# 1970-71 MINUTES

of the

# JACK'S CREEK FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Seventy-Fifth Annual Session Held At Keystone F. W. B. Church Betty Street, Johnson City, Tenn. Aug. 20, 21, 22, 1970

# **OFFICERS**

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



# NEXT SESSION

The next session will be held at Youngs Chapel Church, Rt. 2, Burnsville, N. C., beginning on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1971 at 10:30 A.M. Rev. Quince Miller to preach the Introductory Message, with Rev. Bruce Fender, Jr., to be his alternate.

#### PROCEEDINGS

The Jack's Creek Free Will Baptist Association met with Keystone Free Will Baptist Church, Betty St., Johnson City, Tenn., on Aug. 20, 1970, at 10:30 A.M., in its Seventy-Fifth Annual Session. The service opened with congregation singing two songs. Bro. Bill Greer welcomed all to Keystone church, also Bro. Cecil Higgins asked all to feel free. Prayer was led by Bro. Quince Miller. Rev. Holt Herrell, pastor of the Burbank F.W.B. Church, brought the Introductory Message. He used for his scripture reading, Matt. Chap. 24, verse 3. Text: "The Lord is Soon Coming." Service closed with a handshake and much rejoicing. God anointed the service wonderfully. The service was dismissed by Bro. Burnie Arwood.

#### Thursday Evening

The 1:30 P.M. service of the Association convened with the congregation singing "Power in the Blood." Devotions were read by Bro. Frank Harklerode. He used for his scripture reading Hebrews, Chap. 12, verses 1 through 6. Prayer by Bro. Leonard Shehan.

The business part of the Association was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. Cecil Higgins. Reading clerks appointed were Bros. Richmond Barnett, and Jess Clark.

Bro. Vernal Jones, pro-tem — Foreign Missions.

Bro. Bruce Fender, pro-tem — Association Fund Treasurer.

Bro. Leonard Shehan - Home Missions.

Bro. Holt Herrell — Disabled Ministers Fund.

Bro. Matthew Hughes — Clerk and Moderator Fund. Bro. Troy McCourry — Orphanage Fund.

A call was made for visiting ministers:

Bro. C. H. Stines-Toe River Association.

Bro. C. M. Burnett, Marietta, S. C., Toe River Association.

Bro. Allison Robinson, Marion, N. C., Blue Ridge Association.

These ministers were welcomed and seated in our body.

A call was made for churches seeking membership. No response.

A call was made for the clerk: Rev. Holt Herrell, with Rev. Ulis Miller as the assistant.

A call was made for the Moderator: Rev. Cecil Higgins, with Rev.

Leonard Shehan as the assistant.

The Pulpit Committee was called for: Rev. Bruce Fender, for the 7:30 service. Rev. Leonard Shehan for the 11:00 A.M. Friday service, and Rev. Ulis Miller for the 7:30 P.M., Friday night service.

# Churches and Delegates

BALD MOUNTAIN-No report.

BIG CREEK—Sisters G. W. Wilson, Ruth Adkins and Bro. and Sister Law-

rence Spencer.

BRUMMETTS CREEK-Bro. and Sister Baxter Bennett, Bro. and Sister Burnie Renfro, Bro. and Sister H. J. Miller, Bro. and Sister Lone Renfro, and Sister Star Bennettt.

BURBANK—Sisters Pauline Troutman, Florence Street, Maude Jones, Bro.

and Sister McKinley Jarret.

BYRD BRANCH-Sisters Harold Black and Terry J. Berry.

COVEY ROCK—Bro. and Sister Bruce Laws, Sisters Lynn Deyton, Jean Laws, Nina Laws, and Betty Stump. Bros. Andy Edwards, Junior Stump.

CRABTREE—Sisters Mary Belle Lyons, Flossie Shell, Mabel McCourry, and Bro. Charles Knack.

DAVISTOWN-By Letter.

ERNESTVILLE-No report.

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

FIRST F.W.B. of PENNINGTON GAP, VA.—Sisters Gail Woliver, Patricia Fleenor, Gladys Fleenor, and Bro. Clyde Woliver.

HAMPTON—By Letter.

HILLCREST—Bros. Toney Fender, Garret Fender, Atlas Revis, Bobby Revis, and Sister Lillie Wiggins.

KEYSTONE—Bros. Howard Greer, Ronnie Edwards, Jess Greer, Sisters Hattie Greer, and Phyllis Campbell.

LIBERTY—Bro. and Sister Loyd Allison, Bro. and Sister Bob McMahan, and Sister Annie Mae Allison.

LIBERTY CHAPEL—By Letter.

LOW GAP—Bro. and Sister Danny Wright, Bro. and Sister H. D. Ray, Sr., and Bros. Cloyce Silvers and J. L. Robertson.

MIDDLE DISTRICT—Bro. and Sister Dewey Ingram, Sisters Pauline Jenkins and Fave Ingram, and Bro. Earl Troutman.

NICKS CREEK—Bro. and Sister Coy Davis, Jr., and Bro. and Sister Walter Woodard.

NORTH BENT—Bros. Howard Buchanan, Tice Peterson, and Ivan Whitson. PENSACOLA—Sisters Della Riddle and Wanda Wilson. Bros. Terrel Wilson and Lawrence Wilson.

PETERSON'S CHAPEL-No Report.

PILGRIMS CHAPEL—Rev. and Mrs. Arnold Briggs, Bro. Clyde Dulaney. PINEY GROVE—Sisters Essie Morton and Lydia Woodby. Bros. Mack Morton and Cecil Davis.

PINEY HILL—Bros. Lige Hylmon, Burnice Bradford.

RICH ACRES—Sisters Mary Saylor, Ruth Hughes, Martha Hamby, Nellie Ledford, Elma Stines, and Bro. Dave Harrell.

RIVERVIEW—Bro Pete Rutter, Sisters Patricia Rutter, Virgie Bailey, Gustie Duncan, and Lennie Higgins.

SOUTHSIDE—Sisters Daisy Chandler, Amalee Garland, and Addie Lingenfelt. Bros. Fred Chandler and Russell Whitson.

SUNSET—Sisters Bessie Taylor and Florence Stevens. Bros. Verl Julian, Gerald Stevens, and Frank Cornett.

UNAKA SPRINGS—Bros. Rosco Phillips, Chester Bailey, Clifford Miller, and John Miller.

UNICOI—Sisters Genevieve Laws, Tillie Wilson, Janette Wilson, Bessie Jordan, Gladys Britt, Mary McCourry, Opal Leedy.

VALE—By Letter.

VALLEY FORGE—Sisters Marie Crowe and Grace Abel. Bros. Will Forbes, Robert Jenkins, Walter Creasy, Robert Ray, and Troy Pierce.

WOODBY HILL—Sisters Bonnie Stevens, Gladys Clark, Nola Clark, Rebecca Street, Zelda Harklerode, Virgie Clark.

YOUNGS CHAPEL—Bro. and Sister Vernal Jones, Bro. and Sister Ralph Thompson, Bro. Rex Hughes.

The following committees were appointed:

CHURCHES AND PASTORS: Bro. Burnie Arwood, Chm.; Bro. Burnie Laws, Bro. Atlas Revis, Bro. Will Forbes.

CHURCH TRAINING SERVICE: Bro. Bruce Fender, Jr., Chm.; Bro. Jess Clark, Sister Lydia Woodby, Bro. Bobby Revis, Bro. Lawrence Coffey, Sister Matthew Hughes.

DISABLED MINISTERS FUND: Bro. Holt Herrell, Chm.; Bro. Vernal Jones, Bro. McKinley Jarrett, Bro. Frank Cornett, Sister Essie Morton.

EDUCATION: Bro. J. D. Price, Chm.; Bro. Howard Buchanan, Sister Pauline Troutman, Bro. Lawrence Wilson, Bro. Ernest Webb. FOREIGN MISSIONS: Bro. Ulis Miller, Chm.; Bro. Fred Chandler, Bro.

Jess Greer, Sister Florence Street.

HOME MISSIONS: Bro. Troy McCourry, Chm.; Bro. Roy Garland, Sister Marie Crowe, Sister Ada Jones, Sister Gladys Fleenor.

INVESTIGATION: Old one retained.

Business Session.

LADIES AUXILIARY: Sister Mary Herrell, Chm.; Sister Rebecca Street, Sister Vergie Bailey, Sister Gladys Fleenor, Sister Grace Abel, Sister Elsie Shehan.

ORPHANAGE: Bro. Gilbert Abel, Chm.; Bro. Tony Fender, Bro. Ralph

Thompson, Bro. Clyde Dulaney, Bro. Matthew Hughes.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS: Bro. Richmond Barnett, Chm.; Bro. Frank Cornett, Bro. Dewey Ingram, Sister Addie Lingenfelt, Bro. Clyde Dulaney, Bro. Bud Ledford, Bro. Jack Bledsoe.

SESSIONS: Bro. Jess Clark, Chm.; Bro. Vernal Jones, Bro. Arnold Wil-

son, Bro. Will Forbes, Bro. Burnie Arwood.

It was moved and seconded to accept these committees.

Committee for Investigation for Disabled Minister's Fund:

Tennessee: Rev. Richmond Barnett, Chmn.; Rev. J. D. Price, Rev. Ulis Miller. Rev. Stanley Parkey, alternate.

North Carolina: Rev. Troy McCourry, Chmn.; Rev. Clyde Fender, Rev. Arnold Wilson. Rev. Jimmie Smith, alternate. The Association closed to reconvene at 9:30 A.M. on Friday for the

The Association was dismissed by Rev. Frank Harklerode.

Thursday Night Session

The 7:30 P.M. service opened with the congregation singing "Press Along Weary Pilgrim." Bro. Fred Pack's quartet from Marion, N. C., sang "Jesus Is Coming Soon", "Jehovah Is His Name", "I'm Leaving This World for Glory Some Day". Bro. Bruce Fender brought the message, using for his scripture message, Acts chapter 3, verses 1 through 10. Text: "The Hour of Prayer." He brought a good gospel message that was enjoyed by all. The service closed with a handshake and rejoicing. Service was dismissed by Bro. Ulis Miller.

# Friday Morning 9:30 A.M.

The Association convened at 9:30 A.M. with the congregation singing "Standing on the Promises". Devotions were read by Bro. Orphard Hensley. He used for his scripture reading Psalms chapter 25, verses 1 through 8.

Prayer was led by Bro. Leonard Shehan. The Association was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. Cecil Higgins. The reading of Thursday's session was given by the Clerk and received as read.

A call was made for visiting ministers:

Bro. N. R. Smith, Sunday School Dept., Nashville, Tenn.

Bro. Bill Beam, Toe River Association.

Bro. Hobert Hughes, Toe River Association.

Bro. Lynn Hawkins, Appalachian Association.

Bro. Clarence Phillips, Appalachian Association.

Bro. Ronald Creech, General Conference. Bro. Lefus Wright, Abbots, Pa., Independent.

These were welcomed and seated in our body.

A call was made for Sunday School Committee. Bro. N. R. Smith from the Sunday School Dept., spoke for this committee. He brought a great discourse that was enjoyed by all. Also Bro. Richmond Barnett spoke on the topic, and Bro. Stanley Parkey. Adopted.

A call was made for churches that were not at Thursday session. No

report.

A call was made for the Committee on Churches and Pastors. Speakers were Bro. Burnie Arwood, Bro. Will Forbes, and Bro. Stanley Parkey. Adopted.

The Association closed to reconvene at 1:30 P.M. for the business

session.

# Friday 11:00 A.M. Service

The service opened with the congregation singing "I've Seen the Light" and "I Have Somebody With Me All the Way". Bro. Bill Greer sang "This Is Just What Heaven Means to Me". Bro. Cecil Higgins welcomed all. Also Sister Zella Harklerode sang "It's Me Again Lord".

Rev. Leonard Shehan, pastor of the Piney Grove F.W.B. Church brought the message, using for his scripture reading Joshua chapter 1, verses 1 through 7, also Joshua chapter 11, verses 18 and 19; Ephesians chapter 6, verses 10 through 15. Text: "The Christian Warfare". He brought a wonderful gospel message that was enjoyed by all. Service closed with a handshake, and rejoicing. It was a wonderful service where the power of God was manifested.

# Friday Evening Service

The Association reconvened at 1:30 P.M. with the congregation singing "Just Over in the Glory Land", and "When We All Get to Heaven". Bro. Jonas Revis read devotions. He used for his scripture reading Psalms, chapter 23. Prayer by Bro. Clyde Fender.

The business part of the Association was called to order by the Mod-

erator, Rev. Cecil Higgins.

Bro. Ronald Creech spoke on the work of his book store. Everyone enjoyed his talk.

A call was made for the Committee on Christian Training Service.

Speakers: Bro. Jess Clark, Bro. Will Forbes. Adopted.

A call was made for the Committee on Disabled Minister's Fund. Speakers: Rev. Gilbert Abel, Rev. Cecil Higgins, Bro. Ronald Creech. Adopted.

A call was made for the Committee on Education. No speakers.

A call was made for the Committee on Foreign Missions. No speakers.

A call was made for the Committee on Home Missions. Speakers: Bro. Roy Garland, and Bro. Gilbert Abel. Adopted.

A call was made for the Committee on Ladies Auxiliary. No speakers. A call was made for the Committee on Orphanage. No speakers.

A call was made for the Committee on Sessions. Adopted.

A call was made for the Financial Reports on all committees. Adopted.

It was moved to adjourn.

Bro. Cecil Higgins expressed his appreciation for the fine care and hospitality, as well as the fine food that Keystone Church had given the Association. Thanks was especially given for the wonderful services that God had so wonderfully blessed during the Association.

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

# Friday Night Service

The service opened with the congregation singing "Just a Little While", and "Sweet Hour of Prayer". An altar of prayer was called for, with Bro. Ronald Creech leading the prayer. Sister Zella Harklerode and son sang "He Touched Me", "This Is What Heaven Means to Me". Bro. Roy Cooper and family sang "We'll Soon Be Done With Troubles and Trials", and "Just Over Yonder". Bro. Ulis Miller, pastor of the Unicoi F.W.B. Church brought the message, using for his scripture reading Matthew, chapter 14, verses 23-30; Isaiah, chapter 26, verses 17-20. Text: "For the Wind was Contrary". He brought a wonderful gospel message that was enjoyed by all. The service closed with a handshake and rejoicing. This was a great spiritual service.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### Churches and Pastors

We, your Committee on Churches and Pastors recommend the following scriptures: I Timothy 3:1-7, I Timothy 4:6-9, II Timothy 1:15, II Timothy 1:4, I Peter 5:2-5, I Titus 1:5-11. We recommend that the preachers preach the word with love. We recommend that the churches keep the unity of the Spirit in the boards of peace.

Rev. Burnie Arwood, Chm. Bros. Will Forbes, Atlas Revis, and Burnie Laws

#### Christian Training Service

We, your Committee on Christian Training Service offer the following scripture: II Timothy 2:15. "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed rightly dividing the word of truth." Joshua 1:8. "This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein; for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success."

We highly recommend CTS to be organized in every church by the pastor and leaders.

Rev. Bruce Fender, Jr., Chm. Bros. Jess Clark, Bobby Revis, and Lawrence Coffey Sister Mathew Hughes Sister Lydia Woodby

#### Disabled Minister's Fund

We, your Committee stress the importance of the pastors of our churches stressing the need of the fund in our churches. We offer the following scriptures: "Even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the gospel should live of the gospel." I Cor. 9:14. Also "Thou shalt not muzzle the ox that treadeth out the corn. The labourer is worthy of his hire."

Rev. Holt Herrell, Chm. Bro. Vernal Jones, Bro. McKinley Jarrett, Bro. Frank Cornett, Sister Essie Morton

#### Education

We, your Committee on Education, acknowledge that although the majority of the disciples were ignorant and unlearned men, some were formally educated to the highest degree. Regardless of their education in the world, they became subject to the divine will of God. This was to

"Grow in grace and knowledge" of Jesus Christ. Paul also was determined to use the demonstration of the power of God rather than enticing words of man's wisdom. We recommend that men strive to have more power with God.

Rev. J. D. Price, Chm. Bros. Lawrence Wilson, Earnest Webb, and Howard Buchanan, Sister Pauline Troutman

#### Finance Committee

We, your Committee on Finance, wish to report that we have received from the churches in the Jack's Creek Association a sum of \$373.00.

Bro. Richmond Barnett, Chm. Bro. Jess Clark

# Foreign Missions

We, your Committee on Foreign Missions wish to recommend the following scriptures for your consideration: Matt. 28:19-20; Mark 16:15; Luke 24:47-48.

We believe this to be one of the Lord's last commands, that we help to tell the story of God's love and his plan to save the lost to the entire world.

We believe that we should support a man of God that has accepted the call of God to preach the gospel in the foreign land, with our prayers and our money.

> Rev. Ulis Miller, Chm. Bros. Fred Chandler, Jess Greer, and Sister Florence Street

#### Home Missions

We, your Committee on Home Missions, believe that the home missions start in the beginning of the New Testament Church and that the purpose of it was to save the world from their sins.

John 3:16: "For Go so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

After we are saved we must prepare ourselves for or to be a home missionary. "Let us put on the whole armor of God, that we may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil." Ephesians 6:10.

And next we must be willing to present our bodies a living sacrifice. Romans 12:1 "I beseech you therefore brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service."

Why should we be missionaries for God: to help fulfill the purpose of the New Testament Church, I John 3:16 "Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren."

lives for the brethren."

Bro. Troy McCourry, Chm. Sisters Marie Crowe, Ada Jones, Gladys Fleenor and Roy T. Garland

# Ladies Auxiliary

We, the Committee on Ladies Auxiliary, are happy to report the joy and fellowship that are obtained by working together in the work of the Lord. We pray that all churches and pastors will have greater interest in this work. We feel that every auxiliary should have a goal to work forward in the progress of the work of the Lord, financially as well as spiritually. Proverbs 19:15 "Slothfulness casteth into a deep sleep; and an idle soul shall suffer hunger." Eccl. 10:18.

Sister Mary Herrell, Chm. Sisters Rebecca Street, Virgie Bailey, Gladys Fleenor, Grace Abel, and Elsie Shehan

# Orphanage

We, your Committee on Orphanage, recommend the following scripture: Deut. 24:17-21 and James 1:27 An orphan was called a "lonely one" in the Hebrew days and we have many in our day. Not only the deacons but every Christian should be more concerned about the orphan. We stress and recommend that each Christian take inventory of their lives and see if they are doing as much as they should.

Rev. Gilbert Abel, Chm. Bros. Tony Fender, Ralph Thompson, Clyde Dulaney, Matthew Hughes,

#### Sunday School

We, your Committee on Sunday Schools, recommend that anointed men and women be put in to teach. We offer the following scriptures: Eph. 5:27, Levi 21:16-24.

Rev. Richmond Barnett, Chm. Bro. J. N. Smith, Sister Addie Lingerfelt, Bros. Clyde Delaney, Bud Ledford, Bro. Jack Bledsoe, Dewey Ingram, and Frank Cornett

#### Sessions

We, your Committee on Sessions, recommend that the next Association will convene at Young Chapel F.W.B. Church, Rt. 2, Burnsville, N. C., on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1971. Rev. Quince Miller is to preach the Introductory message, with Rev. Bruce Fender, Jr., to be his alternate.

Bro. Jess Clark, Chm. Bros. Vernal Jones, Arnold Wilson, Will Forbes, Burnie Arwood

#### Associational Fund

We, your Committee on Associational Funds, wish to report that we received from the churches of the Jack's Creek F.W.B. Association a sum of \$255.00.

Rev. Bruce Fender, Treas.

#### Clerk and Moderator Fund

Big Creek       \$ 5.00         Burbank       10.00         Byrd Branch       2.00	
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Crabtree 5.00	_
5.0	-
Hampton 5.00	_
Hillcrest 5.00	•
Keystone 5.00	0
Liberty Chapel	0
Low Gap 5.00	0
Middle District 5.00	0
Pensacola 10.00	0
Pilgrims Chapel 5.00	0
Piney Grove	0
Rich Acres 5.00	0
Riverview 5.00	0
Southside 5.00	0
Unicoi 5.00	0
Valley Forge 5.00	0
Youngs Chapel 10.00	-
Tours oraper	0
\$109.00	0

Bro. Matthew Hughes, Treas.

# Foreign Mission Report

Balance in Treasury last year	\$1,807.58
Paid out this year	720.00
Received this year from churches:	
Burbank	50.00
Covey Rock	10.00
Crabtree	. 10.00
Pennington Gap	. 10.00
Hill Crest	. 10.00
Keystone	300.00
Low Gap	200.00
Pensacola	. 24.00
Piney Grove	. 25.00
Valley Forge	. 100.00
Woodby Hill	. 20.00
Youngs Chapel	
Interest	

Balance in Treasury ...... \$1,923.08

#### Additional Information:

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

> Signed: Rev. Clyde Fender Rt. 1, Box 86A Nebo, N. C.

# Home Missions Report

Total					
Received this year at Association:					
Cra'otree	\$	10.0			
Hillcrest		10.0			
North Bend		5.0			
Pensacola		25.0			
Piney Grove		10.0			
Valley Forge		100.0			
Youngs Chapel		10.0			
	\$	170.0			
Total in Treasury	\$1	.309.8			

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

# Treasurer's Report

Item: Disabled Ministers Fund:		
Cash on hand at last Association	\$	9,187.20
Received this Association		598.00
Received from Ministers Conference		119.00
Interest		441.24
Total	\$.	10,345.44
Money paid out from last Association:		
Rev. Coy Davis	\$	100.00
Rev. Moss Hollaway		100.00
Rev. Handy Wilcox		100.00
Rev. Henderson Woodby		100.00
Bond		19.00
Total	\$	419.00
Leaves Balance of	\$	9,926.44

Signed: Rev. Holt Herrell
Rt. 1, Roan Mtn., Tenn.

#### **OBITUARIES**

- ANNIE BENNETT BRADFORD—Born December 24, 1887, departed this life on July 24, 1969. She was a member of the North Bent F.W.B. Church. She leaves her children and a host of friends to mourn her passing.
- FLOYD W. CABLE—Born Aug. 1, 1907 and departed Dec. 3, 1969. He was the husband of Cora Cable and the father of 6 children, grandfather of 14 and 1 great-grandchild. He was a member of the Nicks Creek F.W.B. Church. He was a deacon and helped to organize the church.
- WILLARD GARDNER—Departed this life on July 10, 1970, at the age of 81. He was a member and a deacon for 61 years at Low Gap F.W.B. Church. Helped establish the Low Gap Church, which he loved, and was faithful as long as his health permitted. Mr. Gardner had a long illness and he enjoyed Christian people coming in to visit and pray with him. He had a wonderful experience with the Lord, and was loved by all who knew him. We are looking forward to meeting in that Great Beyond some wonderful day. He leaves behind a wonderful Christian wife, three sons, and two daughters to mourn his going.
- LILLIE MAE S. HONEYCUTT—Departed this life on May 23, 1970, at the age of 85 years. She was the widow of the late Chester Honeycutt who was a deacon. She was a member of Middle District F.W.B. Church which she joined at an early age. One son, seven daughters, seventeen grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, one half-brother and many friends mourn her passing. We miss her so greatly, but we truly believe that "to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord" and He comforts us.

Mother was so true and kind,
And grew yet sweeter day by day.
But she had to leave us here behind,
Yes, from us she just slipped away.
She's gone to join that heavenly throng,
To live with them in that beautiful place.
She'll be happy up there through ages long,
But we can meet her again by God's marvelous grace.
—Family

- IKE HUGHES—Born July 9, 1904, departed this life Jan. 16, 1970. He was a member of Burbank F.W.B. Church. He was a kind husband and a friend to all who knew him. He was devoted to his church and is missed greatly by his family and friends.
- LOFTUS HUGHES—Born August 15, 1910, departed this life September 22, 1969. He was a member of Burbank F.W.B. Church. He was greatly loved by all who knew him. We feel our loss is Heaven's gain.
- HELEN HYATT—Departed this life at the age of 39 on December 23, 1969. She was a member of the Rich Acres F.W.B. Church. She leaves her family and a host of friends to mourn her passing.
- BOB JARRET—Born December 19, 1902, departed this life on December 26, 1969. He was a member of Burbank F.W.B. Church. He leaves

- his family and a host of friends to mourn his passing. We feel our loss is Heaven's gain.
- HACKER "HACKIE" N. JOHNSON—Born May 5, 1938, departed this life April 20, 1970. He was a member of Hampton F.W.B. Church. Hackie has gone on to be with God, but his life will always be remembered by those who knew him. We miss him in our church, but we believe he heard the words "Well done, Thou faithful servant."
- Keystone Church—The following members departed this life during the past year: Bros. Jim Campbell, Jerry Hodge, Hiram C. Wilson, Sisters Etta Harrell, Bessie Harris.
- BESSIE NOWLIN—Departed this life April 15, 1970 at the age of 72 years. She was a member of the Rich Acres F.W.B. Church, also a teacher of the Ladies Bible Class which she had taught several years. She leaves her husband and children and many friends to mourn her passing. But she will long be remembered by those who knew her.
- MAE POTTER—Born July 24, 1887, departed this life August 22, 1969. She was a faithful member of Hampton F.W.B. Church as long as her health permitted her to attend. She leaves her children and a host of friends and neighbors to mourn her passing.
- GAITHER RENFRO—Born December 25, 1891, departed this life January 19, 1970. He was a faithful member of North Bend Free Will Baptist Church. He was loyal to his church as long as health permitted. "We miss him now our hearts are sore, as time goes by we miss him more, memories live on in our hearts. Some day, we will meet to part no more."

#### Belle Renfro, wife.

- CLIFFORD ROARKS—He was a great friend to all who knew him. He was so patient in his suffering. He leaves his family and a host of friends to mourn his passing. He left a testimony that he was ready to go. We deeply feel our loss is Heaven's gain.
- CHESTER STREET—Departed this life June 14, 1970 at the age of 66. He was a member of the Middle District F.W.B. Church. He leaves his wife, four daughters, four sons, fourteen grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren to mourn his passing. He was an honest, upright citizen and loved to help everyone. He is greatly missed by the church, community and by all who knew him. He left a wonderful testimony that he was ready to go any time. We feel that our loss is Heaven's gain, for God doth all things well.
- SARAH MELISSA STREET—Born April 13, 1883, departed this life September 8, 1969. She was a member of Burbank F.W.B. Church. We all miss her so much, but we feel our loss is Heaven's gain.
- CLATE TRIVETT—Born July 7, 1908, departed this life January 16, 1970, about 3 months after his dear wife, Edna, passed away. He was a member of Valley Forge F.W.B. Church. Despite his physical suffering and ill health for so many years he expressed his love for the cause of Christ and his fellowman in many ways. He leaves many friends and is missed by those who knew him.

- EDNA TRIVETT—Born March 26, 1906, departed this life October 3, 1969. She was a faithful member of Valley Forge F.W.B. Church. She was a dedicated Christian to her Church and community. She was loved by all who knew her. She loved the Lord and His cause with all her heart and she expressed this so well in the life she lived daily. She never turned a needy hand away. She left so many precious memories despite her physical suffering. She leaves a host of friends and she is greatly missed by all.
- Unicoi Church—The following members of Unicoi F.W.B. Church departed this life during the past year: Earnest Britt and Jeff Wilson. They are greatly missed by their friends and loved ones.
- GRACE WILES—Born January 19, 1897, departed this life April 28, 1970. She was a member of Hampton F.W.B. Church. Her life was a living testimony and a spiritual inspiration to all who knew her. She leaves her children and a host of friends to mourn her absence.

#### MINISTERS CONFERENCE

The first quarterly conference convened at Middle District F.W.B. Church, Rt. 2, Bakersville, N. C., on Nov. 29, 1969, for a one day session. The conference opened with the congregation singing "Living by Faith". Devotions were read by Bro. J. D. Price, and prayer was led by Bro. Bruce Fender, Jr.

The business part of the conference convened by Rev. Stanley Parkey, Moderator, calling the conference to order. Reading of the last session of conference was given by the Clerk and received as read. Roll Call was made, with \$45.00 being received for the Disabled Ministers Fund. Fellowship was called for, with every preacher standing in fellowship.

Churches, deacons, and delegates were called for and enrolled with a good delegation. Bro. Arnold Briggs from Mt. Mitchell Association and Bro. Rosco Higgins from the Union Association, were welcomed and seated in our body. Bros. Billie Ray and Orville Williams were voted by the conference to have their licenses renewed. Bro. Jack Silver was ordained by the laying on of many hands and much rejoicing. Also Bro. Arnold Briggs was turned over to the Investigating Committee to be investigated until the next conference when he would come from the Mt. Mitchell conference.

The 11 A.M. message was brought by Bro. Jimmie Smith. He used for his scripture reading Matt. Chap. 24, Romans 13:11-12. Text "Almost Home". He brought a wonderful gospel message that was anointed by the power of God. Service closed with a handshake and rejoicing. Dismissed for lunch to meet back at 1:30 P.M.

Conference reconvened at 1:30 P.M. with the Wilson Trio singing "My Heart Gets Heavy". Devotions were read by Bro. Rosco Higgins, using for his scripture reading Daniel 12, and Psalms 37. He also led the congregation in prayer.

The Topic Committee was called for, with the topic being "A New Testament Church". Scripture: Acts 1:6-8 and Acts 8:1-4. Speakers were

Rev. Stanley Parkey, Rev. Ulis Miller, Rev. Jack Greene, Rev. Leonard Shehan, Rev. Burnie Jones, and Rev. Cecil Higgins.

The topic was enjoyed by all. The conference requested Bro. Dan

Garland to be licensed. License were written by the Clerk.

This was a wonderful conference with the Middle District F.W.B. Church doing a wonderful job caring for the conference. There had been a wonderful spirit in the conference, too.

Rev. Stanley Parkey, Moderator Rev. Holt Herrell, Clerk

The second quarterly conference convened at Covey Rock F.W.B. Church, Green Mtn., N. C., on March 28, 1970. Devotions were read by Bro. Ulis Miller. He used for his scripture reading Romans 13. Prayer was led by Bro. Eugene Osborne.

Bro. Jonas Revis, pastor of the church, welcomed all and told everyone to feel free and welcome.

The business part of the conference was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. J. D. Price. He 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 with \$45.00 being received for the Disabled Ministers Fund. Fellowship was called for, with every preacher standing in fellowship.

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

Bro. Rosco Higgins from the Union Association and Bros. Virgil Deloach and Nat Arnett from the Toe River Association were welcomed and seated in our body. A call was made for unfinished business. No response. A call was made for new business. Bros. Jack Greene and Gilbert Abel discussed the condition of Bro. Handy Wilcox who had been in the hospital. An offering was received for him in the amount of \$228.40, also the \$45.00 which was received for this conference was voted on by the conference to be given to him, making a total of \$273.40. Everyone stated they would be praying for Bro. Wilcox. He has meant so much to our conference and Association.

The 11 A.M. service opened with the congregation singing "Just Over in the Glory Land." Bro. Dan Garland brought the 11 A.M. message, using for his scripture reading Acts 20:22-25. Text: "None of these things moved me". He brought a wonderful gospel message that was enjoyed by all. The service closed with a handshake and rejoicing.

The conference reconvened at 1:30 P.M. with the congregation singing "Won't It Be Wonderful There". Devotions were read by Bro. Cecil Higgins, using for his scripture reading I Cor. 7. Prayer was led by Bro. Quince Miller.

The business part of the conference was called to order by the Moderator. Piney Grove F.W.B. Church was selected for the next conference.

The Topic Committee was called for which was "Steadfastness". Scripture references were I Cor. 15:58, Galations 5:1, II Peter 3:17. Speakers were Rev. Jack Greene, Rev. Quince Miller, and Rev. Stanley Parkey. The topic was enjoyed by all. It was voted on by the conference to have a Preachers' Revival to begin on Monday before the conference convened on May 30, 1970. The revival would be held three nights at Youngs Chapel, and two nights at Woodby Hill.

Bro. Arnold Briggs was ordained by the laying on of many hands and much rejoicing. It was moved to adjourn until time and place. We were all so thankful for the wonderful job that Covey Rock had done caring for the conference. The power of God had existed through-out the conference.

Rev. J. D. Price, Moderator Rev. Holt Herrell, Clerk

The third quarterly conference convened at Piney Grove F.W.B. Church, Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn., May 30, 1970, at 9:30 A.M. The conference opened with the congregation singing "What a Friend We Have in Jesus." Devotions were read by Bro. Richmond Barnett. He used for his scripture reading part of the book of Jude. Prayer was led by Bro. Joe Honeycutt.

The business part of the conference was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. Gilbert Abel. He 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, with \$36.00 being received for the Disabled Ministers Fund. Fellowship was called for, with every preacher standing in fellowship. Bros. Ronald Creech from Durham, N. C., Clarence Phillips from Tri-City Association, and Bill VanWinkle from Cumberland Association were welcomed and seated in our body.

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

Bro. Bill Van Winkle spoke on Home Missions. Everyone enjoyed his talk. Bro. Ronald Creech made an interesting talk concerning State Home Missions. Bro. Creech was voted to be made an Honorary Member in our conference.

Bro. Arson Miller, pastor of Hampton F.W.B. Church brought the 11 A.M. message, using for his scripture reading Matt. 14:22-32. He based his message on these verses. He brought a good sound gospel message, that was enjoyed by all. The service closed with a handshake. It was moved to adjourn until 1:30 P.M.

The conference reconvened at 1:30 P.M., with singing by the congregation. Devotions were read by Bro. Roy Lee Rose, using for his scripture reading James 3rd chapter.

The Topic Committee was called for. The topic was "Faith - Works". Scripture reference was Ephesians 2:10. Speakers were Rev. Richmond Barnett, Rev. Stanley Parkey, Rev. Frank Harklerode, Rev. Cecil Higgins, Rev. Leonard Shehan. The topic was enjoyed by all. It was moved to adjourn for the next Ministers conference, which was to convene in connection with the Association at Keystone F.W.B. Church.

This was a wonderful conference that was well cared for by the Piney Grove F.W.B. Church. Special thanks were given to the church for the fine care given to the conference.

Rev. Gilbert Abel, Moderator Rev. Holt Herrell, Clerk

The fourth yearly conference convened at Keystone F.W.B. Church, Betty St., Johnson City, Tenn., on August 22, 1970, at 9:30 A.M. in connection with the Association. The conference opened with the congregation singing "I'm Going That Way". Devotions were read by Bro. Coy

Davis. He used for his scripture reading Matt. 24:5-14. Prayer was led by Bro. Orphard Hensley.

The conference was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. Cecil Higgins. Reading of the last session of the conference was given by the Clerk and received as read. Roll call was made with \$44.00 being received for Disabled Ministers Fund. Rules of Decorum were read by the Moderator. Fellowship was called for with every preacher standing in fellowship.

Bro. Bill Jaynes from the Toe River Association was welcomed and seated in our body. A call was made for the conference clerk for the year. Rev. Holt Herrell was elected with Rev. Richmond Barnett to be his assistant. A call was made for the Ordaining Council. Bro. Quince Miller, Chmn.; Bros. Leonard Shehan, Burnie Arwood, Bruce Fender, Jr., and Troy McCourry were selected. A call was made for the Investigating Committee. For North Carolina these were chosen: Rev. Troy McCourry, Chmn.; Rev. Arnold Wilson and Rev. Clyde Fender, with Rev. Jimmie Smith as the alternate. These were chosen from Tennessee: Rev. Richmond Burnett, Chmn.; Rev. J. D. Price, Rev. Ulis Miller, and Rev. Stanley Parkey, alternate.

A call was made for the next conference. It was decided to convene at the Pensacola F.W.B. Church, Rt. 6, Burnsville, N. C., to begin on Saturday, November 28, 1970, at 9:30 A.M.

Rev. Burnie Arwood was selected to preach the Introductory Message with Rev. Arnold Wilson to be his alternate. Bro. Stanley Parkey was selected for Moderator with Bro. Frank Harklerode to be his assistant. The topic committee was appointed: Bros. Leonard Shehan, Burnie Arwood, and Troy McCourry. Devotions to be read by Bro. Orphard Hensley with Bro. Jonas Revis to be his alternate. A call was made for membership in our body. Bro. Charles Trivette from the Valley Forge F.W.B. Church presented his letter and was turned over to the Investigating Committee until the next conference.

It was moved, seconded, and voted on to have an annual Preachers Revival. A committee was appointed with Rev. Holt Herrell as chairman, with the rest of the committee being retained. These members are Rev. Cecil Higgins, Rev. Jack Greene, Rev. Leonard Shehan, and Rev. Frank Harklerode.

The conference turned into a testimony service, with several people giving testimonies for God. God gave one of the most wonderful services that we have ever experienced in our conference and Association. Scores of people were rejoicing in the spirit of the Lord. We all had to thank Him so much for this wonderful service. There was no 11 A.M. preaching service due to this wonderful service that God had given us.

An offering was received for the Investigating Committee in the amount of \$25.16.

Rev. Cecil Higgins, Moderator, spoke for the conference and thanked Keystone F.W.B. Church for the wonderful care, fine food, kindness, and hospitality shown by the church. Special thanks was given for the Spirit of God that had existed throughout the Association and Ministers Conference. It was moved to adjourn until the next conference.

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

# CHURCH DIRECTORY

CHURCH	PASTOR	CLERK	ADDRESS
Bald Mountain	No report		
		Mrs. G. W. Wilson	Rt. 1. Relief, N. C.
Brummetts Creek	Holt Herrell	Mrs. Will Bennett	Relief, N. C.
Burbank	Holt Herrell	Vernon Crain R	tt. 1. Roan Mtn., Tenn.
		Mrs. Billy Silvers	
		Fate Deyton	
Crabtree	Burnie Arwood	Myrsona Shell	Roan Mtn., Tenn.
Davistown	••••	James Vess Star	Rt. Black Mtn., N. C.
Ernestville	No report		
		Mrs. Susie Anderson	Flint, Mich.
First F.W.B. Va		Helen Cox	
		Oakie Calhoun	
		Bobby Revis	
Keystone		Jim Wilson l	
		Bobby Allison	
		Viola Miller I	
		Mrs. H. D. Ray, Jr	
		Mrs. Francis ArwoodR	
		Judy Davis	
		Howard Buchanan	
		Terrel Wilson I	Rt. 6, Burnsville, N. C.
Petersons Chapel			
		Loyd Dulaney	
		Mrs. Aileen McKinney	
		Cladys Hylemon	
		Bill G. Hughes Rt.	
		Jim Dill 460	
		Fred Davis 923 Hobu	
		Georgia Carlton R	
		Hazel Miller	
		Mrs. Dave Leedy	
		. Coye Calhoun	
		Mrs. Will Stevens Rt.	and the second s
		Mrs. June McKinney	
roungs Chapel	Cecii Higgins	Dean Wilson	Rt. 2, Burnsville, N. C.

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

MINISTER	CHURCH	ADDRESS	ASSOCIATION
Rev. Richmond Barnett.	Little Doe	Hampton, Tenn	Toe River Assoc.
Rev. Roy Cooper	East Fairview	Elizabethton, Tenn	Tri-City Assoc.
Rev. Charles Hill, Jr	Hopson Chapel	.Rt. 2, Roan Mtn., Tenn.	
Rev. Ferrel Sparks	First F.W.B	Greeneville, Tenn	Union Assoc.
Rev. Orville Williams	Park St. F.W.B	Erwin, Tenn.	

# MINISTERS ROLL

# MINISTERS PRESENT FOR THE ASSOCIATION

Name Address	<b>Felephone</b>
Gilbert Abel—Rt. 1, Elizabethton, Tenn.	542-5344
Zenus Allen—RFD, Mars Hill, N. C.	
Burnie Arwood—Erwin, Tenn.	743-3804
Rex Adkins—535 Washington St., Erwin, Tenn.	743-7524
Vestal Ball—Hanover, Pa.	
Richmond Barnett—Rt. 1, Johnson City, Tenn.	926-1283
Coy Davis—Rt. 1, Old Fort, N. C.	688-4535
Dock Davis—Erwin, Tenn.	
Bruce Fender, Jr.—Rt. 2, Johnson City, Tenn.	928-3629
Clyde Fender—Marion, N .C.	742-4272
Fred H. "Jack" Greene—Norton, Va.	
Frank Harklerode—Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.	725-2763
Orphard Hensley—Old Fort, N. C.	688-4385
Holt Herrell—Rt. 1, Roan Mtn., Tenn.	772-3639
Cecil Higgins—Rt. 2, Burnsville, N. C. (Micaville)	675-4658
Joe Honeycutt—Unicoi, Tenn.	
Burnie Jones—Erwin, Tenn.	
Troy McCourry—Box 68, Burnsville, N. C.	
Arson Miller—Hampton, Tenn.	
Quince Miller—Rt. 3, Burnsville, N. C.	
Eugene Osborne—Johnson City, Tenn.	
Stanley Parkey—Erwin, Tenn.	
D. C. Patrick—Rt. 2, Elizabethton, Tenn.	
J. D. Price—Johnson City, Tenn.	
H. D. Poole—Rt. 6, Burnsville, N. C.	
Jonas Revis—Rt. 1, Marion, N. C.	
Roy Lee Rose—Rt. 1, Unicoi, Tenn.  Leonard Shehan—Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.	
Jack Silvers—Rt. 2, Burnsville, N. C.	
James Smith—Rt. 1, Box 461-A, Marion, N. C.	
Ferrel Sparks—Box 143, Greeneville, Tenn.	
Orville Williams (U. R. Williams)—Erwin, Tenn.	
Arnold Wilson—Rt. 4, Marion, N. C.	
Henderson Woodby—Rt. 1, Unicoi, Tenn.	

# NOT PRESENT FOR ASSOCIATION

Fred Beam—Marion, N. C.	
Floyd Brewer (In service)—Pennington Gap, Va.	
Roy Cooper—Lakeview Drive, Johnson City, Tenn.	926-8783
Verno Davis—Rt. 2, Erwin, Tenn.	
Theodore Fleenor—708 Franklin St., Johnson City, Tenn.	928-9613
Dan Garland—Rt. 2, Elizabethton, Tenn.	
Charles Hill, Jr.—Rt. 2, Roan Mtn., Tenn.	725-3677
Moss Hollaway—Rt. 2, Box 15-A, Erwin, Tenn.	
Gus Ledford—Rt. 3, Burnsville, N. C.	
Lydia Letterman—Rt. 1, Burnsville, N. C.	
Wayne McDaniel—Flint, Michigan	239-9579
John Murphy—Rt. 2, Burnsville, N. C.	
Billie Ray—Burnsville, N. C. (Micaville)	675-4529
Floyd Ray—Star Rt., Burnsville, N. C.	
Elzie Robinson—Rt. 3, Burnsville, N. C.	
Handy Wilcox—Unicoi, Tenn. (Erwin)	742-5954

#### 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 MISSION	FORE1GN MISS10N	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 FIRE
Bald Mountain		NO	REPO	RT																				
Big Creek	Full	2				-	90	70	2	22	\$10.00	\$ 563.65	\$141.70	\$	\$	\$ 50.00	\$ 10.00			\$ 38.00	\$ 6,535.00	\$1,535.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00
Brummetts Creek-		7	15			-	64	80	1	21	10.00	1,023.00	240.00				10.00			391.00	40,000.00	20,000.00	10.00	
Burbank	Full	8	1	2		5	207	160	2	Full	15.00	5,280.00		100,00	203.08	250.00	25.00	35	106	775.20	50,000.00	8,000,00	10.00	10.00
Byrd Branch	1-3	8	6			-	65	50	2	26	10.00	250.00	150.00				10.00			154.00	4,000.00	825.00	5.00	
Covey Rock	Full	3	4	1		1	135	85	1	Full	10.00	2,310.00	225.00			10.00	10.00		54	161.00	28,000.00	8,400.00	10.00	
Crabtree	Full	3	2		2	-	81	43	5	Full	10.00	873.52	172.12	100.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	13			5,958.00	700.50	5.00	5.00
Davistown		***				-	4.0	35	4	49	8.00	1,517.29	105.00				18.00	9		105.00	2,000.00		5.00	5.00
Ernestville		NO	REPO	RT																				
lst FWB Flint Mic		9	13		2	-	47	83	1	Full	10.00	4,680.00				309.87		13	15	122.86	137,000.00	2,257,57		
lst FWB P.C. Va.	Full	4	5.			1	80	59	6	Full		1,200.00	53.16	15.00							18,000.00	3,000.00		97.44
Hampton	Full	7			6	3	56	50	1	Full	5.00	1,000.00			184.50	~-	5.00	19			40,000.00	2,000.00	5.00	5.00
Hillerest	Full	4	1		5	-	64	51	2	Full	11.00	1,750.00	160.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	1.3.		244,00	25,000.00	342.48	10.00	5.00
Keystone	Full	4	2		11	5	287	170	2	Full	15.00	5,540.00	200.00	460,99		340.00	75.00	15	38	263.44	116,000.00	3,000.00	10.00	5.00
Liberty	Full	6	6	77		1	67	98	1	Full	10.00	4,240.00	115.00			240.00	10.00	21	43	161.00	50,000.00		10.00	
Liberty Chapel	Full	8	2		2	1	50	35	1	Full	5.00	494.04	50.00				10.00			73.26	4,000.00	500.00	5.00	2.00
Low Gap	Full	1	-			1	46	45	3	Full	10.00	1,530.49	203.00		96.25	200.00	94.00			220.00	13,000.00		5.00	5.00
Middle District	Full	5	7			2	45	39	4	Full	12.00	1,300.00	129.76	20.00			10.00	8		265.63	20,000.00	1,275.28	10.00	5.00
Nicks Creek	Full	-	1	1		1	96	86	3	Full	20.00	2,011.64					10.00	12		324.50	22,500.00	2,000.00	15.00	
North Bend	2-4	7	1		2	-	102	65	2	26	15.00	1,378.28	450.00	11.00	5.00		24.00	24		50.00	9,000.00	901.92	10.00	
Pensacola	Full	8	7		5	-	171	45	2	Full	15.00	2,913.97	248.66	175.01	430.64	24.00	50.00	12	20	598.00	24,500.00	3,500.00	10.00	10.00
Petersons Chapel		NO	REPO	RT																				
Pilgrims Chapel	2-4	-	2			-	32	20	1	26	5.00	540.00	118.00		41.00			~~		1000	3,000.00	287.80	5.00	5.00
Piney Grove	Full	2	7			-	100	7.0	1	Full	10.00	3,900.00	190.15	25.00	10.00	75.00	15.00			533.45	6,500.00	776.46	10.00	5.00
Piney Hill	2-4	-	-			-	65	30	1	Full	4.00	102.00	81.00				5.00			5.00	3,000.00		5.00	2.00
Rich Acres	Full	4	6			2	161	91	4	Full	15.00	4,970.00	150.00	100.00			10.00	45	45	201.25	25,702.01	657.92	5.00	5.00
Riverview	Full	13	14		6	-	153	104	1	Full	15.00	4,391.56	140.16	243.29		36.00	70.00	16		179.09	35,000.00		15.00	5.00
Southside	Full	7	17			3	150	149	4	Full	25.00	2,650.00		75.00			15.00			423.00	39,500.00	1,745.00	10.00	5.00
Sunset	Full	9				-	117	80	1	Full	10.00	2,684.72	91.00	236.70	358.00		10.00			55.00	27,860.00		10.00	
Unaka Springs	2-4	-	2		~-	-	46	55	1	24	10.00	1,114.15	184.00							209.15	5,500.00	2,442.00	10.00	
Unicoi	Full	8		1		2	168	90	1	Full	10.00	2,080,00	200.00	231.46	n='	439.00	10.00	12		137.00	34,930.48	2,370.48	15.00	5.00
Vale	Full	-				-	40	45	-		10.00										1,600.00	300.Q0		
Valley Forge	Full	15	26			2	204	195	4	Full	30.00	468.00	200.00	402.00	767.26	737.45	10.00	35	60	1,429.07	119,082.00		10.00	5.00
Woodby Hill	Full	8	9	18		-	108	91	2	Full	15.00	4,347.82	527.19	25.00	222.43	110.00	25.00	20	72	271.59	33,900.00		10.00	
Youngs Chapel	1-3	3	2			-	130	90	2	26	15.00	1,930.00	495.70		353.86	314.30	100.00	25	50	50.00	29,000.00	1,675.00	10.00	10.00

# 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 or 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 the commandments implied by a confession of faith, and in the spirit of meekness rebuke and admonish those who have gone astray, and watch over each 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 efectual 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 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 Savior 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 Jack's Creek Free Will Baptist Association

#### Ministers' Conference

- ARTICLE 1. This body shall be known as The Ministers' Conference of Jack's 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. Th 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 or 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 negligence, he shall be entitled to a seat in the Conference only as a visiting minister, as in Article 2; provided, however, the above requirements shall not apply

to ministers who have passed sixty years of age, or to any minister who is rendered unable to conform to the above rules by disease or continued sickness of himself or family.

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

# Jack's Creek F.W.B. Association

- 1. The regular meeting o 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. Chairmen 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 Jack's Creek Free Will Baptist Association

At		Date, 19
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	OUR STATISTICS	S ARE AS FOLLOWS—
(1)	Our meeting days	(14) For Children's Home
(2)	Number baptised	(15) Home Missions
(3)	Added otherwise	(16) Foreign Missions
(4)	Excluded	(17) Disabled Ministers Fund
(5)	Dismissed	(18) Pledged to Dis. Min. F.
(6)	Deaths	(19) Monthly mission pledge
(7)	Total members	(20) Poor and sick
(8)	Average in Sunday school	(21) Value church property
(9)	Communions & 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
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