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1976-77 MINUTES

OF THE

JACK'S CREEK FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

**Eighty-First Annual Session Held at
Middle District Free Will Baptist Church
BAKERSVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA**

August 5 - 6, 1976

Officers

Rev. Richmond Barnett	Moderator
Rev. Bobby Revis	Asst. Moderator
Rev. Troy McCourry	Clerk
Rev. J. D. Price	Assistant Clerk



NEXT SESSION

The next session will be held at Higgin's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church, Route 4, Burnsville, N. C. beginning on Thursday before the second Sunday in August, 1977 at 10:30 A.M. Rev. C. J. Higgins to preach the introductory message, Rev. Orphard Hensley, Alt.

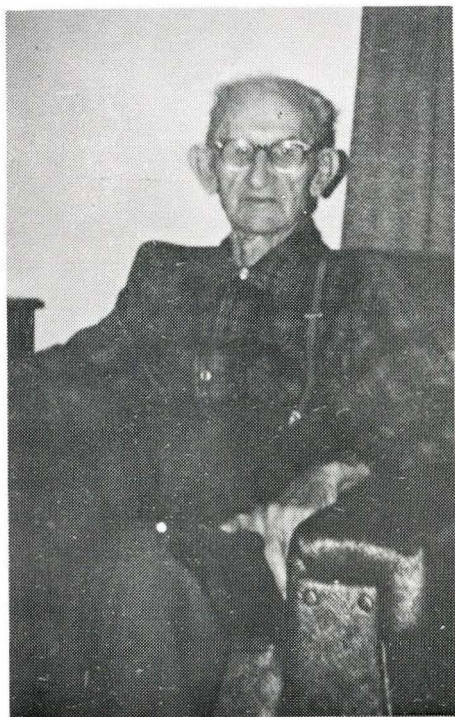


REV. JOE HONEYCUTT

Died at the age of 72. He was a Minister in the Jack's Creek F.W.B. Association since 1949.

REV. DOCK TAYLOR

Was born March 2, 1882 and departed this life February 6, 1976. He was a member of Southside F.W.B. Church and a Minister for 45 years.



AND MINISTER'S CONFERENCE
ASSOCIATION

MODERATOR _____ Rev. Richmond Barnett
ASST. MODERATOR _____ Rev. Bobby Revis
CLERK _____ Rev. Troy McCourry
ASST. CLERK _____ Rev. J. D. Price
TREASURER—Disabled Minister's Fund _____ Rev. Jonas Revis,
Route 4, Marion, N. C.
TREASURER—Home Missions ___ Rev. J. D. Price, Johnson City, TN
TREASURER—Foreign Missions _____ Rev. Bobby Revis,
TREASURER—Orphanage Fund .. Rev. Troy McCourry, Burnsville, N. C.
Route 1, Nebo. (Marion) N. C.

ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE OF INVESTIGATION:

Rev. Orphard Hensley, Rev. Troy McCourry, Rev. Bernie Jones,
Rev. Bruce Fender

DISABLED MINISTER'S FUND COMMITTEE OF INVESTIGATION:

Tenn.—Rev. Carmi Price, Rev. Eugene Osborne, Rev. Orville Williams,
Rev. Rex Adkins, alternate
N. C.—Rev. Arnold Wilson, Rev. Clyde Fender, Rev. Troy McCourry,
Rev. Orphard Hensley, alternate

MINISTER'S CONFERENCE

CLERK _____ Rev. Troy McCourry
ASST. CLERK _____ Rev. J. D. Price

ORDAINING COUNCIL:

Rev. Arnold Wilson, Rev. Leonard Shehan, Rev. C. J. Higgins, Rev. Troy McCourry, Rev. Bernie Jones

COMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATION:

Tenn.—Rev. Charlie Trivett, Rev. Ulis Miller, Rev. Richmond Barnett,
Rev. Rex Adkins, alternate
N. C.—Rev. Arnold Wilson, Rev. Clyde Fender, Rev. Troy McCourry,
Rev. Orphard Hensley, alternate

JACK'S CREEK FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
MIDDLE DISTRICT F. W. BAPTIST CHURCH
Bakersville, N. C.

The Jack's Creek Free Will Baptist Association met with the Middle District F. W. B. Church, Bakersville, N. C. on August 5, 1976 at 10:30 A.M. in its Eighty-First Annual Session. The service began with singing, "Heaven's Jubilee."

The prayer was by Rev. Jonas Revis.

Rev. Charlie Trivett welcomed everyone to Middle District Church.

The introductory message was given by Bro. Bobby Revis, reading 1 Peter 5, vs. 1-11. He brought a wonderful gospel message from the subject, "What kind of leaders do we need in the Church today."

The service closed with a handshake. Dismissed for lunch to reconvene at 1:30 P.M. for business session.

Thursday Evening Session

The 1:30 session convened with singing, "Where We Never Grow Old." Devotions were given by Bro. Orphard Hensley, reading Ezek. 2, vs. 1-7. Prayer was by Bro. Garrett Fender.

The body was called to order for business by the moderator, Rev. Leonard Shehan. Reading and Finance clerks were appointed as follows: Reading Clerks — Bro. Jess Clark and Rev. Bobby Revis

Assoc. Fund — Bro. Frank Harkleroad

Clerk & Moderator Fund — Rev. Stanley McMahan

Disabled Minister's Fund — Rev. Jonas Revis

Orphanage Fund — Rev. Troy McCourry

Home Missions — Rev. Frank Cable

Foreign Missions — Ulis Miller

The Church Letters were read with delegates seated as follows:

CHURCHES AND DELEGATES

BIG CREEK—Bro. Bernie Adkins, Sisters Bernie Adkins and Betty Cannon

BURBANK—Bros. Carl Keys and Jess Troutman, Sisters Lillie Keys, Mary Troutman, and Florence Street

BRUMMITT'S CREEK—Bro. and Sister Baxter Bennett

BYRD BRANCH—By Letter

COVEY ROCK—Bros. Boyd Ayers and Fate Deyton

CRABTREE—Sisters Mary Bell Lyons, Virginia Honeycutt, Linda Chambers and Marie Powell

DAVISTOWN—Bros. Emory Vess, Max Davis and Harold Jones, Sisters Linda Davis and Luberta Jones

HIGGINS—Bro. Edger Wheeler

HILLCREST—Bro. Garrett Fender, Sisters Freida Webb, Wanda Long and Margaret Pack

LIBERTY CHAPEL—Bros. David Miller and Earl McNeil, Sisters Grace McNeil, Sylvia Cook, Bernice Scott

LIBERTY—Bro. Lloyd Allison, Sisters Grace Allison and Mona Lee Boone

LOCUST GAP—By Letter

LOW GAP—Bros. Danny Ray and Cloyce Silvers, Sisters Danny Ray and Ada Ray

MIDDLE DISTRICT—Bro. Arthur Street and Sister Francis Street

NICKS CREEK—Bros. Walter Woodard, Flornel Cline and Billy Styles, Sisters Mae Woodard and Gayle Styles

NORTH BEND—Bro. Voyd McCourry and Sister Mary Lee Beam

PENSACOLA—Bro. Lawrence Wilson, Sisters Ruby Miller, Maxine Scott, Raylene Anglin and Wanda Wilson

PETERSON'S CHAPEL—Bros. Lloyd Laws and Sisters Lloyd Laws and Reece Edwards

PILGRIM'S CHAPEL—By Letter

PINEY GROVE—Bros. Hayse Woodby and Fred Simerley, Sisters Effie Simerly, Mary Sue Woodby and Essie Morton

RIVERVIEW—Bros. Clarence Duncan, Joe Ledford, Sisters Hassie Duncan, Gustie Duncan, Virgie Bailey and Ethel Webb

SOUTHSIDE—Bros. Russell Whitson, Phil Miller and Fred Davis, Sisters Arie Miller and Ruby Davis

SUNSET—Bros. Frank Cornett and Paul Whitehead

UNAKA SPRINGS—Bro. Timothy Higgins, Sisters Hazel Miller, Bell Carroll and Birdie Griffith

UNICOI—Letter

VALLEY FORGE—Bros. Howard Dugger and Walter Creasy, Sisters Lula Wiseman and Modent Creasy

VALE—Bros. Roy Johnson, George Willis, Goss Cornett and Von Trice

WOODBY HILL—Bros. Jess Clark, Arnold McKinney, Paul Stockton, Darrel Bryant, Sisters Trula Cooper, Shirley Bryant, Angelia Bryant, June McKinney and Dirris Stoctos

YOUNG'S CHAPEL—Bro. Garvel Honeycutt, Sisters Cora Honeycutt, Nell Fortner, Lila Fender, Sandra Fender, Ada Jones and Betty Wilson

A motion was made, seconded and voted to accept the letters and seat the delegates.

An invitation was extended to any visiting delegation or any church seeking membership. None responded.

An invitation was extended for any visiting ministers. Bro. James Raper, Supt. of the Childrens Home was welcomed.

The Officers for the coming year were elected as follows:

Moderator _____ Rev. Richmond Barnett

Asst. Moderator _____ Rev. Bobby Revis

Clerk _____ Rev. Troy McCourry

Asst. Clerk _____ Rev. J. D. Price

The Minister's roll was called

The following committees were appointed:

Churches and Pastors—Rev. Charlie Trivett, Bros. Jess Troutman and Jess Clark.

Church Training Service—Rev. Leonard Shehan, Bro. Arnold McKinney, Sisters Shirley Bryant and Trula Cooper

Association Committee of Investigation—Rev. Orphard Hensley, Rev. Troy McCourry, Rev. Bernie Jones, and Rev. Bruce Fender

Disabled Ministers Fund

Committee of Investigation—

Tenn.—Rev. Carmi Price, Rev. Eugene Osborne, Rev. Orville Williams, Rev. Rex Adkins, alternate

N. C.—Rev. Arnold Wilson, Rev. Clyde Fender, Rev. Troy McCourry, Rev. Orphard Hensley, alternate

Disabled Minister's Fund—Treasurer: Rev. Jonas Revis

Disabled Ministers—(Topic) Rev. Ulis Miller, Rev. Lida Letterman, Rev. Carmi Price, Bro. Carl Keys

Education—Rev. Jack Silvers, Bros. Howard Dugger and Tony Fender
Foreign Missions—Bros. Danny Ray, Garvil Honeycutt, Sisters Gusta Duncan and Josephine M. Stevens

Home Missions—Rev. Ricky Pate, Bros. Garrett Fender and Lloyd Allison

Ladies Auxiliary—Sisters Bobby Revis, Lila Fender, Wanda Long, and Mona Lee Boone

Orphanage—Rev. Frank Cable, Rev. Floranel Cline, Bros. Billie Styles, Voyd McCourry, Russell Whitson

Sunday School—Rev. Marven Hensley, Rev. Stanley McMahan, Bro. Bernie Adkins and Sister Mae Woodard

Sessions—Association Committee of Investigation

Resolutions—Bro. Ernest Webb, Sisters June McKinney, Gail Styles and Elsie Shehan

The Supt. of the Children's Home at Greeneville, Tenn., Bro. Raper, spoke on the work of the home. An offering was received for the home in the amount of \$159.70.

Sister Josephine Stevens spoke on the mission work she has been engaged in, in Africa for the past 27 years.

The Association was adjourned till 9:30 Friday with preaching to-night by Bro. Howard Whitson at 7:30.

Thursday Night Service

Bro. Howard Whitson used for a scripture, 1 St. John 3. He brought a good message from the subject, "What Manner of Love."

Friday Morning Session

The Association convened at 9:30 A.M. for business session, singing "Amazing Grace." Prayer was by Bro. Orphard Hensley.

Devotions were by Bro. Floranel Cline, reading 2 Cor. 5.

The minutes of Thursdays session were read and approved.

A call was extended to any churches that had not reported. The following came forward: Hampton, Davistown, Southside, Peterson's Chapel and Sunset.

The following visiting minister's were given a welcome:

Rev.. Clarence Phillips	Union Association
Rev. John Gibbs	Union Association
Rev. Jannis Sluder	French Broad Association
Rev. Jessee Rice	French Broad Association

Bro. Gibbs, Promotional Secretary for the State of Tennessee, spoke on the work of the Free Will Baptist in Tennessee.

The reports of the various committees were called for.

The report of Churches and Pastors was read by Rev. Charlie Trivett and adopted as read.

The report on Church Training Service was read. Speakers were Bros. Arnold McKinney, Leonard Shehan, Frank Cable and Sister Trula Cooper.

Worship Service 11:00 A.M.

Song—"The First Look." Bro. Jonas Revis sang "Hallelujah Square."
Prayer by Bro. Gerome Honeycutt.

The message was brought by Bro. Carmi Price. He used for a Scripture reading, Ecclesiastes 12 and Jeremiah 23. He used for a subject, "Stealing Words," from which he brought a good message.

The service closed with a Christian handshake and an alter prayer.

Friday Evening Session

Assembled at 1:30 P.M. for business session. Prayer was by Bro. J. D. Price.

The report of the Committee on Orphanage was read, discussed by several and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Ladies Auxiliary and the Ladies Auxiliary meeting was read and adopted.

The report on Education was read, discussed and adopted as read.

The report on Foreign Missions was read, discussed by Bro. Danny Ray and Sister Josephine Stevens and adopted as read.

The report of the Committee on Sessions was read.

The report of the Committee on Disabled Ministers Fund was read, also the report of the committee that had been appointed previously to draw up by-laws for the fund was read. It was moved, seconded and voted to adopt the reports.

A Board of Directors were then elected to serve as follows after which one will be replaced each year to serve 5 years.

- 1 Year—Clay Fender Route 1, Burnsville, N. C.
- 2 Year—Jess Troutman Route 1, Roan Mountain, Tenn.
- 3 Year—Carmi Price Johnson City, Tenn.
- 4 Year—Troy McCourry Box 68, Burnsville, N. C.
- 5 Year—Ulis Miller Erwin, Tenn.

The report on Home Missions was read and adopted. A move was presented, seconded and voted to appoint a committee of three on Home Missions to work with any Ministers who would like to go in any communities where there is no Churches and start a work.

The following were appointed: Rev. Richmond Barnett, Rev. Charlie Trivett and Rev. Gerome Honeycutt.

The report on Resolutions was read and adopted.

The report on Sunday Schools was read and adopted.

The various committees on Finance gave their reports.

Rev. Clyde Fender asked to be relieved as treasurer of Foreign Missions. His request was granted and Bro. Bobby Revis was elected to fill his place.

A motion was presented by Rev. Carmi Price, seconded and voted to bestow upon Rev. Cecil J. Higgins the title of Honorary Moderator.

The Moderator, Rev. Richmond Barnett extended thanks on behalf of the Association, to the Middle District Church for their kind and generous care of the Jacks Creek Free Will Baptist Association.

The Association then adjourned until time and place.

Churches and Pastors

We, the committee on Churches and Pastors believe the Church was purchased by the Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ, the greatest price that could ever have been paid. 1 Peter 1: 18-19. Foreasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things as silver and gold from your vain conversations received by tradition from your fathers, but with the precious Blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.

We also believe that the pastors should study to show thyself approved unto God; a workman that needeth not be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. But shun profane and vain babblings; for they will increase unto more ungodliness. 2 Timothy 2: 15-16. Be a watchman over the house of God and warn the wicked. Ezek. 3: 17-21.

We recommend that the Pastors preach the work of God and that the church back him in the Gospel.

Rev. Charlie Trivett
J. T. Troutman
Jess Clark

Church Training Service

We, the committee on Church Training Service offer the following recommendations:

1. We are fully aware that our young people and children of today will be the Church of tomorrow. We, as parents, face the responsibility of giving them the best training possible. "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6. We feel that the C.T.S. offers this training.

2. That the C.T.S. Director and all officers and teachers be devoted Christians, who are willing to sacrifice their time and energy to this important work.

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3. That Pastors and parents attend and encourage and teach their children to do anything they are called on for God.

4. Will just anything do? Are we laying the foundation for God's Holy Word? One that help in time of trouble, one that will teach him how to love his fellowman, as Christ loved us. We should teach them that we are saved by God's Grace.

Leonard Shehan, Chairman
Arnold McKinney
Shirley Bryant
Trula Cooper

Orphanage

We recommend these Scripture readings: 1 Cor. 13-13, James 1-27.

Realizing that there is a need for the Orphanage, we as Christians, by the commandment of God are to see after the orphans of our community.

Their needs are more than material. They need love, leadership

and training in the Bible. We should visit them, see that the right people oversee them, insure their training in the ways of Jesus Christ, and if possible bring them into our homes and churches.

Rev. Frank Cable
Rev. Floranel Cline
Russell Whitson

Ladies Auxiliary

We, your committee of Ladies Auxiliary, recommend Romans 16, vs. 1-6, Acts 1 vs. 8. We encourage each church and pastor to support your Ladies Auxiliary with your prayers.

Naomi Revis, Chairman
Wanda Long
Lila Fender

Education

We, your committee on education recommend the following: 2 Timothy 2: 15 "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

Ephesians 6: 6 "Servants, be obedient to them that are your masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in singleness of heart, as unto Christ."

Rev. Jack Silvers
Howard Dugger
Tony Fender

Foreign Missions

"Go Ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you. . . . Matthew 28: 19-20.

I am the good Shepherd, and know my sheep and am known of mine. Other sheep I have which are not of this fold, them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice: and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd. John 10: 14, 16.

In obedience to our Lord's command and having his heart of love for the other sheep lost in heathern lands, we urge our churches to consider his command and the great desire of his heart for the lost world.

Reaching the unreached souls should be the most important work for our churches to do. Christ came to seek them. He left us to finish this work.

How shall we do this?

1. Let us pray to God to send one or more of our children to be Missionaries.

2. When we pray at home, Sunday School or Church, let us be faithful in bringing our own Missionaries, by name before the Lord — Josephine Stevens and Eddie Payne. We are also responsible for prayer support of all Missionaries sent out by our Free Will Baptist Mission Board.

3. "Without a vision the people perish." To increase our vision and knowledge of the foreign mission fields, we should invite missionaries to come and speak to our churches.

4. "Train up a child in the way he should go." Starting with the youngest at home and especially in Sunday School, lets introduce them to mission work. This they can do by praying, by giving, and having projects to help.

5. For any work to prosper, there should be systematic support. Every church should have a regular offering sent to the foreign field. There some missionary can have your faithful offerings to carry on God's work.

Jesus said, "Loveth thou me?" Then feed my sheep. Why do you call me Lord and do not do the things which I command you?

Danny Ray
Garvil Honeycutt
Gusta Duncan
Josephine Stevens

Home Missions

We, your committee on Home Missions would like to recommend the following Scripture: "But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel." Not only does this mean material things but also Spiritual. We must first clean up at home and then reach out to others.

Rev. Ricky Pate
Garrett Fender
Lloyd Allison

Resolutions

Resolved that each member live and conduct themselves in such a manner that the world can have confidence in them as christians.

We feel that a Minister should be sure God has called him to a church before he accepts a church as pastor.

We also feel that anything that is presented to the association, that all the delegates and ministers have a right to vote on it.

Ernest Webb
Elsie Shehan
Mrs. Bill Stiles

Sunday School

"Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together." Hed. 10:25.

"I was glad when they said, let us go into the house of the Lord." Psalms 122:1.

Today's Sunday School teacher has an especially challenging job. People in this day don't have enough time for the 11:00 o'clock service. Many only have enough time for the Sunday School lesson. The world has too much to offer to stay two hours at the House of the Lord.

So, for those that only stay for Sunday School, the only gospel

they may hear is what the the teacher may say in the lesson. Our churches should elect Spirit filled teachers, so that people could not escape the house of the Lord without hearing the gospel.

Mae Woodard
Rev. Marvin Hensley
Bernie Adkins
Rev. Stanley McMahan

OBITUARIES

RHONA FANNING: Was born April 29, 1898 and departed this life March 9, 1976. She was a faithful member of South Side Church for as long as her health permitted her to go. I know our loss is Heaven's gain, but she is greatly missed by her family and friends.

REV. DOCK TAYLOR: Was born March 2, 1882 and departed this life Feb. 6, 1976. He was a member of South Side Free Will Baptist Church and a Minister for 45 years.

He will be missed by his family and friends. He is gone where there is no more pain and where we will never grow old.

He leaves one son, one daughter, four grandchildren, six great grandchildren, and one great-great grandson. We miss you dad.

LONE RENFRO: Departed this life Sept. 7, 1975 at the age of 71. He was a native of Mitchell County and a World War II veteran. He was a member of North Bend F.W.B. Church and was faithful to his church as long as he was able to attend.

He proved his love to his church by his presence, prayer and financial support. He is greatly missed by the church, his family and friends.

NORAH HUGHES: Was born Nov. 10, 1890 and departed this life June 15, 1976. He was a Deacon at North Bend F.W.B. Church. He served his Church faithfully until he was hindered by declining health of himself and his wife.

He was a devoted husband and father. He leaves behind a dear wife, 7 daughters, 2 sons, 35 grandchildren, 38 great-grandchildren, 1 great-great grandchild and a host of friends and relatives to mourn his passing.

He loved the Lord and his work with all his heart and his godly life was an inspiration to those that knew him. We believe that our loss is Heaven's gain.

JAMES DULANEY: Departed this life November 25, 1975 at the age of 83. He was a charter member of Pilgrim's Chapel F.W.B. Church. He was a son of John G. and Julia C. Dulaney. He left 5 daughters, 6 sons, 42 grandchildren, 39 great-grandchildren to mourn his passing.

He is greatly missed by his church, his family and friends, but we feel that our loss is heaven's gain.

DELLA WILSON RIDDLE: Died April 16, 1976 at the age of 77. She was a faithful member of the Pensacola F.W.B. Church for 53 years. Her family, friends and church miss her very much.

JAMES HARRISON HALL: Was born Aug. 20, 1890 and died April 26, 1976. He was a member of Nick's Creek F.W.B. Church for several years. He was a faithful member and a man who loved God and his church. We miss him very much.

DALLAS LYONS: Was born Nov. 21, 1920 and departed this life Sept. 5, 1975. He was a member of Hampton F.W.B. Church as long as his health permitted. He left a testimony that will never be forgotten by those that knew him. He leaves his wife and a host of friends to mourn his passing.

CAIL RICHARD WALLACE: Was born July 26, 1929 and departed this life Dec. 31, 1975. He was a member of Hampton F.W.B. Church. He taught Adult men's class for five years. His life was a great inspiration to all who knew him.

He has gone to his home he so often talked about. We miss him so much here. He leaves his wife, one son, one daughter and a host of friends.

JESS JARRETT: Was born Feb. 16, 1916 and died May 27, 1976. He was a member of Burbank F.W.B. Church. He leaves two brothers and one sister.

HATTIE M. STREET: Was born Dec. 12, 1911 and departed this life Jan. 22, 1976. She is survived by her husband and three sons. She was a member of Burbank F.W.B. Church.

FAIRBANKS D. HUGHES: Was born April 12, 1904 and departed this life Aug. 25, 1975. He was a member of Burbank F.W.B. Church and was faithful in attendance until his sudden death. He is survived by his wife and one daughter.

GAY G. REID: Was born Sept. 21, 1919 and departed this life Sept. 18, 1975. He was a member of Hillcrest F.W.B. Church. He leaves his wife, one daughter, one son, and two grandchildren. He is greatly missed by his family and all who knew him.

WILLIAM HITCHEW: Was born May 2, 1935 and departed this life March 9, 1976. He was a member of Crabtree F.W.B. Church. He left a wife, one daughter and eight step-children, also many friends and relatives. "He that overcometh shall inherit all things and I will be his God and he shall be my Son."

WILSON INGRAM: Departed this life March 1, 1976 at the age of 84. He was the son of Charlie and Biddie Ingram. He was a member of Middle District F.W.B. Church.

DEWEY INGRAM, SR.: Departed this life May 16, 1976 at the age of 79. He was the son of Charlie and Biddie Ingram.

He became a member of Middle District F.W.B. Church at an early age and worked faithfully and actively throughout his life to further the progress of the church.

He is survived by his wife, three daughters, three sons and seven grandchildren. He was an inspiration to all who knew him. Our loss is Heaven's Gain.

By—Widow Mae and family.

LISSIE TIPTON: Known to all who knew her as Mom, was born May 19, 1887 and departed this life Sept. 11, 1975, at the age of 88 years. She was a charter member of Unaka Springs F.W.B. Church. She leaves one son, three daughters, 19 grandchildren, 47 great-grandchildren.

She was a good mother and a dedicated child of God. Her daily life was a witness for the Lord. Her last request was for her children to live the life so we could all meet her in Heaven.

A Daughter—Mrs. Bill Carroll

ELMER W. BAILEY: Was born May 8, 1914 and departed this life Nov. 17, 1975. He was a member and trustee of Riverview F.W.B. Church. He was faithful to his Church as long as he was able to attend. In his last days he suffered much, but he was always patient and trusting in the Lord. His last words were, "There's a better place to go to."

He leaves a wife, 4 sons, 8 grandchildren and a host of friends to mourn his passing.

Wife and Children



JOANNA H. WILSON: Was born November 23, 1907 and departed this life November 18, 1975. She was a devoted Christian and an active member of Big Creek F.W.B. Church. She was preceded in death by her husband, G. W. Wilson on Oct. 19, 1967.

She was a sister to all, a mother to many and a preacher's friend. When a decision was to be made and a stand was to be taken, you could find her standing on the same side with Jesus.

Rev. J. D. Price

REV. JOE HONEYCUTT—Died at the age of 72. He had been a minister in the Jack's Creek Free Will Baptist Association since 1949. He had pastored churches in East Tennessee and Western North Carolina. His last pastorate was Unaka Springs Free Will Baptist Church, Erwin, Tenn.

He leaves his wife, eight sons, two daughters and many relatives and friends to mourn his passing. He is resting in peace, awaiting the final morning when we shall all stand before the King of Kings to receive our rewards.

NORTH CAROLINA ORPHANAGE

August 6, 1976

Beginning Balance	\$3,804.54
Received this year —	
Hillcrest	\$15.00
Liberty Chapel	20.00
Byrd Branch	10.00
Total Receipts	\$ 45.00
Balance in Bank	\$3,849.54

Received for the Home at Greeneville, Tennessee

Petersons Chapel	220.00
Piney Grove	25.00
Crabtree	287.69
Woodby Hill	25.00
Offering (Association)	158.70
TOTAL	\$716.39

Troy McCourry, Treasurer

DISABLED MINISTER'S FUND

Beginning Balance	\$13,615.54
Receipts for the year:	
Minister's Conference	523.00
Association	1,118.00
Interest	635.84
Total Receipts	2,276.84
Total to account for	15,892.38

Disbursements:

Bonding Fee	25.00
Rev. Bruce Fender	100.00
Rev. W. H. Woodby	100.00
Rev. Roy Lee Rose	100.00
Rev. Burnie Jones	100.00
Rev. Roy Cooper	100.00
Total paid out	525.00
Balance in bank	\$15,367.38

Rev. Jonas Revis, Treasurer

FINANCE COMMITTEE — MINUTE FUND

We, your finance committee report that we have received \$440.00 for the minute fund.

Rev. Bobby Revis, Jess Clark

We received \$170.00 for the clerk and moderator fund.

Rev. Stanley McMahan, Treasurer

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Beginning Balance	\$2,753.96
Receipts:	
Hillcrest	\$182.97
Nix Creek	120.00
Pensacola	120.00
Low Gap	100.00
Young's Chapel	100.00
Burbank	25.00
Petersons Chapel	20.00
Woodby Hill	20.00
Interest	86.46
Total Receipts	774.43
Total to account for	\$3,528.39
Paid out:	
Josephine Stevens	\$360.00
Eddie Payne	360.00
Total paid out	720.00
Balance in bank	\$2,808.39

Rev. Clyde Fender, Treasurer

CHURCH DIRECTORY

CHURCH	PASTOR	CLERK	ADDRESS
Big Creek	J. D. Price.....	Nancy Adkins ..	Rt. 1, Green Mountain, N. C.
Brummitts Creek	Ulis Miller.....	Mrs. Star Bennett ..	Rt. 1, Box 313, Green Mountain, N. C.
Burbank	Roy Rose.....	Vernon Crain	Rt. 1, Roan Mtn., Tenn.
Byrd Branch	Arnold Briggs.....	Mrs. Billy Silver	Rt. 1, Burnsville, N. C.
Covey Rock	Bobby Revis.....	Fate Deyton	Green Mtn., N. C.
Crabtree	Elgin Berry.....	Glenn Hughes	Rt. 1, Newland, N. C.
Davistown	Jessie Rice.....	James E. Vess	Black Mtn., N. C.
Hampton	J. D. Greene.....	Okie Calhoun	Hampton, Tenn.
Higgins	Howard Whitson.....	Millie Wheeler	Rt. 4, Burnsville, N. C.
Hillcrest	Bill Long.....	Faye Pack	Rt. 1, Nebo, N. C.
Liberty	Jonas Revis.....	Bobby Allison	Route 4, Marion, N. C.
Liberty Chapel	John Murphy.....	Bernice Scott	Rt. 5, Burnsville, N. C.
Locust Gap	H. C. Price.....	Beulah Mink	Mountain City, Tenn.
Low Gap	Jack Silvers.....	Daphne Ray	Rt. 6, Burnsville, N. C.
Middle District ...	Charlie Trivett.....	Henry Street	Rt. 2, Bakersville, N. C.
Nicks Creek	Orphard Hensley.....	Mae Woodard	Rt. 2, Marion, N. C.
North Bend		Robert Whitson, Jr.	Rt. 2, Green Mt., N. C.
Pensacola	Arnold Wilson.....	Terrell Wilson	Route 6, Burnsville, N. C.
Peterson's Chapel ...	Alfred Harris.....	Mrs. David Webb ...	Rt. 1, Burnsville, N. C.
Pilgrims Chapel		Lloyd Dulaney ...	Route 2, Burnsville, N. C.
Piney Grove	Bruce Fender.....	Aileen McKinney	Hampton, Tenn.
Riverview	Dan Garland.....	M. B. Laws ...	Rt. 2, Box 564, Erwin, Tenn.
Southside	Troy McCourry.....	Edith Pauley	Opekisa St., Erwin, Tenn.
Sun Set	Richmond Barnett.....	Georgia Carlton ...	Rt. 2, Roan Mtn., Tenn.
Unaka Springs ..	Gerome Honeycutt.....	Willard Shelton	Rt. 2, Erwin, Tenn.
Unicoi	Wentford French.....	Opal Leedy	Rt. 2, Unicoi, Tenn.
Vale	Frank Harkleroad.....	Coye Calhoun	Route 1, Newland, N. C.
Valley Forge	Johnny Vance.....	Mrs. Viola Stevens	Elizabethton, Tenn.
Woodby Hill	Leonard Shehan.....	June McKinney ...	Route 1, Hampton, Tenn.
Young's Chapel	Burnie Jones.....	Clay Fender	Route 2, Burnsville, N. C.

Jack's Creek Free Will Baptist Minister's Conference

Pensacola F.W.B. Church

November 29, 1975

The first quarterly conference was held with the Pensacola Free Will Baptist, Pensacola, N. C., Sat. Nov. 29, 1975, beginning at 9:30 A.M.

Song: "Tis a Grand And Glorious Feeling." Bro. Arnold Wilson, Pastor extended a welcome to all present. Devotions were given by Bro. Ronnie Peterson, reading Heb. 3. Prayer was by Bro. Stanley Parkey.

The rules of decorum were read by the moderator, Rev. Arnold Wilson.

The minister's roll was called and everyone stood in full fellowship. The letters were read from the ministers reporting by letter and were accepted. An offering was received for the Disabled Minister's Fund in the amount of \$85.00.

The Deacons and Delegates were enrolled. Rev. J. D. Wilson of the Appalachian F.W.B. Conference was welcomed as a visitor.

At the 11:00 A.M. worship service, the youth choir from Covy Rock F.W.B. Church sang several songs, Bro. Shehan gave a wonderful testimony. Bro. Gerome Honeycutt read Luke 15. He used for a subject, "What Is My Purpose."

Met at 1:15. After the song service, the devotions were given by Bro. Jack Silvers, reading Matthew 20. Prayer by Rev. Leonard Shehan.

The report of the Ordaining Council was received. They recommended that Bro. Dickie Riddle be licensed and Bro. Kyle Holloway, be ordained.

Conferences adjourned to convene with the Covy Rock F.W.B. Church, Feb. 28, 1976, Rev. Carmi Price to be the moderator.

Covy Rock Free Will Baptist Church

February 28, 1976

The second quarterly conference was held with the Covy Rock F.W.B. Church, at 9:30 A.M. Prayer was by Bro. Stanley Mahan. The rules of decorum were read by the moderator, Rev. Carmi Price. The ministers roll was called with every minister standing in fellowship. An offering was received for the Disabled Ministers Fund in the amount of \$108.00.

The following visiting ministers were welcomed to a seat: Rev. Jessie Rice, Rev. J. D. Wilson, Rev. Ronnie Smith, Rev. Clarence Phillips, Rev. John Gibbs and Rev. Clif McCourry.

A large number of deacons and delegates were enrolled.

The licenses of Bro. David Street and Ronnie Peterson were renewed, and Bro. Albert Edwards asked to be ordained. He was presented to the committee of investigation. Bro. Norman Loveless asked to be ordained.

The following resolution was presented by Bro. Carmi Price:

Resolved that the Jack's Creek Ministers Conference go on record as opposed to the so called Millennium Doctrine as preached by many today. Any minister found preaching or teaching said doctrine, after being admonished by Conference shall be dealt with by Conference—adopted by vote of 47 for — 1 against.

The 11:00 A.M. message was brought by Bro. J. D. Price.

Met at 1:30 P.M. Devotions were by Bro. Orphard Hensley, reading Luke 5. Prayer by Bro. Jonas Revis. **An offering was received for the** flower fund in the amount of \$45.00.

The Ordaining Council, after examining Bro. Loveless, recommended that he be ordained.

Adjourned to meet with Big Creek Church, May 29, 1976.

Big Creek Free Will Baptist Church

May 29, 1976

The third quarterly conference was held with the Big Creek F.W.B. Church, May 29, 1976 at 9:30 A.M. Devotions were by Bro. Gerome Honeycutt, reading Acts 14. Prayer by Bro. Willis Adkins. Bro. Jack Silvers served as moderator.

The ministers roll was called. All stood in fellowship. An offering was received for the Disabled Ministers Fund in the amount of \$174.00.

The deacons and delegates were enrolled. Bro. Earl Davis, visiting minister from the Blue Ridge Conference was given a welcome.

Bro. Bruce Fender brought the 11:00 A.M. message. He read 1 Cor. 2. His subject was, "The Best Is Yet To Come."

Met at 1:30 P.M. Devotions were by Bro. Ulis Miller, reading 2 Tim. 4. Prayer was by Bro. Arnold Wilson. A motion was presented to appoint a committee of five men to draw up by-laws and recommendations concerning the Disabled Ministers Fund.

The following were appointed: Bros. Ulis Miller, Jonas Revis, Troy McCourry, Leonard Shehan, and Jess Troutman.

Bro. Dallas Gregg presented himself for license. He was received under watchcare until next conference. The conference voted to ask for the license of Bro. Arnold Briggs and Harley Campbell, since they have

been absent from the conference for at least a year. The license of Bro. Ricky Pate was renewed.

The conference adjourned to meet with the Association at Middle District.

Middle District Free Will Baptist Church

August 7, 1976

The fourth quarterly conference convened with the Middle District F.W.B. Church, Sat. August 7, 1976 at 9:30 A.M. Song, "Hand In Hand With Jesus." Devotions were by Bro. Jerome Honeycutt, reading Mark 11. Prayer was by J. D. Price. Bro. Richmond Barnett served as moderator. The Ministers roll was called and everyone stood in full fellowship.

An offering was received for the Disabled Ministers Fund in the amount of \$193.00.

The deacons and delegates were enrolled.

The following visiting ministers were given a welcome: Rev. Johnny Vance, Rev. Stuart Harrington, Rev. Earl C. Davis. Bro. Davis asked for membership in the conference and was received under watchcare until he gets a letter from the Blue Ridge Conference. The following asked for license and were received under watchcare until next conference: Howard Ray, Tim Biddix, and Dean Ledford.

Officers were elected for the coming year. (Shown in front of Minutes.) The next Conference will be held with the Church at Brummitts Creek. Message to be given by Bro. Frank Cable, alternate to be Bro. Richmond Barnett. Devotions to be by Bro. Charlie Trivett.

The same topic committee was carried over until the next conference. It was voted to change Art. 5 in the Church Covenant to read "Church Meetings."

An offering was received for Bro. Roy Cooper in the amount of \$226.17. Bro. Cooper has had a heart attack.

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MINISTERS ROLL

Name	Address	Telephone
✓ Adkins, Rex*, 533 Washington St., Erwin, Tenn.		743-7524
✓ Allen, Zenus*, RFD, Mars Hill, N. C.		689-2409
* Ball, Vestal, Johnson City, Tenn.		
✓ Barnett, Richmond*, Johnson City, Tenn.	1-615-926 1283	
Beam, Fred, Jr., Marion, N. C.		
Briggs, Arnold, Burnsville, N. C.		
✓ Cable, Frank*, Marion, N. C.		
✓ Cannon, Ted*, R.F.D., Relief, N. C.		
✓ Cline, Flornell*, Marion, N. C.		
✓ Cooper, Roy, Lakeview Dr., Johnson City, Tenn.		926-8783
L Crow, Paul, 901 Barton St., Johnson City, Tenn.		928-9554
✓ Davis, Vernon, Route 2, Box 370, Erwin, Tenn.		743-7377
Edwards, Albert, RFD, Relief, N. C.		682-3202
✓ Fender, Bruce, Jr.*, Johnson City, Tenn.		
✓ Fender, Clyde*, Route 1, Box 86-A, Nebo (Marion), N. C.		652-2167
✓ Fleenor, Theodore, 205 Brown Avenue, Johnson City, Tenn.		928-3824
Garland, Dan, Route 6, Elizabethton, Tenn.		
✓ Gregg, Dallas, Unicoi, Tenn.		
L Greer, Bill*, Betty Street, Johnson City, Tenn.		926-9094
L Harkleroad Frank*, Route 1, Nebo (Marion), N. C.		695-0727
✓ Harris, Alfred*, RFD, Old Fort, N. C.		
Hawkins, Lynn, Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.		725-2254
✓ Hensley, Marvin*, Rt. 4, Burnsville, N. C.		682-3489
✓ Hensley, Orphard*, Old Fort, N. C.		668-4385
✓ Higgins, Cecil*, Route 2, Burnsville, N. C.		675-4658 X
✓ Hill, Charles, Jr., Route 2, Roan Mountain, Tenn.		725-3677
✓ Honeycutt, Jerome*, RFD, Burnsville, N. C.		682-2230
Holloway, Moss, Route 2, Box 15-A, Erwin, Tenn.		
✓ Holloway, Kyle, 523 Gay St., Erwin, Tenn.		743-3971
✓ Jones, Bernie*, 215 Oak St., Erwin, Tenn.		743-3293
✓ Ledford, Gus, Route 3, Burnsville, N. C.		
✓ Ledford, James*, Route 3, Burnsville, N. C.		
✓ Letterman, Lyda*, Rt. 1, Burnsville, N. C.		682-3961 X

✓ Long, Bill, Marion, N. C. _____	724-4471
✓ Lovell, Norman _____	
✓ McMahan, Stanley*, Rt. 2, Burnsville, N. C. _____	675-5280 ✓
✓ McCourry, Troy*, P. O. Box 68, Burnsville, N. C. _____	682-6439
Miller, Quince, Alexanderia, N. C. _____	
✓ Miller, Ullis, Route 3, Box 200, Erwin, Tenn. _____	743-4788
✓ Murphy, John, Route 3, Burnsville, N. C. _____	
✓ Osborne, Eugene, Johnson City, Tenn. _____	928-1389
✓ Pate, Ricky*, Unicoi, Tenn. _____	
Patrick, D. C., Route 2, Elizabethton, Tenn. _____	
Parkey, Stanley, Erwin, Tenn. (Asheville Highway) _____	743-7485
✓ Peterson, Ronnie, Green Mountain, N. C. _____	
Price, J. D.*, Johnson City, Tenn. _____	926-9589
✓ Price, Carmi*, Johnson City, Tenn. _____	928-4763
Ray, Billy, RFD, Burnsville, N. C. _____	
✓ Ray, Floyd, Burnsville, N. C. _____	
✓ Revis, Bobby*, Route 1, Nebo (Marion), N. C. _____	652-2153
✓ Revis, Jonas*, Rt. 4, Marion, N. C. _____	
Riddle, Dickie, Elizabethton, Tenn. _____	
Robinson, Elzie, Route 3, Burnsville, N. C. _____	
✓ Rose, Roy Lee, Johnson City, Tenn. _____	
✓ Shehan, Leonard*, Route 1, Hampton, Tenn. _____	
✓ Silvers, Jack*, Route 2, Burnsville, N. C. _____	682-6390 ✓
✓ Smith, Jimmie*, Route 1, Box 461-A, Marion, N. C. _____	652-4273
Sparks, Ferrell _____	
Street, David, Johnson City, Tenn. _____	
✓ Trivette, Charlie*, Rt. 1, Elizabethton, Tenn. _____	543-1637
✓ Walker, B. F., Old Fort, N. C. _____	
✓ Whitson, Howard*, Rt. 1, Relief, N. C. _____	682-6230 ✓
✓ Williams, Orville*, Erwin, Tenn. _____	743-7953
✓ Wilson, Arnold*, Route 6, Burnsville, N. C. _____	682-6002
Woodby, W. H., Route 1, Unicoi, Tenn. _____	
✓ Woods, Frank _____	

Honorary Members

Creech, Ronald, Durham, N. C. _____
Woolsey, Paul, Greeneville, Tenn. _____

*Ministers that were present at the Association meeting.

✓ Jim Bidder
✓ Ray
✓ R Smith

21 ✓ R Carroll.
✓ Earl D Styles
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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.

Article 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.

Article 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.

Article 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.

Article 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.

Article 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.

Article 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.

Article 8.—Perservance. 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.

Article 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.

Article 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.

Article 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 of 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.

Article 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.

Article 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.

Article 2. There shall be no conversation by members, one with another so as to interrupt business, while in session.

Article 3. Every member wishing to speak shall first rise to his feet and address the moderator.

Article 4. No member shall interrupt another while speaking.

Article 5. We will admit of no other title but that of Brother, while in session.

Article 6. Every member speaking shall attend to the subject under consideration.

Article 7. No member shall speak more than three times on one subject.

Article 8. Every motion made and seconded shall be attended to unless withdrawn by those who made it.

Article 9. No member shall absent himself from the body while in session without leave of the Moderator.

Article 10. On all motions when the vote of the body is taken, a majority shall prevail.

Article 11. The Moderator shall have the same privilege to speak as any other member, providing chair is filled.

Article 12. Any member transgressing the above rules shall be admonished by the Moderator.

BY-LAWS

JACK'S CREEK FREE WILL BAPTIST DISABLED MINISTERS FUND

1. This organization shall be known as the Jack's Creek Free Will Baptist Disabled Minister's Fund. Therefore it is not to be considered as a retirement program.

2. The purpose of this fund shall be to render financial aid to any member in good standing. However the need must be due to a physical disability.

3. This fund shall be managed by a board of directors consisting of five men, three of these men will be ordained ministers and two church laymen. Board members will be appointed by the association and will serve for a five year term. Each members term will expire in a rotating manner that will require one new member to be appointed each year. Each member will serve his last year on the board in the position of board chairman. It will be the responsibility of the board to manage this fund in such a way to provide the most return possible for the money we may have to invest. It will also be the responsibility of the board to budget the amount of money available to pay out each year. The amount to be used each year will be the amount of interest earned on the money invested.

4. Funding of this organization shall be done, by requesting each member of the conference to voluntarily take at least five dollars per week from his regular church contributions, or, whatever amount God may direct him to give on a regular basis. This may be accomplished either by allowing the church the minister is pastoring to deduct the amount each week from his salary, and writing a check to the quarterly conference for the amount deducted. Or the ministers may bring their contributions to the conference. Anyone contributing to this fund will receive a receipt for their contribution. Churches are to be encouraged to take part in the support of program as they feel God would have them to do. The funding of this program is never to be considered as dues to be paid, or, a tax to be levied on the ministers or churches.

5. Qualification for financial help shall not be established at any given age, due to age alone. Financial help shall be given when properly applied for, and the investigating committee has approved the application and presented it to the directors. The board of directors shall then determine the amount and method of financial help to be given, they may direct the amount to be paid in lump sum or monthly for the duration of the disability and need may exist.

6. A standard form application will be furnished by the organization. This application is to be properly completed by the investigating committee while the investigation is being conducted. Application for financial help may be requested by the individual in need, or by the church to which he belongs or may be pastoring.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Jack's Creek Free Will Baptist

Ministers Conference

ARTICLE 1. This body shall be known as The Minister's Conference of the 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 minister. He may take part in any Biblical discussions. He may not vote or take part in the transaction of business matters.

ARTICLE 3. This body shall elect quarterly 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. This Conference shall meet on Saturday before each fifth Sunday and in connection with the yearly Association, with some church in the Association, previously agreed upon, or at the call of the moderator; provided that more than one session may not be held with any church during the same conference year.

ARTICLE 6. The moderator 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. It shall be their duty to examine candidates, grant licenses and conduct ordinations.

ARTICLE 8. The ordaining council, when properly organized, shall have charge of all examinations and ordinations of candidates for the ministry who have been ordered before it by the Conference.

ARTICLE 9. All applicants for license to preach shall present to the Conference a letter of recommendation from a Free Will Baptist church to which he belongs. It must be properly signed by his pastor, deacons and clerk. After due inquiry and prayerful consideration, and after examination by the ordaining council, as to gifts, qualifications, and to the Divine call; said applicant shall be granted a license to preach the gospel for the period of one year; provided however, he may have said

license renewed at the expiration of the year, from time to time. All applicants for license and ministers from sister Free Will Baptist Conferences shall be received under watchcare for three months. They are to be investigated by the committee of investigation. All applicants for license and ordination, after being passed by the committee of investigation, shall be examined privately by 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 proven himself faithful and successful in the gospel ministry for a period of at least one year. 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.

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

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 his family.

ARTICLE 11. All applicants for ordination or membership shall present to the Conference a letter of recommendation from his church, properly signed by pastor, deacons and clerk.

ARTICLE 12. Each member shall report at each regular meeting either in person or by letter. 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 the Conference either in person or by letter, for one year, shall be dropped from the roll and his credentials called for.

ARTICLE 13. All ministers received from Sister Free Will Baptist Conferences, having been ordained and after having been investigated by the committee of investigation, and having been examined and found acceptable by the ordaining council, shall be issued a certificate of ordination from this conference, signed by the ordaining council with the original ordaining council and name of conference on the margin.

ARTICLE 14. The Conference may withdraw fellowship from any member who becomes disorderly. Any person presenting a charge against a minister must sign his name to the charge or it will be null and void.

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.

ARTICLE 15. Seven members shall constitute a quorum at all regular meetings. No session of conference will be considered legal if three or more ordained ministers are not present.

ARTICLE 16. 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.

ARTICLE 17. The moderator shall have power to appoint any or all committees to carry on the work of the Conference.

ARTICLE 18. Necessary expenses of this organization shall be met by voluntary contributions or by assesment to the members.

ARTICLE 19. This constitution and by-laws or any article thereof, may be suspended or amended, by a two-thirds vote of the Conference.

ARTICLE 20. Membership in this body shall be proof of good standing in the ministry.

The above constitution and by-laws, duly adopted by conference in regular session at North Bend Free Will Baptist Church, June 1919. Re-adopted in conference September, 1944.

Revised and re-adopted at Locust Gap Free Will Baptist, Mountain City, Tenn. August 9, 1975.

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) Numbered 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 _____

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES AND MEETING DAYS	Number Baptized	Added Otherwise	Number Excluded	Number Dismissed	Number Deaths	Total Membership	Number in Suncay School	Communion and Foot Washings	Times Pastor Present	Minute Fund	Paid Pastor	Paid for Revivals
Big Creek, full	1	5	0	1	1	128	90	2	52	\$ 20.00	\$ 5200.00	\$300.00
Brummitt's Creek, full						98	80		Full	15.00	2595.00	--
Burbank, full	8	10		1	3	242	149	4	All	15.00	6600.00	242.00
Byrd Branch, full	9	16	4	0	0	56	60	1	Full	5.00	900.00	160.00
Covy Rock, full	4	6				148	126	1	Full	20.00	6000.00	300.00
Crabtree, full	16	13	0	0	1	105	85	5	Full	15.00	2600.00	567.07
Davistown, full	9	16	0	0	0	59	65	4	Full	15.00	4013.36	108.09
Hampton, full	0	1	0	0	2	51	45	1	Full	5.00	2050.00	---
Higgins, full	0	0	0	0	0	100	60	2	Full	20.00	5200.00	668.30
Hillcrest, full	5	4	0	1	1	132	92	1	Full	15.00	2700.00	233.50
Liberty, full	6	4	0	0	0	80	74	1	Full	10.00	5720.00	110.00
Liberty Chapel, full	4	6	0	0	0	26	30	1	Full	10.00	1651.36	--
Locust Gap, full	8	4	0	10	1	90	70	2	Full	10.00	3050.00	131.00
Low Gap, full	1	8	1	0	0	86	43	2	Full	10.00	3000.00	444.00
Middle District, full	7	9	0	0	4	67	62	4	Full	15.00	2095.00	330.85
Nick's Creek, full	4	3	0	2	1	93	61	1	Full	15.00	2506.46	150.00
North Bend, full	2	11	0	0	3	146	90	4	Full	20.00	2750.00	467.00
Pensacola, full	7	6	0	1	1	77	56	1	Full	10.00	4233.76	136.00
Peterson's Chapel, full	4	4	0	1	0	48	62	1	Full	15.00	2254.13	226.00
Pilgrim's Chapel, full	0	0	0	2	1	22	15	0	--	5.00	85.00	--
Piney Grove, full	2	0	0	1	0	82	65	0	Full	15.00	7280.00	150.00
Riverview, full	5	8	0	0	3	160	76	1	Full	15.00	7340.00	--
Southside, full	2	1	0	0	2	173	138	5	Full	25.00	3900.00	285.00
Sunset, full	2	1	0	0	0	112	62	3	Full	10.00	2080.00	--
Unaka Springs, full	6	4	0	0	1	46	60	4	Full	10.00	1781.00	300.00
Unicoi, full	0	0	1	0	0	189	90	1	39	10.00	2070.00	98.27
Vale, full	0	0	0	0	0	48	30	0	Full	15.00	2110.00	--
Valley Forge, full	18	15	4	0	2	259	193	4	Full	30.00	6500.00	225.00
Woodby Hill, full	6	1	0	0	0	113	78	1	17	20.00	2535.00	--
Young's Chapel, full	1	0	0	2	1	163	85	4	Full	25.00	2458.00	380.00

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES AND MEETING DAYS	Childrens Home	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Disabled Ministers' Fund	Number in Ladies Auxillary	Number in C.T.S.	Poor and Sick	Value of Church Property	Improvements Church Property	Assoc. Fund	Clerk & Moderator Fund
Big Creek, Brummit's Creek Burbank Byrd Branch Covy Rock	100.00 10.00	75.00 940.00	25.00	150.00 50.00 10.00 5.00 10.00	20 20	40 64	1940.52 1795.00 1100.00 391.45 1500.00	100,000.00 65,000.00 82,000.00 7,500.00 69,000.00	1,500.00 12,000.00 1,800.00 2,000.00 2,600.00	10.00 10.00 10.00 10.00	10.00 5.00 10.00 5.00
Crabtree Davistown Hampton Higgins Hillcrest	287.69 15.00	10.00 15.00	200.00	100.00 5.00 100.00 15.00	30 6 12 8		1820.80 165.00 345.00 1056.52 560.91	13,500.00 23,000.00 50,000.00 25,000.00 100,000.00	951.22 170.00	5.00 5.00 5.00 5.00 15.00	5.00 5.00 5.00 5.00 10.00
Liberty Liberty Chapel Locust Gap Low Gap M iddle District	20.00 180.00 172.75	123.15 546.05 336.00	240.00	10.00 10.00 100.00 36.00 10.00	20 12	35 32	1022.75 449.86 1540.70 449.15 142.50	140,000.00 17,000.00 42,803.70 47,620.00 40,041.75	40,000.00 344.05 7,620.00 11,143.83	10.00 10.00 10.00 5.00 10.00	10.00 5.00 5.00
Nick's Creek North Bend Pensacola Peterson's Chapel Pilgrims	300.00 220.00	100.00 60.00	120.00	10.00 100.00 100.00 20.00	22 8 12	18	690.95 444.48 456.00 1335.05 1270.00	26,000.00 40,000.00 38,000.00 12,500.00 6,000.00	332.71 27,000.00 2,311.75 38.17	15.00 20.00 10.00 10.00 10.00	5.00 10.00 10.00 5.00 5.00
Piney Grove Riverview Southside Sunset Unaka Springs	25.00 497.28 328.08 749.10 178.00		600.00	10.00 50.00 10.00 10.00 5.00	15		542.77 125.00 886.89 300.00 458.00	2,918.33 42,000.00 75,000.00 51,000.00 12,200.00	2,918.33 1,900.00 1,900.00 10,054.22 3,000.00	25.00 15.00 10.00 10.00 15.00	5.00 5.00 5.00 5.00 5.00
Unicoi Vale Valley Forge Woodby Hill Young's Chapel	322.24 796.65 25.00		456.00	10.00 10.00 10.00 25.00 157.00	12 20 19 20		441.78 2369.39 491.55 258.00	50,000.00 20,000.00 165,000.00 34,000.00 42,500.00	2,966.66 119.00 7,421.91 1,744.71	10.00 20.00 10.00 15.00	10.00 5.00 10.00 5.00 15.00

