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1968-69 MINUTES

of the

Jack's Creek Free Will Baptist Association



Seventy-Third Annual Session Held At
Young's Chapel F.W.B. Church
RT. 2, BURNSVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

Aug. 22, 23, and 24, 1968



OFFICERS

Rev. Cecil J. Higgins Moderator

Rev. Holt Herrell Clerk



Next Session

The next session will be held at Valley Forge F.W.B. Church, Rt. 1, Elizabethton, Tenn. beginning on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1969, at 10:30 A.M. Rev. Fred H. (Jack) Greene to preach the Introductory message. Rev. Ullis Miller to be his alternate.

JACK'S CREEK FREEWILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Officers of The Jacks Creek Association

and Ministers Conference, 1968

ASSOCIATION:

Moderator- Rev. Cecil Higgins Rt. 2, Burnsville, N. C.

Clerk - Rev. Holt Herrell Rt. 1, Roan Mtn., Tenn.

Treas. Disabled Ministers Fund - Rev. Holt Herrell

Rt. 1, Roan Mtn., Tenn.

Treas. Home Missions- Rev. Leonard Shehan,

Mountain City, Tenn.

Treas. Foreign Missions- Rev. Clyde Fender, Marion, N. C.

Treas. Orphanage Fund - Rev. Troy McCourry, Burnsville, N. C.

Committee of Investigation - The Disabled Ministers Fund:

Tennessee: Rev. Fred H. Greene, Chm.; Rev. J. D. Price, Rev.
Gilbert Abel, Rev. Burnie Jones, Alternate.

North Carolina: Rev. Orphard Hensley, Chm.; Rev. Clyde
Fender, Rev. Jimmie Smith, Rev. Frank Harkle-
ode, Alternate.

ASSOCIATION: Old one retained

Rev. Burnie Arwood, Chm.; Rev. Arnold Wilson, Rev. Gilbert
Abel, Rev. Fred H. Greene, and Bros. Jess Clark, Ralph
Thompson

ORDAINING COUNCIL: Old one retained

Rev. Cecil J. Higgins, Chm.; Rev. Bruce Fender, Rev. Burnie
Arwood, Rev. Clyde Fender, Rev. Leonard Shehan.

COMMITTEE OF INVESTIGATION:

Tennessee: Rev. Fred H. Greene, Chm.; Rev. J. D. Price,
Rev. Gilbert Abel, Rev. Burnie Jones, Alternate.

North Carolina: Rev. Orphard Hensley, Chm.; Rev. Clyde
Fender, Rev. Jimmie Smith, Rev. Frank
Harklerode, Alternate.

PROCEEDINGS

The Jack's Creek Free Will Baptist Association met with Young's Chapel F.W.B. Church Rt. 2, Burnsville, N. C. on Aug. 22, 1968 at 10:30 A.M. in its Seventy-Third Annual session. The service opened with the choir singing "Won't It be Wonderful There?" and "At Calvary". Prayer was led by Bro. Billie Allen. Rev. Cecil Higgins, pastor of Young's Chapel Church, welcomed all and told them to feel free and obey God.

Rev. Brue Fender, Jr. pastor of the Riverview F.W.B. Church, Erwin, Tenn. brought the Introductory message, using for his scripture lesson I Sam., Chap. 17, Verses 39 - 47. Text: "You cannot stop God." (I Sam., Chap. 17, V. 47). He brought a wonderful gospel message. His message was based on the Lesson "Battle is the Lord's, and you can't stop God," and "God will fight your battles." This was a very fitting message for the Introductory sermon. The service closed with the congregation singing "What a Friend We have in Jesus," along with a fellowship handshake that was anointed by the power of God. The service was dismissed by Bro. John Cansler to meet back at 1:30 P.M. for Business Session.

Thursday Evening

The association convened at 1:30 P.M. for the Business Session with Rev. Roy Cooper's family singing "Just over Yonder," and "What a Friend is He." Rev. Richmond Barnett read the devotions, using for scripture lesson Revelations, Chap. 2. Prayer was led by Bro. Leonard Shehan.

The business part of the conference was called to order by the moderator, Rev. Jack Greene. Rev. Bruce Fender then read the Rules of Decorum. Bro. Richmond Barnett and Bro. Lawrence Coffey were appointed on the Finance Committees.

Rev. Troy McCourry was retained for Orphanage Fund.
Rev. Clyde Fender was retained for Foreign Missions.
Rev. Gene Osborne was appointed for Associational Fund.
Rev. Leonard Shehan was retained for Foreign Missions.
Rev. Holt Herrell was retained for Disabled Ministers Fund.
Rev. J. D. Price was appointed for Treas. of Moderator and Clerk Fund.

A call was made for Visiting Ministers:

Rev. Virgil Ray - Toe River Assn.
Rev. John Cansler - Union Assn.
Rev. Billie Allen - Western Piedmont
Rev. J. C. Almond - Western Piedmont
Rev. Ronald Creek - Gen. Conference

These were welcomed, and were seated in our body.

A call was made for visiting delegates - No response

A call was made for churches seeking membership - No response

The moderator and the clerk were elected for the association:

Rev. Holt Herrell was elected clerk, with Rev. Richmond Barnett as Asst. Clerk. Rev. Cecil Higgins was elected moderator, with Rev. Clyde Fender as Asst. Moderator. All of these received an unanimous vote.

Pulpit Committee was called for. Rev. Handy Wilcox was selected for the 7:30 P.M. message on Thurs. night.

Rev. Cecil Higgins was added on the Home Mission Board. Bro. Bill Greer spoke on the work of the Foreign Missions.

A Board of Trustees were appointed for the Association:

Bros. Troy McCourry, Holt Herrell, and Gilbert Abel were appointed.

Bro. Ronald Creech spoke on a book store that he was operating at his home and in his car.

The association closed to reconvene at 9:30 A.M. Friday morning for Business Session. Closed with prayer by Bro. Johnson White.

Churches and Delegates

BALD MOUNTAIN - Bros. Raleigh Fender, Tom Wheeler, and Chap. Fender.

BIG CREEK - Bro. Jim Adkins, Sisters Ruth Adkins, Lydia Adkins, and Joanna Wilson.

BRUMMETTS CREEK - No report

BURBANK - Bro. & Sister Carl Keys, Bro. & Sis. McKinley Jarret, Bros. John Greer, Herman Jarret, Ricky Jarret, and Sister Brenda Jarret.

BYRD BRANCH - By Letter

COVEY ROCK - Bros. Andy Edwards, Fate Deyton, and Dale Laws. Sisters Mamie Deyton and Marie Laws.

CRABTREE - Bro. and Sister Charles Knack, Sisters Mary Belle Lyons and Flossie Shell.

DAVISTOWN - Bro. and Sister Wilburn Davis, and Bro. Elzie Lytle.

ERNESTVILLE - No report

FIRST F.W.B. of FLINT, MICH. - Sisters Luceille Daniels and Doris Campbell, Bro. Wayne McDaniel.

FIRST F.W.B. of PENNINGTON GAP, VA. - By Letter

HAMPTON - Sisters Gladys Johnson, Ruby Whisenant, and Oakie Calhoun.

HIGGINS - No report

HILLCREST - Bros. Garrett Fender and Jonas Revis. Sisters Marsella Revis, Ann Revis, and Lilly Wiggins.

KEYSTONE - Bros. Joe Saylor, Jess Greer, Bill Greer, Wilder Street, and Sis. Hattie Greer.

LIBERTY - Bros. Lloyd Allison, Robert McMahan, Preston Hollifield, Sisters Hattie McMahan and Grace Allison.

LIBERTY CHAPEL - Bro. & Sis. Claude Cook, and Bro. and Sis. Billy Ray, Thomas Miller.

LOW GAP - Bro. and Sister Horace D. Ray, Sr. and Bros. Cloyce Silvers, and Jessie Lee Robertson.

MIDDLE DISTRICT - Bros. Dewey Ingram, Nathan Ledford, and Fronzer Ledford.

NICKS CREEK - Bro. and Sis. Walter Woodard, Bro. Harrison Hall and Sister Margaret Pack.

NORTH BENT - Bros. Carmon Peterson, Dock Renfro, Earnest Hughes, and Noah Hughes.

PENSACOLA - Bros. Alex Wilson, and Sheridan Pate, Sisters Florence Wilson and Annie Pate.

PETERSON'S CHAPEL - Sisters David Webb and Loyd Laws.

PILGRIMS CHAPEL - No report

PINEY GROVE - Bros. Conley Woodby, Cecil Davis, and Joe Arnett, and Sister Essie Morton.

PINEY HILL - Bros. Burnie Bradford and Noah Robinson.

RICH ACRES - Bros. Buddy Hamby, and Matthew Hughes. Sisters Ruth Hughes, Martha Hamby, and Barbara Hamby.

RIDGEWAY - No report

RIVERVIEW - Bros. Earnest Webb, Harley Edwards, and Kenneth Adkins, Sisters Sarah Webb, Gustie Duncan and Dorothy Webb.

SOUTHSIDE - Bros. Roy Garland and George Buckner, Sisters Addie Lingerfelt, Amalee Garland, and Wanda Jones.

SUNSET - Bro. and Sis. Shoun Stevens, Bros. Frank Cornett, Luther Honeycutt, and Sister Lornia Hitechew.

UNAKA SPRINGS - Bro. Rosco Phillips.

UNICOI - Bros. Ike Briggs and Burnie Wilson, Sisters Shay Garland, Florine Honeycutt, Janette Wilson, and Opal Leedy.

VALE - Bro. and Sister Coxe Calhoun.

VALLEY FORGE - Bro. John Trivette, Sisters Mildred Vaughn, Christene Arnett, and Grace Abel.

WOODBYS HILL - Bro. & Sister Arnold McKinney, Bro. Paul Stocton, and Sister Trula Cooper.

YOUNG'S CHAPEL - Bros. Garvel Honeycutt, J. V. Jones, Robert Carrol, Ralph Thompson, and Edd Cassida.

By motion, it was moved to seat the delegates and accept the letters.

The following committees were appointed:

CHURCHES AND PASTORS: Rev. Burnie Arwood, Chm.; Bros. Jess Clark, and Carl Keys.

CHURCH TRAINING SERVICE: Rev. Charles Hill, Chm.; Sisters Betty Wilson, Bro. Arnold McKinney, & Loyd Allison.

DISABLED MINISTERS FUND: Rev. Richmond Barnett, Chm.; Bros. Shoun Stevens, and Joe Arnett.

EDUCATION: Rev. J. D. Price, Chm.; Bros. Lawrence Wilson, and Noah Hughes.

FOREIGN MISSIONS: Rev. Clyde Fender, Chm.; Sister Mae Woodard, and Bro. Frank Harklerode.

HOME MISSIONS: Rev. Leonard Shehan, Chm.; Bro. Conley Woodby, Sister Lillie Keys and Rev. Cecil J. Higgins.

INVESTIGATION: Old one retained.

LADIES AUXILIARY: Sister Trula Cooper, Chm.; Sister Gladys Riddle, Sister Margaret Pack, Bro. Roy Cooper.

OBITUARIES: Sister Essie Morton, Chm.; Sisters Elsie Shehan, Martha Hamby, and Edna Cooper.

ORPHANGE: Rev. Troy McCourry, Chm.; Rev. Bruce Fender.

SABBATH SCHOOLS: Rev. Handy Wilcox, Chm.; Bros. Roy Cooper, Joe Arnett, and Sister June McKinney.

SESSIONS: Rev. Rex Adkins, Chm.; Sister Essie Morton, Bro. Frank Cornett, and Bro. Garret Fender.

Association closed to reconvene at 9:30 A.M. on Friday for Business Session.

Thursday Night Session

The 7:30 P.M. service opened with Bro. Fred Pack and quartet singing "I'm Going to Take a Ride," "Built by the Hand of the Lord," "Father I want to Come Home," and "Roll my Troubles all Away." Bro. Leonard Shehan led the congregation in prayer. Rev. Handy Wilcox, pastor of the Union F.W.B. Church, brought the 7:30 P.M. message, using for his scripture reading Matt. Chapt. 22, verses 8-16. Text: "The wedding is ready but them that were chosen were not ready." He brought a good gospel message that was enjoyed by all. The service closed with the quartet singing and a fellowship handshake that was anointed by the power of God. The service was dismissed by Rev. Holt Herrell.

Friday Morning 9:30 A.M.

The association convened at 9:30 A.M. with the congregation singing "Only Trust Him." Devotions were read by Rev. Roy Cooper. He used for his scripture reading St. John, Chap. 3, verses 1-8. Prayer was led by Bro. Clyde Fender.

The association was called to order by the moderator, Rev. Cecil Higgins. Reading of Thursday's session was given by the clerk, and received as read.

A call was made for churches that didn't represent on Thursday.

The First F.W.B. of Flint, Mich reported by delegates and letter. Also Unaka Springs represented the church by delegates and letter. It was voted on to accept the letters as read. A call was made for visiting ministers.

Donald Ellis - Union Assn.

Paul Woolsey - Union Assn.

Virgil Ray - Toe River Assn.

These ministers were welcomed and seated in our body.

Bro. Don Ellis, superintendent of the Children's Home was given time to speak on the work of the home.

The committee on Orphanage was called for. Bro. Don Ellis gave an interesting discussion on the home. Bro. Paul Woolsey of the Orphanage also gave a testimony. Bro. Woolsey was also made an honorary member of our association. Adopted.

A call was made for the committee on Churches and Pastors. Speakers were Rev. Burie Arwood, Rev. Cecil Higgins, and Bro. Jess Clark. Adopted.

A call was made for Church Training Service committee. Speakers were Rev. Charles Hill, Jr. Tabled until after lunch. The association closed to reconvene until 1:30 P.M. for Business Session. The service was closed by Paul Woolsey.

Friday 11:00 A.M. Service

The service opened with the congregation singing "Heavens Jubilee." Rev. Cecil Higgins, pastor of the church, welcomed all and told everyone to feel free in the Lord. Prayer was led by Rev. Fred H. Greene.

Bro. Leonard Shehan brought the Introductory Message. He used for his scripture reading Hebrews, Chap. 1, verses 8 through the remainder of the chapter, also three verses in Hebrew, Chap. 2. Text: "The need for escape." He brought a good gospel message that was anointed by the power of God. Service closed with much rejoicing and fellowship handshake. This was a wonderful service where the power of God was manifested greatly. The service was dismissed by Bro. Virgil Ray.

Friday Evening Service

The association reconvened at 1:30 P.M. with Bro. Arnold McKinney and Bro. Carl Keys speaking on the work of the Church Training service. Also Bro. Cecil Higgins spoke on the CTS too, along with Bro. Jess Clark. Adopted.

A call was made for the committee on Disabled Ministers Fund. Speakers were Bro. Orphard Hensley and Bro. Handy Wilcox. Adopted.

The Treasurer's Report was given by the treasurer, Rev. Holt Herell. The association also voted to raise the bond for the treasurer from \$5,000.00 to \$7,500.00.

It was moved and seconded and voted on to include the Minister's wife in the Disabled Ministers Fund.

A call was made for the committee on Education. Speaker was Bro.

J. D. Price. Adopted.

A call was made for committee on Foreign Missions. Speaker was Bro. Clyde Fender. Adopted.

A call was made for committee on Home Missions. Speakers were Rev. Leonard Shehan, Rev. Cecil J. Higgins, Rev. Quince Miller, and Rev. Arson Miller. Adopted.

A call was made for committee on Ladies Auxiliary. Speakers were Sister Gladys Riddle and Sister Trula Cooper. Adopted.

The Investigating committee for the association didn't have anything to report.

It was moved, seconded, and voted on for a Ladies Auxiliary meeting to be held in connection with the association. Sister Nelle Fortner was elected as chairman, with Sisters Trula Cooper, Gladys Riddle, and Mary Harrell on the committee. This meeting is to be held on Saturday morning at the association.

A call was made for Sabbath Schools. Speaker was Rev. Roy Cooper. Adopted.

A call was made for committee on Obituaries. Adopted.

An offering was received for the clerk in the amount of \$30.50.

Bro. Cecil J. Higgins, moderator, spoke for the association and expressed the appreciation for the hospitality, fine food, and for everything the church at Youngs Chapel had done for the association. Special thanks was given for the Spirit of God that had existed in the association. The association was dismissed by Bro. Quince Miller. A love offering was received for Mrs. Dora Hughes of Burnsville, N. C., whose house had burned up. \$58.31 was received in this offering.

Friday Night Service

The service opened with the Silver's Trio singing "There will be no Wars in Heaven", "Almost Home," "My Home's Over There," and "Lights of Home." The quartet from the Youngs Chapel Church sang "I'll be Free," and "I Never Shall forget the Day." There was an altar of prayer, led by Bro. Ferrel Sparks.

Bro. Ronald Creech from Durham, N. C. brought the message, using for his scripture reading II Sam., Chap. 9, verses 1-10. He based his message on these verses, with his text being "The Grace of God." He brought a wonderful gospel message that was greatly enjoyed by all. The service closed with Bro. Cecil Higgins giving a testimony for God.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

"Churches and Pastors"

We, your committee on Churches and Pastors recommend the following scriptures: Rev. 2, verses 2-5, "I know they works, and they labor, and thy patience, and how they canst not bear them which are evil: and

how Thou hast tried them which say they are apostles, and are not, and hath found them liars, and hath born, and hath patience, and for my Name's sake hath labored, and hath not fainted. Nevertheless, I have somewhat against thee, because Thou hast left they first love."

Remember therefore from whence Thou art fallen . . .

Rev. Burnie Arwood, Chm. Bros. Jess Clark, Farrel Sparks.

Christian Training Service

We, your committee on Christian Training Service offer the following scripture: Proverbs, 22:6. "Train up a child in the way it should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it." II Timothy 2:15. "Study to show theyself approved unto God. A Workman that needeth not to be ashamed rightly dividing the word of truth."

CTS will enlighten our young people on the word of God and also strengthen the young converts along the way:

1. First of all that the pastor and leaders in each church highly recommend and support CTS in their church.
2. That the parents attend, teach, and encourage their children to do anything they are called on to do for God.
3. That all CTS Directors and leaders be devoted Christians and and steadfast to their church and also be one who will work faithful without tiring.

Rev. Charles Hill, Jr. Chm.; Bro. Arnold McKinney.

Disabled Ministers Fund

We, your committee wish to state that "no stream is larger than the fountain that supplies it." We wish each church would become active in support of this cause.

Rev. Richmond Barnett, Chm.; Bros. Shoun Stevens, Joe Arnett.

Education

We, the committee on Education feel that spiritual education is the most important of all. We feel that ministers and Chrisians a like should be informed of the current events in the world. We believe that being informed of these events will show how these fulfill the Prophecy of God's Word. We recommend that each individual have a system by which he educates himself and puts to practice that which we already know to do. II Timothy 2:15.

Bros. Lawrence Wilson, Noah Hughes, J. D. Price.

Finance

We, your committee on Finance wish to report we have received from this association for the Minute Fund, a total of \$265.30.

Rev. Richmond Barnett, Chm.; Bro. Lawrence Coffey.

Foreign Missions

We, your committee on Foreign Missions wish to encourage our churches to respond in a greater way to Jesus's command in Luke 24:47, and Matt. 28:19, when he said to his apostles "Go ye into all the world and preach my gospel to every creature," with the results being he that believeth and is baptized shall be saved and he that believeth not shall be damned.

We also feel that the pastors should take the lead in encouraging this work. We also recommend that in addition to our support of Sister Josephine Stevens, that we continue to support the Eddie Paynes or some other missionary.

Rev. Clyde Fender, Chm.; Rev. Frank Harklerode, Sister Mae Woodard.

Home Missions

We, your committee on Home Missions recommend that we spread out in territories as God opens the door. We also recommend that our churches contribute to this fund as much as possible.

Rev. Leonard Shehan, Chm.; Bro. Conley Woodby, and Sister Lillie Keys.

Ladies Auxiliary

We, the committee on Ladies Auxiliary believe that all churches and their pastor should encourage our Ladies Auxiliary. We should strive to be a spiritual blessing as well as a financial assistance to our church. Scripture: Romans 16:1-6, Proverbs 31:10-31. Sister Trula Cooper, Chm.; Bros. Roy Cooper, Sisters Gladys Riddle, and Margaret Pack.

Obituaries

We, your committee on obituaries recommend that each church let the clerk prepare an obituary on each deceased member and send this in with the church statistics. Rev. 14:13, "Blessed are the dead, which die in the Lord, from henceforth, yea saith the Spirit that they may rest from their labors and their works do follow them." John 11:25, "Though he was dead, yet shall he live."

Sister Essie Morton, Chm.; Sisters Martha Hamby, Elzie Shehan, and Edna Cooper.

Orphanage

We, your committee on Orphanage feel that our ministers have failed to stress and explain to their churches about our orphanages. We feel that Mr. Ellis is doing a wonderful job at the home in Greenville. We the committee feel that it would be good if each pastor could visit the home, and that all churches should support our orphanages more. Scripture: Act 20:35 and Romans 12:8. Jesus said "Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of God." Pure religion before God is to visit the fatherless and widows in their afflictions. The churches in Tennessee should support the childrens home in Tennessee.

Rev. Bruce Fender, Chm.; Rev. Troy McCourry.

Sabbath Schools

We, your committee on Sabbath Schools recommend that every teacher first should be a partaker, and only then can you tell others. Scripture: Luke 23:54, Romans 15:27, Hebrew 13.

Rev. Handy Wilcox, Chm.; Rev. Roy Cooper, and Sister June McKinney.

Sessions

We, your committee on sessions report that the next session of the Jacks Creek F.W.B. Association will be held with the Valley Forge F.W.B. Church, Route 1, Elizabethton, Tenn., beginning on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in August 1969, at 10:30 A.M. Rev. Jack Green to preach the Introductory message, with Rev. Ullis Miller as his alternate.

Rev. Rex Adkins, Chm.; Bros. Jess B. Clark and Harley Edwards.

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Associational Fund

We wish to report that we received \$245.00 from the churches of the Jack Creek Association.

Rev. Eugene Osborne, Treas.

Clerk and Moderator Fund

Big Creek	5.00
Burkbank	5.00
Davistown	5.00
Hillcrest	5.00
Keystone	5.00
Middle District	5.00
Pensacola	5.00
Rich Acres	5.00
Riverview	5.00
Southside	5.00
Unicoi	10.00
Vale	5.00
Valley Forge	5.00
Youngs Chapel	5.00
Total	\$75.00

Rev. J. D. Price, Treas.

Foreign Mission Report

Balance in Treasury last year	\$1,744.58
Paid out this year	720.00
Received this year from churches:	
Keystone	300.00
Low Gap	100.00
Valley Forge	100.00
Young Chapel	35.00
Burbank	25.00
Woodby Hill	25.00
Pensacola	24.00
Crabtree	5.00
Balance in Treasury	\$1,688.58

Additional Information:

\$360.00 was paid to Josephine Stevens
 \$360.00 was paid to Eddie Paynes

Signed: Rev. Clyde Fender, Rt. 4, Marion, N.C.

Home Missions Report

Balance in treasury at close of association year 1967	\$880.40
Interest	26.28
Received this year from churches:	
Crabtree	10.00
Keystone	120.00
Pensacola	25.00
Valley Forge	100.00
Youngs Chapel	10.00
	<u>\$260.00</u>
Expenses:	
Amount to be used in mission opened in Burnsville	\$280.40
Amount spent for mission in Burnsville	<u>-279.37</u>
Amount left in Checking Account	\$ 1.03
Total in Treasury	\$892.31
Signed: Rev. Leonard Shehan, Mountain City, Tenn. (Treas.)	

Orphanage Fund

Balance in Treasury last year	\$1942.77
Interest	97.14
Received at Association:	
Pensacola	159.00
Middle District	32.00
Total	<u>\$2230.91</u>
Received at Association for Tennessee Home:	
Burbank	\$ 25.00
Piney Grove	75.00
Woodby Hill	25.00
Total	<u>\$125.00</u>
Signed: Rev. Troy McCourry, Burnsville, N. C. (Treas.)	

Treasurer's Report

Item: Disabled Ministers Fund	
Cash on hand at last association	\$7433.65
Received this association	698.40
Received from Ministers Conference	209.00
Interest	338.64
Total	<u>\$8679.69</u>
Money paid out from last Association:	
Rev. Cecil J. Higgins	\$ 100.00
Rev. Charles Hill, Jr.	100.00
Rev. Fred H. Greene	100.00
Bond	13.00
Total	<u>\$313.00</u>
Leaves Balance of	\$8366.69
Signed: Rev. Holt Herrell, Rt. 1, Roan Mtn., Tenn.	

OBITUARIES

BEN BALLEW - Departed this life May 27, 1968, at the age of 69. He was a member of Youngs Chapel F.W.B. Church. He leaves his wife, three daughters and two sons, and a host of friends. He is greatly missed by all.

GAIL BYRD - Departed this life on April 4, 1968. She was a member of the Woodby Hill F.W.B. Church. She was loved by everyone who knew her. She leaves her family and a host of friends to mourn her passing.

RUTH CAMPBELL - Departed this life on October 29, 1967. She was a member of Woodby Hill F.W.B. Church. She was loved by all who knew her. She leaves her family and a host of friends to mourn her passing, but we feel that our loss is Heaven's gain.

MATTIE SLUDER CARTER - Departed this life on March 25, 1968. She was a member of Vale F.W.B. Church. She leaves a son and family, and a host of friends to mourn her passing.

MOLT DUNCAN - Born August 3, 1890, died May 15, 1968. He was a native of Yancey County, N. C. He lived the last 20 years in Erwin, Tennessee, where he joined the Riverview F.W.B. Church, and was a deacon at the time of his death. His wife, three sons, four daughters, seventeen grandchildren and seven great grandchildren survive him. We have many precious memories but his cane reminds us of his physical suffering. A worn Bible is evidence of his spiritual hope. We believe that "to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord", and we are comforted.

BYRDIE EDWARDS - Born July 15, 1892, and departed this life on January 3, 1968, at the age of 75. She was a member of the Riverview F.W.B. Church in Erwin, Tenn. She left 6 sons and 6 daughters, and a host of friends. She is greatly missed by all.

GENEVA GARLAND - Born March 2, 1918, departed this life on October 7, 1967. She was a member of Hampton F.W.B. Church. She was faithful to her church as long as her health permitted. She is missed by all.

DAYTON B. GUY - Route # 1, Elizabethton, Tennessee, born July 15, 1917, departed this life January 10, 1968. He was a faithful, regular and outstanding member and worker of Valley Forge Free Will Baptist Church and was a Deacon and devoted man to God, his church and his community. He was a sincere and dedicated christian and active member of the Jack's Creek Association and was a member of the Investigation Committee for the Association for Tennessee. The life he lived and the christian manner in which he conducted himself was an example of the highest christian character. He was always a faithful and loyal member and worker in his church. He was a dedicated christian father to his family and an outstanding worker in his community. He leaves a widow, one son and two daughters and a numerous host of friends who mourn his passing. He was loved by all who knew him well. He loved the Lord and His cause with all his heart. He is absent from our presence yet still somehow we feel his presence near and one day we shall meet him again in heaven. Even though our loss is a great one, certainly it is Heaven's gain. We enjoyed his fellowship and we cherish and treasure his memory. The love he had for God and His

work was far from secret. He gloried in task and duty for his church and his fellowman, despite his physical condition, and was always willing to do beyond his part. He was a good and faithful servant who is at rest in peace with God. Perhaps this poem best expresses a lesson Dayton would have us never forget:

HIS PRESENCE

Father, take my hand in thine, let me serve thee
through love divine,
If some heart should lose its way, let me be the
one to pray
Like a candle shed the light, till Thy Presence
is in sight
I would tell them o'er and o'er, Thou art just
outside the door
Their heart's latch is from within, open wide
and let thee in
In temptation or despair, Thou art always
standing there.
Then I'd ask dear Father mine, Bless their lives
with joy sublime
If they serve thee all the way, come into their
hearts and stay
Fill their souls with sacred love, Till we live
with thee above.

GOLAN HOLLEY - Departed this life on April 21, 1968, at the age of 67. She was a member of the Rich Acres F.W.B. Church for many years. She was loyal to her church, and was loved by everyone who knew her. We miss her so very much, but we feel that our loss is Heaven's gain.

Keystone Church - The following members departed from this life during this past year: Sister Ora Miller, Sister Nervia Miller, Bro. Julius Honeycutt, and Bro. Cart Whisenhunt.
Wilder Street, Clerk

LIZZY OGLE - Born June 27, 1889, and departed this life on April 21, 1968. She was a member of Pensacola F.W.B. Church. She was loyal to her church as long as she was able to go. She was loved by all who knew her. She leaves 5 sons and one daughter to mourn her passing.

ZETTIE RAY - Departed this life on June 23, 1968, at the age of 64. She was a member of the Southside F.W.B. Church at Erwin, Tenn. She was loyal to the church as her health permitted her. She leaves a husband, Nelson Ray, 3 daughters and two sons and a host of friends to mourn. But we feel that she is waiting on the other side.

BOB SMITH - Departed this life on April 24, 1968, at the age of 88. He was a charter member and deacon of the Liberty Church of Marion, N. C. He was loved by all who knew him. We expect to see him again some Golden day, just inside the Pearly Gates.

WALTER DARRELL STAMPER - Born July 14, 1947, departed this life on December 17, 1967, at the age of 20 years. He professed faith in Christ at an early age and was a member of the Unaka Springs F.W.B.

Church. He was faithful to his church until he enlisted in the army. He was loved by all who knew him and had a smile and kind word for most everyone he met. He is gone but not forgotten, never will his memory fade. Sweetest thoughts will ever linger around the grave where he is laid.

Written by his Mother . . .

MATILDA H. STREET - Departed this life on June 9, 1968, at the age of 85 years. She was the widow of William H. Street. She was a faithful member of Middle District F.W.B. Church for 60 years. She left one son, three grandchildren, 3 great-grandchildren, 1 sister, 1 brother, and a host of friends and loved ones to mourn her passing. We know that her suffering and troubles are over and that she has gone to be with the Lord. If we put our trust in Jesus we can meet her again.

Unicoi F.W.B. Church - The following members of our church departed this life during the past year: Bros. Glenn Greg, deacon and teacher of Men's Bible Class; Robert McLaughlin, Sammie McCurry, and Clayton Honeycutt, and Sister Birdie Carver.

Carmen Hopson, Clerk.

DEBIA HONEYCUTT WHITSON - Departed this life December 23, 1967. She was a member of the Big Creek F.W.B. Church. She leaves her family and a host of friends to mourn her passing.

G. W. WILSON - Born October 2, 1902, entered into eternal rest on October 28, 1967. He was a member of the Big Creek F.W.B. Church and served as deacon for seventeen years. He is greatly missed by his family and the church. We know that our loss is Heaven's gain.

"Loving Memories"

Your gentle face and patient smile
With sadness we recall,
You had a kindly word for each
And died beloved by all.
The voice is mute and stilled the heart,
That loved us well and true,
Ah, bitter was the trial to part
From one so good as you.
You are not forgotten loved one
Nor will you ever be,
As long as life and memory last
We will remember thee.
We miss you now, our hearts are sore,
As time goes by we miss you more.
Your loving smile, your gentle face,
No one can fill your vacant place.

Mrs. Wilson and daughters, Hazel & Shirley

MURRAY W. WRIGHT - Departed this life on August 7, 1968, at the age of 56. Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Helen Blevins Wright; a daughter, Mrs. Grady P. Melton, and a son, Danny Wright, both of Burnsville; three sisters, Mrs. Ola Price, Mrs. Joe Woody, and Mrs. Mary

Curtis, all of Burnsville; and four grandchildren. He professed faith in Christ at an early age and joined the Youngs Chapel F.W.B. Church in Burnsville, N. C.

"An Empty Place"

A place is empty in this world
That no one else can fill,
God saw it was time to take you home
We know it was his will.
The pain you bore so bravely
While on your journey here,
Already you've forgotten
You have found peace for evermore.
Our day was made much brighter
Each time we saw you smile,
Your words so softly spoken
We'll not hear them for awhile.
Memories of you live in our hearts
That time can never erase,
With the help of Jesus and His love
Someday, we'll meet at Heaven's Gate.

Written by Loyce W. Deyton, in memory
of my sweet Uncle Murray . . .

MINISTERS CONFERENCE

The first quarterly conference convened at Riverview F.W.B. Church of Rt. 3, Erwin, Tenn. on October 27 and 28, 1967. Rev. Fred H. (Jack) Greene brought the Introductory message. He used for his scripture reading Prov. Chap. 6, verses 16-18. Text: "Seven things that God loves." He brought a wonderful gospel message that was anointed by the power of God. Service closed with prayer to reconvene at 1:30 P.M. for Business Session.

The Business part of the conference convened at 1:30 P.M. Devotions were read by Rev. Arnold Wilson. Bro. Troy McCourry, moderator, called the conference to order. Rules of decorum was read by the clerk. Roll call was made, and \$25.00 was received for Disabled Ministers Fund. Fellowship was called for and every preacher stood in fellowship. Churches, deacons, and delegates were called for and enrolled with a good delegation. No visiting ministers or delegates were enrolled. Reading of the last session of the conference was given by the clerk and was received as read. Topic Committee was called for. Bros. Richmond Barnett, Arnold Wilson, and J. W. Mann were selected. It was voted on by the conference just to have one day of conference instead of two.

Bro. Eugene Osborne brought the 7:00 P.M. message. He used for his scripture reading Matt. Chap. 16, verse 13. Text: "Whom do men say I, the Son of Man am." He brought a wonderful gospel message. It was a wonderful service that the power of God was manifested in.

Saturday morning session convened at 9:30 A.M. with the choir singing. Devotions were read by Bro. Jack Silvers, and prayer was led by

Bro. Bruce Fender, Jr. Friday's session of the conference was read by the clerk and was received as read. Roll call was made, and \$19.00 was received for Disabled Ministers Fund. Bro. Rosco Higgins from the Union Association was welcomed and seated in our body. Several churches, deacons, and delegates were called for and enrolled that were not at Friday's session. Bro. Ullis Miller was recommended by the Ordaining Council to be ordained, which was done by the laying on of many hands and much rejoicing.

Bro. Jack Greene asked that the conference have a vote on whether a preacher should be ordained that had a television. 24 voted for them to be, and only one vote against the resolution.

Bro. Frank Harklerode was ordained by the laying on of many hands, and much rejoicing.

The topic for this conference was "No difference." Scripture: Ezekiel; 44:23, and Acts 15:1-10. Speakers were Rev. Richmond Barnett, Rev. Handy Wilcox, and Rev. Bruce Fender. The topic was enjoyed by all. Bros. Darrel Dugger and J. W. Mann were given good recommendation by letter at the request. Bro. Gilbert Abel brought the 11:00 A.M. message. Text: "Influence or Correction." He brought a wonderful soul searching message. The Conference adjourned with great fellowship. Bro. Troy McCourry, moderator, thanked Riverview F.W.B. Church for the fine care, food, hospitality, and everything they had done for the conference. This was a wonderful conference with good attendance.

Rev. Troy McCourry, Moderator
Rev. Holt Herrell, Clerk

The second quarterly conference convened at Southside F.W.B. Church in Erwin, Tenn. on December 30, 1967, for a one day session. The conference opened with the congregation singing "Farther Along." Devotions were read by Rev. Jack Greene. Prayer was led by Bro. Jess Clark.

The business part of the conference convened with Rev. Richmond Barnett, moderator, calling the conference to order. He also read the Rules of Decorum. Reading of the last session of the conference was given by the clerk and received as read. Roll call was made and \$33.00 was received for Disabled Ministers Fund. Fellowship was called for and every preacher stood in fellowship. Bro. Floyd Brewer's license was renewed one year by vote of the conference. Churches, deacons, and delegates were called for and enrolled with a good delegation. No visiting ministers or visiting delegates were enrolled. Also no unfinished or new business was reported. A call was made for applicants for license, ordination, or membership. Bro. Eugene Osborne presented a letter from the Toe River Assoc. and was voted in full fellowship in our body. Credentials were written by the clerk. Also Bro. Orville William's license was renewed for one year by vote of the conference. Another roll call was made and \$8.00 was received for Disabled Ministers Fund.

Bro. Bruce Fender, Jr. and Bro. Clyde Fender were appointed to serve on ordaining council, at the request of Bro. Quince Miller and Bro. Farrell Sparks.

It was voted on by the conference to appoint a committee to set a time and place for the conference. Bros. Holt Herrell, Jess Clark, Dayton

Guy, Arlie Sanders, Troy McCourry, Arnold Wilson, and Jack Silvers were selected for the committee. Rev. Charles Hill, Jr. brought the 10:30 A.M. message, using for his scripture reading II Peter 2:4-10. Text: "Will God Spare Us?" He brought a good gospel message that was anointed by the power of God. Service closed with fellowship handshake and rejoicing. Dismissed for lunch by Rev. Handy Wilcox.

Conference convened at 1:30 P.M. with the choir singing. Devotions were read by Rev. Jimmie Smith, and prayer was led by Bro. Bruce Fender. Bro. Roy Cooper, moderator pro-tem, called the conference to order. The topic committee was called for. They chose "Love." Scripture: Hebrew 13:1. I Cor. 13, Eph. 24:15 and 16. Speakers were Rev. Bruce Fender, Jr., Rev. George Higgins, and Rev. Orphard Hensley. The topic was enjoyed by all.

Rev. Clyde Fender was retained for Treasurer of Flower Fund. Conference voted to adjourn until time and place. This was a wonderful conference that was well attended. Southside F.W.B. Church did such a wonderful job taking care of the conference. We were so thankful for all they had done and most of all for the Spirit of God, that had existed throughout the conference.

Rev. Richmond Barnett, Moderator
Rev. Roy Cooper, Mod. Pro-tem
Rev. Holt Herrell, Clerk

The third quarterly conference convened at Rich Acres F.W.B. Church, Johnson City, Tenn., on March 30, 1968 at 9 A.M. with choir singing "All Alone with my Lord." Rev. Eugene Osborne, pastor of the church, welcomed all and told everyone to feel free. Devotions were read by Rev. Charles Hill, Jr. Prayer was led by Bro. J. D. Price.

Bro. Gilbert Abel, moderator, called the conference to order, and he read the Rules of Decorum. Fellowship was called for and every preacher stood in fellowship. Churches, deacons, and delegates were called for and enrolled with a good delegation. In the absence of Rev. Holt Herrell, clerk, who had pneumonia fever, Bro. Richmond Barnett, Asst. Clerk, acted as Clerk. Bro. Clyde Fender was appointed to take the place of Bro. Dayton Guy, deceased, on the Association Committee.

Bro. Paul Woolsey from Union Association and Bro. C. H. Stines from the Toe River Association were welcomed and seated in our body. Bro. Paul Woolsey spoke on behalf of the Children's Home at Greeneville, Tenn. and also about the new director, Bro. Don Ellis. Bro. Billie Ray was turned over to the Investigating Committee until next conference.

Rev. Cecil J. Higgins brought the Introductory message, using for his scripture reading Acts 1:8, and John 3. From these scriptures, he brought a wonderful and enlightening message that was anointed by the power of God. A great fellowship was felt in the Lord. The conference adjourned until 1:30 P.M.

Conference reconvened at 1:30 P.M. with the choir singing. Devotions were read by Rev. Theodore Fleenor. Prayer was led by Bro. Burnie Jones. An offering was received for the flower fund in the amount of \$31.89. Roll call was made and \$42.00 was received for the Disabled Ministers Fund. Topic Committee was called for. Scriptures were I John

1:5,6,7, and Acts 2:42. Speakers were Bros. Clyde Fender, Handy Wilcox, Cecil Higgins, Leonard Shehan, and Henderson Woodby, and Bro. Gilbert Abel. Conference adjourned until time and place. The moderator, Bro. Abel, thanked Rich Acres F.W.B. Church and their pastor for the wonderful way they had taken care of the conference. The fine food, kindness, hospitality, and everything was given special thanks. This was a wonderful ministers conference that was well attended.

Rev. Gilbert Abel, Moderator

Rev. Richmond Barnett, Clerk Pro-tem

The fourth quarterly conference convened at Woodby Hill F.W.B. Church, Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn., June 30, 1968, at 9 A.M. with the choir singing. Bro. Bernie Jones read the devotions. Prayer was led by Bro. Handy Wilcox. Bro. Charles Hill, Jr., pastor of the church, welcomed all and told everyone to feel free and obey the Lord. Bro. Bruce Fender, moderator, called the conference to order. He read the Rules of Decorum. Reading of last session of the conference was given by the clerk and received as read. Fellowship was called for and every preacher stood in fellowship. Roll call was made and \$39.00 was received for the Disabled Ministers Fund.

Churches, deacons, and delegates were called for and enrolled with a good delegation. Bro. C. H. Stines from the Toe River Assoc. was welcomed and seated in our body as a visiting minister.

Bro. Theodore Fleenor was ordained by the laying on of many hands and much rejoicing. The topic committee was called for. The topic was "God's Plan for Man." Speakers were Bros. Bernie Jones, Richmond Barnett, Rosco Higgins, Handy Wilcox, and Rex Adkins. The topic was wonderfully enjoyed by all. Bro. Rosco Higgins from the Union Assoc. and Bro. Johnnie Vance from the Toe River Assoc. were welcomed and seated in our body as visiting ministers.

Bro. Eugene Osborne brought the 11 A.M. message, using for his scripture reading Hab. Chap. 3, verse 2, and Psalms 85:10-13. Text: "O, Lord revive thy works." He brought a wonderful gospel message anointed by the power of God, that was enjoyed by all. Service closed with the congregation singing and fellowship handshake. Dismissed by Bro. Johnnie Vance to meet back at 1:30 P.M.

Conference reconvened at 1:30 P.M. with Bro. Roy Cooper's family singing. Devotions were read by Bro. Burnie Arwood, and prayer was led by Bro. J. D. Price. Conference was called to order again by Rev. Bruce Fender, and Bro. Martin Hyder from the Toe River Assoc. was welcomed and seated in our body as a visiting minister. Speakers on the topic were Bros. Burie Arwood, Leonard Shehan, Cecil Higgins, and Frank Harklerode. Topic was adopted. Bro. Herman Ledford's name was dropped from the roll by vote of the conference due to his missing the conference by person or letter for over one year. Also Bro. Gene Foster's name was dropped due to his license expiring.

Bro. Fender, moderator, thanked the Woodby Hill F.W.B. Church for everything they had done for the conference. The fine food, kindness, and the wonderful spirit that had been in the conference was given thanks.

Rev. Bruce Fender, Moderator

Rev. Holt Herrell, Clerk

The fifth "quarterly" conference convened at 9 A.M. Saturday morning Aug. 24, 1968 at Young's Chapel F.W.B. Church of Rt. 2, Burnsville, N. C. in connection with the association. The service opened with the choir singing. Devotions were read by Bro. Bernie Jones, and prayer was led by Bro. Roy Cooper.

Conference was called to order by the moderator, Rev. Cecil J. Higgins. Reading of the last session of the conference was given by the clerk and was received as read. Roll call was made and \$40.00 was received for Disabled Ministers Fund. Fellowship was called for and every preacher stood in fellowship. Rev. Holt Herrell was elected for the conference clerk for the coming year, with Rev. Richmond Barnett to be his assistant. The old ordaining council was retained for the coming year. It was moved, seconded, and voted on to appoint a new Investigating Committee. This committee was to be for the Disabled Ministers Fund, and Association Investigation Committee too. Chosen were:

Tennessee: Bro. Jack Greene, Chm.; Bros. Gilbert Abel, J. D. Price, and Burnie Jones, alternate.

North Carolina: Bro. Orphard Hensley, Chm.; Bros. Clyde Fender, Jimmie Smith, and Frank Harklerode, alternate.

Bro. Ronald Creech from Durham, N. C. was welcomed and seated in our body as a visting minister.

Burbank F.W.B. Church was chosen for the next Ministers Conference to convene on September 28, 1968, at 9 A.M. Bro. Leonard Shehan, moderator, and Bro. Eugene Osborne, Assistant. Bro. J. D. Price to preach the Introductory message with Bro. Orphard Hensley to be his alternate.

Bro. Roy Lee Rose presented himself for license and was turned over to the Investigating Committee until next conference. Bro. Jack Silvers and Bro. Jonas Revis licenses were renewed for one year by vote of the conference. Bro. Wayne McDaniel was licensed by vote of the conference. The license were written by the clerk. Bro. Arson Miller was ordained by the laying on of many hands and much rejoicing. The credentials were written by the clerk.

Bro. Roy Lee Rose brought the 11 A.M. message, using for his scripture reading St. Mark 4:35-40. Text: "Lord Save Us." He brought a good gospel message. The service closed with a handshake and rejoicing. The conference was dismissed to reconvene at 1:30 P.M.

The conference met back at 1:30 P.M. for Business Session. Several people gave wonderful testimonies for God. This was a wonderful association and Ministers Conference that had existed at Youngs Chapel Church. Much wonderful care, fine food, kindness, and hospitality had been shown by the church. Special thanks was given for the wonderful spirit that had existed throughout the association and conference.

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

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Church	Pastor	Clerk	Address
Bald Mountain	Junior Briggs	Mack Wilson	Rt. 4, Burnsville, N. C.
Big Creek	Cas Thomas	Mrs. G. W. Wilson	Rt. 1, Reilef, N. C. (Box 174)
Brummetts Creek	No report	Mrs. Will Bennett	Relief, N. C.
Burbank	Holt Herrell	Vernon Crain	Rt. 1, Roan Mtn., Tenn.
Byrd Branch	Ray Whitson	Mrs. Jack Silvers	Burnsville, N. C.
Covey Rock	Luther Rodefer	Fate Deyton	Green Mtn., N. C.
Crabtree	Burnie Arwood	Myrsona Shell	Rt. 2, Roan Mtn., Tenn.
Davistown	Zenus Allen	James E. Vess	Star Rt., Black Mtn., N. C.
First F.W.B. (Mich.)	Allen Jackson	Susie Anderson	11222 Jennings Rd., Fenton, Mich.
First F.W.B. (Va.)	Theodore Fleenor	Helen Cox	Pennington Gap, Va.
Hampton	Arson Miller	Oakie Calhoun	Hampton, Tenn.
Higgins	No report		
Hillcrest	Orphard Hensley	Bobby Revis	Rt. 1, Nebo, N. C.
Keystone	Fred (Jack) Greene	Wilder Street	Rt. 4, Ranch Rd., Johnson City, Tenn.
Liberty	Clyde Fender	Robert McMahan	Rt. 4, Marlon, N. C.
Liberty Chapel	John Murphy	Viola Miller	Rt. 5, Burnsville, N. C.
Low Gap	Roscoe Higgins	Mrs. H. D. Ray, Jr.	Rt. 6, Burnsville, N. C.
Middle District	Quince Miller	Francis Arwood	Rt. 2, Bakersville, N. C.
Nicks Creek	Arnold Wilson	Mae Woodard	Rt. 2, Marion, N. C.
North Bent	Gilbert Adkins	Park Peterson	Green Mtn., N. C.
Pensacola	J. D. Price	Terrell Wilson	Rt. 6, Burnsville, N. C.
Petersons Chapel		Mrs. Loyd Laws	Rt. 1, Burnsville, N. C.
Pilgrims Chapel	No Report	Loyd Dulaney	Rt. 2, Bx 411 Burnsville, N. C.
Piney Grove	Cecil J. Higgins	Aileen McKinney	Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.
Piney Hill	Elza Robinson	Lulla Street	Rt. 3, Burnsville, N. C.
Rich Acres	Eugene Osborne	Bill G. Hughes	Rt. 6, Johnson City, Tenn.
Riverview	Bruce Fender	Bill Webb	Rt. 3, Box 111-B, Erwin, Tenn.
Southside	Troy McCourry	Fred Davis	923 Hoback Ave. Erwin, 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	Ulls Miller	Carmen Hopson	Rt. 1, Unicoi, Tenn.
Vale	James Smith	Coye Calhoun	Rt. 1, Newland, N. C.
Valley Forge	Gilbert Abel	Mrs. Will Stevens	Rt. 7, Elizabethton, Tenn.
Woodby Hill	Charles Hill, Jr.	Jane McKinney	Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.
Youngs Chapel	Cecil J. Higgins	Dean Wilson	Rt. 2, Burnsville, N. C.

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

Minister	Church	Address	Association
Rev. Frank Harklerode	Mt. Calvary	Marlon N. C.	Blue Ridge Assn.
Rev. Leonard Shehan	First F.W.B.	Mountain City, Tenn.	Tri-City Assn.
Rev. H. D. Poole	First F.W.B.	Piney Flats, Tenn.	Union Assn.
Rev. Ferrel Sparks	First F.W.B.	Greeneville, Tenn.	Union Assn.
Rev. Handy Wilcox	Union Hill F.W.B.	Elizabethton, Tenn.	Union Assn.
Rev. Orville Williams	Poplar F.W.B.	Relief, N. C.	Toe River Assn.

MINISTERS ROLL

MINISTERS PRESENT FOR ASSOCIATION

Gilbert Abel	542-5344	Rt. 1, Elizabethton, Tenn.
Burnie Arwood	743-3804	Erwin, Tenn.
Zenus Allen		R.F.D. Mars Hill, N. C.
Rex Adkins ..	743-7524	533 Washington St., Erwin, Tenn.
Richmond Barnett	926-1283	Rt. 1, Johnson City, Tenn.
Roy Cooper	926-8783	Lakeview Drive, Johnson City, Tenn.
Bruce Fender, Jr.	928-3639	Rt. 2, Johnson City, Tenn.
Clyde Fender	724-4272	Rt. 4, Marion, N. C.
Fred H. (Jack) Greene	928-0552	105 Meredith St., Johnson City
Frank Harklerode	695-0622	Rt. 1, Box 453, Nebo, N. C.
Orphard Hensley	668-4385	Old Fort, N. C.
Holt Herrell	772-3639	Rt. 1, Roan Mtn., Tenn.
Cecil Higgins	675-4658 (Micaville)	Rt. 2, Burnsville, N. C.
Charles Hill, Jr.	725-2763	Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.
Joe Honeycutt		Unicoi, Tenn.
Burnie Jones —	742-5772	Erwin, Tenn.
Ted Laney		Rt. 2, Box 100, Marion, N. C.
Lydia Letterman		Rt. 1, Burnsville, N. C.
Wayne McDaniel	239-9579	Flint, Michigan
Troy McCourry	682-2476	Box 68, Burnsville, N. C.
Quince Miller		Rt. 3, Burnsville, N. C.
Arson Miller		Rt. 3, Burnsville, N. C.
Ullis Miller	742-3717	Rt. 3, Erwin, Tenn.

Eugene Osborne 928-1389 Johnson City, Tenn.
 J. D. Price 926-9589 Johnson City, Tenn.
 Jonas Revis 695-2804 Rt. 1, Marion, N. C.
 Elzie Robinson Rt. 3, Burnsville, N. C.
 Leonard Shehan 336 Hemlock, Mountain City, Tenn.
 James Smith 695-0816 Rt. 1, Box 461A, Marion, N. C.
 Ferrell Sparks 639-3664 P. O. Box 143, Greeneville, Tenn.
 Johnson White .. HE 7-6841, Morganton, .. Rt. 2, Morganton, N.C.
 Handy Wilcox 742-5954, Erwin, Tenn. Unicoi, Tenn.
 Orville Williams Erwin, Tenn.
 Arnold Wilson 742-4147, Marion, N. C. Rt. 4, Marion, N. C.

NOT PRESENT FOR ASSOCIATION

Vestal Ball Hanover, Pa.
 Fred Beam Marion, N. C.
 Floyd Brewer Pennington Gap, Va.
 Coy Davis 688-4535 Rt. 1, Old Fort, N. C.
 Verno Davis Rt. 2, Erwin, Tenn.
 Theodore Fleenor 928-9613 708 Franklin St., Johnson City
 Moss Hollaway Rt. 2, Box 15A, Erwin, Tenn.
 Gus Ledford Rt. 3, Burnsville, N. C.
 John Murphy Rt. 2, Burnsville, N.C.
 Stanley Parkey 1231 E. Hudson, Madison Heights, Mich.
 D. C. Patrick Rt. 2, Elizabethton, Tenn.
 H. D. Poole Piney Flats, Tenn.
 Billie Ray 675-4529 (Micaville) Rt. 5, Burnsville, N. C.
 Floyd Ray Star Rt., Burnsville, N. C.
 Jack Silvers Rt. 2, Burnsville, N. C.
 Henderson Woodby Rt. 1, Unicoi, Tenn.

TABLE OF STATISTICS

CHURCHES AND MEETING DAYS	Baptized	Added otherwise	Excluded	Dismissed	Deaths	Total membership	Number in S. School	Communion	Pastor present	Minute Fund	Paid Pastor	Paid for Revivals	Orphanage	Home Mission	Foreign Mission	Disabled Ministers Fund	Ladies Auxiliary	Church Trng. Service	Poor and Sick Fund	Value of Church Property	Improvements to Church Property	Associational Fund	Clerk and Moderator Fund
Bald Mountain 2-4	9	2		1		55	70	1	22	\$5.00	\$818.89	\$141.75		\$31.00		\$10.00			\$130.20	\$5000.00		\$5.	
Big Creek 1-3	2				2	103	70	1	24	5.00	741.75	94.47		106.00	\$87.50	10.00			45.00	4000.00		5.	\$5.
Brummetts Creek	NO REPORT																						
Burbank Full	8	4				185	146	1	Full	10.00	4315.00	114.00	\$135.24	109.75	25.00	25.00	35	100	248.27	45,000.00	\$30,000.00	10.	5.
Byrd Branch Full	3	10				67	57	1	Full	5.00	76.00	15.11				10.00			31.00	3,000.00	300.00		
Covey Rock Full	3	1			1	136	90		Full	8.00	3380.00	125.00				5.00	25	45		22,000.00		5.	
Crabtree Full		3	1	1	79	56	3	Full	5.00	853.36	125.76	50.00		10.00	5.00	10.00	15		361.34	4,316.00	816.00	10.	
Davistown	3	1	4	1	39	50	3	29	5.00	919.34	82.68	23.15				32.40	7		70.00	16,000.00		5.	5.
Ernestville	NO REPORT																						
1st FWB Flint, Mich.	5	3		9		38	72	35	10.00	3892.00		60.00			634.00		7		88.00	134,000.00	361.00		
1st FWB P.G., Va.		3	2	6		73	60	4	Full	7.30	1200.00	70.00					15	20		18,000.00	545.00	15.	
Hampton Full	3	3		1	66	75	1	Full	5.00	674.85	88.25			87.11		5.00	24		49.00	40,000.00		10.	
Higgins	NO REPORT																						
Hillcrest Full	10	10		3	1	66	57	1	Full	10.00	1390.00	348.12			23.52		8		175.00	25,000.00	7914.00	10.	5.
Keystone Full	7	8	1	4	291	172	4	Full	10.00	5420.00	50.00	504.72	120.00	300.00	7500.00	16	61		130.00	72,000.00	1800.00	10.	5.
Liberty Full		3			1	88	89	2	Full	10.00	3900.00	62.65	30.00		240.00	10.00	20		201.75	40,000.00	688.00	10.	
Liberty Chapel Full					48	30	1	Full	3.00	799.24	55.90								121.51	3,200.00	175.00	5.	
Low Gap Full	2		10		43	50	2	Full	5.00	1431.82				74.90	100.00	36.00			71.25	13,000.00	1664.45	5.	
Middle District Full	6	4	3		1	40	34	3	52	5.00	1197.00	230.00	32.00			10.00	8		58.00	20,000.00	125.00	10.	5.
Nicks Creek Full	11	4			1	93	72	2	Full	15.00	1324.59	110.00					14		163.50	20,500.00	568.87	15.	
North Bent 1-3	3				1	97	50	1	24	10.00	656.05	180.00				10.00			200.00	9,000.00	900.00	10.	
Pensacola Full	3			3	1	165	45	2	Full	10.00	2308.65		159.00	316.00	24.00	183.00	12	20	162.00	16,000.00	250.00	10.	5.
Petersons Chapel					45	22				3.00		250.00								4,000.00			
Pilgrims Chapel	NO REPORT																						
Piney Grove 2-4	7	6				91	77	2	Full	6.00	3900.00	253.06	25.00			15.00			215.97	5,600.00	1707.83	10.	
Piney Hill 1-3		1			65					3.00	133.35					5.00			10.00	300.00	100.00		
Rich Acres Full	8	9	1		1	149	87	4	Full	10.00	3825.00	200.00	50.00			10.00	45	45	302.85	24,713.55	796.55	5.	5.
Riverview Full	4	13	33	2	129	40	1	27	15.00	1161.83	129.25					52.00	20	14		30,000.00	993.00	10.	5.
Southside Full	7	7		1	1	120	130	4	Full	15.00	2295.00	350.00				10.00			479.37	25,108.00	1383.64	10.	5.
Sunset Full	4	4			110	65	5	Full	7.00	2508.62	294.80	214.52				10.00			52.00	27,860.82		10.	
Unaka Springs 2-4	4	2			1	39	65	1	22	6.00	925.00	150.00	145.00			10.00			90.00	3,500.00		10.	
Unicoi Full	3	1			5	158	95	2	Full	7.00	3342.30	180.38	235.82	148.19	331.62		12		45.00	30,900.00	300.00	10.	10.
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Valley Forge Full	16	29			1	280	200	4	Full	25.00	4680.00	150.00	789.58	221.96	460.25	10.00	32	55	956.25	116,400.00	35,000.00	10.	5.
Woody Hill Full	2	3	9	4	2	149	108	2	Full	10.00	4012.60		25.00	398.16	25.00	20.00	21	86	177.33	33,900.00	2003.50	10.	
Youngs Chapel 1-3	7	3	4		2	120	95	4	26	10.00	1675.00	325.00		10.00	35.00	100.00	25	50	165.00	25,000.00	3200.00	10.	5.

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, 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

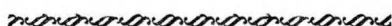
is hewn down, and cast into the fire: wherefore, by their fruits ye shall know them. Matthew 7:19-20.

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 Saturday 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. Licentiatees 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	(1 4) For Childrens Home	\$
(2) Number baptised	(1 5) Home Missions	\$
(3) Added otherwise	(1 6) Foreign Missions	\$
(4) Excluded	(1 7) Disabeld Minlsters Fund	\$
(5) Dismissed	(1 8) Pledged to Dis. Min. F.	\$
(6) Deaths	(1 9) Monthly mission pledge	\$
(7) Total members	(2 0) Poor and sick	\$
(8) Average in Sunday school	(2 1) Value church property	\$
(9) Communion & foot washings	(2 2) Improv. ch. property	\$
(1 0) No. times pastor present	(2 3) Associational fund	\$
(1 1) Minute Fund	(2 4) No. members in Women's Aux.	
(1 2) Paid Pastor	(2 5) Church Training Service	
(1 3) Paid for revivals	(2 6) Clerk & Moderator Fund	

Revival conducted by

Present pastor

Pastor elect

Treasurer Clerk

Address Address

Remarks:

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