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1972-73 MINUTES

OF THE

JACK'S CREEK FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Seventy-Seventh Annual Session Held At
South Side Free Will Baptist Church
Erwin, Tennessee
August 24-25-26, 1972

OFFICERS

Rev. Cecil J. Higgins Moderator
Rev. Ulis Miller Clerk
Rev. Holt Herrell Asst. 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 1973 at 10:30 a. m. Rev. Cecil J. Higgins to preach the introductory message Rev. Charlie Trivette to be his alternate.

JACK'S CREEK FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Officers of the Jack's Creek Association

and Ministers Conference, 1972

ASSOCIATION:

Moderator—Rev. Cecil J. Higgins Rt. 2, Burnsville, N. C.

Clerk—Rev. Ulis Miller Rt. 3, Erwin, Tenn.

Treasurer of Disabled Ministers
Fund—Bro. Jess Clark Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.

Treasurer Home Mission—
Rev. J. D. Price Johnson City, Tenn.

Treasurer Foreign Mission—
Rev. Clyde Fender Nebo, N. C.

Treasurer Orphanage Fund—
Rev. Troy McCurry Burnsville, N. C.

Committee of Investigation—The Disabled Ministers Fund:

Tennessee: Rev. Richmond Barnett, Chm.; Rev. Roy Lee Rose,
Rev. Lynn Hawkins, and Rev. Bernie Jones, alternate.

North Carolina: Rev. Troy McCurry, Chm; Rev. Clyde Fender,
Rev. Arnold Wilson, and Rev. Jimmie Smith, alternate.

ASSOCIATION:

Rev. Leonard Shehan, Chm; Bros. Jess Troutman, Jess Clark,
Rev. Stanley Parkey, and Rev. Ferrell Sparks.

COMMITTEE OF INVESTIGATION:

Tennessee: Rev. Richmond Barnett, Chm; Rev. Roy Lee Rose,
Rev. Lynn Hawkins, and Rev. Bernie Jones, alternate.

North Carolina: Rev. Troy McCurry, Chm; Rev. Clyde Fender,
Rev. Arnold Wilson, and Rev. Jimmie Smith, alternate.

PROCEEDINGS

The Jack's Creek Free Will Baptist Association met with South Side Free Will Baptist Church, Chestoa Pike, Erwin, Tennessee on August 24, 1972 at 10:30 A. M. in its Seventy-seventh annual session. The service opened with the choir singing "Just Over In Glory Land" and "When Th Roll Is Called Up Yonder". Rev. Troy McCourry, pastor of the church, welcomed all the association. Prayer was led by Rev. Dock Taylor. Rev. Clyde Fender brought the introductory message using for his scripture II Corinthians 4:1-2. He brought a wonderful gospel message. Rev. Holt Harrell gave his testimony and thanked everyone for all they had done for him during his illness. The service closed by singing "I Feel Like Traveling On", with a fellowship handshake, and prayer by Rev. Arnold Wilson.

THURSDAY EVENING

The 1:30 P. M. session convened with the congregation singing "Amazing Grace". Devotions were read by Rev. Arnold Wilson. He used for his scripture reading Luke 10. Prayer was led by Rev. Gilbert Abel.

The Moderator, Rev. Cecil J. Higgins, called the association to order and read the rules of decorum. Reading Clerks were appointed: Rev. Richmond Barnett and Bro. Jess Clark.

Treasurers appointed were:

Foreign Missions—Rev. Clyde Fender

Association Fund—Rev. Orphard Hensley

Home Missions—Rev. J. D. Price

Disabled Ministers' Fund—Bro. Jess Clark

Clerk and Moderator Fund—Rev. Gilbert Abel

Orphanage Fund—Rev. Troy McCourry

Call was made for Churches and Delegates:

CHURCHES AND DELEGATES

BIG CREEK—Brothers Albert Edwards and Teddy Adkins; Sisters Bonnie Adkins, Joanna Wilson, Una Randolph, Shirley Adkins, Lyda Adkins, Althea Bryant, and Ruth Adkins.

BRUMMETTS CREEK—Brothers Baxter Bennett, Charlie Byrd, and Will Bennett. Sister Lizzie Bennett, Bertha Byrd, Star Bennett, Linda Miller, Edith Miller, Eloise Miller, and Eloise Renfro.

BURBANK—Brothers J. T. Troutman and Sam Stanley; Sisters Pauline Troutman and Pearl Stanley.

BYRD BRANCH—Brothers Jim Lloyd Woodby and Frank Robinson; Sisters Alice Woodby and Addie Silvers.

COVEY ROCK—Brothers Bruce Laws, Clyde Riddle, Boyd Ayers, and Crawford Ayers; Sisters Mrs. Bruce Laws and Mrs. Clyde Riddle.

CRABTREE—Brothers Dillard Shell, Walt Hopson, and Dean Oxendine.

DAVISTOWN—Brothers Wilburn Davis and Emery Vess; Sisters Mrs. Wilburn Davis and Mrs. Emery Vess.

FIRST F.W.B. OF FLINT, MICH.—No delegates present.

HAMPTON—No delegates present.

HILLCREST—Brothers Garrett Fender, Tim Diddix, and Bobby Revis; Sisters Margaret Pack, Lilly Wiggins, and Namoi Revis.

KEYSTONE—Brother Jess Greer.

- LIBERTY—Brothers Lloyd Allison, Dean Elliott, and Robert McHattan; Sisters Mrs. Lloyd Allison, Mrs. Dean Elliott, and Mrs. Robert McHattan.
- LIBERTY CHAPEL—Brother Dave Miller.
- LOW GAP—Brother Cloyce Silver.
- MIDDLE DISTRICT—Brothers Toye Moffitt, Arthur Street, Charles Street and Roy Street; Sisters May Street, Edna Street and Fay Ingram.
- NICKS CREEK—Brothers Walter Woodard and Flornel Cline; Sisters Mrs. Walter Woodard and Bonnie Wilson.
- NORTH BEND—Brothers Voyd McCourry, Lone Renfro and Ivan Whitson.
- PENSACOLA—Brother Lawrence Wilson; Sisters Wanda Wilson and Della Riddle.
- PETERSON CHAPEL—Brothers Walter Whitson and Lloyd Laws; Sisters Mrs. Mary Whitson and Mrs. Lloyd Laws.
- PILGRIMS CHAPEL—Brother Clyde Dulaney and Rev. Arnold Briggs; Sister Mrs. Arnold Briggs.
- PENNINGTON GAP, VA.—Rev Theodore Fleenor and Sister Gladys Fleenor.
- PINEY GROVE—No delegates present.
- PINEY HILL—Brother James Ledford.
- RICH ACRES—Brothers Bill G. Hughes and Mr. Hamon; Sisters Grace Abel and Mrs. Hamon.
- RIVERVIEW—No delegates present.
- SOUTHSIDE—Brothers Audie Lingerfelt, Orville Lovette, and Fred Davis; Sisters Daisy Chandler and Texie Harris.
- SUNSET—Brothers George Taylor, Verl Julian, Conley Stevens, Wayne Carlton, Frank Cornett, and Lillard Stevens; Sisters Mrs. George Taylor, Mrs. Verl Julian, Florence Stevens, Gail Russell, and June Whitehead.
- UNAKA SPRINGS—Brother John Miller; Sisters Hydrieth Miller and Hazel Miller.
- UNICOI—Brother Dave Leedy; Sisters Tillie Wilson and Opal Leedy.
- VALE—Brothers Goss Cornett and Amos Cornett; Sisters Mrs. Goss Cornett and Mrs. Von Frice.
- VALLEY FORGE—Brothers Walter Creasey, Will Forbes, and Rev. Tommy Maines (Interim Pastor), Bob Jenkins and Jim Troutman.
- WEST PARK STREET—Sisters Pat Casey and Pearl Casey.
- WOODBAY HILL—Brothers Jess Clark and Blake Guinn; Sisters Gladys Clark, Nola Clark, Rebecca Street, Bonnie Stevens, Judie Pitcock, Shirley Bryant, Wilma Hawkins, and Mae Nucci.
- YOUNG'S CHAPEL—Brothers Cecil Honeycutt, Garvel Honeycutt, and Leon Burnett; Sisters Ada Honeycutt, Cora Honeycutt, and Mary Burnett.

A call was made for churches seeking membership—no response.

Visiting ministers welcomed and seated were:

Bro. Allison Robinson, Marion, N. C., Blue Ridge Association and Bro. Tommie Maines, Elizabethton, Tenn., Appalachian Association.

A call was made for Clerk, Bro. Ulis Miller with Bro. Holt Harrell as assistant were elected.

A call was made for Moderator, Bro. Cecil J. Higgins with Bro. Rich-

mond Barnett as assistant were elected.

The following committees were appointed:

CHURCHES AND PASTORS: Bro. Orphard Hensley, Chairman; Bros. Bobby Revis, Walter Woodard, Audie Lingerfelt, and Jess Clark.

CHURCH TRAINING SERVICE: Bros. Leon Bennett, Chairman; Floral Cline; Sisters Shirley Bryant and Joanna Wilson.

ASSOCIATION INVESTIGATION: Bros. Leonard Shehan, Chairman; Jess Troutman, Jess Clark, Stanley Parkey, and Ferrell Sparks.

DISABLED MINISTER'S FUND: Bros. Coy Calhoun and Lynn Hawkins, Chairman.

EDUCATION: Bro. Tommie Maines, Chairman and Sister Mary Martha Bernett.

FOREIGN MISSIONS: Brs. Herman Tipton and Arnold Wilson Chairman; Sisters Hazel Miller and Margaret Pack.

HOME MISSIONS: Bro. J. D. Price, Chairman; Sisters Joanna Wilson and Mrs. Theodore Fleenor.

LADIES AUXILIARY: Sisters Hazel Miller, Opal Leady, Gladys Clark, Wilma Hawkins, and Tillie Wilson, Chairman.

ORPHANAGE: Brs. Audie Lingerfelt and Troy McCurry, Chairman.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Bros. Vernal Jones, Bernie Jones, Orville Williams, and Lawrence Wilson, Chairman.

SESSIONS: Same as association Investigation Committee.

RESOLUTIONS: Bros. Jess Clark, Troy McCurry, and Stanley Parkey, Chairman.

Bro. Jess Clark was appointed treasurer for the Disabled Minister's Fund with Bro. Richmond Barnett as assistant.

The association closed to reconvene at 9:30 a. m. Friday.

THURSDAY NIGHT SERVICE

The service opened with the choir singing "Give God the Glory" and "Homesick for Heaven". Special singing: Little Vicky Adkins sang "Put Your Hand in the Hand of the Man of Galilee". The South Side Quartet sang "Open Up the Gates", "Won't It be a Happy Day", "As Long as Eternity Rolls", and "I Know". Many of the congregation gave their testimony under the anointing of the Holy Spirit. The service closed with handshaking and prayer by Bro. Bernie Jones. (Rev. J. D. Price was scheduled to preach.)

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

The Association convened at 9:30 a. m. with the choir singing "Living by Faith". Devotions were read by Bernie Jones. He used for his scripture reading St. John 14. Prayer was lead by Bro Orville Williams.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator Bro. Cecil Higgins. Minutes of Thursday's session were read and adopted.

Call for churches that had not reported was made. Responding was Pensacola, Bro. Lawrence Wilson, Sisters Wanda Wilson and Della Riddle.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Churches and Pastors

The report was discussed by Rev. Orphard Hensley

We, the Committee of Churches and Pastors, believe that the churches and pastors constitute the greatest organization that the world has ever known.

The church, that it was purchased with the greatest price ever paid, the blood of Christ.

It has the greatest mission ever assigned. To reach the vast millions—that one lost one might be won for our Lord. We recommend that we all work together to accomplish this great and important task. (Acts 20-28). We, also, recommend that we, who are responsible for leadership of our churches, upgrade the quality of leadership by studying the word, prayer and meditation. (II Timothy 2:15)

Rev. Orphard Hensley, Chairman

Bro. Audie Lingerfelt

Bro. Walter Woodard

Bro. Jess Clark

Bro. Bobby Revis

Church Training Service

The report was read by the clerk.

We, the committee of C. T. S., feel that our C. T. S. is very important to our church. If we do not train our children in our church, where will our church for tomorrow be.

Ecclesiastes 12:1 "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them".

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

We, the committee, feel that our pastors, deacons, Sunday School teachers, and all lay members of our church should back and support our C. T. S.

Bro. Leon Bennett, Chairman

Bro. Flornel Cline

Sis. Shirley Bryant

Sis. Joanna Wilson

Association

The report was read by the clerk.

We, your committee on Association, recommend the next association convene with Valley Forge Free Will Baptist Church, on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1973, at 10:30 A. M.

The introductory message will be given by Rev. Cecil Higgins, with his alternate being Rev. Charlie Trivette.

Bro. Jess B. Clark, Chairman

Bro. J. T. Troutman

Bro. Arnold Wilson

Bro. W. M. Forbes

Disabled Ministers

The report was read by the clerk.

We, the Committee of Disabled Ministers, recommend the churches consider our pastors of disability and old age. We also, recommend the following scripture I Corinthians 9:14 "Even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the gospel should live of the Gospel."

Bro. Lynn Hawkins, Chairman

Bro. Coy Calhoun

Education

The report was discussed by Rev. Tommie Maines.

We, the Committee on Education, would like to submit the following:

1. That we above all be filled with the Spirit of God in wisdom and in understanding and in knowledge. (Ex. 31:3)

2. That we be faithful in our study of God's word that we, as Christians, may grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. (II Peter 3:18)

3. That we be faithful in our prayers and financial support of our Free Will Baptist Bible College which is devoted to the promotion and impartation of higher Biblical education for our young people.

"Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. (II Tim. 2:15)

Rev. Tom Maines, Chairman

Sis. Mary Martha Burnett

Foreign Missions

Speaking on this report was: Bro. Herman Tipton, Rev. Ullis Miller, and Rev. Cecil Higgins. Vote was carried to send Bro. Arthur Billows \$30 a month to support his work in Mexico.

By the help of God, we will faithfully use our influence for the support of the gospel and to continue to aid foreign mission ministry. For the Bible is a mission book. In Mark 16:15-16 we read, "And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned." In Romans 10:12-15 Paul writes to the church at Rome: "For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: For the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him. For whosoever shall call upon the Lord shall be saved. How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed, and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher; And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!"

It is the responsibility of every child of God to support the gospel the gospel in all of the mission's work at home and foreign mission's fields.

We can look at the records of the churches that do this and we will find that they have an increase in souls saved. So the Lord will bless those who will serve him all the way.

Rev. Arnold Wilson, Chairman

Bro. Herman Tipton

Sis. Margaret Pack

Home Mission

The report was read by the clerk.

We, the Committee on Home Missions, realize the great need of the gospel being preached at home, as well as abroad. We recommend, also, that when the need presents itself, that we support financially as well

as spiritually. (Romans 10:15)

Rev. J. D. Price, Chairman
Sis. Joanna Wilson
Sis. Theodore Fleenor

Ladies Auxiliary

The clerk read the report.

(Psalms 20:5) We, your Committee on Ladies Auxiliary, would like to encourage all the ladies of the churches to get involved in auxiliary work. Our pastors and their wives should very much encourage this work as their work should be centered on missionaries as God's commandment is "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel".

The missionaries families give up their loved ones, friends, and homeland that we love so much to go to foreign lands to tell the name of Jesus to whom have never heard it. John 14:15 says, "If you love me, keep my commandments".

Sis. Tillie Wilson, Chairman
Sis. Wilma Hawkins
Sis. Gladys Clark
Sis. Opal Leedy

Orphanage

The clerk read the report.

We, your Committee on the orphanage, can't think of any better scripture to consider than: "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the father is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction and to keep himself unspotted from the world" (James 1:27).

Rev. Troy McCourry
Bro. Audie Lingerfelt

Sunday School

Speakers on this report were: Revs. Bernie Jones, Frank Harkelrode, Troy McCourry, Stanley Parkey, Cecil Higgins, and Bro. Vernal Jones.

We, your Committee on Sunday School, recommended that all teachers must be Christians having had a personal experience with God. We prefer them to be members of the church. We also, recommend that they have a system by which they study the word of God. (See scripture II Timothy 2:15, 4:2-3.)

Bro. Lawrence Wilson, Chairman
Rev. Orvil Williams
Rev. Bernie Jones
Bro. Vernal Jones

A motion was made to adjourn until 1:30 P. M.

The Association reconvened at 1:30 P. M. the congregation singing "What a Friend We Have In Jesus". Devotions were read by Bro. Orphard Hensley. He used for his scripture reading Psalms 101. Prayer was by Rev. J. D. Price.

The Association was called to order by Moderator Cecil Higgins.

The Disabled Ministers' Fund was discussed and it was voted to withdraw \$500 from the saving's account and place it in a checking account. It was, also, voted that Bro. Jess Clark place the balance of the money in the Disabled Ministers' Fund on a time deposit in order to receive a higher interest rate.

The Resolution Committee reported. Bro. Stanley Parkey made a motion asking that the moderator be allowed to serve only two successive terms. He would then be ineligible for one year. The motion was tabled without a second.

The Moderator thanked the South Side Free Will Baptist Church for the kind and efficient manner in which it had taken care of the Association.

The Association closed with prayer by Rev. Clyde Fender. It is to convene at Valley Forge Free Will Baptist Church at Elizabethton, Tennessee on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1973.

Friday Night Service

Friday night service began at 7 P. M. with the choir singing: "Singing of Jesus", "Praise the Lord", "I've Been to the Cross" "Twill be Glory in that Home", "I'm Saved Today", and "Do Not Wait Too Long". There was an alter prayer led by Rev. Leonard Shehan.

The South Side Quartet Sang: "Too Much to Gain to Lose", "After All", "I Don't Regret a Mile", "You Have Been an Inspiration to Me", "Just as Long as Eternity Rolls", and "I'm a Poor Rich Man". Rev. Arnold Wilson was scheduled to preach, but the service became a testimonial service with many people giving their testimony for Christ and much rejoicing. The service closed with prayer.

OBITUARIES

KATE PETERSON—was born January 18, 1921. She departed from this life November 1, 1971. She was a member of the North Bend Free Will Baptist Church. She was a very devoted wife and mother, as well as, a great worker in the church. 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. We feel our loss is heaven's gain.

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord, from henceforth they may rest, from their labors and their works do follow them" (Rev. 14:13)

KATIE WILLIAMS—departed from this life January 21, 1972 at the age of 85. She was a member of Hillcrest Free Will Baptist Church. She was faithful to the church as long as health permitted.

HARRY EUGENE SAYLOR—was born August 7, 1902. He departed from this life on October 16, 1971. He was a member of the Southside Free Will Baptist Church. He leaves a widow, his children, grandchildren, and many friends who mourn his passing. We feel he is at rest with Jesus.

ADDIE LINGERFELT—was born February 20, 1910. She departed from this life April 17, 1972. She was a faithful member of Southside Free Will Baptist Church. She was a dedicated Christian who served her church faithfully for many years. She leaves a husband, children, grandchildren, and a host of friends who mourn her passing. She was a good and faithful servant who was always willing to go beyond her part. She is at rest in the glorious presence of our Lord.

CHARLES ATKINS—was born August 22, 1896. He departed from this life December 20, 1971. He was a member of the Southside Free Will Baptist Church. He leaves a widow, family, and friends to mourn his passing. Some day we will meet again to part no more.

WELZIA ARROWOOD—was born June 21, 1900. He departed from this life June 30, 1972 at the age of 72. He was the son of the late Rev. John and Nora Barnette Arrowood. His wife, Mae Adams Arrowood, was born September 5, 1906 and departed from this life March 17, 1972.

She was the daughter of the late George and Nancy Jane Adams. They were members of the Southside Free Will Baptist Church. They leave behind four sons, two daughters, twelve grandchildren, one great-grandchild, brothers, sisters, and many friends who miss them very much. Our loss is heaven's gain.

VERA COOPER—was born May 15, 1892. She departed this life February 21, 1972. She was a member of Southside Free Will Baptist Church. She is greatly missed by her family and friends, but we feel our loss is heaven's gain.

ZEKE TIPTON—was born September 22, 1901. He departed from this life June 30, 1972. He was a member of the Unaka Springs Free Will Baptist Church. He was the husband of Lucy Miller Tipton. He was greatly loved by all who knew him. We know our loss is heaven's gain. He left a testimony that he was ready to go.

JANE BRYANT—was born January 6, 1894. She departed this life August 1, 1972. She was a member of the Unaka Springs Free Will Baptist Church and a devoted Christian. She always tried to live at peace with everyone. By the life she lived and the testimony she left we believe she is enjoying that eternal peace. We feel that our loss is heaven's gain.

DOROTHY GOUGE BREWER—was the daughter of Bro. Robert T. Gouge and the late Sis. Gouge. Sister Dorothy was born January 28, 1925. She departed from this life September 29, 1970. She was a member of the Burbank Free Will Baptist Church where her funeral was held. Ministers officiating were Rev. Holt Harrell, Rev. Richmond Barnett, and Bro. J. C. Julian.

Sister Dorothy accepted the Lord at an early age. She was a truthful, upright saint of God. I was acquainted with her in school work for several years and I have never met a more patient and kind person than Sister Dorothy. She made friends with those she met and was liked by all the teachers and her pupils. - - - written by Bro. J. C. Julian.

IDA LOU STREET—departed this life on May 19, 1971 at the age of 82. She was a faithful member of Burbank Free Will Baptist Church for approximately 30 years. She was loved by the many who knew her. She is missed very much by her family and friends.

FRANK A. STREET—departed this life on August 1, 1972 at the age of 87. He was a deacon of the Burbank Free Will Baptist Church. He was a sincere and dedicated Christian. He leaves many friends and loved ones to mourn their loss. He was the husband of Ida Lou Street.

EMMA WHITSON—was born October 25, 1911. She departed this life October 12, 1971. She was a member of the North Bend Free Will Baptist Church. She was always cheerful and had a smile for everyone. She is greatly missed by all her friends and loved ones. We believe with all our hearts that our loss is heaven's gain.

BERLIN JONES—was born September 15, 1907. He departed this life August 24, 1971 at the age of 63. He was a faithful member of Young's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church. He leaves his widow, five daughters, four sons, and a host of friends who mourn his passing, but we feel our loss is heaven's gain.

Your loving smile, your gentle face,
No one can fill your vacant place,
We miss you now, our hearts are sore,
As time goes by, we miss you more,
You had a kind word for one and all,
You are not forgotten, nor will you ever be.

Submitted by his wife,

Sis. Mary Jones

GOLDIE TEAGUE—departed this life April 8, 1972. She was a native of Virginia, but had spent most of her life at Limestone Cove, Route 1, Unicoi, Tennessee. She was a member of Woodby Hill Free Will Baptist Church at Route 1, Hampton, Tennessee. She is sadly missed by her friends and children.

JOHN WHITSON—was born March 3, 1894, He departed this life February 5, 1972. He united with Big Creek Church at an early age and served as Deacon for many years. He is gone but not forgotten and won't be as long as memory lasts. Our hearts are sore and we miss your loving smile and gentle face. No one can fill your vacant place.

Wife and Children

CLINGMAN LEDFORD—departed this life February 2, 1972 at the age of 84 years. He was a member of the Middle District Free Will Baptist Church. He joined the church at an early age and was also a former deacon. He had been in declining health for a number of years, but remained patient and always enjoyed his Christian friends visiting with him. He leaves a widow, three daughters, eleven grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, a brother, and a host of friends to mourn his passing.

He is gone, and time can never mend;

But we can put our trust in Jesus,

And meet him in the end.

MINNIE WHITSON TIPTON—was born October 7, 1888. She departed this life August 20, 1971. She was the widow of John Tipton who died in May 1953. Surviving are four daughters, four sons, twenty-eight grandchildren, eighteen great-grandchildren, and many friends to mourn her passing. She was a member of the North Bend Free Will Baptist Church which she joined at an early age.

Treasurer's Report

Item Disabled Ministers Fund:

Cash on hand at last Association	\$10,484.18
Received this Association	485.00
Received from Ministers Confernce	140.00
Interest	520.63
TOTAL	11,629.81

Money paid out from last Association:

Rev. Dock Taylor	\$100.00
Rev. Theodore Fleenor	100.00
Rev. Holt Herrell	100.00
Rev. Ferrell Sparks	100.00
Rev. Theodore Fleenor	100.00
Rev. Orphard Hensley	100.00
Rev. Joe Honeycutt	100.00
Rev. Dock Taylor	100.00
Bond	25.00
TOTAL	\$825.00

Leaves balance of \$10,804.81

Signed: Rev. Holt Herrell, Rt. 1, Relief, N. C.

Home Mission Report

Balance in treasury at close of Association year 1971	\$1,423.19
Interest	64.60
Balance	\$1,487.79

Received at 1972 Association:

Pennington Gap	5.00
Hillcrest	10.00
Piney Grove	10.00
Crabtree	10.00
Balance	\$1,522.79

Signed: Rev. J. D. Price, Treas.

Box 444, Rt. 6

Johnson City, Tenn.

Foreign Mission Report

Balance in treasury last year _____ \$2,251.29

Receipts:

Hillcrest _____	172.80
Burbank _____	25.00
Covey Rock _____	50.00
Keystone _____	300.00
Low Gap _____	200.00
Middle District _____	10.00
Nix Creek _____	120.00
North Bend _____	15.00
Piney Grove _____	25.00
Wooby Hill _____	20.00
Youngs Chapel _____	50.00
Pensacola _____	24.00
Interest _____	67.50

Total _____ 3,330.59

Less Expenditures* _____ 720.00

Balance _____ \$2,610.59

*360.00 was paid to Josephine Stevens.

*360.00 was paid to Eddie Payne.

Signed: Rev. Clyde Fender

Rt. 1, Box 86-A

Nebo, N. C.

Orphanage Report

Balance from last year _____ \$2,659.00

Interest _____ 135.98

Total _____ 2,794.98

Received at 1972 Association:

(North Carolina)

North Bend _____ \$45.00

Byrd Branch _____ 5.00

Hillcrest _____ 10.00

Piney Hill _____ 5.00

Total _____ \$2,859.98

Received for Tennessee Orphanage at Greeneville, Tennessee:

Middle District _____ \$20.00

Wooby Hill _____ 25.00

Unaka Springs _____ 35.00

Piney Grove _____ 25.00

Total _____ \$105.00

Rev. Troy McCourry, Treasurer

CHURCH DIRECTORY

CHURCH	PASTOR	CLERK	ADDRESS
Big Creek	J. D. Price	Mrs. Albert Edwards	Rt. 1, Relief, N. C.
Drummetts Creek	Charlie Miller	Star Bennett	Relief, N. C.
Burbank	John Vance	Vernon Crain	Rt. 1, Roan Mt, Tenn.
Byrd Branch	Jessie Rice	Mrs. Billy Silvers	Rt. 1, Burnsville, N. C.
Covey Rock	Holt Herrell	Fate Deyton	Green Mtn., N. C.
Crabtree	L. D. Barry	Myrsona Shell	Roan Mtn., Tenn.
Davistown		James E. Vess	Str. Rt. Box 93, Blk. Mtn. N.C.
Ernestville	No Report		
First F.W.B.			
Flint Mich.	Milford Bazzell	Susie Anderson	11222 Jennings Rd. Fenton, Michigan
Hampton	Eugene Osborne	Okie Calhoun	Hampton, Tenn.
Hillcrest	Orphard Hensley	James E. Buchanan	Rt. 1, Nebo, N. C.
Keystone	Carl Steele	Jim Wilson	408 E. Carrol Creek Rd. Johnson City, Tennessee
Liberty	Allison Robinson	Bobby Allison	Rt. 4, Box 877 Marion, N.C.
Liberty Chapel	Arnold Briggs	Gladys Robinson	Burnsville, N. C.
Low Gap	Jack Silvers	Mr. H. D. Ray, Jr.	Rt. 6, Burnsville, N. C.
Middle District	James Smith	Georgia Moffitt	Rt. 2, Bakersville, N. C.
Nicks Creek	Arnold Wilson	Mae Woodard	Rt. 2, Marion, N. C.
North Bend	Cecil J. Higgins	Howard Buchanan	Rt. 2, Green Mtn., N.C.
Pensacola	Lyda Letterman	Terrell Wilson	Rt. 6, Burnsville, N. C.
Petersons Chapel	Roy Whitson	Mrs. Lloyd Laws	Rt. 1, Burnsville, N. C.
Pilgrims Chapel	Arnold Briggs	Lloyd Dulaney	Rt. 2, Burnsville, N. C.
Pennington Gap	Theodore Fleenor	Mrs. Elmer Fleenor	Pennington Gap, Va.
Piney Grove	Jonas Revis	Aileen McKinney	Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.
Piney Hill	Elzia Robinson	Gladys Hylemon	Rt. 4, Box 91-C Burnsville, N. C.
Rich Acres	Gilbert Abel	Bill G. Hughes	Rt. 6, Johnson City, Tenn.
Riverview	Leonard Shehan	Larry Galloway	Rt. 3, Box 268, Erwin, Tenn.
Southside	Troy McCourry	Fred Davis	923 Hoback Ave. Erwin, Tenn.
Sun Set	Bill Jaynes	Georgia Carlton	Rt. 2, Roan Mtn., Tenn.
Unaka Springs	Joe Honeycutt	Hazel Miller	Rt. 3, Box 199 Erwin, Tenn.
Unicoi	Ulis Miller	Opal Leedy	Rt. 1, Unicoi, Tenn.
Vale	Frank Harklerode	Coye Calhoun	Newland, N. C.
Valley Forge	Tommy Maines	Mrs. Will Stevens	Rt. 8, Elizabethton, Tenn.
West Park Street	Bernie Jones	Pearl Casey	Erwin, Tenn.
Woodby Hill	Lynn Hawkins	June McKinney	Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.
Young's Chapel	G. J. Higgins	Leon Burnett	Rt. 2, Burnsville, N. C.

Minutes of Ministers Conference of Jack's Creek Association

The ministers conference convened at 9:30 a. m. Saturday morning Oct. 30th with the congregation singin "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder". Devotions were read by Bro. Frank Harklerode. He used for his scripture lesson Romans 8:1-8. Prayer was led by Bro. Quince Miller.

The business part of the conference was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. Stanley Parkey. He read the rules of decorum. Roll call was taken with \$27 being received for the Disabled Minister's Fund. Fellowship was called for. Every Minister stood in Fellowship.

It was moved, seconded, and voted on for Rev. Holt Herrell, Treasurer of the Disabled Minister's Fund, to check for certificates for money on fund.

A call was made for visiting ministers. Bro. Allison Robinson, Blue Ridge Assn., Bro. Bill Jaynes, Toe River Assn., and Bro. D. F. Walker, French Broad Assn. were welcomed and seated in our body.

Churches, Deacons, and Delegates were called for:

RICH ACRES-Bro. R. C. Hamby, deacon; Martha Hamby, delegate.

NICKS CREEK-Deacons, Walter Woodard, Floyd Robinson.

Delegates, Sis. Walter Woodard, Jean Wilson.

SUNSET-Deacon, Bro. Gerald Stevens; Bro. Shoun Stevens, Delegate.

MIDDLE DISTRICT-Arthur Street, Deacon; Charles Street, Delegate.

HILLCREST-Garret Fender, Odeen Fender, and Bobby Revis, Deacons; Tim Biddin, Gary Harkerlode, and Burnie Fender, Delegates.

NORTH BEND-Ernest Hughes, Deacon. Voyd McCourry and Ivan Whitson, Delegates.

WOODBY HILL-Paris Street and Jess Clark, Deacons. Bro. Joel Street, Delegate.

VALLEY FORGE-Jim Troutman, Deacon. Sam Harrison and Bob Jenkins, Delegates.

YOUNG'S CHAPEL-Vernal Jones, Deacon. Bro. and Sis. Arnold Jones and Ada Jones, Delegates.

A Topic Committee was called for both this conference and the following one. Bro. Frank Harkelrode, Bro. Richmond Barnett, and Bro. Charlie Trivette were selected.

A call was made for old business - no response. A call was made for new business - no response.

A call was made for applicants for licenses and ordination. Bro. Charlie Trivette presented letters from Charity Hill F. W. B. Church where he was elected pastor, also, from Valley Forge F. W. B. where he was a member.

Business adjourned for preaching at 11 a. m. to meet back for business at 1:30 p. m.

The 11 a. m. service opened with congregation singing "Hand in Hand With Jesus", the Harklerode Duet sang "Heavenward Bound", "It's Me Again, Lord", also the congregation sang "How Great Thou Art". Prayer was led by Bro. Leonard Shehan.

Bro. Cecil Higgins brought the 11 a. m. message. He used for his scripture reading Acts 2:1-4, 12-15. Text, Chap. 4, "Great grace was upon them all." He brought a wonderful gospel message that was greatly annointed by the power of God. Service closed with a handshake and much rejoicing.

The business part of the conference re-convened at 1:30 p. m. with

the congregation singing "Living by Faith". Prayer was led by Sis. Mary Herrell.

The business part of conference convened with Bro. Parkey, Moderator, calling the conference to order. He then read the rules of decorum.

Licenses were written by the clerk for Bros. James Ledford, Gerald Fender, George Stockton, and Bill Greer. By recommendation of the Ordination Council, Ordination papers were issued to Bro. Benjiam Walker.

A call was made for old business and new business. There was no rspnse to either call.

A call was made for the next conference. Middle District, Rt. 2, Bakersville, N. C. was selected. Bro. Quince Miller was to preach the introductory message. Bro. Arnold Wilson was to be his alternate.

Moderator was Jack Silver with Jonas Revis to be his alternate. Devotion were to be read by Bro. Lynn Hawkins.

The Topic Committee was called for. The topic was "Temporal and Eternal Things". The scripture used was II Corithians 4:16-17.

Speakers were Rev. Frank Harklerode, Rev. Richmond Barnett, Rev. Charlie Trivette, and Rev. Stanley Parkey.

It was moved and seconded to bring the conference to a close until the next time and place.

Bro. Charlie Trivette was ordained by the lanying on of many hands and much rejoicing.

Bro. Charlie Trivette was ordained by the laying on of many hands care, kindness, hospitality, and especially the spirit of God that had existed throughout the conference.

Rev. Stanley Parkey, Moderator

Rev. Holt Herrell, Clerk

Minutes of Ministers Conference

January 29, 1972

Middle District F.W.B. Church

The ministers conference convened at 9:30 a. m. Saturday morning January 29, 1972 with the congregation singing "Where Could I Go" and "What a Friend We Have in Jesus". Pastor, Rev. Jimmie Smith, welcomed everyone and announced lunch to be served at the school lunch room.

Devotions were read by Bro. Lynn Hawkins, He used for his scripture Acts 9:8.

The business part of the conference was called to order by the moderator, Bro. Jack Silvers. He then, read the rules of decorum. Roll call was made. Forty dollars was received for the Disabled Minister's Fund. Fellowship was called for. Every preacher stood in fellowship.

Minutes of the last conference were read. Bro. Cecil Higgins noted there had been no report of the Ordaining Council included in the Minutes and asked that it be done.

Churches, deacons, and delegates were called for:

PENNINGTON GAP-Delegates-Bro. and Sister Kelly Bedso.

WEST PARK STREET-Delegate-Bro. William Casey.

BURBANK-Delegate-Bro. Bon Chapel. Deacons, Jess Troutman and Crawford Barnett.

NICKS CREEK- Deacon, Bro. Watts Woodard. Delegate, Sis. Watts Woodard.

VALE-Deacon, Don Calhoun. Delegate-Sis. Bill Calhoun.

NORTH BEND-Deacon, Earnest Hughes. Delegates, Voyd McCurry and Tise Petterson.

BRUMMETTS CREEK-Deacon, Bro. Baxter Bennett.

MIDDLE DISTRICT-Deacon, Bro. Toy Moffitt.

LOW GAP-Delegates, Bros. Cloyce Silvers and Jessie Robinson.

YOUNG'S CHAPEL-Deacons, Bros. Vernal Jones and Arnold Fortner.

Delegates, Sisters Ada Jones and Nell Fortner.

LIBERTY-Deacons, Bros. Lloyd Allison and George Stockton.

Delegates, Brs. Bill Long and Ruffis Loftis.

COVEY ROCK-Bro. and Sis. Bruce Laws and Sis. Geon Laves.

UNICIO-Delegates, Sisters Mildred Garland and Faye Miller.

Riverview-Deacon, Bro. Larry Galloway.

PINEY GROVE-Delegates, Sisters Essie Morton, Lydia Woodby, Elsie Shehan and Bertha Woodby.

VALLEY FORGE-Deacon, Bro. Jim Troutman. Delegate, Bro. Charlie Trivette.

WOODBURY HILL-Deacon, Bro. Jess Clark, Carmon Simerly and Odill Guinn.

RICH ACRES-Deacon, Bro. Bud Ledford. Delegates, Sisters Nellie Ledford and Theodore Fleenor.

KEYSTONE-Deacon, Bro. Joe Rash. Delegates Bros. Bob Greer and Wilder Street.

Visiting ministers were welcomed and seated. They were:

Rev. Paul Crow, Appalachian Assn., and Rev. Johnny Vance, Toe River Assn.

Call was made for old business and new business. There was no response to either.

Call was made for applicants for license, ordination, or anyone seeking membership. Bros. Orville Williams and Ray Colhough's licenses were re-newed for one year. Bro. Paul Crow from the Appalachian Association came for membership. The Ordaining Council recommended he be taken under watchcare for the conference subject to investigation by the Investigating Committee until next conference.

Topic Committee was selected for next conference. Bros. Leonard Shehan, Orphard Hensley, and Richmond Barnett compose the Topic Committee

Bro. Jonas Revis is to be moderator and Bro. Roy Cooper is to be his alternate.

Business adjourned for the 11 O'clock service. The 11 a. m. service opened with the Middle District Quartet singing "Jesus is Coming Soon", "I Can See the Lights of Home", and "Thank God I'm Free". Prayer was led by Bro. Orphard Hensley.

Bro. Quince Miller brought the 11a. m. message. He used for his scripture reading Deuteronomy 10:5. His text was "We are on a Journey". He brought a great gospel message under the anointing of the power of God. The service closed with a handshake.

The 1:30 p. m. service began with Sister Wilma Troutman singing "God Walks the Dark Hills". Devotions were read by Bro. Jonas Revis. Prayer was led by Bro. Richmond Barnette. The Moderator called the conference to order.

A call was made for next conference. Piney Grove, Route 1, Hampton was selected. Bro. Ulis Miller was to preach the introduction message with Bro. Bernie Jones to be his alternate.

Topic Committee was called for. The topic was "End Times" I Timothy 4:1-3 and II Timothy 3:1-7. Speakers were Bro. Frank Harklerode, Bro. Richmond Barnett, and Bro. Stanley Parkey.

Bro. Arnold Wilson discussed churches contributing \$2.00 each to help the church having the conference.

The conference closed with prayer by Bro. Arnold Wilson. It is to meet with Piney Grove F. W. B. Church April 29, 1972.

Rev. Jack Silvers, Moderator

Rev. Ulis Miller, Clerk.

MINUTES OF MINISTERS CONFERENCE

April 29, 1972

Piney Grove F. W. B. Church, Hampton, Tennessee

The Ministers' Conference convened at 9:30 a. m. with the choir singing "Victory in Jesus". Pastor, Rev. Leonard Shehan, welcomed all and told all to feel free and obey the Lord.

Devotions were read by Bro. Orville Williams. He used for his scripture reading II Timothy 4:1-8. Prayer was led by Bro. J. D. Price.

The business part of the conference was called to order by Moderator, Bro. Jonas Revis. He, then, read the rules of decorum. Roll call was made. Thirty-three dollars was received for Disabled Minister's Fund. Fellowship was called for. Every preacher stood in fellowship. Minutes of the last conference was read by the Clerk and received as read.

Churches, deacons, and delegates were called for and enrolled:

BURBANK-Jess Troutman, deacon.

VALE-George Ivilles, Goss Cornett, and Don Calhoun, deacons.

RIVERVIEW-Reece Adkins and Burnie Laws, deacons.

LIBERTY-Lloyd Allison, deacon.

RICH ACRES-Matthew Hughes and Bob Brockwell, deacons. Sister Ruth Hughes, delegate.

SOUTHSIDE-Fred Chandler, Roy Garland, Tony Hensley, and Sister Daisy Chandler, delegates.

HILLCREST-Bobby Revis, deacon.

CRABTREE-Dillard Shell, deacon. Charles Hill, Jr. and Ruby Hill, delegates.

COVEY-Bro. and Sister Gus Miller, delegates.

NORTH BEND-Park Peterson, deacon. Ivan Whitson, Lone Renfro, and Voyd McCurry, delegates.

PINEY GROVE-Joe Arnett, Emmett Woodby, Byrd McKinney.

WOODBYS HILL-Paris Street, Jess Clark, and Carmon Simerly, deacons. Arnold McKinney, delegate.

SUNSET-Frank Cornett, deacon.

VALLEY FORGE-Carl Robinson, deacon. Bill Forbes, Sam Harrison, Norman Lovelace, Charlie Trivette, Ruby Harmon, Mary Herrell, and Bob Jenkins.

YOUNGS CHAPEL-Vernal Jones and Garvel Honeycutt, deacons. Cora Honeycutt, delegate.

A call was made for visiting ministers. Bro. Bill Jaynes, Toe River Bro. Clarence Phillips, Union, and Bro. Roscoe Higgins, Union were welcomed and seated in our body.

A call was made for old business. There was no response. The conference adjourned for preaching at 11 a. m.

The 11 a. m. service opened with a song. Bro. Ulis Miller brought the message. He used for his scripture reading Isaiah 4:1-12. He used for this scripture for his text "What Shall I Say". He brought a wonderful gospel message that was greatly enjoyed by all. The service closed with a handshake and much rejoicing.

The 1:30 p. m. business session opened with the congregation singing "What a Friend We Have In Jesus". Devotions were read by Bro. Roscoe Higgins. He used for his scripture reading Deuteronomy 17. Prayer was led by Bro. Roscoe Higgins.

The business part convened with the Moderator calling the conference to order. A call was made for applicants for license and ordination. A letter from the Investigation Committee was turned in recommending Bro. Paul Crowe. Credentials were written by the Clerk.

A call was made for old or unfinished business. The Camp Meeting was discussed. It was decided not to hold the meeting this year.

A call was made for new business. Bro. Arnold Wilson received an offering for the church in the amount of \$50.05. There was a move made for each church to bring \$2.00 to the church where the conference is being held.

Devotions for the next conference are to be given by Bro. Jimmie Smith. Bro. Orphard Hensley is to be moderator.

Bro. Harold and Sis. Josephine Stevens, missionaries from Africa, gave interesting lectures on their work there. Their lectures were enjoyed by all.

The conference adjourned until the next time and place.

Rev. Jonas Revis, Moderator

Rev. Holt Herrell, Clerk

MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

The fourth quarterly conference at South Side Free Will Baptist Church, Erwin, Tennessee, met August 26, 1972 at 9:30 a. m. The congregation sang "Let Me Walk Close To Thee". Devotions were read by Rev. Roy Cooper. He used for his scripture reading Acts 11. Rev. Bernie Jones led prayer.

The conference was called to order by Moderator, Bro. Cecil Higgins.

The moderator read article 11 of the constitution and stressed the need for every minister to attend each conference. Roll call was made and \$41.01 was received for the Disabled Ministers' Fund. Minutes of the last conference were read and adopted. Fellowship was called for and every minister stood in fellowship.

Churches, deacons, and delegates were called for and enrolled with a good delegation. Call was made for visiting ministers. Bro. Tommie Maines, Appalachian Association, Bro. Johnnie Vance, Toe River Association, Bro. Jaynes, Toe River Association, Bro. Guy Honeycutt, Mount Mitchel Association, and Bro. H. C. Price, Appalachian Association were welcomed and seated in our body.

The following committees were appointed:
Ordaining Council-Rev. Cecil Higgins, Char.; Rev. Orphard Hensley,

Rev. Leonard Shehan, Rev. Troy McCourry, and Rev. Arnold Wilson. Investigation Committee.

Tennessee-Rev. Richmond Barnett, Chr. Rev. Roy Lee Rose, Rev. Lynn Hawkins, and Rev. Bernie Jones, alternate.

North Carolina-Rev. Troy McCourry, Chr. Revs. Clyde Fender, Arnold Wilson, and Jimmie Smith, alternate.

Call was made for applicants seeking license. Bros. David Street and Bobby Revis came forward and were turned over to the Investigating Committee. Bro. Bill Long's licenses were renewed for one year.

Call was made for anyone seeking membership. Bro. H. C. Price came forward with a letter of recommendation and was received by an unanimous vote. He was placed under watch-care until next conference. Bro. Guy Honeycutt came forward and was requested to bring a letter from his church to the next conference.

The 11 a. m. service began with the congregation singing. The message was brought by Rev. Jonas Revis. He used for his scripture reading Ephesians 5:16-21. His text was "Being Thankful". He brought a wonderful gospel message that was enjoyed by all. The service closed with prayer by Rev. Ulis Miller.

The conference reconvened at 1 p. m. with the congregation singing "I Will Fly Away". Devotions were read by Rev. J. D. Price. He used for his scripture reading Acts 8:26. Prayer was by Rev. Arnold Wilson.

The business session was called to order by the Moderator. Call was made for visiting ministers. Rev. Carl Stelle, Western Piedmont Association and Rev. Harry Mints, Union Association were welcomed and seated in our body.

Rev. Billy Ray answered to a delinquent charge and ask that his license be restored. He was placed under watch-care until next conference.

An offering of \$55 was received to help Carter County ministers fight to keep beer out of the county.

Rev. Leonard Shehan read article 15 of the constitution, then made a motion to change the wording of no. 9 of the by-laws to read as it is presently stated in the 1972-73 Minutes. The motion was carried. In order to save space, we will not copy it here, but have it on record.

The Ordaining Council's report was given in which Rev. Bill Greer was recommended for ordination. The report was accepted and the ordination proceeded with the charge given by Rev. Cecil Higgins and the laying on of hands and prayer by Rev. Leonard Shehan with the presence of the Holy Spirit.

The Conference closed with the next session to be held at the North Bend Free Will Baptist Church on Saturday before the fifth Sunday in October 1972. Rev. Troy McCourry will be Moderator with Rev. Frank Harkelrode as his alternate.

MINISTERS ROLL

Ministers Present for the Association

NAME	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
Gilbert Abel,	Barton Street, Johnson City, Tenn.	928-7846
Rex Adkins,	533 Washington St., Erwin, Tenn.	743-7524
Zenus Allen,	RFD Mars Hill, N. C.	689-2409
Richmond Barnett,	Rt. 1, Johnson City, Tenn.	926-1283
Arnold Briggs,	Burnsville, N. C.	

Anthony Ray Colbaugh, Rt. 6, Elizabethton, Tenn.	474-2007
Roy Cooper, Lakeview Drive, Johnson City, Tenn.	926-8783
Verno Davis, Rt. 2, Erwin, Tenn.	743-7377
Bruce Fender, Jr., Rt. 5, Elizabethton, Tenn.	474-2157
Clyde Fender, Rt. 1, Box 86-A, Nebo, N. C.	(Marion) 652-2167
Theodore Fleenor, 708 Franklin St., Johnson City, Tenn.	928-9613
Dan Garland, Rt. 6, Elizabethton, Tenn.	
Bill Greer, Betty Street, Johnson City, Tenn.	926-9094
Frank Harklerode, Rt. 1, Nebo, N. C.	695-0727
Lynn Hawkins, Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.	752-2763
Orphard Hensley, Old Fort, N. C.	668-4385
Holt Herrell, Relief, N. C.	
Cecil Higgins, Rt. 2, Burnsville, N. C.	(Micaville) 675-4658
Charles Hill, Jr., Rt. 2, Roan Mtn., Tenn.	725-3677
Joe Honeycutt, Unicoi, Tenn.	743-7630
Bernie Jones, Erwin, Tenn.	743-3292
Gus Ledford, Rt. 3, Burnsville, N. C.	
Bul Long, Marion, N. C.	724-4471
Troy McCourry, Box 68, Burnsville, N. C.	682-6439
Ulis Miller, Rt. 3, Erwin, Tenn.	743-4788
Eugene Osborne, Johnson City, Tenn.	928-1389
Stanley Parkey, Erwin, Tenn.	743-7485
J. D. Price, Johnson City, Tenn.	926-9589
Jonas Revis, Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.	725-2025
Elza Robinson, Rt. 3, Burnsville, N. C.	
Roy Lee Rose, 901 Bert St., Johnson City, Tenn.	926-3874
Leonard Shehan, Erwin, Tenn.	743-4761
Jack Silvers, Rt. 2, Burnsville, N. C.	682-6390
Jimmie Smith, Rt. 1, Box 461-A, Marion, N. C.	652-4278
Ferrel Sparks, Box 143, Greenville, Tenn.	639-3664
George Stockon, Marion, N. C.	724-4683
Dock Taylor, Erwin, Tenn.	
Charlie Trivette, Rt. 1, Elizabethton, Tenn.	543-1637
William Orvil Williams, Erwin, Tenn.	743-7953
Arnold Wilson, Rt. 4, Marion, N. C.	724-4147

Not Present

Vestal Ball, Hanover, Pa.	
Fred Beam, Jr., Marion, N. C.	
Floyd Brewer, Pennington Gap, Va. (In Service)	
Moss Holloway, Rt. 2, Box 15-A, Erwin, Tenn.	
Arson Miller, Rt. 3, Burnsville, N. C.	
Quince Miller, Rt. 3, Burnsville, N. C.	
John Murphy, Rt. 2, Burnsville, N. C.	
D. C. Patrick, Rt. 2, Elizabethton, Tenn.	
Billie Ray, Burnsville, N. C.	675-4529
Floyd Ray, Star Rt., Burnsville, N. C.	
W. H. Woodby, Rt. 1, Unicoi, Tenn.	
Paul Woolsey, Greenville, Tenn.	

CONSTITUTION OF JACK'S 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 Treaties 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 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. 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 unworthy, 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 un-

less 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. 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 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. Any person presenting a charge against a minister must sign his name to charge, or it will be null and void.

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 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. 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 Free Will Baptist Conferences shall be placed under watch-care for three months, and after being approved by the Investigating Committee and Ordaining Council shall be issued a certificate of ordination from our council with the original council's names on the 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.

13. Any person presenting a charge against a minister must sign his name to charge, or it will be null and void.

CHURCH LETTER

To The Jack's 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:

OUR STATISTICS 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) Pledge to Dis. Min. F.
(6) Deaths	(19) Monthly mission pledge
(7) Total members	(20) Poor and sick
(8) Average in Sunday School	(21) Value church property
(9) Communion & foot washings	(22) Improve church 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 and Moderator Fund.

Revival conducted by _____

Present pastor _____

Pastor elect _____

Treasurer _____ Clerk _____

Address _____ Address _____

Remarks _____

TABLE OF STATISTICS

CHURCHES AND MEETING DAYS	BAPTISED	ADDED OTHERWISE	EXCLUDED	DISMISSED	DEATHS	TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	NUMBER IN SUNDAY SCHOOL	COMMUNIONS	PASTOR PRESENT	MINUTE FUND	PAID PASTOR	PAID FOR REVIVALS	ORPHANAGE	HOME MISSIONS	FOREIGN MISSIONS	DISABLED MINISTERS FUND	LADIES AUXILIARY	C. F. S.	POOR AND SICK	VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY	IMPROVEMENTS TO CHURCH PROPERTY	ASSOCIATIONAL FUND	CLERK AND MOD. FUND
Big Creek Full	22	12	-	-	1	118	88	2	-	\$20.00	\$6,945.00	\$200.00	\$679.59	\$---	\$---	\$10.00	20	-	\$1,180.00	\$ 19,500.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 5.00	\$10.00
Brummitts Creek, 1st & 3rd	-	4	1	-	-	75	80	2	All	15.00	2,080.00	50.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,255.07	45,000.00	-	10.00	-
Burbank, Full	5	2	1	-	2	213	149	1	Full	10.00	5,650.00	-	177.00	150.00	125.00	10.00	19	87	646.08	58,000.00	9,000.00	10.00	5.00
Byrd Branch Full	13	2	5	-	2	50	45	1	Full	5.00	278.00	38.00	5.00	-	5.00	5.00	-	-	109.00	4,500.00	400.00	5.00	-
Covey Hook Full	-	-	-	-	1	135	85	1	Full	10.00	2,600.00	-	-	-	50.00	10.00	-	-	683.00	37,311.23	2,311.23	10.00	10.00
Crabtree 1st & 3rd	7	3	-	-	3	86	44	5	25	10.00	521.18	-	90.00	10.00	10.00	15.00	18	-	320.58	5,988.00	-	5.00	5.00
Davietown	-	-	-	-	-	39	30	3	31	5.00	1,192.99	-	-	-	-	21.60	6	-	20.00	20,000.00	-	5.00	5.00
1st F.W.B. Flint, Mich., Full	13	15	-	-	-	85	83	1	Full	10.00	4,680.00	80.00	-	-	299.39	-	12	-	224.24	137,000.00	-	-	-
Hampton Full	15	20	-	-	-	49	50	1	Full	5.00	1,850.00	290.80	-	135.75	-	5.00	12	-	263.65	45,000.00	1,800.00	5.00	5.00
Hillcrest Full	2	5	-	-	3	72	63	2	Full	11.00	2,580.00	150.00	10.00	10.00	217.45	10.00	9	-	342.45	35,000.00	9,520.00	10.00	5.00
Keystone Full	12	16	-	-	10	213	130	3	Full	10.00	5,895.00	125.00	560.01	-	362.87	-	12	30	340.00	120,000.00	860.00	10.00	-
Liberty Full	8	-	-	-	-	81	85	1	Full	10.00	4,770.00	240.66	-	258.25	275.15	10.00	15	30	599.00	50,000.00	2,500.00	10.00	-
Liberty Chapel 1st & 3rd	1	1	-	-	-	48	38	1	24	5.00	860.80	126.08	-	-	-	-	-	-	141.66	5,000.00	1,373.10	5.00	5.00
Low Gap Full	1	-	-	-	-	51	50	2	Full	10.00	2,600.00	120.00	-	152.41	302.50	36.00	-	-	300.00	18,000.00	4,249.27	5.00	5.00
Middle District Full	7	-	-	-	1	56	41	4	Full	12.00	1,353.82	253.82	20.00	-	10.00	10.00	-	-	536.13	22,300.00	204.21	10.00	5.00
Nicks Creek Full	1	4	-	-	6	96	58	2	Full	15.00	1,804.55	200.00	-	253.00	120.00	10.00	-	-	-	24,000.00	1,500.00	15.00	5.00
North Bend 2nd & 4th	2	2	-	-	4	123	81	2	27	15.00	1,737.00	199.00	45.00	-	15.00	50.00	24	-	390.00	13,000.00	2,409.68	10.00	5.00
Pennacola Full	4	5	-	-	2	155	40	1	Full	10.00	2,083.49	254.20	-	-	85.00	50.00	12	-	449.00	32,500.00	3,000.00	10.00	10.00
Peterson Chapel Full	-	-	-	-	-	25	30	1	Full	5.00	375.52	83.63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,000.00	239.20	5.00	-
Pilgrims Chapel 2nd & 4th	-	2	-	-	-	34	16	1	26	5.00	700.00	147.04	-	22.00	-	-	-	-	-	3,000.00	353.13	5.00	5.00
Pennington Gap Full	-	1	-	-	37	33	29	2	Full	3.33	600.00	50.00	15.00	5.00	-	5.00	15	-	-	18,000.00	1,200.00	10.00	-
Piney Grove Full	2	4	-	-	2	104	60	2	Full	10.00	5,275.00	-	25.00	10.00	77.32	15.00	-	-	255.51	12,259.99	-	10.00	5.00
Piney Hill 2nd & 4th	-	-	-	-	-	88	25	2	24	5.00	20.00	95.70	5.00	-	-	-	-	-	5.00	3,000.00	-	5.00	-
Rich Acrea Full	16	36	4	-	-	193	103	4	Full	15.00	5,120.00	581.00	-	267.41	-	-	53	-	1,223.25	30,182.60	3,955.04	5.00	5.00
Riverview Full	4	10	3	-	-	3	163	99	1	Full	15.00	5,560.00	136.23	236.73	-	-	-	-	232.11	36,000.00	500.00	-	-
South Side Full	13	3	-	-	5	161	159	5	Full	25.00	3,675.00	285.00	252.84	-	-	15.00	-	-	701.80	45,000.00	3,637.85	10.00	10.00
Sun Set Full	4	5	-	-	1	105	50	5	Full	10.00	2,083.07	95.73	813.43	-	-	10.00	30	-	334.70	32,860.00	5,000.00	10.00	-
Unaka Springs Full	1	2	-	-	4	44	40	1	45	8.00	1,025.96	110.00	35.00	50.00	-	5.00	-	-	140.32	9,200.00	-	10.00	5.00
Unicoi Full	6	3	-	-	-	170	89	-	Full	15.00	2,060.00	75.37	-	-	322.00	10.00	-	-	-	42,000.00	7,000.00	15.00	5.00
Vale 2nd & 4th	-	-	-	-	-	46	50	-	24	10.00	1,120.00	226.00	80.00	132.96	-	10.00	-	-	-	18,500.00	-	5.00	5.00
Valley Forge Full	31	37	6	-	-	1,225	205	3	Full	30.00	6,282.80	238.50	776.27	722.90	782.90	10.00	20	61	4,311.56	130,201.45	10,300.45	10.00	5.00
West Park St. Full	10	12	-	-	-	75	60	3	Full	10.00	1,022.79	129.74	-	-	-	10.00	24	-	156.34	-	-	5.00	5.00
Woody Hill Full	5	2	4	-	-	115	92	2	Full	15.00	5,075.00	350.00	25.00	244.94	180.00	25.00	-	-	226.23	33,900.00	1,917.65	10.00	-
Youngs Chapel 1st & 3rd	-	-	-	-	-	130	85	2	27	16.00	2,100.00	540.00	-	82.00	182.00	85.00	20	40	335.00	34,000.00	-	10.00	10.00

