

1990-91 MINUTES

OF THE

JACK'S CREEK FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

NINETY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION HELD AT

BIG CREEK F.W.B. CHURCH

GREEN MOUNTAIN, N. C

AUGUST 9-11, 1990

OFFICERS

Rev. Bobby Revis Moderator

Rev. Stanley McMahan Assistant Moderator

Rev. Ullis Miller Clerk

Rev. Troy McCourry Assistant Clerk

NEXT SESSION

The next session will be held with Hillcrest F.W.B. Church at Nebo, N. C., August 8-10, 1991 (Thursday before the second Sunday in August) at 10:30 a.m.

Rev. Jonas Revis will be preaching the introductory message. Rev. Darrell Edwards will be his alternate.

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

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ASSISTANT MODERATOR	Rev. Stanley McMahan
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ASST. TREASURER—Disabled Minister's Fund ...	Rev. Stanley McMahan
TREASURER—Home Missions	Rev. Frank Cable
ASST. TREASURER—Home Missions	Rev. Roger Byrd
TREASURER—Foreign Missions	Rev. Jerome Honeycutt
ASST. TREASURER—Foreign Missions	Rev. Marvin Hensley
TREASURER—Children's Home	Rev. Bernie Jones
ASST. TREASURER—Children's Home	Rev. Ricky Pate
TREASURER—Burial Fund	Rev. Bobby Revis
ASST. TREASURER—Burial Fund	Rev. J. C. Sheets
INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE FOR ASSOCIATION: Chairman: Rev. Bruce Fender; Richmond Barnett, Bernie Jones, Bro. Buck Laws, Hugh Dalton and Charles Mosley, Alternate.	
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PROCEEDINGS

The Jacks Creek F.W.B. Association met with the Big Creek F.W.B. Church of Route 1, Green Mountain, N. C., August 9, 1990 at 10:30 a.m. for its Ninety-Fifth Annual Session. The congregation sang "I'd Rather Be An Old Time Christian." Pastor Ulis Miller welcomed the Association. Prayer by Bro. Jerome Honeycutt. Bro. Jimmy Arrowood preached the introductory message, reading from I Samuel 3, Amos 5, and John 15. Closing prayer by Bro. Bruce Fender.

Thursday Afternoon Session

Sister Gwinn Wilson sang "Stand By Me." Devotions by Bro. Stanley McMahan reading Hab. 3:18 and 19. Prayer by Bro. Bud Edwards. Called to order by the Moderator, Bro. Charlie Trivett. Rules of Decorum were read.

Churches and delegates were seated:

BIG CREEK: Bros. Willis Murphy, Teddy Adkins, Ricky Wilson, Alvin Murphy, Jack Whitson.

BEANS CREEK: Bros. Harold Jones, Bruce Mathis, Sisters Georganne Mathis, Luberta Jones, Dora Jones.

BORINGS CHAPEL: Bros. Frank Cable, Luther McIntosh, Sisters Jeane Cable, Ruby McIntosh.

BRUMMITTS CREEK: Bros. Paul Bennett, Roy Phillips, Sisters Star Bennett, Bertha Byrd, Grace Webb.

BURBANK: Bros. Marshall Stockton, Joe Winters.

COLBERTS CREEK: Bros. Cecil Burgin, Ross Cook.

COVEY ROCK: Bros. Buck Laws, Jess Fox, Bud Edwards, Jerry Ayers, Sisters Marie Laws, Joyce Fox, Pamela Donnahoo.

CRABTREE: Bro. Bill Lyons, Sisters Mary Belle Lyons, Virginia Honeycutt, Mabel Price.

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

HIGGINS: Bros. Lewis Webb, Ralph Hedrick, Laskey Morrow, Sisters Mozelle Webb, Susie Hedrick, Mattie Morrow, Sherry Wheeler, Crystal Hedrick, Shane Hedrick.

HILLCREST: Bros. Melvin Revis, Bob Fairchild, Sisters, Diane Revis, Atlas Revis.

LIBERTY: Bros. Lloyd Allison, Marvin Volivia, Sisters Grace Allison, Virginia Volivia.

LIBERTY CHAPEL: Sisters Janet Carroll, Viola Miller, Katie Briggs.

LOCUST GAP: Bro. Hugh E. Walker.

LOW GAP: Sisters Ada Young, Patsy Riddle, Dana McMahan.

MIDDLE DISTRICT: Bros. Acers Ledford, Charles Mosley, Jack Street.

NEW HOPE: Bro. Jesse McInturff, Sisters Jourline McInturff, Lou Edwards, Louise Hensley, Willie McInturff, Bernice Williams.

NIX CREEK: Bros. Marion Elliott, Daniel McMahan, Danny Elliott, Sisters Margie Elliott, Doris McMahan, Dimmerrie Brooks.

NORTH BEND: Bros. Gordon Higgins, Howard Buchanan, Mike Hopson, Kevin Hopson, Martin Renfro, Sisters Sally Price, Betty Renfro, Peggy Hopson, Nora Buchanan.

PATHWAY: Bros. Jimmy Quillen, Ernest Webb, Earl Bailey, Sister Lurla Bailey.

PENSACOLA: Bros. Richard Wilson, Ronald Fox, Rose Miller.

PETERSONS CHAPEL: Bros. Reece Edwards, Joe Silvers, Clifford Silvers.

PINEY GROVE: Bros. Glen Hayes Woodby, Fred Simerly, Joe Arnett.

PILGRIMS CHAPEL: Bros. Clyde Dulaney, Lloyd Dulaney.

SOUTHSIDE: Bros. Russell Whitson, Fred Davis, Ray Tolley, Phil Miller, Sisters Cordella Whitson, Ruby Davis, Maude Tolley, Ira Miller.

SUNSET: By letter.

UNAKA SPRINGS: Bros. Clifford Miller, Dewey Edwards.

UNION HILL: Bros. Donald Miller, Bandi Miller, Lester Miller, Sister Linda Miller.

VALE: By letter.

VALLEY FORGE: Bros. Carl Roberson, Jim Riddle, Bob Ray, Darrell Dugger, Sisters Ann Revis, Irene Hyder.

WOODBY HILL: Bros. Odell Guinn, Carmon Simerly, Harley Guinn.

YOUNGS CHAPEL: Bros. Charles Fortner, Clay Fender, Arnold Fortner, Vance Hughes, Sisters Naomi Revis, Lila Fender, Nell Fortner, Billie Thompson.

VISITING CHURCHES: Riverview, Bros. Kenneth Adkins, Ray Bailey, Sisters Faye Foster, Velda Fender.

VISITING MINISTERS: Bros. Don Sexton, Mark Daniels.

ELECTED OFFICERS

MODERATOR Bro. Bobby Revis

ASSISTANT MODERATOR Bro. Stanley McMahan

CLERK Bro. Ulis Miller

ASSISTANT CLERK Bro. Troy McCourry

TREASURER DISABLED MINISTERS FUND Bro. Jonas Revis

ASST. TREASURER DISABLED MIN. FUND Bro. Stanley McMahan

HOME MISSIONS Bro. Frank Cable

ASSISTANT, HOME MISSIONS Bro. Roger Byrd

CHILDREN'S HOME Bro. Bernie Jones

ASSISTANT, CHILDREN'S HOME Bro. Ricky Pate

FOREIGN MISSIONS Bro. Jerome Honeycutt

ASSISTANT, FOREIGN MISSIONS Bro. Marvin Hensley

BURIAL FUND Bro. Bobby Revis

ASSISTANT, BURIAL FUND Bro. J. C. Sheets

RULES COMMITTEE: Bro. Troy McCourry, Chairman; Leonard Shehan, Lloyd Allison, Mike Hopson, Fred Davis.

ASSOCIATIONAL INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE: Bro. Bruce Fender, Chairman; Richmond Barnett, Bernie Jones, Buck Laws, Hugh Dalton, Charles Mosby.

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Tennessee: Bro. Verno Davis, Chairman; Bill Greer, Roscoe Higgins, Ricky Pate, Norman Loveless, Alternate.

North Carolina: Bro. Jack Silvers, Chairman; Dean Murphy, Clifford Silvers, Harold Jones, Ronnie Peterson, Alternate.

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ASSOCIATION COMMITTEES

CHURCHES, PASTORS AND DEACONS: Bros. Acers Ledford, Perry Moore, Dannie Elliott.

CHURCH TRAINING SERVICE: Bros. Bud Edwards, Clay Fender, Sister Ann Revis.

DISABLED MINISTERS: Bros. Jonas Revis, Stanley Parkey, Blane Whitson.

EDUCATION: Bros. Paul Bennett, Harold Jones, Sister Velda Fender.

FOREIGN MISSIONS: Bros. Jerome Honeycutt, Mark Daniels, Don Sexton.

HOME MISSIONS: Bros. Marvin Voliver, Melvin Revis, Orphard Hensley.

LADIES AUXILIARY: Sisters Patsy Riddle, Luberta Jones, Violet Moore, Lila Fender.

CHILDREN'S HOME: Marion Elliott, Buck Laws, Ada Young.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS: Bros. Daniel McMahan, Jim Riddle, Sister Naomi Revis.

SESSIONS: Bros. Russell Whitson, Lloyd Allison, Jack Silvers.

RESOLUTIONS: Bros. J. C. Sheets, James Ledford, Sister Nell Fortner.

Motion passed for Bro. Bernie Jones to get with Bro. Troy McCourry to correct the account on the Children's Home in reference to uncashed checks.

Motion to adjourn until 7:00 p.m. service.

7:00 P.M. Service

Singing by choir. Bro. and Sister Perry Moore sang "House of Gold." Prayer by Bro. Marvin Hensley. Bro. Russell Hughes preached, using Mat. 13:18 for his scripture text. Closing prayer by Bro. Terry Richardson.

Friday 9:30 A.M.

Congregation sang "Everybody Will Be Happy Over There." Devotions by Bro. Richmond Barnett reading Heb. 11. Prayer by Bro. Orphard Hensley. Call to order by Moderator Bro. Bobby Revis. Rules of Decorum were read.

Visiting ministers were welcomed: Bros. Jerrell Fender and Mark Daniels. Visiting churches: Zion F.W.B. Church and River View F.W.B.

ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Sunday School

The purpose of establishing Sunday School was to have a time set aside each Sunday for religious instruction. With a superintendent whose duty is to welcome everyone, direct visitors to classes, and oversee the Sunday School. The superintendent should be a dedicated Christian, faithful to God and the church. Isaiah 50:4. Teachers are to impart the Word of God. To

do this, teachers must be faithful established Christians that love God's Word and their students. II Tim. 2:15, Prov. 22:6. So Sunday School should be a time for teaching and training those in our care in the Word and Work of God. We must endeavor to do this to the best of our ability, always being led by the Holy Spirit so our churches will be strong, well established, and rooted in the Holy Word of God. Psalm 119:33.

Committee: James Riddle, Daniel McMahan and Sister Naomi Revis

Foreign Missions

For too long Christians in America have considered foreign missions as an option, like a second dessert after a full meal, "Just give me a pinch, I've already overdone it on everything else." Perhaps it's because we've given this vital Christian obligation the wrong name. If by "foreign" we understand that it has nothing to do with the Christianity we've enjoyed for years here at home, then we've surely missed it! And if we take it that the term "missions" implies only a temporary or occasional task, then we need to seek another name.

Christ's directive in Mat. 28:19-20 does not speak of a special assignment to be undertaken by a few volunteers aimed in particular at foreigners. Rather, Christ here outlines the permanent and ongoing duty of his church on earth: going (to all nations), teaching (all Christ's commandments), and baptizing with God's authority). In this light it would be far better to refer to what we now call "foreign missions" simply as "the work of the Lord through His church." Unless we see the missionary nature of the church's work as Christ does, our churches will continue to deteriorate, wasting time on things that don't really matter.

Committee: Jerome Honeycutt, Don Sexton and Mark Daniel.

Resolutions

We your Committee on Resolutions would like to recommend that each pastor attend the Association with their church. We feel that a pastor should be an example in every way to the church. II Timothy 2:6, The husband that laboureth must first be partakers of the fruits.

Committee: J. C. Sheets, James Ledford and Sister Nell Fortner.

Education

We the Committee on Education wish to recommend the following scripture be studied very carefully: Prov. 22:6, II Timothy 3:16 and 2:15, Hosea 4:6, John 5:39, Mat. 28:19-20, Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, Teaching them to observe all things.

Committee: Paul Bennett, Harold Jones and Sister Velda Fender

Church Training Services

James 1:21, Be ye doers of the Word, and not hearers only.

C.T.S. is Sunday School in action. It is putting to work what is taught in Sunday School. An informal time with children and adults, with Christian instruction dealing with problems on an everyday level and also a chance to get involved in Christian activities. Our young people especially need this kind of Christian education and support. It is the church's duty to make this available.

A good C.T.S. can add greatly to the health of the church.

Committee: Bud Edwards, Clay Fender, Sister Ann Revis

Churches, Pastors and Deacons

We believe that the Church is not a building, but that it is a people that have received God's spirit and his ways fully. The main thing our Churches, Pastors and Deacons need to do is to strive for unity in all

things, keeping the love of God in our hearts. "In Service" we need to put our whole effort into promoting the cross and the cause of Christ in our daily life and be full Christians devoting our full time to the blessed work of our Lord.

Committee: Acers Ledford, Perry Moore and Dannie Elliott.

Ladies' Auxiliary

We have many examples in the Bible where women helped men in the work of Christ and we follow their example. The Ladies Auxiliary works together to provide financial, moral and spiritual support for the churches. God doesn't ask for more than our reasonable service. We are not saved by good but unto good works. We recommend you read Prov. 31:10-31.

Committee: Sister Lila Fender, Violet Moore and Luberta Jones

Children's Home

We would like the Children's Home in Greenville take to heart more than in the past. We need to visit them and show them we really care. Our love and prayers and support from all our churches is needed. We say we are interested, let's prove it.

Committee: Marion Elliott, Buck Laws and Sister Ada Young

Sessions

First Conference: Sept. 29, 1990 at Beans Creek F.W.B. Church, Bakersville, N. C., at 9:30 a.m. Rev. J. C. Sheets to preach. Junior McKinney, alternate.

Second Conference: Dec. 29, 1990 at Borings Chapel F.W.B. Church, Jacks Creek, N. C., at 9:30 a.m. Rev. Randy Laws to preach, Roger Laws, alternate.

Third Conference: March 19, 1991 at Youngs Chapel, Burnsville, N. C., at 9:30 a.m. Rev. Jimmy Arrowood to preach, Rev. Russell Hughes, alternate.

Fourth Conference: Aug. 10, 1991 at Hillcrest F.W.B. Church, Nebo, N. C., at 9:30 a.m. with Association.

Association: The Ninety-Sixth Annual Session will be at Hillcrest F.W.B. Church, Nebo, N. C., Aug. 8, 9, 10, 1991, at 10:30 a.m. Rev. Jonas Revis to preach, Rev. Darrell Edwards, alternate. 7:00 p.m. Service, Stanley McMahan. Friday 11:00 a.m., Blaine Whitson, alternate Jerome Honeycutt. 7:00 p.m. Service, Rev. Melvin Revis.

Friday 11:00 A.M. Service

Singing by Sisters Gwendolyn and Melissa Wilson. Bro. Ronnie Carroll preached, reading Gen. Chapter 4 and 2nd Kings Chapter 4. His text was "What Have We Got to Offer." Prayer by Bro. Carmi Price.

Friday 1:30 P.M. Business Session

Devotions were by Bro. Jerrold Fender. Bro. Fender spoke on his Home Mission work in Knoxville, Tenn. How God was making a way for him to start a F.W.B. Church in West Knoxville.

A motion passed to give Bro. Fender \$500.00 from the Home Missions fund. An offering was received in the amount of \$195.00 for the Children's Home in Greeneville, Tenn. The Association closed with a fellowship handshake and prayer.

Friday 7:00 P.M. Service

Singing by the church choir. Prayer by Bro. Richard Bryant. Bro. Carmi Price preached a good message using for his scripture reading Eph. Chapter 2:1. Closing prayer by Bro. Willis Adkins.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Home Missions

Beginning Balance August 10, 1989	\$1,612.81
Total Receipts for the Year	<u>\$951.91</u>
Expenditures: Jerrold Fender	<u>\$500.00</u>
Ending Balance August 10, 1990	<u>\$2,064.72</u>

Frank E. Cable, Treasurer

Disabled Ministers Fund

Beginning Balance August 10, 1989	\$106,866.19
Receipts:	
Minister's Conference	\$3,738.00
Association	1,852.58
Burial Fund	1,830.00
Interest Earned	<u>8,840.16</u>
Total Receipts	\$16,260.74
Total to Account For	\$123,126.93
Total Disbursements	<u>\$ 13,067.00</u>
Ending Balance August 10, 1990	<u>\$110,059.93</u>

Jonas Revis, Treasurer

Foreign Missions

Beginning Balance August 10, 1989	\$1,730.99
Total Receipts	<u>\$5,618.42</u>
Total to Account For	<u>\$7,349.41</u>
Disbursements:	
Mark Daniels	\$6,000.00
Miscellaneous Expense	<u>20.00</u>
Ending Balance August 10, 1990	<u>\$1,329.41</u>

Jerome Honeycutt, Treasurer

— OBITUARIES —

TERRY LEE TOWNSON — Age 40. Departed this life on August 24, 1989. He was a member of Sunset F.W.B. Church. He was employed with E.P. Auto Parts for eleven years. He is survived by his parents, Jake and Frances Townson, his wife, Mary (Betty) Whitehead Townson, and two daughters and one son. He also was survived by three brothers, one sister and several nieces and nephews. We deeply regret his death and he is deeply missed by family and friends.

FORD SHELL — Age 69. Departed this life June 11, 1990. He became an active member of Sunset F.W.B. Church in August, 1976. Mr. Shell was a disabled World War II Army veteran. Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Gladys Roark Shell, one daughter, three sons, one brother, three sisters, six grandchildren, one great-grandchild and several nieces and nephews. He is deeply missed by his family and friends but feel he is at rest with our Lord.

EVA J. OXENDINE — Age 90. Departed this life July 10, 1990. She became a member of Sunset F.W.B. Church in February 1983, and was faithful to the church as long as her health permitted. Survivors include three sons, six daughters, one brother and one sister, 23 grandchildren, 37 great-grandchildren, 20 great-great-grandchildren, seven nieces and nephews.

CLOYCE SILVER, loving husband of Ethel Silver, was born July 21, 1908 and died March 15, 1990. He faithfully attended Low Gap Free Will Baptist Church of which he had been a member for thirty-three years. His love for God showed us that life is a joy if you put God first. He will be missed by family and friends.

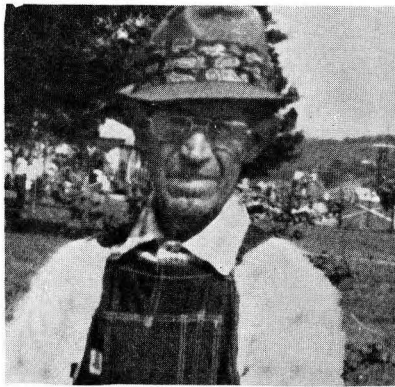
ETHEL SILVER, loving wife of Cloyce Silver, was born December 30, 1910 and died July 5, 1990. She was a member of Low Gap Free Will Baptist Church for thirty-three years. Her final testimony of her love of God and the beautiful life He had given her was a reflection of her hope in God's promise of life eternal. She will be missed by family and friends.

REV. ALFRED BENJAMIN HARRIS — Born Sept. 18, 1918, departed this life March 19, 1990. Bro. Alfred gave his heart to the Lord in 1950 and Joined Davistown F.W.B. Church. He was ordained as a deacon in 1954. He also served the church as S.S. superintendent, teacher, singing moderator, and assistant pastor. He began preaching several years before he announced his calling. He was ordained May 28, 1977 and pastored several churches in the area. Even though he was in declining health, he was still active pastor at Barnard F.W.B. Church when the Lord called him to come home. He was a faithful and true servant of the Lord and he preached the Word of God. He was loved by all who knew him and is greatly missed, especially by his wife, Mildred. He knew he was only a pilgrim in this world and now he has gone to his true home.

JESSE J. TROUTMAN — Age 73. Departed this life Nov. 30, 1989. He was a member of Burbank F.W.B. Church. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mable Hughes Troutman, two sisters, five brothers, and several nieces and nephews. He is greatly missed by his family and friends.

LUCILLE KING — Departed this life May 5, 1990 at the age of 58. She was a member of North Bend Free Will Baptist Church of which she loved very much. We miss her and we believe we will live with her in heaven.

SCOTTY VANCE HUGHES — Age 61, of Windom Community, was born August 10, 1928. Departed this life October 5, 1989. He was a member of Young's Chapel F.W.B. Church. Surviving is a wife, one son, three daughters, and seven grandchildren. He is greatly missed by his friends and loved ones.



CHARLIE BYRD, a faithful Christian man, went to his eternal home of rest Nov. 27, 1989 at age 86. He was a member of Brummitts Creek Free Will Baptist Church and attended until a month before his death. He leaves his wife, Bertha, a son, James, a daughter, Phyllis McKinney, three grandchildren and one great-granddaughter. He is missed by family, friends and his church family. We feel that he is at rest.

ELLA HONEYCUTT BLALOCK — Age 55, of the Windom Community, Burnsville, N. C., died Monday, May 7, 1990 at her home. She was the daughter of Cecil and Ada Honeycutt and the wife of Clyde Blalock of Burnsville, N. C. She also left two sons, Larry Blalock of Florida, and Gregory Blalock, and two sisters, Marjorie Edwards and Clara Cassida of Burnsville, and two granddaughters, Michelle and Melissa Blalock of San Diego, California. She was a member of Youngs Chapel F.W.B. Church.

Ella, my sister and my best friend, I miss her so! As does all her family and friends, but I know, some day soon, if we live for God, we will see her in a place where there will be no suffering. I would like to share Ella's poems, she left with her friends and loved ones. It's the way she felt.

By Marjorie Edwards

MISS ME, BUT LET ME GO

When I come to the end of the road	For this is a journey we all must take
And the sun has set for me.	And each must go alone.
I want no rites in a gloom-filled room	It's all part of the Master's plan.
Why cry for a soul set free.	A step on the road home.
Miss me a little, but not too long,	When you are lonely and sick of heart
And not with your head bowed low.	Go to the friends we know.
Remember the love that we once shared	And bury your horrors in doing good
Miss me — But let me go.	deeds. Miss me — But let me go!

LILLIE R. WHEELER — Was born October 13, 1904. Departed this life February 21, 1990 after an extended illness. She attended Nortn Bend F.W.B. Church. The verse, "Love thy neighbor as thyself," was her motto and she lived it. She often said, "One's neighbor does not necessarily live next door to them." She was loved by all and will be missed by all. She is dearly missed by her daughter and family and many friends. She is especially missed by those friends who were as close as her real family. Our loss is truly Heaven's gain. In this we get our comfort.

BERTHA ALICE "AUNT BERTHA" JENKINS — Age 93. Went home to be with the Lord February 17, 1990. She was a member of Valley Forge Free Will Baptist Church. She was the mother-in-law of the late Brother Dayton Guy, a deacon of Valley Forge Free Will Baptist Church. Despite her lengthy illness she was faithful to her church as long as her health permitted. She leaves two daughters and a host of family and friends who miss her dearly. We know she is rejoicing with the Lord.



GARVEL B. HONEYCUTT — Born November 16, 1910. Died January 13, 1990. He was a lifelong member of Youngs Chapel F.W.B. Church, and a deacon for 52 years, a faithful and devoted member. He is survived by his wife, Cora McIntosh Honeycutt, five children, 15 grandchildren, and 18 great-grandchildren. In faith he lived and in faith he died. He had this testimony. Looking forward to going home. Our loss is heaven's gain. His main goal was working with and helping the young people to get established. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith. II Timothy 4:7

MONTIE SHANNON "PUDD" JOHNSON — Age 65. A faithful and dedicated member of Valley Forge Free Will Baptist Church, went home to be with the Lord February 3, 1990. He was faithful to the church he loved so much. Wherever he went he would brag on the young people's choir and the church trio. He thought it was the best anywhere and didn't make any bones about it. He was vocal and you knew when he was around, but he loved his Lord, his family and his church. Just a few days after his passing his wife Ethel gave her heart to the Lord. So many times he had prayed for that to happen. Memories of Montie will live on in the church. He leaves a wife, a mother, a son who is an officer in the United States Army, and a daughter, a son-in-law and a daughter-in-law, several grandchildren and a host of family and friends who miss him dearly. Someday by God's precious grace we will meet again in that Land "Where the Roses Never Fade."

LEONA A. WHITSON — Departed this life August 13, 1990, at the age of 93. She was the daughter of the late John and Nan Bales Adkins and the wife of John Whitson who died in 1972. She lived most of her life in the Big Creek Community of Yancey County. She was a member of the Big Creek F.W.B. Church to which she was faithful as long as her health permitted. She leaves several children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and a host of relatives and friends who miss her greatly but look forward to joining her in heaven some day.

MANDLYN PHILLIPS BRYANT — Departed this life August 6, 1990 at the age of 51 to go and be with the Lord. A native of Yancey County, she was the daughter of Bernice Laws Phillips and the late Odell Phillips. She is survived by her husband, Rev. Richard Bryant, a son and two grandchildren, three sisters and two brothers. They, along with a host of friends and relatives, mourn her loss but look forward to being with her again in heaven. She was a member of the Big Creek Free Will Baptist Church.

BERTHA L. WHITSON — Born Oct. 5, 1908, departed this life January 2, 1990. She was a member of Big Creek Free Will Baptist Church where she attended as long as health permitted. She is missed by family and friends who loved her.

JIM DEYTON — Departed this life April 4, 1990, at the age of 88. He was the son of the late Will and Etta Deyton. A native of Graham County, he had lived most of his life in the Big Creek Community of Yancey County. He is survived by his wife, Lola Warrick Deyton, two sons, and grandchildren. He is missed by his family and friends, but has gone to be with the Lord.

MINISTERS CONFERENCE

Covey Rock

October 28, 1989

The Jacks Creek F.W.B. Minister's Conference met with the Covey Rock F.W.B. Church Oct. 28, 1989 at 9:30 a.m. Devotion by Bro. Noah Hughes reading Ps. 16. Prayer by Bro. Ronnie Peterson.

Called to order by Moderator Bro. Frank Cable, Rules of Decorum were read.

Visiting ministers were welcomed as follows: Bro. Joe Winters and Bro. Allen Whitehead. Deacons and delegates were seated. Call for anyone seeking licenses or ordination. Bro. Darrell Edwards asked for licenses and was recommended to the Investigating Committee. Bro. Rodney Deyton and Bro. Noah Hughes asked for ordination and were recommended to the Investigating Committee. Bro. Ailen Whitehead to Ordaining Council.

Topic Committee report was given by Bro. Barr reading Heb. 11 and James 2:17. Bro. Rodney Deyton read Mat. 24:37.

Moderator for next Conference, Bro. Marvin Hensley, Bro. Russell Hughes, alternate. Topic Committee, Bros. Billy Styles, Jimmy Arrowood and Kenneth Shults. Devotions Bro. Bernice Jones.

11:00 a.m. message by Rev. Ulis Miller, reading from Ezek. 37 and Eph. 4. Subject, Unity and Harmony of the Ministry.

Ordaining Council reported recommending Bro. Melvin Revis for licenses. Adjourned until time and place with prayer.

Ulis Miller, Clerk

Brummitts Creek

December 30, 1989

The Jacks Creek F.W.B. Minister's Conference met with the Brummitts Creek F.W.B. Church December 30, 1989 in regular session.

The congregation sang "Keep on The Firing Line." Pastor Bro. Russell Hughes gave welcome to the Conference. Devotions were by Bro. Bernie Jones, reading Eph. 4. Prayer by Bro. John Stockton.

Called to order by Moderator Bro. Marvin Hensley. Rules of Decorum were read. Minutes of last session were read and approved. Visiting ministers were welcomed as follows: Bros. Darrell Edwards, Rex Johnson, Keith Miller, Alex Carver, Joe Winters and Gary Blunt. Deacons and delegates were seated. Riverview F.W.B. Church was welcomed as a visiting church.

Call for licences or ordination. Bro. Alex Carver requested licenses. Bros. Jimmy Arrowood and Roger Laws requested ordination, referred to Investigating Committee. Topic Committee reported, Bro. Jimmy Arrowood reading Jonah 3:5 and II Cor. 2:14, Bro. Shultz and Billy Styles speaking on the topic. Officers for next Conference appointed. Bro. Jerome Honeycutt moderator, J. D. Price assistant. Devotions by Bro. Ronnie Peterson, Russell Hughes alternate. Topic Committee Bros. Ross Grant and John Stockton.

11:00 a.m. service: Singing by church trio. Message by Bro. Carmi Price reading Job 19:25-27, subject "I Know My Redeemer Liveth." Closing with fellowship handshake.

1:15 Business Session: Singing by Robinson Family. Ordination service conducted by Bro. Bruce Fender. Bros. Richard Sparks, Noah Hughes and Rodney Deyton were ordained. Bro. Darrell Edwards was licensed.

Closing prayer by Bro. Bill Greer.

Ulis Miller, Clerk

Higgins Chapel

April 28, 1990

The Jacks Creek F.W.B. Minister's Conference met with the Higgins Chapel F.W.B. Church April 28, 1990 at 9:30 a.m. The Youth Choir sang with a very inspiring spirit. The Conference was welcomed by the pastor, Bro. Billy Styles. Devotions by Bro. Ronnie Peterson, prayer by Bro. Dale Laws.

The congregation stood in a moment of silent prayer in memory of Bros. Quince Miller and Alfred Harris.

Called to order by the Moderator, Bro. Jerome Honeycutt. The Rules of Decorum were read. Ministers roll call was made with everyone standing in fellowship. The Investigating Committee was asked to contact Bro. Roger Bing for a delinquent charge. Deacons and delegates were seated. Visiting ministers were welcomed as follows: Bros. Thomas Plunkert, Ronnie Whitson, Joe Winters, Wayne Wacaster, Dannie Willis, Alex Carver, Dannie Lowless, Don Sexton, Steve Bailey, Charlie Freeman and Mike Russell. Call for licenses or ordination, Bros. Jimmy Arrowood and Roger Laws asked to be ordained and were recommended to the Ordaining Council and Bro. Alex Corver for licenses. Topic Committee report given by Bros. Ross Grant and John L. Stockton.

11:00 a.m. Service: Singing by Bro. Roy Cooper family. Message by Bro. Bobby Revis, scripture reading Rev. 21:1-8, text "The Day Breaks and the Shadows Flee." Bro. Alex Carver was licensed to preach. Bro. Jimmy Arrowood and Roger Laws were ordained. Closing with prayer by Bro. Bruce Fender.

Ulis Miller, Clerk

Big Creek

August 10, 1990

The Jacks Creek F.W.B. Minister's Conference met with the Big Creek F.W.B. Church August 10, 1990 at 9:30 a.m. Congregation sang "Amazing Grace." Devotions by Bro. Jack Silvers reading Ro. 17:7, prayer by Bro. Ronnie Carroll.

Called to order by the Moderator, Bro. Bobby Revis, Rules of Decorum were read. Ministers roll call was made with everyone standing in fellowship. Minutes of last session were read and adopted. Deacons and delegates were seated. Visiting ministers were welcomed as follows: Bros. Gary Blunt, Keith Miller and Bud Edwards.

Officers were elected for the next year: Clerk, Ulis Miller; Assistant, Marvin Hensley. Ordaining Council: Chairman, Bro. Carmi Price; Jerome Honeycutt, Orphard Hensley, Leonard Shehan, Bill Greer, Billy Styles, alt.

Investigating Committees: Tennessee: Bro. Orville Williams, Chairman; Bros. Stanley Parkey, Junior McKinney, Terry Richardson, alternate. North

Carolina: Bro. Ross Grant, Chairman; Bros. Marvin Hensley, Ronnie Peterson, Jack Silvers, alternate.

Next Conference: Bro. Richmond Barnett, Moderator; Norman Loveless, alternate; Devotions: Bro. Verno Davis, Alex Carver, alternate; Topic Committee: Bros. Marvin Hensley, Darrell Edwards and Roger Laws.

Roger Binge was dropped from the ministers roll by recommendation of the Investigating Committee.

Adjourned with prayer.

Ulis Miller, Clerk

CHURCH DIRECTORY

CHURCH	PASTOR	CLERK
Big Creek	Ulis Miller	Cara Cox Rt. 1, Green Mountain, N. C.
Beans Creek	Richard Sparks	Ruby Bennett Rt. 2, Bakersville, N. C.
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Brummitts Creek	Russell Hughes	Star Bennett Rt. 2, Box 465-C, Bakersville, N. C.
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Union Hill		Mae Miller Rt. 1, Box 302, Bakersville, N. C.
Vale	Rodney Deyton	Coye Calhoun Rt. 1, Box 49, Newland, N. C.
Valley Forge	Jonas Revis	Viola Stevens Rt. 2, Box 355, Elizabethton, Tenn.
Woodby Hill	Ronda Street	June McKinney Rt. 1, Box 612, Hampton, Tenn.
Youngs Chapel	Bobby Revis	Billie Thompson P. O. Box 551, Burnsville, N. C.

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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
Noah Hughes	Upper Pigeon Roost 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.” 1 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	Dismissed By Letter	Deaths	Total Membership	Average in Sunday School	No. in Ladies Auxiliary	No. in C. T. S	Communion	Minute Fund	Associational Fund	Clerk and Mod. Fund	Paid Pastor	Paid for Revivals	Donations 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	2	0	2	4	151	85	25	0	1	\$40	\$ 0	\$20	\$	\$1200	\$ 0	\$	\$1,450	\$ 600	\$6,260	\$ 2,982	\$221,357	\$ 484
Beans Creek, Full	6	8	0	2	75	26	9	0	3	30	20	10		271	0			25	4,925	13,000	93,000	
Borings Chapel, Full ...	0	1	5	1	61	26	0	0	1	40	40				0				9,410		50,000	
Brummitts Ck., Full	2	1	1	1	75	60	0	0	2	25	50	10	7,700	650	0	260	100		4,729	3,661	250,000	
Burbank, Full	9	8	0	1	257	144	17	103	4	25	20	10	17,000	2465	500	3,316	5,148	260	5,849	3,222	257,936	902
Colberts Creek, Full	6	6	0	0	30	39	0	0	2	10	20	5	4,836	542	0	0	0	0	1,220	6,038	75,000	
Covey Rock, Full	0	6	0	2	181	119	0	0	3	25	75	10	6,820	0	175	593	250	200	9,249	1,925	147,457	
Crabtree, Full	0	0	5	0	83	40	16	0	4	40	45	10	5,200	550	50	20	125	125	2,649	500	50,500	470
Davistown, Full	1	0	12	1	39	45	6	0	4	20	20	10	8,498	322	0	0	100	0	357	1,132	180,000	
Higgins, Full	4	0	0	4	106	62	0	0	4	25	20	5	4,600	0	0	0	0	65	919	0	49,000	159
Hillcrest, Full	4	2	1	1	64	50	0	0	2	30	40	15	6,250	0	0	1,921	180	50	760	0	250,000	625
Liberty, Full	1	5	0	1	121	75	0	35	1	20	20	0	16,345	1094	608	900	3,390	200	2,464	5,880	250,000	175
Liberty Chapel, Full	25	6	0	0	56	75	0	0	3	20	20	20	4,503	246	40	20	20	35	812	6,500	89,971	
Locust Gap, Full	10	12	5	1	79	40	10	0	2	10	15	10	5,200	400	125	0	0	50	566	0	200,000	
Low Gap, Full	2	1	1	2	98	60	15	20	3	30	30	10	10,400	0	0	7,028	600	69	2,078	14,000	130,271	
Middle District, Full ...	0	3	0	0	90	81	0	28	4	35	25	25	7,880	0	600	865	775	260	1,153	9,350	185,000	332
New Hope, Full	5	2	0	0	18	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50,000	
Nix Creek, Full	11	9	4	0	95	35	0	0	5	40	15	5	7,228	1422	150	210	210	20	7,129	500	50,590	467
North Bend, Full	0	0	0	3	112	99	0	0	3	80	50	25	7,200	600	0	3,724	1,200	0	3,600	1,342	149,005	75
Pathway, Full	3	3	0	0	60	42	0	0	4	20	20	10	8,050	550	0	0	0	50	1,493	20,000	83,500	250
Pensacola, Full	3	2	0	0	66	38	20	0	1	25	25	10	6,807	0	0	135	207	50	3,455	1,970	80,000	100
Peterson Chapel, Full .	1	9	0	0	97	105	10	0	4	40	15	10	5,100	0	0	0	20	0	869	4,995	66,025	560
Pilgrims Chapel, 1&3 ..	0	0	0	0	27	20	0	0	0	15	10	10	3,000	1101	0	0	0	0	1,200	302	20,000	
Piney Grove, Full	12	8	4	0	141	122	0	0	2	60	25	5	13,605	800	100	449	600	310	6,131	1,550	150,000	375
Piney Hill, Full	No Report																					
Southside, Full	10	7	0	3	234	193	0	0	4	50	15	25	14,820	0	0	200	250	240	5,318	8,139	270,938	711
Sunset, Full	2	0	0	3	68	67	0	30	4	15	15	15	8,000	610	0	1,420	1,025	15	6,535	2,674	118,650	
Unaka Springs, Full	7	9	0	0	105	55	20	0	2	50	25	5	4,634	600	0	0	300	0	500		75,000	
Union Hill, Full	0	1	1	0		35	0	0	2	10	25	5	2,839	135	100	0	0	0	239	2,301	70,000	215
Vale, 2&4	0	0	0	0	30	25	0	0	0	25	10	10	2,400	0	0	0	0	0	0	977	50,000	
Valley Forge, Full	2	8	0	2	270	147	10	41	4	75	50	10	13,542	0	1,613	6,384	6,823	100	7,409	7,317	292,523	
Woodby Hill, Full	3	3	2	0	102	69	27	0	1	30	20	5	5,200	400	300	602	470	25	1,138	2,550	55,000	235
Youngs Chapel, Full	7	15	0	3	121	80	11	0	4	50	50	20	8,050	925	0	1,009	950	324	3,508	10,546	65,000	350

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 _____

