing "Showers of Blessings" and "Amazing Grace". Rev. Richmond Barnett, pastor elect of the church, welcomed all and told all to feel free. Rev. Curtis Bechlihimier led the congregation in prayer.

Rev. Quince Miller brought the Introductory message. He used for his scripture reading Numbers Chap. 14, verse 31-33. He based his message on these verses. He brought a wonderful gospel message that was greatly anointed by the power of God. Service closed with handshake and much rejoicing. Service was dismissed by Rev. Johnson White. Service closed to reconvene at 1:30 P.M.

### Thursday Evening

The association convened at 1:30 P.M. for the Business Session with the choir singing "Blessed Assurance". Devotions were read by Rev. Jack Greene. He read Rev. Chap 1, verses 7 and 8. Prayer was led by Rev. Troy McCourry. The business part of conference was called to order by the moderator, Rev. Cecil Higgins. Rules of Decorum were read. Bro. Lawrence Coffey and Rev. Troy McCourry were appointed on the Finance Committees.

Rev. Troy McCourry was retained for Orphanage Fund.  
Rev. Bruce Fender was retained for Foreign Mission.  
Bro. Tom Wheeler was retained for Associational Fund.  
Rev. Leonard Shehan was retained for Home Missions.  
Rev. Holt Herrell was retained for Treas. of Disabled Min. Fund.  
Rev. Gilbert Abel was elected for Treasurer of Moderator and Clerk Fund.

### Churches and Delegates

BALD MOUNTAIN - Bros. Tom Wheeler, Louie Williams, Raleigh Fender, Hurman Edwards, Rev. & Mrs. Burl Ledford and Sister Mary Edwards.

BIG CREEK - By Letter

BRUMMETTS CREEK - No report.

BURBANK - Bro. Dave Troutman, Sisters Maylene Street and Ida Street.

BYRD BRANCH - Sister Ruby McIntosh and Bro. Jim Woodby.

COVEY ROCK - Bros. Charles Deyton and Andy Edwards.

CRABTREE - Bros. Dayton Greene, Edd Morgan, Warren Tipton, Fred Shell, Sisters Myrsona Shell, Betty Tipton, Belle Morgan, and Mary Belle Lyons.



DAVISTOWN - By Letter

ERNESTVILLE - Bro. & Sister Carl Foster, Bros. Raymond Howell, and Jimmy Sparks.

FIRST F.W.B. OF FLINT, MICH. - Bro. & Sister Fred Campbell, Bro. Gary Walton, Sisters Mary Walton, Kathryn Greene and Phyllis Greene.

FIRST F.W.B. OF PENNINGTON GAP, VA. - Bro. & Sister Joe Ellison, Bro. & Sister Minor Thompson, and Mrs. Edd Brewer.

HAMPTON - Bros. Will Julian and Bill Hughes, Sisters Oakie Calhoun and Zeda Hughes.

HIGGINS - Bro. & Sister C. B. Silvers, and Bro. R. L. Silvers.

HILLCREST - Bros. Toney Fender, and Bobbie Revis, and Sister Odean Fender.

KEYSTONE - Bros. Wilder Street, L. J. Litton, and Bob Greer, and Sister L. J. Litton.

LIBERTY - Bros. Loyd Allison, Carl Wilson, Rev. Allen Jackson, and Loyd Allison.

LIBERTY CHAPEL - Bros. David Miller, Tom Miller, Claude Cook, and Sister Alma Cook.

LOW GAP - Bro. & Sis. Jessie Lee Robertson, Bro. & Sister H. D. Ray, and Bro. Cloyce Silvers.

MIDDLE DISTRICT - Bro. & Sister Dewey Ingram, Sr., Bro. Toye Moffitt, Sisters Martha Jenkins, Mary Ann Street, and Lennis Moffitt.

NICKS CREEK - Bros. Harrison Hall, Glen Black, and Bro. & Sister Walter Woodard.

NORTH BENT - Bros. Ivan Whitson, Noah Hughes, and Sister Rebecca Hughes.

PATTERSONS BRANCH - Tabled.

PENSACOLA - Sisters Ann Pate, Della Riddle, Bonnie Silvers, Gladys Riddle, and Adaline Adkins.

PETERSONS CHAPEL - No report

PILGRIMS CHAPEL - Rev. Floyd Ray.

PINEY GROVE - Sisters Essie Morton, Phyllis McKinney, and Mary Sue Woodby, Bros. Stanley Hill, Clayton Woodby and Conley Woodby.

PINEY HILL - No report.

RICH ACRES - Bro. & Sister Herbert Blevins, Sisters, Alma Stines, Barbara Hughes, Betty Richardson, and Bro. Steve Chesser.

RIDGEWAY - No report.

RIVERVIEW - Sister Virgie Bailey, and Bro. & Sister Molt Duncan.

SALEM - Sisters Pansy Hughes, Gladys Parker, Bros. James Davis, Walter Jenkins, and Sister Mary Davis.

SOUTHSIDE - By Letter.

SUNSET - Bros. Wayne Carlton, Shoun Stevens, Frank Cornett, Brownlow Stevens, Carmon Blevins and Glenn Hill.

SUGAR HOLLOW - Sisters Aldona Smith, Paulette Birchfield, Bros. Ralph McKinney, Amos Watson, and McKinley Jarrett.

UNAKA SPRINGS - Bros. Tate Ramsey, Roscoe Phillips, Willard Shelton and John Miller.

UNICOI - Bros. and Sister Burnie Wilson, Sisters Francis Horton, Bessie Jordan, and Zula Jordan.

VALE - Bro. & Sister Dewey Stout, Bro. & Sister Alfred Yates, Sister Coye Calhoun, and Bro. Goss Cornett.

VALLEY FORGE - Bros. Dayton Guy, Walter Creasy, Jim Braswell, Ralph Street, Ben Wiseman, and Sisters Modess Creasy, and Ida Withead.

WOODBYP HILL - Bro. Arnold McKinney, Sisters Nola Clark, Virgie Clark, Geraldine Honeycutt, June McKinney, Bonnie Stevens, Blanche Cochran, and Trula Cooper.

YOUNGS CHAPEL - Bros. Dean Wilson, Jack Silvers, Ralph Thompson, and Jr. Jones.

By motion moved to seat delegates and accept letters.

A call was made for churches seeking membership in our association. Hillcrest F.W.B. Church of Marion, N. C. presented itself by delegates and was taken under watch care of the association for one year.

A call was made for visiting ministers:

Rev. Basil Stevens, Toe River Asso.; Rev. Therry Wheeler and Rev. Byrl Ledford of French Broad Assoc.; and Rev. Allen Jackson of Blue Ridge Assoc., were welcomed and seated in our body.

Moderator and clerk were elected for the association:

Moderator - Rev. Cecil Higgins.

Asst. Moderator - Rev. Farrel Sparks

Clerk - Rev. Holt Herrell

Asst. Clerk - Rev. Richmond Barnett.

Rules of Decorum were read by Moderator.

The following committees were appointed:

CHURCHES & PASTORS - Rev. Ferrel Sparks, Char.; Bros. Vernal Jones, Molt Duncan, and Rev. Gene Foster.

CHURCH TRAINING SERVICE - Rev. Leonard Shehan, Char.; Bros. Arnold McKinney, Gary Walton, and Ralph Street.

DISABLED MINISTERS FUND - Rev. Quince Miller, Char.; Bros. Ralph Thompson, Raleigh Fender, and Dave Troutman.

EDUCATION - Rev. Johnson White, Char.; Bros. Loyd Allison, Sisters Zula Jordan, Pauline Troutman, Bessie Taylor, and Bro. Lawrence Coffey.

FOREIGN MISSION - Rev. Orville Whitehead, Char.; Bros. Dayton Guy, Bill G. Hughes, and Rosco Phillips.

INVESTIGATION - Old one retained.

LADIES AUXILIARY - Rev. Bruce Fender, Char.; Sisters Bessie Jordan, Hazel Higgins, and Bro. L. J. Litton.

OBITUARIES - Rev. Richmond Barnett, Char.; Bros. Carmon Blevins, Wilder Street, Herb Blevins.

SABBATH SCHOOLS - Rev. Jack Greene, Char.; Bros. Elzie Robinson, Joe Honeycutt, and Gene Foster.

SESSIONS- Rev. Troy McCourry, Char.; Bros. Vernal Jones, Loyd Allison, and Ralph Street.

It was moved, seconded, and voted on to accept committees as read.

Pulpit committee was called for and Rev. Jack Greene, pastor of First F.W.B. Church, Flint, Michigan was selected to bring the 7:00 P.M. message. Rev. Ferrel Sparks, the 11 A.M. service Friday morning. Rev. Bruce Fender, the 7 P.M. service Friday night.

Association closed to reconvene Friday at 9:30 A.M.

## Thursday Night Session

The 7:00 P.M. service opened with choir singing "Wonderful Words of Life, Standing on the Promises, and Sunlight of Love." Rev. Richmond Barnett, pastor of the church, welcomed all. Prayer was led by Bro. Stanley Parkey. Rev. Jack Greene, pastor of the First F. W. B. Church of Flint, Mich. brought the 7 P.M. message. He used for his scripture reading Phil. Chap. 3, verses 8. Sister Phyllis Greene sang a solo.

Text I Cor. Chap. 1, verse 23 - "We preach Christ". He brought a wonderful gospel message, followed with a handshake and rejoicing. Sister Essie Morton gave a testimony, and service was dismissed by Rev. Cecil Higgins.

## Friday Morning 9:30 A.M.

The association convened at 9:30 A.M. with congregation singing "Love Lifted Me". Devotions were read by Bro. Clyde Fender. He used for his scripture reading I Cor. Chap. 13. Prayer was led by Bro. Paul Woosley.

The association was called to order by moderator, Rev. Higgins. Reading of Thurs. session was read by the clerk and received as read.

A call was made for churches that were not at Thursday session, and Davistown represented itself by letter.



Patterson Branch Church was tabled because of a lady pastor. Bro. Quince Miller made a move not to accept the letter from the church. Bro. Ferrel Sparks seconded this, and it was voted on by a unanimous vote.

A motion was made for Big Creek Church to be investigated concerning their pastor. This was turned over to the Investigational committee.

A call was made for visiting ministers. Rev. Paul Woolsey of the Union Association and Rev. Fred Markland of the Toe River Assoc. were welcomed and seated in our body by a unanimous vote.

Churches and Pastors committee was called for. Speakers were Rev. Ferrel Sparks, adopted.

Ministers roll was called.

A call was made for Church Training Service. Speakers were Rev. Leonard Shehan, Bro. Arnold McKinney, Rev. Cecil Higgins, and Bro. Jess Greer, adopted.

A call was made for churches again, and First F. W. B. of Pennington Gap, Va., represented by statistical report, church letter, and delegation.

A call was made for a 10 minute intermission.

Bro. Stanley Parkey presented himself as a visiting minister and was welcomed and seated in our body.

Business part of the assoc. convened to meet back at 1:30 P.M. Dismissed by Bro Lawrence Coffey.

## Friday 11 A. M. Service

The service was opened with Bro. Roy Cooper's children singing. Bro. Barnett, pastor of the church, welcomed all and prayer was led by Bro. Handy Wilcox.

Bro. Ferrel Sparks brought the 11 A.M. message. He used for his scripture reading Gen. Chap. 12, verse 1; Gen Chap. 13, verses 11-14; Ezra Chap. 10, verse 11, II Cor. Chap. 6, verse 17. Text, !“ Separation” He brought a wonderful gospel message that was greatly anointed by the power of God. Service was dismissed by Rev. Bruce Fender.

The association re-convened at 1:30 P.M. with congregation singing “Amazing Grace”. Devotions were read by Rev. Stanley Parkey. He used for his scripture reading Romans Chap. 12 verses 1 through 8. Prayer was led by Rev. Parkey. The association was called to order by moderator Bro. Cecil Higgins.

Bro. Paul Woolsey from Union Assoc. gave a lecture on the work of the children's home at Greeneville, Tenn., that was enjoyed by all.

Bro. Harold Stevens, missionary to Africa, gave a lecture on his and Sister Josephine's work in Africa which was greatly enjoyed by all. His testimony was greatly anointed by the power of God.

A call was made for committee on Disabled Ministers Fund. Speakers were Rev. Quince Miller, Sister Ann Pate, Adopted.

A call was made for topic on Education. Speaker was Rev. Johnson White, adopted.

A call was made for committee of Foreign Mission. Speakers were Rev. Orville Whitehead, Bro. Paul Woolsey, adopted.

A call was made for committee on Investigation, no report.

A call was made for topic on Ladies Auxiliary. Speaker was Rev. Bruce Fender, adopted.

A call was made for committee on Obituaries, adopted.

A call was made for Committee on Children's Home - Speaker was Rev. Richmond Barnett. Adopted.

A call was made on Sabbath School, no speaker.

A call was made for committee on Home Mission. Speaker was Rev. Cecil Higgins, adopted.

A call was made for committee on Investigation for Disabled Ministers Fund. Old one was retained.

The associational treasurer gave a report of \$275 to be paid to treasurer of Sunset F. W. B. Church for taking care of association.

It was moved, seconded, and voted on to pay Sister Josephine Stevens her regular salary for the next five years, at \$30.00 per month.

Rev. Cecil Higgins, moderator, spoke for the association and expressed his appreciation for the kindness, hospitality, fine food, and all they had done for the association at the Sunset F. W. B. Church. Thankfulness was especially given for the spirit of God that had existed through out the association. Dismissed by Rev. Quince Miller.

## 7 P.M. Service Friday Night

The 7 P.M. service opened with the choir singing several songs. Also the "True Gospel Trio" from Johnson City, Tenn. sang several songs that were greatly enjoyed by all and anointed with the spirit of God.

Bro. Richmond Barnett pastor of the church introduced the 7 P.M. speaker, which was Rev. Bruce Fender, pastor of Keystone F. W. B. Church, Johnson City, Tenn. He used for his scripture reading, I Cor. Chap. 1, verses 14 through 18. He used verse 16 for his text, which was "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation." He brought a soul stirring message that was greatly enjoyed by all. Service closed with handshake and rejoicing. Dismissed by Bro. Garret Fender.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### "Churches and Pastors"

The committee on Churches and Pastors recommend the following scriptures: Jeremiah 17:16; I Timothy 3:4-5; Acts 1:8; Hebrews 1:7;

Peter 5:2-4; Matt. 16:18;

Rev. Farrel Sparks, Char.; Rev. Gene Foster, Bros. Vernal Jones, and Molt Duncan.

## Church Training Service

Scripture, II Timothy 3:13-17.

1. The C.T.S. has its place in teaching young Christians the word.
2. Pastors and church leaders should prayerfully consider the importance of C.T.S. and seek to establish C.T.S. where none is in existence.
3. All officers and teachers should be devoted Christians, who are willing to sacrifice time and energy in this area of work for the church.
4. Proverbs 22:6 "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it."

Ten churches out of our thirty-nine have an active Church Training Service.

Rev. Leonard Shehan, Char.; Bros. Arnold McKinney, Ralph Street, Gary Walton.

## Disabled Ministers Fund

We, the committee on Disabled Ministers Fund recommend the following: "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Acts 20:35, and Acts 4:34.

We recommend that the pastor of every church set aside the 1st Sunday of each month to give a special offering and that every member be encouraged to pay ten cents or more.

We also recommend that this fund be used for the purpose of the disabled ministers only.

Rev. Quince Miller, Char.; Bro. Ralph Thompson.

## Education

We the committee on Education recommend the following scripture: St. John 6:45; II Timothy 2:15; Proverbs 9:9.

Rev. Johnson White, Char.; Bros. Lloyd Allison, Lawrence Coffey, and Sis. Zula Jordan.

## Finance

We, your Finance Committee report that we have received from the



churches of the Jacks Creek Association the sum of \$301.05 for Minute Fund, and \$45.00 for the Clerk and Moderator Fund, making a total of \$346.05.

We recommend that we give the clerk \$50.00 and the moderator \$20.00, leaving \$276.05 for minutes.

Rev. Troy McCourry, Char.; Bro. Lawrence Coffey.

## Foreign Missions

We, your committee on Foreign Missions wish to recommend that all churches be more concerned about Foreign Missions. We feel that interest of the churches is lacking some, after hearing the various reports from the churches on their Foreign Mission givings.

We wish to recommend that some of our young people would consider being foreign missionary workers.

Rev. Orville Whitehead, Char.; Bros. Dayton Guy, Roscoe Phillips, Bill Hughes.

## Ladies Auxiliary

We, the committee on Ladies Auxiliary highly encourage a Ladies Aux. to all our churches. The ladies do a great work for the church, and we feel also advance the cause of Christ, because of its Christian leadership.

Scripture, Titus 2:3-5.

Rev. Bruce Fender, Char.; Sisters Hazel Higgins, Bessie Jordan, Bro. L. J. Litton.

## 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 Trula Cooper, Char.; Sisters Martha Hamby, Doris Campbell, Modess Creasy, and Della Riddle.

## Orphanage

We, your committee recommend that all churches and their pastors take greater interest in helping and looking after the orphanage of our own churches.

We also recommend that all churches support the Home for Children in their own State.

We also recommend that all churches send a committee with their pastor to visit the Home for Children and bring back a report to their churches as to how their money is being spent, and what other ways we could help.

Rev. Richmond Barnett, Char.; Rev. Ted Laney, Bros. C. S. Blevins, Wilder Street, P. H. Blevins.

Scriptures Esther 2:7; II Kings 5:2-3; Deut. 24:17-23.

## Sabbath Schools

We, your committee on Sabbath Schools recommend that all of our Sunday School teachers be dedicated Christians and be loyal to the church.

All teachers should be thoroughly prepared to teach the class, by studying the word of God and by prayer.

All the officials of the Sunday School and church should work together. The church should have a good visitation program and visit the people who do not attend church. Also they should follow-up absentees immediately.

We should be greatly interested in our young people because they are our church of tomorrow.

We should try to find a place in our Sunday School for more people to work. Superintendents should always look for ways of improving and making the Sunday School better.

Rev. Jack Greene, Char.; Rev. Clyde Fender, Rev. Gene Foster, and Rev. Orphard Hensley.

## Sessions

We, your committee on sessions report that the next session of the Jacks Creek Association will be held with the Liberty F.W.B. Church Route 4, Marion, N. C. beginning on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1967, at 10:30 A.M.

Rev. Ferrell Sparks to preach the Introductory message, and Rev. Clyde Fender to be alternate.

Rev. Troy McCourry, Cha.; Bros. Ralph Street, Lloyd Allison, and Vernal Jones.

## Treasurer's Report

### Item: Disabled Ministers' Fund

Cash on hand at last Association .....	\$5870.05
Received this Association .....	701.15
Received this Association from Ministers Conference .....	158.00
Interest .....	177.99
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$6907.19</b>

### Money paid out from last Association:

Rev. Henderson Woodby .....	\$ 100.00
Bond .....	13.00

**Total .....** **\$ 113.00**

Leaves Balance of ..... \$6794.19

Signed: Rev. Holt Herrell, Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn. (Treasurer)

## Foreign Mission Report

Balance in Treasury last year ..... \$1240.00

Paid out this year ..... 432.00

### Received this year from churches:

Keystone .....	300.00
Valley Forge .....	100.00
Low Gap .....	100.00
Youngs Chapel .....	24.00
Pensacola .....	24.00
Woodby Hill .....	20.00
Middle District .....	10.00
Crabtree .....	5.00

**Balance in Treasury .....** **\$1424.36**

### 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 1965 ..... \$417.10

Interest ..... 21.44

### Received this year from churches:

Valley Forge .....	100.00
Piney Grove .....	15.00
Crabtree .....	10.00
Youngs Chapel .....	10.00
Pensacola .....	10.00

**Total in Treasury .....** **\$583.54**

Signed: Rev. Leonard Shehan, Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.



## OBITUARIES

CLIFFORD ADKINS - Born February 6, 1907, and departed this life May 31, 1966. He was a faithful member of the Big Creek F. W. B. Church and is greatly missed by his family and friends.

ETTA WARRICK ADKINS - Born February 21, 1896, and departed this life on December 23, 1965. She united with the Big Creek F. W. B. Church at an early age and attended as health permitted.

DELMAR TROY ALLISON - Born July 19, 1908, and departed this life on June 20, 1966 at the age of 57 years, 11 months, and 1 day. He was a member of the Liberty F. W. B. Church. He leaves his wife, 8 children, 5 brothers, 3 sisters and a host of friends and relatives to mourn his passing. The family's loss is Heaven's Gain.

McKINLEY FENDER - Departed this life on November 18, 1965. He was a member of Liberty F. W. B. Church. He is survived by 2 sons, and 2 daughters, and a number of brothers and sisters. "Gone but not forgotten".

MARTHA FENDER - born in 1882, and departed this life on May 23, 1966 at the age of 84 years. She was a member of the Bald Mountain F. W. B. Church. She was loyal to her church and was loved by all who knew her. She leaves 4 daughters and 3 sons, and a host of friends to mourn her death. But we feel she is waiting on the other side.

STOKES FREEMAN - Born April 14, 1880, and departed this life on Aug. 23, 1966. He was a member of Crabtree F. W. B. Church. He was loyal to his church in his active years. He was dearly loved by everyone who knew him. He leaves his family and a host of friends.

WINNIE HIGGINS - Born January 7, 1894, and departed this life on May 10, 1966, at the age of 72. She is missed by one and all, but not forgotten. Certainly Heaven's Gain.

BESSIE HUGHES - Departed this life on Sept. 16, 1965. She was a member of Burbank F. W. B. Church. She is survived by 3 daughters, and one son and a host of friends. We feel our loss is Heaven's Gain. She is greatly missed by all.

VENIA TROUTMAN INGRAM - Born March 19, 1900, and departed this life at an early age. She lived a good Christian life until her death. She joined the Middle District F. W. B. Church when she was 14 years old and was a member of that church until her death. She taught the Card Class for 21 years.

NORVIE LEE JORDAN - Born August 4, 1915 in Clinchfield, Va., and departed this life July 17, 1966, at the age of 50. He was a resident of Unicoi and a member of Unicoi F.W.B. Church. He lived a faithful life and was loyal to the cause of Christ. He was a devoted husband and father with a fine Christian family. We all have the blessed assurance of seeing him again.

SUDE LEDFORD - Born April, 1883, and departed this life Feb. 10, 1966 at the age of 82. He was a member of the Middle District F.W.B. Church where he joined at an early age. He leaves four sons and a host of friends to mourn his passing. We feel our loss is Heaven's Gain.

BERTHA SMITH - Departed this life on Dec. 23, 1965. She was a member of Crabtree F.W.B. Church. She was very devoted to God and her family. We feel that our loss is Heaven's Gain.

JAMES "HEZZ" STREET - Departed this life on Sept. 4, 1964, at the age of 56. He was a trustee and faithful member of the Keystone F.W.B. Church. We miss Hezz, but we expect to see him again some day, somewhere in the Great Beyond.

SAM STREET, SR. - Departed this vale of sorrows on Sept. 8, 1965. He loved his church, Keystone F.W.B., and proved it by his presence and financial support. He is very much missed by his family and friends, but we feel our loss is Heaven's Gain.

NANCY TIPTON - Born May 30, 1892, and departed this life on Feb. 3, 1966. She was a member of the Southside F.W.B. Church at Erwin, Tenn. She leaves her husband, R. H. Tipton and three sons and one daughter. We feel that our loss is Heaven's Gain.

RETTA BEAM TIPTON - Born June 16, 1898, and departed this life, Aug. 30, 1964, at the age of 66. She professed faith in Christ at an early age, and joined the Riverview F.W.B. Church when it was first organized. She leaves 1 daughter, 2 grandsons, 1 brother and 1 sister to mourn her death. We feel our loss is Heaven's Gain, but her vacant chair can never be filled.

Behind the glow of Sunset  
In the light of Eternal love,  
Our loved one lives in glory  
In God's beautiful home above.

JANE TOLLY - Born March 5, 1882, and departed this life September 23, 1965. She was a member of Woodby Hill F.W.B. Church. She leaves her family and a host of friends to mourn her passing.

JANE VANCE - Departed this life March 15, 1966. She was a faithful member of Keystone F.W.B. Church. We feel the Great Judge will place her on His right hand at that great Separation Day. She is greatly missed by all.

DELIA WILLIAMS - Born April 9, 1901, and departed this life Dec. 7, 1965. She was a member of the Bald Mountain F.W.B. Church. She leaves 9 children and a host of friends to mourn her death.

## MINISTERS CONFERENCE

The first quarterly conference convened at Riverview F.W.B. Church, Rt. 3, Erwin, Tenn., on Oct. 29 and 30, 1965. Rev. Richmond Barnett brought the introductory message. He used for his scripture reading II Tim. Chap. 2, verse 1-15. Text: Psalms, Chap. 119, verse 105 - "Thy word is a lamp to my feet, and a light to my pathway." He brought a wonderful gospel message. Prayer was led by Rev. Ferrel Sparks. Service closed with handshaking and much rejoicing. Closed to reconvene.... at 1:30 P.M. for Business session.

Business part of the conference convened at 1:30 P.M. with choir singing. Devotions were read by Rev. Bruce Fender. Prayer by Rev. Leonard Shehan. Rev. Orville Whitehead, moderator, called the conference to or-

der and asked all to pray for it. Bro. Richmond Barnett was appointed pro-tem due to Bro. Whitehead being pastor of the church. Rules of decorum were read by moderator. Reading of the last session of conference was read by clerk, and received as read. Roll call was made, and \$23.00 was received for Disabled Ministers Fund. No visiting ministers were present. A large delegation from the churches were present. Bro. J. D. Price presented himself for ordination with letter and was turned over to the ordaining council. Rev. Orville Whitehead, Rev. Troy McCourry, and Rev. Richmond Barnett were appointed on the topic committee. Due to there being a revival at the church, Rev. Holt Herrell brought the 7 P.M. message. He used for his scripture reading Phil. Chap. 2, verses 5-8; Heb. chap. 13, verse 8. Text: "This Same Jesus". Service closed with handshake.

Saturday morning session convened at 9:30 A.M. with choir singing. Devotions were read by Bro. J. D. Price, and prayer by Bro. Gilbert Abel. Friday's session of conference was read by clerk and received as read. Roll call was made. \$11.00 was received for Disabled Ministers Fund. Fellowship was called for, and every preacher stood in fellowship. Several churches, deacons, and delegates were enrolled that were not at Friday's session. Bros. Orville Williams, Bernie Jones, and Gene Foster presented themselves for licenses and were turned over to the Investigating Committee.

Rev. Henry Roberts, Sandy Valley Assoc. of Richmond, Va., Rev. J. C. Sizemore of Sandy Valley Assoc., and Rev. Thomas Patrick, Pilgrim Church of Richland, Va., were welcomed as visiting ministers and were seated in our body.

Topic for conference was "Humility". Isaiah, Chap 15, verse 15; Psalms Chap. 138, verse 6. Speakers were Rev. Orville Whitehead, Rev. Richmond Barnett, Rev. Thomas Patrick, and Rev. J. C. Sizemore. All the speakers were enjoyed by all. Rev. Curtis Bechlihimmer brought the 11 A.M. message and was greatly anointed by the Spirit of God. His message was greatly enjoyed by all. Bro. J. D. Price was ordained by the laying on of many hands and much rejoicing. Bro. Barnett, moderator, thanked Riverview F.W.B. Church for the fine care, kindness, the fine food, and especially the spirit of God that had existed throughout the conference. A wonderful conference and was well attended.

Rev. Richmond Barnett, Moderator

Rev. Holt Herrell, Clerk.

A special called meeting was called for 1:15 P.M. concerning a report on Rev. Charles Webb. He was questioned by the Investigating Committee, and stated he would turn in his credentials until rumor was cleared up, due to the Investigating Committee finding him guilty of charges.

It was also recommended by Ordaining council at conferences not to ordain any preacher until they have preached twelve months, and for no church to recommend them for ordination until they have preached twelve months.

The second quarterly conference convened at 10:30 A.M. with Burbank F.W.B. Church, Rt. 1, Roan Mtn., Tenn., with the choir singing. Rev. Richmond Barnett, pastor of the church, welcomed all and told everyone to feel free. Bro. Burnie Arwood brought the Introductory message. He used for his scripture reading Rev. Chap. 2, verses 1-7. Text: "First love". He brought a wonderful gospel message that was anointed



by the power of God, and was greatly enjoyed by all. Closed with handshake and much rejoicing to meet back at 1:30 P.M. for business session.

Conference convened at 1:30 P.M. for business session. Due to weather, the delegations of churches were small. Devotions were read by Bro. Leonard Ray, and prayer by Bro. J. D. Price. Due to the moderator and Asst. moderator not being present, Bro. Cecil Higgins was elected moderator, pro-tem. Reading of last session was read by clerk, and received as read. Roll call was made and \$17.00 was received for Disabled Ministers Fund. All ministers stood in full fellowship. Churches, deacons, and delegates were enrolled.

Rev. John Harris, Rev. Guy Foster, Rev. Elmer Carter, Rev. Clarence Phillips, and Rev. George P. Higgins, all of the Union Assoc. were welcomed and seated in our body as visiting ministers. Bro. Leonard Ray from Rich Acres F.W.B. Church presented himself for license and was turned over to the Investigating committee. The investigating committee recommended Bros. Bernie Jones, Orville Williams, and Gene Foster to be licensed under the provision that they be instructed by the Ordaining Council. The licenses were written by the clerk. Bro. Fred Edwards was found to be unfavorable. Bros. Burnie Arwood, Leonard Shehan, and Curtis Belhimer were selected for speakers on topic for Saturday morning session. Rev. Cecil Higgins brought the 7 P.M. message. The "Valley Forge" quartet sang several songs that were greatly enjoyed by all. Rev. Higgins used for his scripture reading St. Luke Chap 11, verses 1-5. Text: "Prayer." He brought a wonderful gospel message that was soul stirring and was greatly enjoyed by all.

Conference convened Saturday morning at 9:30 A.M. with choir singing "Amazing Grace". Devotions were read by Bro. Horace Poole, and prayer by Bro. Fred Dillinger. Conference was called to order by moderator, Rev. Cecil Higgins. Due to the weather not many were present. Reading of Friday's session was read by the clerk and received as read. Roll call was given and \$12.00 was received for the Disabled Ministers Fund. Churches, deacons, and delegates were enrolled that were not at Friday's session. Rev. Fred Dillinger from the North Western Assoc. was welcomed and seated in our body as a visiting minister. Topic for conference was "The Plan of Salvation." Scriptures references were Rev. Chap. 14, verse 7; Matt. Chap. 4, verses 5-6; Amos Chap. 8, verses 11-12; and Romans Chap. 3, verses 10-12. Speakers were Rev. Fred Dillinger, Rev. Darrel Dugger, and Rev. Fred Beam. This topic was enjoyed by all.

Rev. Bruce Fender brought the 11 A.M. message. He used for scripture reading Prov. Chap. 21, verses 1-5; Prov. Chap. 19, verse 21. Text: "God pondereth the heart". He brought a wonderful gospel message that was greatly enjoyed by all.

Rev. Fred Dillinger from the state of Washington gave a lecture on how God had greatly blessed his work in establishing a church there. Also Bro. Charles Hill, Jr. gave a wonderful testimony for God. It was a wonderful service.

Bro. Higgins, the moderator, spoke for the conference and expressed our appreciation for the fine care, hospitality, fine food, and everything that Burbank F.W.B. Church had done for us. Conference dismissed un-

til time and place.

Rev. Cecil Higgins, Moderator

Rev. Holt Herrell, Clerk

The third quarterly conference convened at Rich Acres F.W.B. Church, Johnson City, Tenn., on May 28 and 29, 1966. Rev. Gilbert Abel pastor of the church, welcomed all and told all to feel free. Rev. Leonard Shehan brought the Introductory message. He used for his scripture reading St. Luke Chap. 9, verses 57-62. Text: "Insincerity." A great soul stirring message that was greatly anointed by the power of God. A wonderful service. The Pennington Gap Quartet sang "He will Pilot Me", which was enjoyed by all. Service closed with prayer to reconvene at 1:30 P.M. for business session.

Business part of the conference convened at 1:30 P.M. with choir singing. Devotions were read by Bro. Roy Cooper. He used for his scripture reading St. John, Chap 11, verses 31-40. Prayer by Bro. Handy Wilcox. Rules of decorum were read by Asst. Moderator, Rev. Bruce Fender. Reading of last session of conference was read by clerk and received as read. Roll call was made and \$26.00 was received for Disabled Ministers Fund. All preachers stood in full fellowship.

Rev. John Harris and Rev. Paul Woolsey of the Union Assoc., Rev. G. H. Stine, Toe River Assoc., and M. L. Thompson of the Lee County Assoc., were welcomed and seated in our body as visiting ministers. A large delegation from our churches was present and enrolled. Bro. Aulton Brown presented himself for ordination and was turned over to the Ordaining Council. Bro. Jack Silvers presented himself for license and was turned over to the Investigating Committee. Also Bro. Leonard Ray was to remain under watch care of the conference for three months more. Bros. Gilbert Abel, Roy Cooper, and J. D. Price were selected for speakers on the topic. The conference voted not to have a conference in July due to it being so close to the assoc. Bro. Johnson White brought the 3 P.M. message. He used for his scripture reading Matt. Chap 27, verses 35-51. Text: "Seven voices around the Cross." A wonderful gospel message, that was soul stirring and inspiring. Several gave wonderful testimonies for God. Rev. Jack Greene, pastor of First F.W.B. Church, Flint, Mich., brought the 7:30 P.M. message. Text: Prov. Chap 28, verse 15 "Vision dominates your Life." A wonderful gospel message that was greatly enjoyed by all. Service closed with handshake and rejoicing.

Conference convened Saturday morning at 9:30 A.M. with choir singing. Devotions were read by Bro. Orphard Hensley. He used for his scripture reading Gal. Chap 6, verses 1-10. Prayer by Bro. J. D. Price. Business part of conference convened with clerk reading Friday's proceedings and received as read. Roll call was made and \$13.00 was received for Disabled Ministers Fund. Fellowship was called for. Every preacher stood in fellowship.

Churches, deacons, and delegates were enrolled that were not at Friday's session. Bros. Jonas Revis from Hillcrest F.W.B. Church and James Smith from Nicks Creek F.W.B. Church presented themselves for license and were turned over to the Investigating committee to be investigated. The topic presctned was "Condition of the Church." Scripture references were St. Luke Chap. 15; Matt. Chap 16.; Amos. Chap. 4, verse 12. Speakers were Rev. J. D. Price, Rev. Gilbert Abel, Rev. Roy Cooper, Rev. Frank Harklerode, and Rev. Cecil Higgins. This topic was enjoyed by all.

Rev. Lydia Letterman brought the 11 A.M. message. He used for his scripture reading St. John Chap. 4, verse 16. Text: "The influence of a Man's Life." A good gospel message that was greatly enjoyed. Service dismissed with prayer. Rev. Barnett, moderator, expressed the appreciation of conference by thanking Rich Acres F.W.B. Church for everything they had done for God. A wonderful conference, which was well attended.

Rev. Richmond Barnett, Moderator  
Rev. Holt Herrell, Clerk

A session of conference was held Saturday, Aug. 27, 1966 in connection with association at Sunset F.W.B. Church, Rt. 2, Roan Mtn., Tenn. The conference convened at 9:30 A.M. with choir singing. Devotions were read by Rev. Jack Greene. He used for his scripture reading I Cor. Chap. 2. Prayer was led by Bro. Arnold Wilson. Conference was called to order by moderator, Rev. Cecil Higgins. Reading of last session of conference was read by clerk and received as read. Roll call was made and \$49.00 was received for Disabled Ministers Fund. Fellowship was called for and every preacher stood in fellowship.

Churches, deacons, and delegates were enrolled with a good delegation. Bros. Roy Cooper and Bernie Jones presented themselves for ordination. Bro. Cooper was recommended by the Ordaining Council. Bro. Bernie Jones was put under watch care of the conference for 12 months. Bro. Ullis Miller presented himself for license and turned over to the Investigating Committee. Bros. Theodore Fleenor and Frank Harklerode presented themselves for their license to be renewed 3 months, which was granted.

It was moved, and voted on to drop Rev. Jason Sayler's name from our roll for mis-conduct charges. Rev. Holt Herrell was elected clerk for the coming year with Rev. Richmond Barnett to be his assistant. The old ordaining council was retained for the coming year. Hillcrest F.W.B. Church, Nebo, N. C. was selected for the next conference which will convene Oct. 28 and 29, 1966. Rev. Clyde Fender will be the moderator with Rev. Leonard Shehan to be his asst. Rev. Troy McCourry to preach the Introductory message with Rev. Theodore Fleenor to be his alternate. The old investigating committee was retained for the coming year, which is the Investigating committee for the association. Bros. Jack Silvers, Jonas Revis, and Jame Smith were recommended for license and these were written by the clerk. Bro. Roy Cooper was ordained with the laying on of many hands that was greatly anointed by the power of God. A wonderful ordaining service.

Bro. Harold Teague from the Children's Home gave a lecture on the home, which was enjoyed by all. Conference closed until time and place.

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

A special called business meeting March 26, 1966 at North Bend Church concerning the charges concerning Rev. Charles Webb with the evidence presented. It was voted with a unanimous vote with 23 preachers present for him to send his credentials to the clerk which was done after the association convened.

# CHURCH DIRECTORY

Church	Pastor	Clerk	Address
Bald Mountain	T. A. Wheeler	Mack Wilson	Burnsville, N. C.
Big Creek	T. E. Woody	Mrs. G. W. Wilson	Rt. 1, Relief, N. C.
Brummetts Creek	No Report		
Burbank	Holt Herrell	Vernon Crain	Rt. 1, Roan Mtn., Tenn.
Byrd Branch	Elzie Robinson	Mrs. Jack Silvers	Rt. 1, Burnsville, N. C.
Covey Rock		Mrs. Ruby Edwards	Green Mtn., N. C.
Crabtree	Charles Hill	Arland Honeycutt	Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.
Davistown	R. C. Stockton	James E. Vess	Star Rt., Black Mtn., N. C.
Ernestville	Joe Honeycutt	Judy Sparks	Rt. 2, Box 11, Erwin, Tenn.
First F.W.B. (Mich.)	Jack Greene	Susie Anderson	11222 Jennings Rd., Fenton, Mich.
First F.W.B. (Va.)	Eernie Jones	Alfred Edens	Bell St., Kingsport, Tenn.
Hampton	Roy Cooper	Mrs. Okie Calhoun	Hampton, Tenn.
Higgins	Arnold Briggs	Mrs. Viola Edwards	Rt. 4, Bx 80, Burnsville, N. C.
Hillcrest	Arnold Wilson	Bobby Revis	Rt. 1, Nebo, N. C.
Keystone	Bruce Fender	James R. Workman	501 Orleans St., J. C., Tenn.
Liberty	Allen Jackson	Bob McMahan	Rt. 4, Marion, N. C.
Liberty Chapel	John Murphy	Viola Miller	Rt. 5, Burnsville, N. C.
Low Gap	Roscoe Higgins	Mrs. H. D. Ray	Burnsville, N. C.
Middle District	James Rice	Mrs. Francis Arwood	Rt. 2, Bakersville, N. C.
Nicks Creek	Orphard Hensley	Mae Woodward	Rt. 2, Bx 47, Marion, N. C.
North Bent	Lydia Letterman	Park Peterson	Green Mtn., N. C.
Pattersons Branch	Tabled		
Pensacola	J. D. Price	Lawrence Wilson	Pensacola, N. C.
Petersons Chapel	No Report		
Pilgrims Chapel	Floyd Ray	Loyd Dulaney	Rt. 2, Bx 411 Burnsville, N. C.
Piney Grove	Leonard Shehan	Aileen McKinny	Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.
Piney Hill	No Report		
Rich Acres	Orville Whitehead	Bill G. Hughes	Rt. 6, Johnson City, Tenn.
Ridgeway	No Report		
Riverview	Raymond Shell	Floyd Bailey	Rt. 3, Bx 143, Erwin, Tenn.
Salem		Mrs. James Davis	Old Fort, N. C.
Southside	Troy McCourry	Fred E. Davis	923 Hoback Ave., Erwin, Tenn.
Sugar Hollow	Frank Elliot, Jr.	Mrs. Pearl Stanley	Rt. 1, Roan Mtn., Tenn.
Sunset	Richmond Barnett	Georgia Carlton	Rt. 2, Roan Mtn., Tenn.
Unaka Springs	R. C. Stockton	Willard Shelton	Rt. 3, Bx 257-D, Erwin, Tenn.
Unicoi		Mrs. Bessie Jordan	Gen. Del., Unicoi, Tenn.
Vale	Tom Arnett	Coye Calhoun	Rt. 1, Newland, N. C.
Valley Forge	Cecil Higgins	Mrs. Will Stevens	Rt. 7, Elizabethton, Tenn.
Woodby Hill	Gilbert Abel	June McKinney	Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.
Yongs Chapel	Clyde Fender	Dean Wilson	Rt. 2, Burnsville, N. C.

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

Minister	Church	Address	Association
Rev. Burnie Arwood	Millers Chapel	Burnsville, N. C.	Toe River Asso.
	Poplar F.W.B.	Relief, N. C.	Toe River Asso.
Rev. Charles Hill Jr.	Lewis Chapel		Toe River Asso.
	Lyons Chapel		Toe River Asso.
	Hopson Chapel		
Rev. H. D. Poole	Piney Flats F.W.B.	Piney Flats, Tenn.	Union Association
Rev. Ferrel Sparks	First F.W.B. of Greenville	Greenville, Tenn	Union Association
Rev. Handy Wilcox	Union Hill F.W.B.	Elizabethton, Tenn	Union Association

# MINISTERS ROLL

## MINISTERS PRESENT FOR ASSOCIATION

Gilbert Abel .....	Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.
Burnie Arwood ..... 743-3804 .....	Erwin, Tenn.
Zenus Allen .....	R.F.D. Mars Hill, N. C.
Rex Adkins .....	533 Washington St., Erwin, Tenn.
Richmond Barnett ..... 926-1283 .....	Rt. 1, Johnson City, Tenn.
Roy Cooper .. 926-8783 .. 2403 Lakeview Dr.,	Johnson City, Tenn.
Darrel Dugger ..... 543-1356 .....	Rt. 4, Elizabethton, Tenn.
Bruce Fender .....	Rt. 2, Johnson City, Tenn.
Clyde Fender ..... 697-5105, Marion, N. C. ....	Marion, N. C.
Gene Foster .....	Erwin, Tenn.
Jack Green .... 767-4688 .....	1611 Pettibone Ave. Flint, Mich.
Frank Harklerode .....	Nebo, N. C.
Orphard Hensley .....	Old Fort, N.C.
Holt Herrell .....	Rt. 1, Roan Mtn., Tenn.
Cecil Higgins .. 542-5344, Eliz., Ten. ..	Rt. 1, Elizabethton, Tenn.
Joe Honeycutt .....	Unicoi, Tenn.
Burnie Jones .....	Erwin, Tenn.
Ted Laney .....	Rt. 2, Box 100, Marion, N. C.
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 .....	Rt. 1, Roan Mtn., Tenn.
J. D. Price .....	Johnson City, Tenn.
Floyd Ray .....	St. Rt. Burnsville, N. C.



Elzie Robinson ..... Rt. 3, Burnsville, N. C.  
 Leonard Shehan ..... 742-7162 ..... Rt. 1, Erwin, Tenn.  
 Jack Silvers ..... Burnsville, N. C.  
 Ferrel Sparks ..... P. O. Box 143, Greeneville, Tenn.  
 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.  
 Arnold Wilson .... 742-4147, Marion, N. C. .... Rt. 4, Marion, N. C.

# **NOT PRESENT FOR ASSOCIATION**

Coy Davis ..... 668-4535 ..... Rt. 1, Old Fort, N. C.  
 Verno Davis ..... Rt. 2, Erwin, Tenn.  
 Frank Elliott, Jr. .... 1120 Grove St., Elizabethton, Tenn.  
 Theodore Fleenor ..... Johnson City, Tenn.  
 Fred Freeman ..... Rt. 7, Nebo, N. C.  
 Charles Hill, Jr. .... Rt. 2, Roan Mtn., Tenn.  
 Moss Hollaway ..... Rt. 2, Box 15A, Erwin, Tenn.  
 Herman Ledford ..... 310 Crosswhite Lane, Erwin, Tenn.  
 Lydia 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.  
 Jonas Revis ..... Marion, N. C.  
 James Smith ..... Marion, N. C.  
 Orville Williams ..... Erwin, Tenn.  
 Henderson Woodby ..... Rt. 1, Unicoi, Tenn.

TABLE OF STATISTICS

CHURCHES and MEETING DAYS		Baptized	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 Trng. Serv.	Poor and Sick Fund	Value of Church Property	Improvements To Church Property	Associational Fund	Clerk and Moderator Fund		
BALD MTN	2-4	9	4			50	65	1	23	\$5.00	\$729.30	\$158.83		\$10.00					\$5,000.00	\$5.00			
BIG CREEK	1-3	9	2		2	92	80	1	23	\$5.00	\$705.40	\$150.50		\$10.00				\$4,000.00		5.00			
BRUMMETTS CREEK																							
BURBANK	Full		1	5	3	139	91	4	28	10.00	1847.10	\$176.52	\$200.00	\$164.68	\$182.49	\$75.00	20	223.51	27,000.00		10.00	\$5.00	
BYRD BRANCH	Full	6	1		1	66	50	1	46	2.00	164.00			\$10.00				4,000.00		5.00			
COVEY ROCK		8	6			145	105	1		5.00	934.00	\$312.00											
CRABTREE	1-3	9	6		2	89	80	3	Full	5.00	331.83	91.00	100.00	10.00	5.00	\$10.00	13	171.61	3,400.00	213.00	5.00		
DAVISTOWN	1-3-5	1	2	2		44	65			10.00	783.32	88.44		\$33.66	7	44.00		15,206.00		10.00			
ERNESTVILLE	Full		4			47	35		Full	5.00	130.00		5.00	\$10.00				5,000.00		10.00			
FWB, Flint, MICH.	Full	13	5	6	1	76	94	1	Full	30.00	6241.52	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$22.50	\$505.21	\$25.00	15	23	90.75	133,476.88	70,135.88	10.00	5.00
FWB, Penn. Gap	Full					89	65	2	Full	10.00					\$10.00	20	40		18,000.00				
HAMPTON	Full	6	15			92	65	2	Full	5.00	617.00	\$100.67	10.00	\$39.61		\$5.00	24	30	15.32	40,000.00	21.05	10.00	
HIGGINS	Full	12	2		3	125	98	3	Full	5.00	414.72	\$133.49			\$5.00	25	238.62	15,000.00	8,000.00	5.00			
HILLCREST	Full		9			47	56	2	Full	10.00	835.00	\$145.45				12	141.98	25,000.00	6,273.98	10.00			
KEYSTONE	Full	10	11	19	2	5	280	210	4	Full	10.00	4963.00		\$330.33		\$300.00	\$60.95	40	60	154.35	60,000.00	365.00	10.00
LIBERTY	Full	3	3	2	2	84	75	1	Full	10.00	3585.00	\$169.91		\$457.23	\$140.00	\$10.00	20	101.90	40,000.00		5.00		
LIBERTY CHAPEL		10		1		47	30	1	12	2.00	100.00	\$120.00				\$5.00		150.00	3,100.00		5.00		
LOW GAP	2-4					49	60	2	38	5.00	809.46	\$135.00		\$15.00	\$100.00	\$36.00		68.55	13,020.00		5.00		
MIDDLE DISTRICT	1-3		1		2	40	24	1	22	6.05	500.00	\$83.00		\$10.00		\$10.00	8	13.00	20,000.00	1,800.00	10.00	5.00	
NICKS CREEK	Full	2		1		76	74	1	Full	10.00	983.08	\$182.85	\$415.44			\$10.00		85.50	13,787.72	200.00	10.00		
NORTH BENT	2-4	5	1			115	75	2	22	10.00	681.98	\$379.00				\$10.00	24	125.00	8,500.00	1,000.00	10.00		
PATERSON'S BRANCH										(Tabled)													
PENSACOLA	Full	21	9			168	55	1	Full	10.00	1818.00	\$225.00	\$226.00	\$147.00	\$24.00	\$65.00	15	30	480.00	15,000.00	426.00	10.00	
PETERSON'S CHAPEL																							
PILGRIMS CHAPEL	1-3					31	13		22	3.00	440.00							2,500.00		26.89	10.00	5.00	
PINEY GROVE	Full	6	6	5		78	78	2	Full	6.00	3542.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$15.00		\$15.00	21	53.05	5,600.00	4,101.93	10.00	5.00	
PINEY HILL																							
RICH ACRES	Full	32	12		14	3	139	115	4	Full	10.00	3790.00	\$250.00	\$125.00		\$10.00	45	45	464.87	23,500.00	500.00	5.00	5.00
RIDGEWAY																							
RIVERVIEW	Full	2	6		1	171	50	2	Full	15.00	1280.39	\$111.62		\$508.12		\$25.00	15	18	204.85	27,412.37	912.30	10.00	
SALEM	Full	8	5			75	100	1	Full	10.00	1560.00	\$100.00	\$5.00			\$5.00	23		65.64	30,000.00		10.00	
SOUTHSIDE	Full	3			3	96	130	4	Full	10.00	2156.14	\$140.00	\$78.09			\$10.00		100.14	23,000.00	560.00	10.00		
SUNSET	Full		2			99	77	3	Full	5.00	2432.35	\$93.07		\$10.00		\$10.00		40.00	27,860.82	300.00	10.00		
SUGAR HOLLOW	2-4	13	19	1	10	1	54	55	2	34	5.00	361.00	\$341.50		\$15.00	12		30.00	9,000.00	2,510.00	10.00		
UNAKA SPRINGS	2-4	3	2			77	75	2	24	5.00	1000.00	\$250.00	\$100.00						3,375.00		10.00		
UNICOI	Full	9	3	2	1	170	103		Full	5.00	3343.25	\$154.53	\$77.00	\$416.46	\$89.49		12		60.10	3,780.00	154.06	10.00	5.00
VALE	1-3	1				35	45		18	5.00	360.00					\$10.00			5,000.00		10.00		
VALLEY FORGE	Full	2	5			288	210	4	Full	25.00	4860.00	\$425.00	\$594.90	\$390.48	\$754.75	100.00	20	50	625.97	80,300.00		10.00	5.00
WOODY HILL	Full	19	6	3		153	104	1	Full	12.00	3708.50	\$90.15	\$25.00	\$237.48	\$20.00	\$30.00	22	74	92.75	30,250.00	249.72	10.00	5.00
YOUNG'S CHAPEL	1-3	6				106	90	2	23	15.00	1210.00	\$336.00		\$10.00	\$24.00	110.00	20		516.00	20,000.00	5,000.00	10.00	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 missons, 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.

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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 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 Childrens Home	\$
( 2 ) Number baptised	(15) Home Missions	\$
( 3 ) Added otherwise	(16) Foreign Missions	\$
( 4 ) Excluded	(17) Disabeld Ministers Fund	\$
( 5 ) Dismissed	(18) Pledged to Dis. Min. F.	\$
( 6 ) Deaths	(19) Monthly mission pledge	\$
( 7 ) Total members	(20) Poor and sick	\$
( 8 ) Average 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) Church Training Service	
(13) Paid for revivals	(26) Clerk & Moderator Fund	

Revival conducted by .....

Present pastor .....

Pastor elect .....

Treasurer ..... Clerk .....

Address ..... Address .....

Remarks: .....

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