

Larry Richardson

1988-89 MINUTES

OF THE

JACK'S CREEK FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

NINETY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION HELD AT

SOUTHSIDE F.W.B. CHURCH

ERWIN, TENN.

AUGUST 11-13, 1988

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Rev. Bobby Revis Assistant Moderator

Rev. Ullis Miller Clerk

Rev. Troy McCourry Assistant Clerk

NEXT SESSION

The next session will be held with Valley Forge F.W.B. Church August 10-12, 1989 (Thursday before the second Sunday in August at 10:30 a.m.)

Rev. Bruce Fender will be preaching the introductory message. Rev. Charlie Trivett will be his alternate.

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THE JACK'S CREEK F.W.B. ASSOCIATION
and
MINISTER'S CONFERENCE
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 North Carolina: Chairman: Rev. Stanley McMahan; John L. Stockton, Jack Silvers. Blaine Whitson, Alternate.

PROCEEDINGS

Jacks Creek Free Will Baptist Association met with Southside F.W.B. Church August 11, 1988 at 10:30 a.m. for its Ninety-Third Annual Session.

The congregation sang "I'll Fly Away" and "Just Over in the Glory Land." Pastor Bro. Charlie Trivett welcomed the Association to Southside Church. Prayer by Bro. Terry Richardson. Rev. Ullis Miller preached the introductory message, reading 1st Samuel Chapter 17. Closing prayer by Bro. Richmond Barnett.

Thursday Afternoon Session

Convened at 1:30 p.m. with congregational singing. Devotions by Bro. Bruce Fender who read John 3:16. Prayer by Bro. Roy Cooper.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator, Bro. Charlie Trivett. He then read the Rules of Decorum. Church letters were read and deacons and delegates were seated as follows:

BIG CREEK: Bros. Jack Whitson and Willis Adkins, Sisters Bonnie Adkins and Lydia Adkins.

BEANS CREEK: Bros. Nate Byrd and Harold Jones, Sisters Betty Byrd and Ruby Bennett.

BORINGS CHAPEL: Bros. Clifford Silvers, Fred Woodby, and Sister Betty Silvers.

BRUMMITTS CREEK: Bros. Paul Bennett, Roy Phillips and Carl Laughrun.

BURBANK: By letter.

COLBERTS CREEK: Bros. Mike Wilson, Cecil Burgin and Roscoe Cook.

COVEY ROCK: Bros. Buck Laws, Donnie Deyton and Sisters Marie Laws, Mamie Deyton and Ann Revis.

CRABTREE: Bros. Holt, Dayton Green and Sister Mable Price.

DAVISTOWN: Bros. Hugh Dalton, Uyette Davis, Perry Moore and Sister Violet Moore.

HIGGINS: Sisters Ethel Bradford, Anise Bailey, Lisa Miller and Dorothy Silvers.

HILLCREST: Bros. Clyde Fender, Earl Webb, Odean Fender, Sisters Lola Fender, Frieda Webb and Leona Fender.

LIBERTY: Bro. and Sister Lloyd Allison, Bro. and Sister Marvin Voliva, Sister Dianne Hollifield and Rev. Mark Hogan.

LIBERTY CHAPEL: By letter.

LOCUST GAP: Bro. Hugh E. Walker.

LOW GAP: Bros. Junior Peterson, Joel McMahan, Sisters Ada Ray and Ada Young.

MIDDLE DISTRICT: Bros. Acres Ledford, George Yelton and Sister Rose Ann Ledford.

NEW HOPE: Bro. Jess McInturff, Bro. and Sister Wayne McInturff, Willie and Jurline McInturff.

NIX CREEK: Bros. Marion Elliott, Floyd Robinson, Danny Elliott, Sisters Margie Elliott and Geneva Robinson.

NORTH BEND: Bros. Steve Price, Howard Buchanan, Mike Hopson, Stacey Briggs, Sisters Sally Price, Nora Buchanan, Betty Renfro and Betty Briggs.

PATHWAY: Bros. Jimmy Quillen, Earl Bailey, Earnest Webb and Sister Luala Bailey.

PENSACOLA: Bros. Ralph Anglin, Ronald Fox and Rose Miller.

PETERSON CHAPEL: Bros. Reece Edwards and Turner Silvers.

PILGRIMS CHAPEL: By letter.

PINEY GROVE: Bros. William Cole, Fred Simerly and Bvrl McKinney.

PINEY HILL: Bros. Burnice Bradford, Charles Phillips and Sister Leamon Phillips.

SOUTHSIDE: Bros. Phil Miller, Russell Whitson, Kenneth Higgins, Sister Ira Miller.

SUNSET: Bros. Gerald Stevens and Leonard Hyder.

UNAKA SPRINGS: Bros. Clifford Miller, Mark Casey, Sisters Pearl Casey and Hazel Miller.

UNION HILL: Bros. Lester Miller, Jimmy Riddle, Larry Riddle, Sisters Sue Riddle and Martha Shipley.

VALE: Bro. Don E. Calhoun, Sister Arabella Calhoun.

VALLEY FORGE: Sisters Ruby Harmon, Mildred Vauhan, Bertha Ledford, Irene Hyder, Bonnie Elliott and Pat Ray.

YOUNGS CHAPEL: Bro. Clay Fender, Sister Lila Fender.

WOODBYP HILL: Bros. Carmon Simerly, Odell Guinn and Nathan Woodby.

OFFICERS WERE ELECTED

MODERATOR Bro. Charlie Trivett

ASSISTANT MODERATOR Bro. Bobby Revis

CLERK Bro. Ullis Miller

ASSISTANT CLERK Bro. Troy McCourry

TREASURER DISABLED MINISTERS FUND Bro. Jonas Revis

ASST. TREAS. DISABLED MINISTERS FUND .. Bro. Stanley McMahan

FOREIGN MISSIONS Bro. Jerome Honeycutt

ASSISTANT FOREIGN MISSIONS Bro. Marvin Hensley

ORPHANAGE FUND Bro. Troy McCourry

ASSISTANT ORPHANAGE FUND Bro. Rickey Pate

BURIAL FUND Bro. Bobby Revis

ASSISTANT BURIAL FUND Bro. J. C. Sheets

RULES COMMITTEE: Bro. Troy McCourry, Chairman; Bros. Leonard Shehan, Lloyd Allison, Charles Mosley and Mike Hopson.

ASSOCIATIONAL INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE: Bro. Carmi Price, Chairman; Bros. Bernie Jones, Charlie Trivett, Marvin Hensley, Bobby Revis, and Stanley McMahan, Alternate.

DISABLED MINISTERS INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE:
 Tennessee: Bro. Verno Davis, Chairman; Bros. Bill Greer, Roscoe Higgins, Rickey Pate, and Norman Loveless, Alternate.
 North Carolina: Bro. Jack Silvers, Chairman; Bros. Dean Murphy, Steve Beam, Jr., Clifford Silvers, and Harold Jones, Alternate.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR DISABLED MINISTERS FUND: Bro. Jess Troutman, Chairman; Bros. J. D. Price, Richmond Barnett, Ullis Miller and Dannie Elliott.

HOME MISSIONS: Bro. Frank Cable, and Roger Byrd, Assistant.

ASSOCIATION COMMITTEES

CHURCHES, PASTORS AND DEACONS:

Bros. Fred Davis, David Pauly and Willis Adkins.

CHURCH TRAINING SERVICE:

Sisters Ann Revis, Pat Ray and Brinda Byrd.

DISABLED MINISTERS FUND:

Bro. Jonas Revis.

EDUCATION:

Bros. Darrell Dugger, Wayne McInturff and Perry Moore.

FOREIGN MISSIONS:

Bros. Eddie Payne and Mark Daniels.

HOME MISSIONS:

Bro. Don Sexton.

LADIES' AUXILIARY:

Sisters Lila Fender, Gail McInturff and Violet Moore.

CHILDREN'S HOME:

Bro. A. J. Looper.

RESOLUTIONS:

Bros. Jack Silvers, Bernie Jones and Clay Fender.

SESSIONS:

Bros. Bruce Fender, Richmond Barnett and Lloyd Allison.

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

Bros. Steve Price, Russell Whitson and Hugh Dalton.

Visiting ministers were welcomed: Bros. Eddie Payne, Mark Daniels and Robert Crawford.

7:00 P.M. Service

Congregation sang "Praise Him," followed by several numbers by the choir. Bro. Stanley McMahan preached a wonderful message. Service closed with a fellowship handshake.

Friday 9:30 A.M.

Opened with congregation singing "I Will Meet You in the Morning." Prayer by Bro. Jamts Ledford. Bro. and Sister Moore sang "Oh Lord, Hasten the Day." Bro. Bruce Fender preached a great message, reading for his scripture Luke 24. Service closed with handshake and much rejoicing.

Friday 1:30 P.M. Business Session

The congregation sang "Where We Will Never Grow Old." Devotions by Bro. Bobby Revis. Prayer by Bro. Fred Beam.

Business session called to order by the Moderator and the Associational Committees made their reports as follows:

ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Sunday School

First, we think Sunday School teachers should be filled with the Holy Ghost of God. We think Sunday School is as important as any other service in church, because we have heard teachers say things that the Bible has said that we didn't know was in it, so that makes us search to see if it is;

so we learn by that. Read John 2:12. The Bible has a lot to say about teaching.

Committee: Hugh Dalton, Russell Whitson and Steve Price.

Foreign Missions

Missions, Christ's last command to the church, is an unchanging order. The need to reach the lost with the Gospel is a never-ending task. The world's mission fields are always white unto harvest. The laborers are always few.

Let us be willing to sacrifice our time to pray the Lord of Harvest that He would send laborers into his harvest. Let us offer our children to go, and sacrificially give to send the Gospel to the ends of the earth. May our lives be dedicated to this priority task of eternal importance.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Daniel, Eddie Payne

Resolutions

We your Committee on Resolutions wish to re-adopt last year's resolution as following.

We resolve that all visiting churches be recognized and welcomed. Those being served by a Jacks Creek minister be so stated.

We further resolve that ministers state the churches they will be pastoring for the next year.

Committee: Jack Silvers, Bernie Jones and Clay Fender.

Education

Education: 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.

The home as well as the church should be a place to eagerly study to present ourselves approved unto God. By rightly dividing the truth, being skilled workmen, we need to understand and teach that the Word of God is one great bundle of truth to be obeyed and observed as we go through the Word of God.

Remembering that the basis of salvation remains the same, man is saved only by believing and accepting the atoning death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Committee: Rev. Darrel Dugger, Perry Moore, Rev. Robert Crawford.

Church Training Services

C.T.S. is a good learning resource center for our youth and the responsibility of the elders of the church to provide this training of good morals and doctrine of the F.W.B. in our church. Read Psalms 127:3 & 4.

Committee Brenda Byrd, Pat Ray and Ann Revis.

Churches, Pastors and Deacons

We feel that the church is a body of born again believers in Christ and are fittingly joined together in love one to another. One member cannot say we have no need for the other, because we are all of the same body. 1st Corinthians 12:1-13.

Our pastor should preach the Word, be instant in season, out of season, reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine. 2nd Timothy 4:1-2; 2:15; 1st Timothy 3:15; 1st Corinthians 15:58.

The deacons should meet the qualifications of a deacon, 1st Timothy 3:1-13, and be led by the Spirit of God in all things.

Committee: Willis Adkins, David Pauly and Fred Davis.

Ladies' Auxiliary

The Ladies Auxiliary is a wonderful phase of Christian service. It provides inspiration and opportunity for women to help meet the many needs in our local church community, nation and around the world. Acts 1:8.

We read in Romans Chapter 16 that the women were of "much" help to the Apostle Paul. And Luke tells us in Chapter 8 that the good women were with Christ as He went throughout every city and village . . . and they ministered unto Him of their substance.

Women with a keen spiritual insight are aware of the need to be laborers together, praying, giving of time and finances, helping and assisting the ministers and missionaries that we may accomplish the commission of our Lord to His church. John 14:12, Matthew 28:19-20.

Committee: Lila Fender and Violet Moore.

Sessions

First Conference: October 29, 1988 at Liberty F.W.B. Church, Marion, N. C. Rev. Bruce Fender to preach, Rev. Bill Greer, Alternate. 9:30 a.m.

Second Conference: January 28, 1989, at North Bend F.W.B. Church, Green Mountain, N. C. 9:30 a.m. Rev. Jimmy Arrowood to preach, Rev. Steve Broom, Alternate.

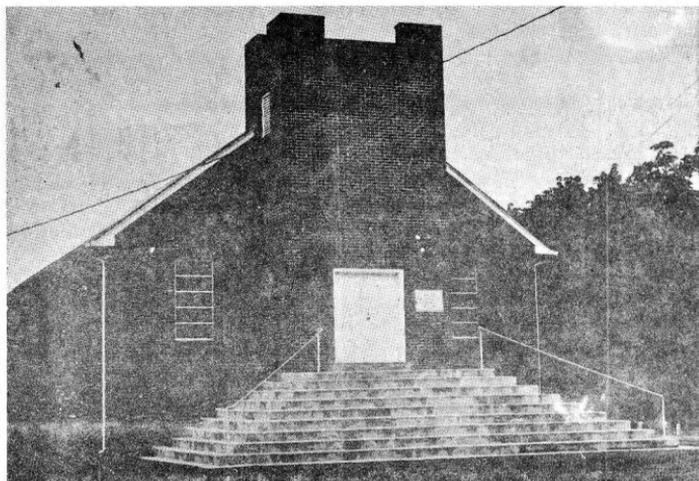
Third Conference: Riverview F.W.B. Church, Erwin, Tenn., April 29, 1989, Rev. Blaine Whitson to preach, Rev. Leonard Shehan, Alternate. 9:30 a.m.

Association and Fourth Conference: August 10-12, 1989 at Valley Forge F.W.B. Church, 10:30 a.m. Rev. Bruce Fender, Jr. to preach the introductory message, Rev. Charlie Trivett, Alternate. Thursday, 7:00 p.m., Rev. Leonard Shehan, Rev. Bobby Revis, Alternate. Friday, 11:00 a.m., Rev. Marvin Hensley, Rev. Richmond Barnett, Alternate. Friday, 7:00 p.m., Rev. Bill Greer, Rev. J. C. Sheets, Alternate.

Committee: Bruce Fender, Richmond Barnett and Lloyd Allison.

Friday 7:00 P.M. Service

Opening song, "City Limits of Heaven." Prayer by Bro. Kenneth Phillips. Southside sang several numbers as requested by the congregation. Rev. Rickey Pate preached, reading for his Scripture text Lev. 26:1-2 and 2nd Chro. 7:14. He preached a very good message. Service closed with a fellowship handshake.



Southside Free Will Baptist Church

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Home Missions

Beginning Balance 8-6-87	\$ 655.44
Receipts:	
Interest Earned	\$ 35.37
Church Donations	415.45
Ministers Donations	172.00
Sale of Treatise	45.00
Association Donation	<u>275.00</u>
Total to Account For	<u>\$1,538.26</u>
Expenditures:	
P.A. System	\$348.00
Total Expenditures	\$ 348.00
Ending Balance 8-11-88	<u><u>\$1,190.26</u></u>

Disabled Ministers Fund

Beginning Balance 8-7-87	\$ 97,216.46
Receipts:	
Minister's Conference	\$2,950.05
Association	1,533.20
Burial Fund	1,485.00
Interest Earned	<u>7,869.10</u>
Total Receipts	\$ 13,837.35
Total to Account For	<u>\$111,053.81</u>
Disbursements:	
Expense	\$ 628.20
Rev. Richmond Barnett	1,200.00
Rev. Arnold Wilson	600.00
Rev. Elzie Robinson	600.00
Rev. Clyde Fender	600.00
Rev. Theodore Fleenor	600.00
Rev. John Murphy	550.00
Rev. Leonard Shehan	1,200.00
Rev. H. C. Price	450.00
Rev. Ronnie Carroll	300.00
Roseland Florist (Jimmie Smith Service)	52.50
Ricky Pate	900.00
Rev. Jimmie Smith	900.00
Sonja Smith	300.00
Harry Hollaway (Moss Hollaway)	<u>300.00</u>
Total Disbursements	\$ 9,180.70
Balance Ending 8-12-88	<u><u>\$101,873.11</u></u>

Rev. Jonas Revis, Treasurer

Children's Home

Beginning Balance 8-6-87	\$ 9,168.16
Interest Earned	\$595.92
Total	\$ 9,764.08
Interest Earned to 5-15-88	\$494.28
Total	\$10,258.36
Sent to Greenville Home—Interest Received	<u>\$ 1,090.20</u>
Balance on Hand	<u>\$ 9,168.16</u>
Checks Received for Greenville Home:	
8-6-87:	\$ 860.00
8-11-88: Liberty Chapel	\$ 40.00
Covey Rock	\$ 100.00
Piney Grove	\$ 100.00
Low Gap	\$ 200.00
Cash Gift	\$ 5.00
	<u>\$1,305.00</u>
Interest (above)	\$1,090.20
Total to Home	<u>\$ 2,395.20</u>

Foreign Missions

Beginning Balance 8-8-87	\$ 1,489.87
Receipts:	
Big Creek	\$ 400.00
Burbank	450.00
Covey Rock	100.00
Crabtree	150.00
Davistown	300.00
Hillcrest	315.00
Liberty Chapel	20.00
Middle District	360.00
North Bend	900.00
Nix Creek	210.00
Pensacola	159.57
Petersons Chapel	320.00
Woodby Hill	225.00
Youngs Chapel	450.00
Rev. Frank Cable	300.00
Rev. Verno Davis	9.00
Rev. Terry Richards	6.00
Rev. John Stockton	3.00
Cash	<u>4.00</u>
Total to Account For	<u>\$ 6,171.62</u>
Disbursements—Eddie Payne	<u>6,000.00</u>
Ending Balance 8-12-88	<u>\$ 171.62</u>

Rev. Jerome Honeycutt, Treasurer

— OBITUARIES —

ALEX WILSON — Age 92. Departed this life Jan. 30, 1988. Deacon of the Pensacola Free Will Baptist Church. He leaves ten children, fourteen grandchildren, seven great grandchildren and a host of friends. His favorite song: I Can Almost See the Lights of Home.

Nothing could be more beautiful, —
Than memories we have of you.
To us you were someone special,
God must have thought so too.
All our lives we will miss you.
Though the years may come and go.
But in our hearts you will live forever,
Because we love you so. His Family

ELIZABETH JANE ALLEN — Was born August 2, 1815, died Nov. 21, 1987. She is survived by her husband, Carnal C. Allen, 6 sons, 1 daughter, 10 grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren, 3 sisters and 1 brother. She was a faithful member of the Pensacola Free Will Baptist Church and is dearly missed by all of her loved ones.

J. L. HIATT — Born October 8, 1923, departed this life May 25, 1987, at the age of 63. He was a member of Low Gap Free Will Baptist Church. His devotion and faithfulness will long be remembered by the church. He is greatly missed by his family and friends.

JESS B. CLARK — Departed this life August 31, 1987, at the age of 80. He was a charter member of Woodby Hill Free Will Baptist Church, Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn., and had served on the deacon board for 54 years, first at Millers Chapel Church before Woodby Hill was built in 1943, and then at Woodby Hill. He was also an adult Sunday School teacher for many years. He was a blessing to everyone that knew him and was a faithful servant of God. He is sadly missed by the church and his family.

WILLIAM G. FORBES — Was born February 22, 1922, He passed away September 6, 1987. He was a faithful member of Burbank F.W.B. Church. His pew is vacant at the church but we feel we will meet again on Heaven's bright shore. He is survived by his wife, two daughters, one son, one stepson and many friends. Our loss is surely Heaven's gain.

MARGIE D. HOLLAND — Was born May 5, 1924. Departed this life Nov. 23, 1987, after a brief illness. She attended Hillcrest Free Will Baptist Church. She is survived by 2 children, 7 grandchildren, and a host of friends who still miss her. But our loss is Heaven's gain.

JOE BOYD — Was born March 13, 1932 and departed this life October 6, 1987. He is survived by his wife, 5 children and 7 grandchildren. He was a member of Hillcrest Free Will Baptist Church and was a great inspiration to those who knew him.

RICHARD ARROWOOD — A member of Brummitts Creek F.W.B. Church since May of 1964. Passed away July 14, 1988 at age 74. He leaves his wife, Amanda, his mother, and several brothers and sisters. He was a faithful member as long as his health allowed him to attend. He is missed by his family and a host of friends in his community. We feel he is at rest.

JAMES DELBERT PUTMAN — Was born October 28, 1913 and departed this life July 27, 1988. A member and deacon of Bean's Creek Church, Brother Jim was faithful in attendance as long as health permitted. He leaves his wife, Vertie, 2 daughters, 6 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren.

CLARENCE McDOWELL DAVIS — Age 73. Born July 30, 1914, departed this life May 7, 1988. He was a faithful member of Davistown Free Will Baptist Church until declining health prevented him from attending. He is survived in addition to his wife, Fannie Davis, by four sons and three daughters. He is sadly missed by all his friends and relatives.

REV. JAMES EDWARD (JIMMY) SMITH — Age 55. Born May 6, 1933. Departed this life April 5, 1988 after several years of declining health. He is survived by his wife Sonja and a son, Edward Lynn, one brother and three sisters, as well as many brothers and sisters in the Lord, all of whom miss him dearly. He pastored several churches in the Jacks Creek Association and was a faithful member of the Nix Creek Free Will Baptist Church. An inspiration to those that knew him, "The Old Ship of Zion" took him safely home.

MINISTER'S CONFERENCE

Middle District

Jacks Creek Free Will Baptist Ministers Conference met with the Middle District F.W.B. Church Nov. 28, 1987 at 9:30 a.m. The pastor welcomed the Conference and the congregation sang "It's a Grand and Glorious Feeling." Devotions by Bro. Stanley McMahan reading Ps. 137:5 & 6. Prayer by Bro. Bernie Jones.

Called to order by the Moderator, Bro. Carmi Price. Rules of Decorum were read and call for fellowship was made, everyone standing in fellowship. Roll call was made. Bro. Sam Ferguson was welcomed as a visiting minister with Appy. Association. Reverend Bro. Richard Bryant and Rodney Deyton's licenses for one year. Bro. Ross Grant granted licenses for one year. Bro. George Woody returned his licenses to the onference. A report on the F.W.B. Children's Home was made by Bro. Blane Whitson. Topic Committee report given by Bro. Richard Bryant reading Ezek. 33.

Elected officers for next Conference: Bro. Blane Whitson, Moderator. Bro. Junior McKinney, Alternate. Topic Committee: Bros. Stanley McMahan, Randy Laws and Bill Greer. Bro. Earl Davis was given a letter of recommendation at his request.

11:00 a.m. Service, Bro. Jimmy Arrowood and daughters sang "He Did It All For Me" and "Beulah Land." Bro. Ronnie Peterson led in prayer. Bro. Charlie Trivett preached, reading Songs of Solomon 2:15. His text was "Sin is Like Little Foxes." Dismissed with prayer by Bro. Richmond Barnett.

Low Gap

Jacks Creek Free Will Baptist Ministers Conference met with the Low Gap F.W.B. Church Jan. 30, 1988 at 9:30 a.m. Opened with congregation singing. Pastor Bro. Stanley McMahan welcomed the Conference to Low Gap Church. Devotions by Bro. Peterson, prayer by Bro. Burnie Jones.

Conference called to order by the Moderator, Bro. Blaine Whitson. The Rules of Decorum were read. Minutes of previous Conference were read

and approved. Roll call was made; 14 ministers were absent, 4 reported by letter. Deacons and delegates were seated. Visiting ministers were recognized and seated as follows: Rev. Rick Birchfield, Mack Roberts, Marshall Stockton, Raymond Calhoun, Rex Johnson, Don Sexton and Eddie Payne.

Bro. Leonard Shehan was appointed Moderator and Bro. Norman Loveless Alternate for next Conference. Topic Committee: Bro. John Stockton, Billy Styles and J. D. Price.

Bro. Eddie Payne spoke of his anticipated retirement from the Foreign Missions in Africa.

11:00 a.m. Service: Bro. Richmond Barnett preached a wonderful message, Scripture 1 Cor. 1-31, "He That Glorifieth Let Him Glory in the Lord."

Adjourned until time and place.

Carmi Price, Clerk

Piney Grove

The Jacks Creek Free Will Baptist Ministers Conference met with the Piney Grove F.W.B. Church May 28, 1988 at 9:30 a.m. The congregation sang "I'd Rather Be an Old Time Christian."

Pastor Bro. J. C. Sheets welcomed the Conference. Devotions by Bro. Ronnie Peterson, prayer by Bro. Blaine Whitson. Called to order by the Moderator, Bro. Leonard Shehan, Rules of Decorum were read, Roll call was made and everyone stood in full fellowship and remained standing for a silent moment in honor of Bro. Jimmy Smith.

Visiting ministers were recognized as follows: Rev. Robert Crawford, Richard Sparks, Mark Hogan, Roger Binge, Noah Hughes, Don Whitson and Eddie Payne. Deacons and delegates were seated. Minutes of the last session were read and approved. Bro. Richard Sparks asked for licenses to preach and was referred to the Investigating Committee. David Jones' licenses were renewed for 12 months.

11:00 a.m. Service: Bro. Ronda Street preached. Adjourned until time and place.

Ulis Miller, Clerk

Southside

The Jacks Creek Free Will Baptist Ministers Conference met at Southside F.W.B. Church August 13, 1988 at 9:30 a.m. The congregation sang "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms." Devotions by Bro. Bill Greer, prayer by Bro. J. D. Price.

Called to order by Moderator Bro. Charlie Trivett. Rules of Decorum were read. Ministers roll call was made with everyone standing in fellowship. Deacons and delegates were seated. Visiting ministers recognized as follows: Revs. Sam Ferguson, Noah Hughes, Richard Sparks, Eddie Payne, Robert Crawford and Mark Daniels.

Officers for the next year were elected as follows: Clerk: Rev. Ulis Miller; Assistant: Rev. Bobby Revis. Investigating Committee: Tennessee: Rev. Ronda Street, Chairman; Jonas Revis, Orville Williams and Junior McKinney, Alternate. North Carolina: Rev. Stanley McMahan, Chairman; John L. Stockton, Jack Silvers and Blaine Whitson, Alternate.

Ordaining Council: Rev. J. D. Price, Chairman; Bruce Fender, Jerome Honeycutt, Orphard Hensley, Charlie Trivett and Leonard Shehan, Alternate.

Bro. Richard Sparks was granted licenses to preach; Bro. Donald Whitson tabled until next Conference. Topic Committee next Conference: Bro.

Verno Davis, Fred Beam and Roy Cooper. Moderator: Bro. Ronnie Peterson; Assistant: Bro. Marvin Hensley. Devotions: Bro. Orville Williams.

Bro. Noah Hughes and Bro. Roger Binge referred to committee for licenses and Bro. Ross Grant for ordination.

Committee to ask for Bro. Arnold Briggs' licenses.

An offering of \$331.25 was made for Rev. James Ledford. Adjourned.

Ulis Miller, Clerk

CHURCH DIRECTORY

CHURCH	PASTOR	CLERK
Big Creek -----	Ulis Miller	Cara Cox ----- Rt. 1, Green Mountain, N. C.
Beans Creek -----	Bernie Jones	Tammy Honeycutt ----- Rt. 2, Bakersville, N. C.
Boring's Chapel -----	Frank Cabel	Donna Woodby ---- Rt. 1, Box 513, Burnsville, N. C.
Brummitts Creek --	Russell Hughes	Star Bennett ----- Rt. 1, Burnsville, N. C.
Burbank -----	Rex Johnson	Tom Jarrett ----- Rt. 1, Roan Mountain, Tenn.
Colberts Creek -----	Ross Grant	Virginia Wilson ----- Rt. 2, Marion, N. C.
Covey Rock -----	Leonard Shehan	Fate Wilson ----- Rt. 2, Green Mountain, N. C.
Crabtree -----	Carmi Price	Mary B. Lyons ----- Rt. 2, Roan Mountain, Tenn.
Davistown -----	Arnold Wilson	Deantha McPeters ----- 224 Rain Hill Church Rd., Morganton, N. C.
Higgins -----	Billy Styles	Deborah Wheeler ----- Rt. 4, Burnsville, N. C.
Hillcrest -----	Steven Beam	Faye H. Pack ---- 219 Harmony Br. Rd., Nebo, N. C.
Liberty -----	Mark Hogan	Bobby Allison ----- Rt. 4, 1025, Marion, N. C.
Liberty Chapel --	Kennith Schultz	Mary Huskins - 1475 Blue Rock Rd., Burnsville, N. C.
Locust Gap -----	Darryl Bailey	Jewell Mink ----- Rt. 5, Box 392, Mtn. City, Tenn.
Low Gap -----	Stanley McMahan	Tonya Ray ----- Rt. 6, Box 868, Burnsville, N. C.
Middle District ---	Blaine Whitson	James Street ---- Rt. 2, Box 128C, Bakersville, N. C.
New Hope -----		Gail McInturff ---- Rt. 2, Box 212C, Unicoi, Tenn.
Nix Creek -----	Randall Laws	Dimmerrie Brooks ---- Rt. 2, Box 166, Marion, N. C.
North Bend -----	Marvin Hensley	Nora Buchanan ---- Rt. 2, Box 72, Green Mtn., N. C.
Pathway -----	Roy Whitson	Virginia Bailey ---- Rt. 1, Box 90-A, Erwin, Tenn.
Pensacola -----	Troy McCourry	Jenell Wilson ----- Rt. 6, Burnsville, N. C.
Peterson Chapel --	Donald Whitson	Frances Webb ---- Rt. 1, Box 126, Burnsville, N. C.
Pilgrims Chapel ----	Arnold Briggs	Lloyd Dulaney ---- Rt. 2, Box 1318, Burnsville, N. C.
Piney Grove -----	J. C. Sheets	Aileen McKinney ----- Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.
Piney Hill -----	James Ledford	Nell Bradford ----- Rt. 4, Burnsville, N. C.
South Side -----	Charlie Trivette	Maurice Robinson ---- Rt. 2, Box 10, Erwin, Tenn.
Sunset -----	Frank Woods	Patti Whitson --- Rt. 7, Box 369, Johnson City, Tenn.
Unaka Springs --	Terry Richardson	June Foster ----- Rt. 2, Box 62, Erwin, Tenn.
Union Hill -----	Ralph Robertson	Mae Miller ----- Rt. 1, Box 302, Bakersville, N. C.
Vale -----		Coye Calhoun ----- Rt. 1, Box 49, Newland, N. C.
Valley Forge -----	Jonas Revis	Viola Stevens ----- Rt. 8, Elizabethton, Tenn.
Woodby Hill -----	Ronda Street	June McKinney ---- Rt. 1, Box 612, Hampton, Tenn.
Youngs Chapel -----	Howard Ray	Vance Hughes ---- Rt. 2, Box 780, Burnsville, N. C.

MINISTER'S ROLL

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Barnett, Richmond, Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.	615-725-2016
Beam, Fred, Jr., Rt. 1, Box 393, Marion, N.C.	704-652-4994
Beam, Steven T., Rt. 1, Box 448, Marion, N. C. 28752	704-652-1129
Bryant, Richard, Burnsville, N. C.	704-682-6990
Byrd, Roger, Rt. 4, Box 400, Burnsville, N. C.	704-682-9862
Cable, Frank, Rt. 2, Box 441-C, Asheville, N. C. 28805	
Canslor, Lewis	
Carroll, Ronnie, RFD, Burnsville, N.C.	704-675-5472
Calbough, Ray, RFD, Elizabethton, Tenn.	
Cooper, Roy, Lakeview Dr., Johnson City, Tenn.	282-1508
Davis, Earl C., Rt. 1, Box 379A, Marion, N.C.	652-2370
Davis, Verno, Rt. 2, Box 370, Erwin, Tenn.	615-743-7377
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Greer, Bill, 910 Bert St., Johnson City, Tenn.	615-929-2828
Harris, Alfred, Rt. 2, Btx 229, Old Fort, N. C.	704-668-4939
Hensley, Marvin, Rt. 2, Box 94-A, Bakersville, N.C.	704-688-3701
Hensley, Orphard, Rt. 2, Box 303, Old Fort, N.C.	704-668-4385
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Hill, Charles, Jr., Rt. 2, Roan Mountain, Tenn.	615-725-3677
Honeycutt, Jerome, Rt. 6, Box 164, Burnsville, N.C.	704-682-7533
Hughes, Russell, RFD, Burnsville, N.C.	
Jones, Bernie, Box 100, Tim. Rd., Erwin, Tenn.	615-743-7153
Jones, David	
Ledford, James, Rt. 4, Box 497, Burnsville, N. C.	704-682-9246
Laws, Randay, Rt. 2, Box 254, Burnsville, N. C.	704-675-4071
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McCourry, Troy, Box 68, Burnsville, N.C.	704-682-6439
Junior McKinney, Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.	725-3788
Miller, Quince, Alexandria, N.C.	
Miller, Ullis, Rt. 3, Box 200, Erwin, Tenn.	615-743-4788

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Ray, Howard, 913 Cherokee Rd., Johnson City, Tenn.	615-926-3845
Revis, Bobby, Rt. 1, Marion, N. C.	704-652-2153
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Schultz, Kenneth	
Shehan, Leonard, P. O. Box 552, Erwin, Tenn.	743-8076
Silvers, Jack, Rt. 6, Box 112, Burnsville, N.C.	704-682-6390
Sheets, J. C., Rt. 1, Box 532, Hampton, Tenn.	615-725-4154
Sparks, Richard, Rt. 1, Green Mountain, N. C.	
Stockton, John L., Rt. 2, Bakersville, N.C.	704-688-3047
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Whitson, Blaine, Rt. 2, Green Mtn., N.C.	704-682-6357
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The following ministers are pastoring churches in another association:

Bill Greer	Keystone FWB Church
Theodore Fleenor	East Fairview FWB Church
Alfred Harris	Barnard FWB Church
Orphard Hensley	Ridge Way FWB Church
Charles Hill, Jr.	Fork Mountain FWB Church
Bruce Fender	River View
J. D. Price	Coxes Creek
Orville Williams	Moore's Chapel FWB Church

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 a clerk. The moderator shall not serve more than four (4) consecutive terms at one time. (Amended 8-9-1986)

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	Communions	No. Baptized	Members Added	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	Paid Visiting Minister
Big Creek, Full	3	5	12	0	2	153	95	25	0	\$40	\$40	\$20		\$600		\$ 925	\$1,523	600	\$8,936	\$7,470	\$207,595	400
Beans Creek, Full	4	6	6	0	1	67	27	0	0	10	15	10	\$2,905	200					1,122	600	50,000	
Borings Chapel, Full	2	5	0	0	1	65	28	0	0	30	50	10	1,772	200					6,425		30,400	
Brummitts Ck., Full	2	3	8	0	1	77	66	0	0	15	50	10	5,600	680		500	332		726	7,900	160,000	
Burbank, Full	4	10	9	1	1	239	151	19	105	20	20	10	16,900	480		1,488	5,309	260	5,300	12,320	224,732	1,050
Colberts Creek, Full	4	0	3	0	0	25	31	0	0	10	20	5	6,301						1,341		35,000	
Covey Rock, Full	5	14	13	0	0	175	116	0	0	50	25	25	12,250	462	\$100	1,162	277	125	3,451	8,175	145,314	162
Crabtree, Full	4	0	2	1	0	89	52	22	0	15	20	10	5,200	468		20	150	125	1,125	498	47,500	260
Davistown, Full	5	0	7	0	1	54	45	8	0	15	20	10	8,086	287			300		929	695	140,000	
Higgins, Full	4	9	0	3	0	105	59	0	0	25	20	5	5,050	765			438	65	1,833	200	48,617	
Hillcrest, Full	2	2	5	0	2	72	55	6	0	30	35	15	7,900	400		545	675	50	1,300	50,000	200,000	
Liberty, Full	2	1	5	2	0	112	63	8	16	20	20	0	13,000	900	533	2,778	2,106	20	1,896	5,532	250,000	200
Liberty Chapel, Full	3	0	0	0	0	46	43	10	0	20	20	20	3,778		40	70	20	35	457		83,971	
Locust Gap, Full	4	1	1	0	0	79	43	12	0	10	15	10	6,500	600				50	800		200,000	
Low Gap, Full	3	11	13	1	0	98	53	12	20	30	30	10	8,850	400	200	3,413	1,782	71	1,497	1,800	94,771	100
Middle District, Full	4	4	4	0	0	86	80	0	33	25	25	10	7,695	300	750	1,007	1,433	260	1,250	18,766	170,000	291
New Hope, Full		0	2	0	2	70	30	7	0	20	0	0	6,650		120		600		700	2,000	75,000	
Nix Creek, Full	4	0	2	0	1	89	40	0	0	20	15	5	3,499	400		210	210	20	1,946	6,150	49,190	133
North Bend, Full	3	7	5	2	0	109	97	0	0	40	20	20	6,000	1,663		4,049	1,265	50	2,800		145,701	500
Pathway, Full	4	0	7	6	0	58	50	0	10	25	20	10	8,950	200				50	729		62,000	300
Pensacola, Full		0	0	1	2	61	34	0	0	25	25	10	5,253	300		183	160	50	2,726	3,070	80,000	107
Peterson Chapel, Full	4	7	0	0	0	92	90	0	0	25	15	10	4,950				437		1,819	3,700	55,187	136
Pilgrims Chapel, 1&3		0	0	0	0	28	20	0	0	10	10	10	2,400						2,150	344	15,007	
Piney Grove, Full	2	7	4	1	0	128	114	0	0	30	25	5	8,800	300	300	584	1,247	315	1,086		150,000	100
Piney Hill, Full	1	0	0	0	2	30	16	0	0	5		5	389	175					200		10,000	
Southside, Full	4	6	8	0	2	222	212	0	0	50	15	25	14,820				85	160	5,641	15,000	259,170	550
Sunset, Full	4	4	8	0	0	73	67	0	40	15	15	15	6,600	300		1,100	300	25	6,343	4,567	113,000	300
Unaka Springs, Full	2	0	6	0	0	96	35	12	0	25	25	5	2,890			50	620		148		26,000	
Union Hill, Full	1	2	2	0	0	46	35	0	0	10	25	5	2,637	473					169		60,000	193
Vale, Full	1	0	0	0	0	30	16	0	0	10	10	10	1,480						150		50,007	120
Valley Forge, Full	5	0	0	0	1	254	138	110	34	30	25	10	5,250	618	1,223	8,000	4,577	100	4,969	14,753	273,560	550
Woody Hill, Full	4	9	3	2	1	105	71	24	0	30	20	5	5,200	279	93	1,508	330	25	734	4,289	55,000	212
Youngs Chapel, Full	3	3	3	0	1	175	83	10	0	30	30	20	6,500	220		1,421	1,500	258	2,224	5,453	55,000	108
TOTALS	93	113	145	20	21	3208	2155	185	258	765	725	350	203,665	11,366	3451	28,964	25,676	2,713	70,252	173,431	4,058,781	17,182

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	(23) Communion Services
(11) Associational Fund	
(12) Clerk & Mod. Fund	
(13) Paid Pastor	

Present pastor _____

Pastor elect _____

Revival conducted by _____

Treasurer _____

Address _____

Clerk _____

Address _____

