

Jerry Richardson

1985-86 MINUTES

OF THE

JACK'S CREEK FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

NINETIETH ANNUAL SESSION HELD AT

NORTH BEND F.W.B. CHURCH

GREEN MOUNTAIN, N. C.

AUGUST 8-11, 1985

OFFICERS

Rev. Richmond Barnett Moderator

Rev. Charlie Trivett Assistant Moderator

Rev. Ullis Miller Clerk

Rev. Bill Greer Assistant Clerk

NEXT SESSION

The next session will be held with Big Creek F.W.B. Church August 7-9, 1986 (Thursday before the second Sunday in August at 10:30 A.M.)

Rev. Leonard Shehan will be preaching the introductory message. Rev. Richmond Barnett will be his alternate.

OFFICERS OF THE JACK'S CREEK F.W.B. ASSOCIATION and MINISTER'S CONFERENCE ASSOCIATION

MODERATOR Rev. Richmond Barnett
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 TREASURER—Foreign Missions Rev. Jerome Honeycutt
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 Norman Loveless, and Rickey Pate, Alternate.
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MINISTER'S CONFERENCE

CLERK Rev. Ulis Miller
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 Chairman: Rev. Troy McCourry, J. D. Price, Richmond Barnett, Leonard
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 and Charlie Trivett, Alternate.
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 J. C. Sheets, and Jack Silvers, Alternate.

PROCEEDINGS

Jack's Creek Free Will Baptist Association met with the North Bend F.W.B. Church August 8, 1985 at 10:30 a.m. for its 90th Annual Session.

The Pastor, Rev. Marvin Hensley, extended a hearty welcome to the Association. The congregation stood and sang "Because He Loved Me," then were led in prayer by Bro. Eddie Payne. Bro. Ronnie Peterson preached the introductory message. His Scripture reading was Matt. 24:12 and Revelation 2:1-8. His text was "Because Iniquity Doeth Abound." Following a very inspiring message, the service concluded with a song and fellowship with a handshake.

Thursday Afternoon Session

Convened at 1:30 p.m. Two songs were sung by the North Bend Quartet.

Devotions were by Bro. Bobby Revis, reading Col. 4:1-6.

Prayer by Bro. Arnold Wilson.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator, Bro. Bruce Fender. Rules of Decorum were read.

Church letters were read, and delegates seated as follows:

BIG CREEK: Bros. Willie Murphy, Alvin Murphy, Tony Hoilman. Sisters Frankie Murphy, Lorene Adkins and Ramona Cox.

BORINGS CHAPEL: Bro. Glenn Bailey, Sisters Debbie Silvers and Betty Silvers.

BRUMMITT'S CREEK: Bros. Carl Laughren and Charlie Byrd and Sister Bertha Byrd.

BURBANK: Bro. Marshal Stockton.

COVEY ROCK: Bro. Charles Deyton, Sisters Mamie Deyton, Tammy Deyton, Marie Laws, and Becky Pate.

CRAB TREE: By letter.

DAVISTOWN: Bros. Hugh Dalton and Perry Moore; Sisters, Becky Thomas, Rudena Peterson, Tammy Moore, Denise Moore, and Violet Moore.

HIGGINS: Bros. Ralph Hedrick, Lester Phillips, Mike Phillips, Jeffery Phillips, and Daniel Phillips; Sisters Susie Hedrick, Maggie Phillips, Brenda Byrd, Sheria Byrd, and Crystal Hedrick.

HILLCREST: Bros. Garrett Fender, Richard Terry, Toney Fender, and Bobby Revis; Sisters Lilly Wiggins, Susan Revis, and Atlas Revis.

LIBERTY: Bros. Bobby Cable, Lloyd Allison, and Scott Hollifield; Sisters Grace Allison, and Helen Cable.

LIBERTY CHAPEL: Bros. Earl McNeil, John McNeil, and Roscoe Cook; Sisters Viola Miller, Iris Cook, and Amanda Miller.

LOW GAP: Sisters Ada Ray, and Nell Hiatt.

MIDDLE DISTRICT: Bros. Roger Laws, Acres Ledford, Charles Street, Fred Street, Jess Frye, and James Arrowood; Sisters Lovel Arrowood, and Dolores Street.

NIX CREEK: Bros. Danny Elliott, and Marion Elliott; Sister Margie Elliott.

NORTH BEND: Bros. Steve Price, Clinton Hopson, Mike Hopson, Tommy Hensley, Rodney Deyton, and Junior Street.

PATHWAY: Bro. Earnest Webb and Sisters Ethel Webb and Donna Stamper.

PENSACOLA: Sisters Rose Miller, Wanda Wilson, and Jewell Wilson.
 PETERSON'S CHAPEL: Bros. Ruben Higgins, and Reece Edwards.
 PILGRIM'S CHAPEL: Bros. Clyde Dulaney, and Lloyd Dulaney; Sister Myrtle Dulaney.
 PINEY GROVE: Bro. William Cole and Sister Joyce Cole.
 PINEY HILL: Bros. Braskie Edwards, George Woody, Burnice Bradford, and Jack Laws; Sisters Martha Edwards, Marie Edwards, and Millie Laws.
 SOUTHSIDE: Bros. Russell Whitson, Claude Tolley, Fred Davis, and Jim Lafollett; Sister Claudia Tolley.
 SUNSET: Bros. Harold Nave and Leonard Hyder.
 UNAKA SPRINGS: Bro. Clifford Miller; Sisters Birdie Griffith, and Pearl Casey.
 UNION HILL: Bros. Pat Riddle, Michelle Miller, Harold Richardson, and Lester Miller. Sisters Judy Miller, Clara Pennix, and Martha Richardson.
 VALE: Bro. Clarence Benfield and Sisters Van Trice and Clearence Benfield.
 VALLEY FORGE: Bros. Howard Dugger, Phillip Suess, and Doyle Vaughn. Sisters Ruby Harman, Mildred Vaughn, Ida Whitehead, Bonnie Elliott, and Mittie Bell Johnson.
 WOODBY HILL: Bros. Arnold McKinney, Odell Hill, Carmon Simmerly, and Sister June McKinney.
 YOUNG'S CHAPEL: Bros. Clay Fender, Vance Hughes, Wade Fortner, Arnold Fortner, and Sister Lila Fender.

Officers were elected as follows:

MODERATOR	Rev. Richmond Barnett
ASSISTANT MODERATOR	Rev. Charlie Trivett
CLERK	Rev. Ulis Miller
ASSISTANT CLERK	Rev. Bill Greer
TREASURER—Disabled Minister's Fund	Rev. Jonas Revis
ASSISTANT TREASURER	Rev. Stanley McMahon
TREASURER—Home Missions	Rev. Frank Cable
TREASURER—Foreign Missions	Rev. Jerome Honeycutt
TREASURER—Orphanage	Rev. Troy McCourry
TREASURER—Burial Fund	Rev. Bobby Revis
RULES COMMITTEE—Chairman, Rev. Troy McCourry, Rev. Leonard Shehan, Bro. Lloyd Allison, Bro. Charles Mosley and Bro. Mike Hopson.	
INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE—for The Association: Chairman, Rev. Bernie Jones, Carmi Price, Marvin Hensley, Bobby Revis, Charlie Trivett, and Stanley McMahan, Alternate.	
INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE—Disabled Minister's Fund:	
Tennessee: Rev. Charlie Tribett, Verno Davis, Bill Greer, Normban Loveless, and Rickey Pate, Alternate.	
North Carolina: Rev. J. C. Sheets, Leonard Shehan, Steve Beam, and Clyde Fender, Alternate.	
BOARD OF DIRECTORS—Disabled Minister's Fund.	
Chairman, Rev. Richmond Barnett, Ulis Miller, Clay Fender, Jess Troutman, and J. D. Price.	

ASSOCIATION COMMITTEES

CHURCHES, PASTORS AND DEACONS:

Bros. Willie Murphy, Garvell Honeycutt and Perry Moore.

CHURCH TRAINING SERVICE:

Bros. Earnest Webb, Clay Fender, and Lester Miller.

EDUCATION:

Bros. Blain Whitson, Lloyd Allison, and Clifford Silvers.

DISABLED MINISTER'S FUND:

Bros. Arnold Wilson, Doyle Vaughn, and Fred Davis.

HOME MISSIONS:

Bros. Arnold Fortner, Tommy Hensley, and Danny Elliott.

FOREIGN MISSIONS:

Bro. Eddie Payne.

LADIES' AUXILIARY:

Sisters Lila Fender, Becky Thomas, and Brenda Byrd.

SESSIONS:

Bros. Bobby Revis, Reece Edwards, Jimmy Arrowood, and Clay Fender.

RESOLUTION:

Bros. J. C. Sheets, Bruce Fender, and Toney Fender.

CHILDREN'S HOME:

Bro. James Earl Raper. (Bro. Raper gave his report and spoke on the condition of the home following his appointment, due to the fact he could not be present on Friday.)

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

Bro. Russell Whitson, Sisters Susan Revis, and Virginia Beam.

The following ministers were recognized and welcomed to the Association: Rev.'s Eddie Payne, Rex Johnson, James Earl Raper, Lewis Cancler, Bob Cable, and James Sluder.

Thursday Night Service

Service began with congregation singing. Special singing was provided by the Moore family, North Bend Quartet, and Sister Gwendolyn Wilson and daughter Millisa. Prayer by Bro. James Ledford. Message by Bro. Jerome Honeycutt. His Scripture reading was Judges, Chapter 19. Sermon, Making the Right Choice. Closed with prayer.

Friday Morning Session

Convened at 9:30 a.m. Congregation sang "Living By Faith." Devotions by Bro. Terry Richardson; his Scripture reading was John, Chapter 15. Prayer by Bro. Stanley McMahan.

Called to order by the Moderator, and Rules of Decorum were read. Minutes of Thursday's session were read.

Rev. Don Sexton was welcomed as Visiting Minister.

Invitation was given for any church seeking membership. No response. Call for old business. No response. Call for new business. Bro. Stanley McMahan spoke about Foreign Missions and Bro. Eddie Payne's account being in the red. A motion was passed to take money out of Missions treasury to make his account current.

Association Committee reported as follows:

Church Training Service

We are to use this time to do just what it says to do—Train: Our people need to be trained. We go to school to train for a vocation in life. We exercise or train our bodies to be strong physically. We practice or train ourselves to speak to people in order to be accepted in life. Why not train our people spiritually? Luke 2:52 says, "and Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man."

COMMITTEE: Earnest Webb, Clay Fender, Lester Miller.

Education

Ephesians 4:21. "If so be that ye have heard him and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus." The home is the proper place to start a christian education. Parents should be spiritual teachers by setting the proper example in front of their children. They should be led by the Holy Spirit as they teach and raise their children. We are seeing a great failure in society because of failure on the part of family and home environment. Laws in society will not be obeyed and respected until young people are taught the proper respect for God and his laws. The home should be the beginning of education—with God teaching parents, and parents teaching children. May we all be taught and educated by God. Scripture, John 14:26, Isa. 28:9.

COMMITTEE: Clifford Silvers, Lloyd Allison and Rev. Blaine Whitson.

Sunday School

We, your Committee on Sunday School, feel that everyone should attend (Heb. 10:25) study and be prepared (II Tim. 2:15). It is the responsibility of the adults to gather in the children and train them properly (Proverbs 22:6). The teachers should come prepared to teach and live each day worthy of the vocation wherein they are called. They should endeavor to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. (Eph. 4:14). We, as the church, need to prayerfully consider the election of teachers and officers, because they should be anointed of the Lord just as the pastors, evangelists and deacons (Eph. 4:11-12) are anointed.

COMMITTEE: Russell Whitson, Susan Revis and Virginia Beam.

Disabled Minister's Fund

We recommend that our churches support this fund as much as possible. We feel that this is a worthy cause, and that the ministers of our association should be helped by the churches in times of sickness and disability.

COMMITTEE: Rev. Arnold Wilson, Fred Davis and Doyle Vaughn.

Churches, Pastors and Deacons

We recommend that all work together for the edifying of all people of the church. To set examples to follow—holding fast, not, the tradition of men but the requirements contained in the gospel of Christ. A leader cannot lead from behind; he must be in front setting an example for others to follow. We recommend these Scriptures (Eph. 4:11-16).

COMMITTEE: Willie Murphy, Garvill Honeycutt and Perry Moore.

Foreign Missions

Before returning to heaven, Jesus gave a seemingly impossible order to the small group that made up his church, the redeemed people of God on the earth. "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every

creature"—this rang in the ears of those early-day followers of the Lord. The mandate for the church has not changed. God, who "is not willing, that any should perish but that all should come to repentance," still desires our obedience to Jesus' marching order for his church.

Participation by all born again believers is necessary to make the accomplishment of this Great Commission a reality. Those who go to the vast unreached groups of people around the world, and those who sacrificially pray and give to sustain these efforts are equal partners in obedience to our wonderful Lord. It is God's will that all hear the gospel. We dare not do less than our utmost to proclaim His name among all nations.

COMMITTEE: Eddie Payne.

Home Missions

Although we are not all called to do foreign mission work, we are responsible for lifting up the Lord's name wherever we may be. We must always be willing to help our sister churches and every need in the work of God. There is plenty of home mission work to be done all around us if we would be willing workers of the Lord. We recommend these Scriptures (Acts 1:8 and I John 3:17).

COMMITTEE: Arnold Fortner, Tommy Hensley and Danny Elliott.

Resolutions

We recommend that ALL delegates stay for ALL sessions of the Association, so they can give a better report to their church of the progress of the work of the Association and Conference.

COMMITTEE: J. C. Sheets and Bruce Fender.

Ladies' Auxiliary

W, each one as a part of the body of the church, have our work to do. Some preach, some teach, and some might feel that their job is just to be faithful in attending their church and praying for the ones that are to speak and work. No matter what the job is, we all have one. It is just as important to do the job God has given you as anyone else. Just as with your natural body, each part has its own job to do.

The Ladies Auxiliary has its job to do, and it is just as important (if worked in) as in the time when Jesus chose the seven deacons to do things that others didn't have time to do. (Acts 6:2). The Bible says, "Work while it is day; the night cometh when no man can work." (John 9:4, I Cor. 3:9, and I Cor. 12:28). We are laborers together with God.

COMMITTEE: Lila Fender, Brenda Byrd and Becky Thomas.

Sessions

The Ministers' Conferences will meet at the following time and places:

September 28, 1985 at Low Gap F.W.B. Church at 9:30 a.m. Rev. Ulis Miller will preach; Rev. Steve Beam, Alternate.

December 28, 1985 at Liberty F.W.B. Church 9:30 a.m. Rev. J. C. Sheets will preach; Rev. Bill Greer, Alternate.

March 29, 1986 Davistown F.W.B. Church, 9:30 a.m. Rev. Bernie Jones will preach; Rev. Bruce Fender, Alternate.

June 28, 1986 Southside F.W.B. Church 9:30 a.m. Rev. Bobby Revis will preach; Rev. Steve Beam, Alternate.

Association

August 7-9 1986 at Big Creek F.W.B. Baptist Church at 10:30. Rev. Leonard Shehan will preach; Rev. Richmond Barnett will be his Alternate. COMMITTEE: Bobby Revis, Clyde Fender, Jimmy Arrowood and Reece Edwards.

Friday Night Service

Met at 7:00 p.m. with North Bend choir singing "Because He Loved Me" and "Don't Ever Look Back." North Bend Quartet sang, "You Are Soon Coming Home." Gwendolyn Wilson and daughter from Big Creek Church sang, "I've Been There"; sister Frances Hensley sang, "Little Is Much"; Davis Town Trio sang, "While The Ages Roll." Prayer by Bro. Rodney Deyton. Many testimonies were given; a wonderful time was had by all. Fellowship and handshake resulted in much rejoicing. Closed by prayer.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Ladies' Auxiliary

BEGINNING BALANCE \$1,036.57

Receipts:

Offering at Young's Chapel	\$108.10
Offering at Big Creek	108.33
Sale of Cook Books	252.00
Dues—Young's Chap. & Middle Dist.	50.00
Donation at Young's Chapel	75.00
Interest	<u>52.47</u>

Total Receipts 645.90

TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR: \$1,682.47

Disbursements:

Bro. Eddie Payne	\$400.00
Children's Home	105.00
Foreign Missions 20/20	20.00
Home Missions	<u>20.00</u>

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS 545.00

BALANCE ON HAND 8/10/85 \$1,137.47

Foreign Missions

BEGINNING BALANCE 8/10/84	\$5,057.95
Receipts:	
Burbank	\$600.00
Covey Rock	100.00
Crabtree	300.00
Davistown	496.13
Hillcrest	420.00
Liberty Chapel	30.00
Middle District	360.00
North Bend	600.00
Nix Creek	100.00
Pensacola	117.41
Peterson's Chapel	295.00
Sunset	450.00
Union Hill	25.00
Woodby Hill	300.00
Young's Chapel	600.00
Rev. Verno Davis	2.00
Rev. Theodore Fleenor	1.00
Rev. Roscoe Higgins	50.00
Rev. Terry Richardson	5.00
Interest on Certificate	129.38
Total Receipts	<u>\$4,980.92</u>
Total to account for	10,038.87
Paid out—Eddie Payne	<u>5,500.00</u>
BALANCE ON HAND 8/10/85	<u>\$4,538.87</u>

Money reported by churches given to foreign missions that was sent direct to Missions Board and did not get accounted in Treasurer's Report.

Big Creek	
Brummett's Creek	\$ 983.56
Burbank	1,573.72
Covey Rock	382.00
Hillcrest	465.00
Liberty	1,132.00
Low Gap	700.00
Middle District	680.50
Nix Creek	320.00
North Bend	157.85
Peterson's Chapel	25.00
Piney Grove	900.00
Southside	1,243.50
Sunset	150.00
Unaka Springs	300.00
Valley Forge	3,835.06
Woodby Hill	120.00

Home Missions

Beginning Balance 8/10/84	\$1,049.25
Receipts:	
Sale of treaties	\$338.00
Association	55.00
Interest earned	43.63
Total Receipts	436.63
Total to account for	\$1,485.88
Disbursements:	
Paid for treaties	\$520.60
Total Disbursements	\$ 520.60
Balance on hand 8/10/85	<u>\$ 965.28</u>

Disabled Minister's Fund

Beginning Balance 8/10/84	\$75,708.63
Receipts:	
Minister's Conference	\$2,469.00
Association	1,447.28
Burial Fund	1,635.00
Interest Earned	8,111.35
Total Receipts	13,662.63
Total to account for	\$89,371.26
Disbursements:	
Expense	\$ 414.40
Bruce Fender	600.00
Theodore Fleenor	300.00
Cecil Higgins	250.00
Burial Fund	1,000.00
Richmond Barnett	1,200.00
Arnold Wilson	800.00
Elsie Robinson	600.00
Jack Silvers	300.00
Ophard Hensley	300.00
Orville Williams	300.00
Total Disbursements	6,064.40
Balance on hand 8/10/85	<u>\$83,306.86</u>

Orphanage

AUGUST 1, 1985

Account Balance (Including Interest)\$8,840.91

Receipts:

Boring's Chapel	\$ 30.00
Covey Rock	100.00
Nix Creek	150.00

Total	280.00
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Total Balance on hand\$9,120.91

Received for Greenville Home

Davistown	\$247.30
North Bend	200.00
Piney Grove	100.00
Liberty Chapel	60.00
Rosco Higgins	100.00
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	\$757.30

Troy McCourry, Treasurer

— OBITUARIES —

REVEREND CECIL HIGGINS—Born August 18, 1907, and departed this life September 29, 1984. He was ordained a Free Will Baptist minister May 28, 1938. He was a member of Big Creek Free Will Baptist Church; his loyalty and services to the Association and Conference and Churches will long be remembered. He is survived by his wife, two sons, three daughters and a host of friends and relatives to mourn his loss. One of his favorite Bible verses was Revelations 14:13. He left a testimony that will always be cherished.

VIOLA THOMPSON—Died January 17, 1984 at the age of 80 years. She was a member of Young's Chapel Church.

RALPH THOMPSON—Died December 3, 1984 at the age of 81 years. He was a member of Young's Chapel F.W.B. Church. They are missed by family and friends.

BERTHA WHITSON—Born October 18, 1908, died October 24, 1984. She was a member of Union Hill F.W.B. Church. She had a wonderful testimony for the Lord. She will always be remembered by her family and friends.

TONY WARREN LAWS—Died July 26, 1985 at the age of 37. Tony was a member of Peterson's Chapel F.W.B. Church. He leaves a wife, 3 sons, mother and father and 2 brothers, 2 sisters-in-law and three nieces to share our loss. We feel our loss is His gain.

BOB TRICE—Age 51, died July 24, 1985. He was a member of Vale F.W.B. Church. Surviving are his wife, Kathlene, 2 sons, 2 brothers, 2 sisters, mother Thausa Trice and 1 grandson. Loving memory of Bob, family and friends.

ROY STREET—Roy Street, age 61, passed away at 1:15 p.m. on July 29th in the Johnson City Veteran's Administration Hospital after an extended illness. Street, a life-long member of Middle District Free Will Baptist Church, served faithfully as church treasurer for 13 years. He also served as a church trustee.

Street, a veteran of World War II, was a life-member of the Disabled American Veteran's Association and had served in an administrative position of the organization.

In recent years, Street was unable to attend church services regularly due to serious health problems. He did, however, make every effort to attend up until his hospitalization. The people of Middle District remember Roy as a faithful member and devoted christian. He will be sorely missed both in the church and in the Buladean community.

Surviving Street are his wife, one daughter, 2 grandsons, 7 brothers, and one sister. Although the family is grieved by his passing they are comforted by the Scripture which says: "To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord."

WALTER BEAM—Died April 24, 1985. He was a member of North Bend F.W.B. Church. He is missed by all who knew him; his testimony was an inspiration to the church.

BERTHA KING—Born May 3, 1898, died July 18, 1985. She was a member of the North Bend F.W.B. Church and attended when her health permitted. Her favorite song was "Precious Memories," and that is what she left all of us who loved her.

COY AUSTIN—Born December 23, 1918, died September 2, 1984. He was a member of the Young's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church. He is survived by his wife Ruth Westall Austin, 3 sons, 2 daughters, 14 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren who loved him and miss him dearly. "And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain . . ." Revelations 21:4.

BLAKE GUINN—Born May 10, 1902, died November 9, 1984. He leaves behind his wife Norma and 11 children 34 grandchildren and 17 great grandchildren. He was a member of Woodby Hill F.W.B. Church. He is greatly missed by his family and friends.

NOLA CLARK—Born March 5, 1905, died May 30, 1985. She was a member of Woodby Hill F.W.B. Church. She is survived by 2 sons, 6 grandchildren, and several great grandchildren and a host of friends.

EVE STREET—Born February 20, 1923, and departed this life February 22, 1985. She was a faithful member of Liberty Chapel F.W.B. Church for a long time until her health kept her from coming to church. She leaves behind 4 children, 6 grandchildren and a lot of friends and relatives who miss her very much.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN HOLLAND—Born April 7 1918, departed this life January 8, 1985 at the age of 66. He is survived by his wife Margie, daughter Marie Terry, son, David Holland and 7 grandchildren. He was a member of Hillcrest F.W.B. Church.

God's Promises

God gives grace for each trial

And courage for each sorrow,

And faith to face in confidence

A blessed, bright tomorrow.

MINISTER'S CONFERENCE

Hill Crest

Jack's Creek F.W.B. Minister's conference met with Hill Crest F.W.B. Church September 29, 1984 at 9:30 a.m. The conference was welcomed by pastor Rev. Bobby Revis. Devotions were given by Rev. Burnie Jones reading John 3:14. Congregation stood in silent prayer in honor of Rev. Cecil J. Higgins.

Session called to order by the moderator, Rev. Roy Cooper. Rules of Decorum were read. Fellowship was called. Everyone stood. Roll call was made. The following visiting ministers welcomed to a seat in our conference: Rev. Rex Johnson and Rev. Leon Gibson.

Minutes of last conference were read and accepted. Church delegates were seated.

Call for anyone seeking membership, licenses or ordination. The Ordaining Council approved Bro. Roger Byrd for membership, Bro. Ronnie Carrol for Ordination. Bro. Oscar Hinson and Dan Garland were reinstated after answering to a delinquent charge. Bro. Hudgens was sent back to the investigating committee for licenses.

Officers for next conference were appointed. Bro. Burnie Jones, Moderator; Bro. Frank Cable, alternate; Bro. Bobbie Revis to preach at 11:00 a.m. Bro. Roscoe Higgins for devotions. Bros. Alfred Harris and Randy Laws for Topic Committee.

Rev. Jonas Revis preached at 11:00 a.m. Adjourned with prayer and giving of thanks for lunch until 1:30 p.m.

1:30 Session: Congregation sang "Standing On The Promises of God."

Called to order by the moderator and proceeded with ordination of Bros. Ronnie Carrol and Roger Byrd. Charge given by Bro. Leonard Shehan, prayer by Bro. Troy McCourry. Adjourned until time and place.

Clerk, Ulis Miller

Big Creek

Jack Creek F.W.B. Minister's conference met with Big Creek F.W.B. Church December 29, 1984 at 9:30 a.m.

Sister Gwendolyn Wilson sang "Stand By Me." Devotions by Bro. Roscoe Higgins reading Jonah 2:2; prayer by Bro. Bruce Fender.

Called to order by moderator, Bro. Burnie Jones. Rules of Decorum were read. Minister's Roll Call was made and everyone stood in full fellowship. Minutes of last conference were read. Deacons and delegates were seated. Rev. Erwin Gruson was welcomed as visiting minister.

Called for anyone seeking membership, licenses or ordination. Bro. Terry Richardson asked to be ordained and was presented to investigating committee. Bro. George Woody's licenses were renewed for one year.

Topic Committee presented 2nd Timothy 4 and 1st Peter 1-20 as the subject for discussion. Officers for next conference were appointed. Bro. Troy McCourry, moderator; Bro. Richmond Barnett, alternate; Bro. Blain Whitson to preach; Bro. Jack Silvers, alternate; Bros. Kenneth Shults, Ronnie Peterson and J. D. Price for Topic Committee. Investigating Committee and ordaining council gave their report recommending Bro. Richard Bryant for licenses to preach one year. Bro. Hudgens was turned down for licenses.

Bro. Bobby Revis preached at 11 a.m. Adjourned with prayer and thanksgiving for lunch.

Ulis Miller, Clerk

Low Gap

Jack Creek F.W.B. Minister's Conference met with Low Gap F.W.B. Church March 30, 1985 at 9:30 a.m.

Congregation sang "Victory In Jesus." Pastor Bro. Stanley McMahan welcomed the conference and was in charge of devotions, reading Ezek. Chapter 33. Prayer by Bro. Verno Davies.

Called to order by moderator, Bro. Richmond Barnett. Rules of Decorum were read, minister's roll call was made and everyone stood in full fellowship. Minutes of last conference were read and accepted.

The following visiting ministers were welcomed to a seat in our body: Bros. Larry Garland, Rex Johnson and Leon Gibson.

Bro. Morris Huskins turned in his licenses to preach, and Bro. Dan Garland requested a letter from the conference; his request was granted.

Bro. Ronnie Peterson presented the Topic Committee report, "What Is Preaching?" reading 1st Cor. 1:17-18. Investigating Committee and ordaining council reported, recommending Bro. Terry Richardson for ordination. Bro. Clyde Fender. Bro. Ronnie Carrol and Bro. Charlie Trivett were appointed for Topic Committee at next conference.

11:00 a.m. worship service: Congregation sang "At Calvary." Bro. Blaine Whitson preached, reading 1 Cor. 2 and Gal. 6. Closed with prayer.

1:30 Session—Crab Tree Quartet sang "When I Get Home," and "Where The Roses Never Fade." Bro. Terry Richardson was ordained. Bro. Richmond Barnett gave the charge, prayer by Bro. Bruce Fender. Adjourned until time and place.

Ulis Miller, Clerk

North Bend

Jack's Creek F.W.B. Minister's Conference met with North Bend F.W.B. Church August 10, 1985 in conjunction with the association.

Congregation sang "I'd Rather Be An Old Time Christian." Devotions by Bro. Steve Beam reading Heb. Chapter 12. Prayer by Bro. Ronnie Peterson.

Called to order by moderator, Bro. Richmond Barnett. Rules of Decorum were read, minister's roll call was made, everyone stood in full fellowship. Minutes of last conference were read and approved.

Officers were elected for next year as follows: Clerk, Ulis Miller; assistant, Troy McCourry; ordaining council: Chairman, Bro. Troy McCourry, J. D. Price. Richmond Barnett Leonard Shehan, Bruce Fender and Marvin Hensley, alt. chairman Committee of Investigation: Tennessee: Bros. Bill Greer, Roscoe Higgins, Dallas Gregg and Charlie Trivett, alternates, North Carolina: Chairman, Bro. Jerome Honeycutt, John L. Stockton, J. C. Sheets and Jack Silvers, alternates.

Bros. Randall Laws and Junior McKinney requested ordination and were presented to Investigating Committee.

Bro. J. C. Sheets was elected moderator for next conference; Bro. Blaine Whitson alternate. Topic Committee, Bros. Russell Hughes, Rickey and Jim Norris.

Motion passed to have communion service on Friday night at next association.

Bros. Clyde Fender and Roscoe Higgins spoke on Topic Report, reading Acts 4:28-29. Bro. Alfred Harris requested that he be anointed and prayed with for the healing of his body by members of the conference. His request was granted and God gave a great blessing of the spirit. Adjourned until time and place.

Ulis Miller, Clerk

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Roy Cooper	Princeton FWB Church
Bill Greer	Keystone FWB Church
Theodore Fleenor	East Fairview FWB Church
Charles Hill, Jr.	Fork Mountain FWB Church
Roy Lee Rose	Piney Flats FWB Church
Bruce Fender	River View
J. D. Price	Coxes Creek

CHURCH DIRECTORY

CHURCH	PASTOR	CLERK	ADDRESS
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Brummitt's Creek	Steve Beam	Mrs. Star Bennett.....	Rt. 2, Bakersville, N.C.
Burbank	Rex Johnson	Tommy Jarrett	Rt. 1, Roan Mtn., Tenn.
Covey Rock	Jonas Revis	Fate Deyton	Green Mountain, N.C.
Crabtree	Carmi Price	Mary Bell Lyons.....	Rt. 2, Roan Mountain, Tenn
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Liberty	Bobby Cable	Betty Allison.....	Rt. 4, Marion, N.C.
Liberty Chapel		Bernice Scott	400 Old 19-E, Burnsville, N.C.
Locust Gap	Ralph Phillips	Beulah Mink ..	Rt. 5, Box 162, Mountain City, Tn.
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Middle District	Ronnie Peterson	James H. Street..	Rt. 2, Box 128-C, Bakersville, N.C.
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North Bend	Marvin Hensley	Nora Buchanan	Rt. 2, Green Mtn., N.C.
Pathway	Johnny Vance	Joe Ledford	Rt. 8, Box 447, Jonesboro, Tn.
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Pilgrim's Chapel	Arnold Briggs	Lloyd Dulaney ...	Rt. 2, Box 803, Burnsville, N.C.
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Piney Hill	George Woody	Milley Lewis.....	Rt. 4, Burnsville, N.C.
Southside	Troy McCourry	Maurice Robinson ...	Rt. 2, Box 10, Erwin, Tenn.
Sunset	Bernie Jones	Linda Tolley	Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.
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Valley Forge	Leon B. Gibson	Vida C. Stevens	Rt. 8, Elizabethton, Tenn.
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Young's Chapel	Leonard Shehan	Wade Fortner	Rt. 6, Box 144, Burnsville, N.C.

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 may be adopted or rejected by the body.

8. The Association shall have a book in which shall be kept an accurate account of all its proceedings.

9. Any church may become a member of the Association by making application by letter or by delegate and adopting our articles of faith and church covenant.

10. The Association may withdraw from any church that becomes disorderly or refuses to be represented.

11. There shall be an associational fund for defraying expenses and charges that may accrue, and for replenishing such; each church may contribute at pleasure.

12. There shall be a treasurer appointed by the Association, whose duty it shall be to have care of and account for the money committed to his charge.

13. The Association shall use the Free Will Baptist Treatise in full.

14. Each church shall be allowed one vote for every ten members or fraction thereof.

15. The Association advises all its churches to commemorate the death and suffering of our Lord at least twice a year.

16. The Association shall pay its clerk at least \$5.00 for his services per annum.

PERMANENT RESOLUTION

Passed 8/11/84

We make a motion that the following resolution be accepted:

This committee will be known as the "Rules Committee." It shall consist of five men: three deacons and two pastors. None on this committee shall belong to or attend the same church. All motions to make new, or change existing rules or by-laws, shall be given to said committee in writing and signed. The committee will consider the motion, then, upon its decision, bring the motion to the floor for explanation in detail. This body shall then vote on the motion as they may choose. However, if the committee cannot agree that the motion should be presented to the body, the motion will then be dead.

Rev. Stanley McMahan, Bill McPeters and Junior Street

CHURCH COVENANT

1. Having given ourselves to God by faith in Jesus Christ and adopted the Word of God; according to the original Free Will Baptist doctrine 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 all regular 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 sorry 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.—**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.

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 unworthily, 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.

Article 14.—**JUDGMENT DAY.** We believe in one general Judgment Day. Hebrews 9:27. "Because He hath appointed a day, in which He will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained." Acts 17:31. "When the Son of Man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory. And before him shall be gathered all nations, and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats." Matthew 25:31-32. We believe that the tribulation precedes the Judgment of both righteous and sinners. Matthew 24:21-31, 2 Peter 2:10-13, 2 Thes. 2:6-9, Rev. 21:1-6, Rev. 19:6-9.

RULES OF DECORUM

Article 1. This Session 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. No member is to speak more than five minutes 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 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 member's 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 this 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.
- *(AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 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, after the investigating committee has made a fair and impartial investigation. If the application is approved, the investigating committee has the authority to request help for the applicant up to the amount of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) without consulting the board of directors, providing an application has been completed for a record to be reviewed by the board of directors. Otherwise the board of directors will be consulted and said board will determine the amount and method of financial help to be given. The board may direct the amount to be paid in lump sum or monthly for the duration of the need.)
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 Baptist 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 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 assessment 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 and Meeting Days	No. Baptized	Members Added	Members Dismissed	Deaths	Total Membership	Average in Sunday School	No. in Ladies Auxiliary	No. in C. T. S.	Minute Fund	Association Fund	Clerk and Mod. Fund	Paid Pastor	Paid for Revivals	Donated to Children's Home	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Disabled Ministers Fund	Poor & Sick	Improvement To Church Property	Value of Church Property
Big Creek, Full	5	3			142	85	25		\$30	\$25	\$ 5		\$ 767.00		\$ 352.61	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$2,494.00	\$ 7,832.39	\$ 195,508
Borings Chapel, Full ..	1	1			49	32			15	20	10		200.00	\$ 30.00			25.00	1,035.12	400.00	30,400
Brummitts Ck., Full....	1	7			80	70			15	30	10	5,200.00	1,050.00	982.00	326.25	983.56	300.00	1,947.88	2,386.95	102,387
Burbank, Full	4	4	1		231	141	16	96	20	20	10	11,100.00	396.50	563.75	1,234.65	2,173.72	260.00	3,040.99	10,000.00	200,000
Covey Rock, Full	1	2		2	158	117			20	25	20	7,525.00	982.00	100.00	324.51	482.00	100.00	1,945.28	1,255.00	124,964
Crabtree, Full	3	2			88	48	20	15	15	25	10	5,200.00	450.00	300.00	20.00		125.00	2,639.86		40,000
Davistown, Full	4	3	3		52	50	7		15	20	10	7,822.71	596.12	247.30		496.13		400.00		38,246
Higgins, Full				1	94	55			20	20	5	3,075.00	367.68				65.00	686.52	2,000.00	46,017
Hillcrest, Full	3	5		1	100	55	8		15	35	15	5,500.00	575.00	75.00	25.00	885.00	25.00	1,025.00	3,500.00	103,500
Liberty, Full	13	20	2		98	63		26	20	20		10,400.00	300.00		500.00	1,132.00	20.00	1,541.00		150,000
Liberty Chapel, Full ..	9	2	2	1	46	45	14		15	20	20	2,780.84	399.00	60.00	10.00	30.00	35.00	1,134.03	8,165.63	83,971
Locust Gap, Full	4	2	2	1	108	65	20		5	5	5	4,600.00	200.00	500.00			50.00	500.00	50,000.00	110,000
Low Gap, Full		2			74	58			20	30	5	7,650.00	550.00		1,302.58	700.00	60.00	1,067.92	10,000.00	79,000
Middle District, Full..	1	2		1	77	73	12	31	25	25	10	6,432.00	314.00	330.00	50.00	1,040.00	260.00	1,885.00	4,600.00	135,000
Nix Creek, Full				1	92	43			20	15	5	3,798.08	200.00	150.00		420.00	10.00	2,146.92		41,300
North Bend, Full	6	8	2	2	112	94			30		10	3,200.00	841.04	200.00	757.85	770.40	50.00	617.00	8,834.59	140,000
Pathway, Full	8	13			87	88			20	15	5	10,625.00	431.00	322.76			50.00	1,132.00	10,100.00	62,000
Pensacola, Full	5	5			81	50			25	25	10	4,887.43			90.00	117.41	50.00	1,176.74	10,000.00	75,000
Peterson Chapel, Full		2	2		97	75			20	15	10	2,475.00	257.80			320.00		1,051.93	2,368.25	30,423
Pilgrims Chapel, 1&3..		1			25	18			10	10	10	2,210.00	193.00		120.00			3,900.00	377.90	15,000
Piney Grove, Full	2	8	1	1	120	126			30	25	5	8,320.00	500.00	100.00	46.80	900.00	310.00	1,733.00	2,329.00	
Piney Hill, Full	2	1			31	20			5	5		559.44	47.00	10.00			10.00	324.00	961.00	19,000
Southside, Full	5	2	4	1	219	180			40	15	25	10,800.00	873.12	882.44		1,243.50	50.00	5,736.90		204,537
Sunset, Full		1			62	79			15	15	10	7,650.00	300.00	2,269.00		600.00	25.00	5,205.00	681.00	113,000
Unaka Springs, Full ..		3			77	31	20		15	25	5	1,576.93	600.00	276.45		300.00		324.65		26,000
Union Hill, Full	3	6		1	43	41			10	25	5	2,600.00	300.00		100.00			454.20		60,000
Vale, Full		1		1	35	25			10	10	5	1,870.00						160.00		50,000
Valley Forge, Full	42	16	2	4	289	174	10	54	30	25	10	10,400.00	1,581.82	2,213.74	7,187.99	3,835.06	100.00	8,741.50	9,453.60	266,447
Woodby Hill, Full	4		2	2	108	69	21	27	30	20	5	7,800.00	650.00	1,583.39	996.30	420.00	25.00	747.62		50,000
Youngs Chapel, Full ..	4	7		3	183	82	10		25	30	15	6,350.00	302.00	400.00	1,412.00	600.00	207.28	1,356.93		55,000
	131	128	24	33	3058	2152	183	249	585	595	270	162,407.43	14,224.08	11,595.83	14,856.54	18,348.78	2,812.28	56,200.99	136,245.31	2,646,700

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) Paid For Revivals
(2) Number Baptized	(15) Children's Home
(3) Members Added	(16) Home Missions
(4) Members Dismissed	(17) Foreign Missions
(5) Deaths	(18) Disabled Min. Fund
(6) Total Membership	(19) Poor and Sick
(7) Average in S.S.	(20) Improve Church Property
(8) No. in Ladies' Aux.	(21) Value Church Property
(9) No. in C.T.S.	(22) Paid Visiting Minister
(10) Minute Fund	
(11) Associational Fund	
(12) Clerk & Mod. Fund	
(13) Paid Pastor	

Pastor elect _____

Revival conducted by _____

Present pastor _____

Treasurer _____

Address _____

Clerk _____

Address _____

