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1994 - 95 MINUTES

OF THE

JACK'S CREEK

FREE WILL BAPTIST

ASSOCIATION

ONE HUNDREDTH ANNUAL SESSION HELD AT
NORTH BEND F.W.B. CHURCH
BURNSVILLE, NC

AUGUST 10 - 12, 1995

OFFICERS

Rev. Charlie Trivett.....	Moderator
Rev. Stanley McMahan.....	Assistant Moderator
Rev. Ulis Miller.....	Clerk
Rev. Blaine Whitson.....	Assistant Clerk

NEXT SESSION

The next session will be at Covey Rock F.W.B. Church in Green Mountain, NC on August 8 - 10, 1996 . (Thursday before the second Sunday in August) at 10: 30 a.m.

Rev. Charlie Trivett will preach the introductory message. Rev. Bud Edwards will be his alternate.

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

MODERATOR	Rev. Charlie Trivett
ASSISTANT MODERATOR	Rev. Stanley McMahan
CLERK	Rev. Ulis Miller
ASSISTANT CLERK	Rev. Blaine Whitson
TREASURER - Disabled Minister's Fund	Rev. Jonas Revis
ASST. TREASURER - Disabled Minister's Fund	Rev. Stanley McMahan
TREASURER - Home Missions	Rev. Frank Cable
ASST. TREASURER - Home Missions	Rev. Randy Laws
TREASURER - Foreign Missions	Rev. Marvin Hensley
ASST. TREASURER - Foreign Missions	Rev. Paul Bennett
TREASURER - Children's Home	Rev. Rodney Deyton
ASST. TREASURER - Children's Home	Rev. Ricky Pate
TREASURER - Burial Fund	Rev. Bobby Revis
ASST. TREASURER - Burial Fund	Rev. Randy Laws

ASSOCIATIONAL INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE: TN Chairman Rev. Leonard Shehan, Darrell Edwards and Jim Honeycutt. NC Chairman Rev. Jack Silvers, Orphard Hensley and Howard Buchanan.

INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE FOR DISABLED MINISTER'S FUND: TN Chairman Rev. Ulis Miller, Bernie Jones, Rodney Deyton and Clyde Griffith Alt. NC Chairman Rev. J.C. Sheets, Buck Laws, Danny Elliott and Charles Street Alt.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - DISABLED MINISTER'S FUND: Chairman Bro. Clay Fender, Bill Greer, Orphard Hensley, Perry Moore, Marvin Hensley and Ulis Miller Adv.

MINISTER'S CONFERENCE

CLERK	Rev. Ulis Miller
ASSISTANT CLERK	Rev. Blaine Whitson

ORDAINING COUNCIL: Chairman, Rev. Bobby Revis, Marvin Hensley, Orphard Hensley, Ronnie Peterson, Troy McCourry and Blaine Whitson Alt.

INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE: TN Chairman Bro. Norman Loveless, Bernie Jones, Junior McKinney and Darrell Edwards Alt. NC Chairman Rev. Jimmy Arrowood, Ross Grant, Roger Laws and Bud Edwards Alt.



Pictured are the ministers that were present at the first session of the 100th Annual Association held August 10, 11, and 12.



Pictured above is the congregation and delegates from various Jacks Creek churches present at the 100th Annual Association held August 10, 11, and 12.

PROCEEDINGS

The Jacks Creek F.W.B. Association met with the North Bend F.W.B. Church on August 10 - 12, 1995, at 10:30 a.m. for its 100th Annual Session. The session began with the congregation singing "I'd Rather Be An Old Time Christian." Welcome by pastor Bro. Roger Laws, altar prayer by Bro. Ronnie Peterson. Bro. Troy McCourry preached a wonderful message from the text "Where Are We 100 Years Later?" Revelations 2nd Chapter. Brother Gerald Fender spoke briefly, thanking the association for gifts and prayers during the death of his wife. Closing with prayer by Bro. Stanley McMahan.

Thursday Afternoon Session

The congregation sang "Victory In Jesus," sister Kimmery Brooks sang a beautiful solo. Devotions by Bro. Bobby Revis reading Gal. 5:1-6, a prayer by Bro. Harold Love. Called to order by moderator Bro. Charlie Trivett, rules of decorum were read.

Churches and delegates were seated as following:

Big Creek: Bro. Willis Adkins and Willie Murphy.

Borings Chapel: Bros. Fred Woodby and Claude Woodby.

Burbank: Bro. Richard Blevens.

Brummits Creek: Bros. Paul Bennett and Burnie Renfro. Sisters Star Bennett and Julia Renfro.

Colberts Creek: By letter.

Covey Rock: Bros. Buck Laws, Jerry Ayers and Duane Cassida. Sisters Marie Laws, Barbara Miller and Donna Cassida.

Crabtree: Brothers Mike Carver Sr., Michael Carver, Ronnie Peterson and Sis Shirley Peterson.

Davis Town: Bros. Orphard Hensley, Hugh Dalton and Perry Moore.

Eastern Gate: Bros. Earnest France and J.D. Hill Sr.

Higgins: Bro. Edgar Wheeler, Sisters Tammy Miller and Myra Hedrick.

Hill Crest: Bros. Bobby Revis, Odean Fender, Jimmy Johnson, Sisters Leona Fender, Imogene Johnson and Margaret Pack.

Liberty: Bros. Scott Hollifield and Marvin Voliva.

Liberty Chapel: Bros. Ralph Hedrick, Shane Hedrick and Sister Susie Hedrick.

Low Gap: Bro. Stanley McMahan, Sisters Ada Young, Katerina Silvers and Dana McMahan.

Middle District: Bro. Charles Street and Sis. Lou Edwards.

Nix Creek: Bros. Danny Elliott, Lester McClure, Max Boyd and Ronnie Brooks. Sisters Shelly McClure and Dimmerrie Brooks.

North Bend: Bros. James Ledford, Herbert Hopson, T.J. Peterson and Brad Higgins.

Pathway: Bro. Clyde Laws, Sister Genevie Laws.

Pensacola: Bros. Ronald Fox, Rick Wilson, Rose Miller and Sis. Jackie Fox.

Peterson Chapel: Bro. Lloyd Laws and Clifford Silvers.

Pilgrims Chapel: By letter.

Piney Grove: By letter.

Southside: Bros. Ray Tolley, Russell Whitson Johnny Hatcher, Clyde Griffith and Randy Truitt.

Sunset: Veral and Martha Julian, Arnold and Flo Hughes, Leonard and Lillian Hyder.

Unaka Springs: Bro. and Sis. Norman Loveless, Bro. and Sis. George Stanley.

Union Hill: Lester Miller.

Vale: Bros. L.D. Vance, George Willis, Dan Calhoun and Amos Cornett.

Valley Forge: Bros. Jimmy Honeycutt and Carl Roberson, Sisters Mildred Vaughn and Mittie Bell Johnson.

Woodby Hill: Bros. Carmon Semerly and Odell Guinn.

Youngs Chapel: Bros. Roger Thompson, Todd Robinson, Marty Branton. Deacons: Bros. Arnold Fortner, Lee Thompson, Clay Fender, Vance Hughes and Sisters Nell Fortner, Lila Fender, Billie Thompson and Nicole Robinson.

Welcomed visiting ministers: Dr. Charles Thigpin and Roger Whitson. Call for Old Business: A vote was taken to decide if to join the Tennessee State Association. The vote failed by a 33 to 8 margin. Ministers roll call was made with everyone standing in full fellowship.

ELECTED OFFICERS

Moderator	Rev. Charlie Trivett
Assistant Moderator	Rev. Stanley McMahan
Clerk	Rev. Ulis Miller
Assistant Clerk	Rev. Blaine Whitson
Treasurer - Disabled Ministers Fund	Rev. Jonas Revis
Assistant Treasurer - Disabled Ministers Fund	Rev. Stanley McMahan
Home Missions Treasurer	Rev. Frank Cable
Assistant Home Missions Treasurer	Rev. Roger Laws
Children's Home Treasurer	Rev. Rodney Deyton
Assistant Children's Home Treasurer	Rev. Ricky Pate
Foreign Missions Treasurer	Rev. Marvin Hensley
Assistant Foreign Missions Treasurer	Rev. Paul Bennett
Burial Fund Treasurer	Rev. Bobby Revis
Assistant Burial Fund Treasurer	Randy Laws
RULES COMMITTEE: Chairman Rev. Blaine Whitson, Randy Laws, Howard Buchanan, Troy McCourry and Danny Elliott.	

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INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE FOR DISABLED MINISTERS FUND: TN Chairman Rev. Ulis Miller, Bernie Jones, Rodney Deyton and Alt. Clyde Griffith. NC Chairman Rev. Jimmy Arrowood, Buck Laws, Danny Elliott and Alt. Charles Street.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR DISABLED MINISTERS FUND: Chairman Rev. Bill Greer, Orphard Hensley, Perry Moore, Clay Fender and Marvin Hensley, Ulis Miller Advisor Capacity.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR HOME MISSIONS: Chairman Rev. Jack Silvers, Ralph Hedrick and Charlie Trivett.

Brother Marvin Hensley spoke concerning foreign missions pledge falling short for the past year. The Association voted to ask the pastors and churches to consider their

pledges to the Foreign Missions and keep them up. An offering was received in the amount of \$869.00 to help catch up on the delinquent amount.

ASSOCIATIONAL COMMITTEES

Churches, Pastors and Deacons: Bros. Brad Higgins, Duane Cassida and Clay Fender.

C.T.S : Sister Lila Fender, Bros. Stanley McMahan and Willis Adkins.

Disabled Ministers Fund: Rev. Jonas Revis

Education: Bros. Paul Bennett, Blaine Whitson and Mike Carver.

Foreign Missions: Bro. Marvin Hensley.

Home Missions: Bros. Frank Cable and Rick Wilson.

Ladies Auxiliary: Sisters Nell Fortner, Dimmery Brooks and Donna Cassida.

Childrens Home: Bro. Roger Hood.

Sunday School: Bros. Rose Miller and Hugh Dalton.

Sessions: Bros. Perry Moore, Lloyd Laws and Clifford Silvers.

Resolutions: Bros. Ronnie Peterson, Lee Thompson and Vance Hughes.

Rules Committee: Rev. Blaine Whitson, Willis Adkins, Howard Buchanan, Troy McCourry and Danny Elliott.

Dr. Charles Thigpin spoke, thanking the Association for all their donations and inviting everyone to attend the State Association at Keystone F.W.B. Church on November 13 - 15, 1995. Dismissed with prayer.

Thursday 7:00 P.M. Service

Service began with choir singing "When They Ring The Bells Of Heaven." Pastor Brother Roger Laws welcomed everyone. Bro. Perry Moore was asked to lead in the altar prayer. Special singing was provided by Bro. Marvin Hensley, Amy Hopson, Julia McCurry and Perry Moore. The message was delivered by Bro. Leonard Shehan - scripture reference to Acts 11:21 and Acts 20: 22. He preached a great message entitled "What Is The Desire Of Your Heart?" Service closed with prayer by Bro. Jack Silvers.

Friday 9:30 Business Session

Session began with the congregation singing "Heavens Jubilee." Pastor Brother Roger Laws welcomed everyone. Devotions were given by Bro. Stanley McMahan reading Psalms 68: 4-6. Prayer by Bro. Willie Murphy.

Called to order by the moderator Bro. Charlie Trivett, rules of decorum were read. Call for any churches that had not reported, Union Hill Church reported, with Bro. Lester Miller as delegate.

ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE REPORTS

Churches, Pastors and Deacons

We, your committee on Churches, Pastors and Deacons, recommend the following:

1) Churches should develop a renewed zeal for winning the lost and evangelizing the world. The early churches were characterized by their great concern for the lost. Souls

were saved in great numbers. (Acts 2:41, Acts 4:4, Acts 4:33 and Acts 5:14.) Early churches such as the one at Antioch were determined to carry out the Great Commission and take the Gospel to the world. (Acts 13:1-3) We encourage all our churches to do all they can to obey Christ's command to evangelize the world. (Matthew 28: 18-20, Mark 16:15, Acts 1:8)

2) We reaffirm that Pastors are called by God, not by men, to their vocation of leading the churches to God. Their calling is to preach the Word (2 Tim 4:2) equip the saints for the work of the ministry, and to build up the body of Christ. (Eph 4:11-12) We encourage the members of our churches to support their pastors with prayer, adequate pay and benefits, and love as they strive to fulfill their calling.

3) We reaffirm that the position of Deacon was ordained by God in the church at Jerusalem. (Acts 6: 1-7) The job of the Deacon is a vital one in the church. If he handles his job correctly the Pastor is able to give the proper attention to the Word of God. We encourage our deacons to prayerfully and faithfully discharge the duties of deacon. We encourage our members to pray for and support their deacons.

Duane Cassida, Brad Higgins, and Clay Fender

Church Training Services

We, the Committee on Church Training Service, recommend that every church in our Association have church training service.

In every thing in life we receive training. We start as soon as children are born training in some way. We teach them to read as young as possible. We spend a great deal of our lives training them so they will be ready to do good no matter what they may face in their lives.

We believe our churches should teach all their people how to live the Christian life so they will do good in living for Jesus no matter what they may face. Start a CTS class in your church, make it exciting, make it fun, but make it Biblical and it will work.

Rev. Stanley McMahan, Lila Fender and Willis Atkins

Children's Home

Significant Statistics:

* Last year the P.A.T.H Shelter served 222 children from 38 different counties across the state.

* During 1994, we had to turn away 806 children due to lack of space. (668 from the P.A.T.H. Shelter and 108 from the TCHC.)

* In the first 5 months of this year, over 400 children had to be turned away from the P.A.T.H. Shelter alone because we had no room for them.

These numbers clearly indicate the enormous need in this mission field. Please, prayerfully consider what YOUR role in this ministry may be. Also pray that God will continue to bless this ministry and direct our future steps, so that we can reach more children for Him.

Souls Being Saved! Because of the help of everyone who has joined in supporting this ministry, we are able to introduce children to the Lord each day. In 1993, we saw 14 of our young people saved and more than 38 last year. Already in 1995, 46 kids have accepted Christ as their Saviour. Praise God for the work He is doing at FWBFM. Continue to pray that He will use this ministry to bring more souls to Him.

Roger Hood, Director

Ladies' Auxiliary

Women have been active in the work of Christ since Jesus' earthly ministry. Some of Jesus' most dedicated followers were women. On the morning of the resurrection, three women came to the tomb to anoint Jesus body and became the first witnesses of the resurrections. (Mark 16:1) The Book of Acts tells of women such as Dorcas, Lydia, and Priscilla who were active in the early church.

We believe that Ladies' Auxiliary provides an excellent opportunity for today's Christian women to minister to her church and the lost world. The strong missions emphasis provided by Ladies' Auxiliary is needed in all our churches. The fellowship provided by Ladies' Auxiliary would benefit the women of our church greatly. We encourage all our churches to begin Ladies' Auxiliary if they do not already have one. We ask all our pastors to support and promote the work of Ladies' Auxiliary in their churches.

Donna Cassida, Nell Fortner, and Demoree Brooks

Foreign Mission Report

In Jesus's prayer in the garden he mentioned those who would believe on Him through the disciples' word. And thus began the commission to go into all the world and preach the gospel. You and I are the ones Jesus referred to as those who would believe because of the disciples' word. You and I are therefore the fruits of foreign mission and home mission. Our Lord said that blessed are those who when He returns would find so doing. He also instructed one of the apostles to tell us to not be weary in well doing. Foreign missions is sometimes hard to support and to pray for because we don't see the results for ourselves with our natural eyes. Let's not let our missionaries down in support or in our prayers, but remember what our Lord said about those of another fold.

Marvin Hensley

Home Mission Committee Report

Matthew 20:6 *"Why stand ye here all the day idle?"*

Matthew 9: 35 - 38, verse 36 *"But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd."*

Jesus came into this world for a defined purpose, which was prophesied many years prior to his coming. He had a vision of the end rewards, that kept him focused through every trial and temptation.

As Christians, we need to "lift up our eyes," behold "the fields," and labor to bring in "the harvest." Are we focused on ourselves, our needs, our success, or can we see the

Lord's work? Perhaps, we need an awakening such as Peter had in Acts 10.

Although there are many religious organizations in our nation, we are continually reminded that there is a lack of acceptance of God's plan for humanity. Wickedness and violence are continually increasing around us, moral standards continue to fall, there is less shame and remorse for the wrongful deeds committed, and there is little respect for God or the church.

Who is going to carry the message? Who is going to encourage the messengers? Who is going to provide the means, so Bible believing, God sent missionaries can reach a needy generation with the truth, train and establish the believers, and establish a functioning, self-supporting congregation? Who is going to be held responsible?

Submitted by Brothers Rick Wilson and Frank Cable

Education

We the people of God must obey Christ's commission found in Mat. 28:19. "Go ye therefore and teach all nations baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you." "We must put on the whole armor in order to stand against the devices of Satan." Eph. 6:11 Education is the field of study relating to teaching and learning.

Committee: Brothers Mike Carver, Paul Bennett and Blaine Whitson

Sunday School

Sunday School is very important in the church, as the church IS God's people, and not just a building. First and foremost, we must be taught the spirit of God. If we study and are taught the word of God, then we can teach others.

Committee: Hugh Dalton

Resolutions

We your committee on Resolutions feel that the mantle of the Lord's work has been handed down to us. It was the responsibility of our fore fathers before us, now it is our responsibility in our day. We are supposed to teach and instruct those under our care that they may teach it to their generations. So let us carry it with great honor and pride for the glory of God. 1st Thes 1:3, Eph. 4: 1 - 6

Committee: Brothers Ronnie Peterson, Vance Hughes and Lee Thompson

SESSIONS

The first Minister's Conference will be held October 28, 1995 at Low Gap F.W.B. Church in Burnsville, NC. Brother Paul Bennett preached at 9:30 and Brother Marvin Hensley was the alternate.

The second Minister's Conference will be held December 30, 1995 at Southside F.W.B. Church in Erwin, TN. Brother Roger Laws preached at 9:30 a.m., with Brother Bernie Jones alternate.

The third conference will be held March 30, 1996 at Unaka Springs F.W.B. Church. Brother Stanley McMahan will preach at 9:30 a.m., Bro. Verno Davis Alt.

The Association and fourth conference will be held August 8, 9, and 10, 1996 at Covey Rock F.W.B. Church in Green Mountain, NC Brother Charlie Trivett will preach the introductory message at 10:30 a.m. Brother Roger Laws will be alternate. Thursday night service: Brother Jonas Revis will preach at 7 p.m. Brother Bud Edwards alt. Friday morning the 11 a.m. service, Brother Blaine Whitson will preach, and Brother Marvin Hensley will be alternate. Friday at 7 p.m. the service will be the youth service.

Friday 7:00 p.m. Service

Pastor Brother Roger Laws welcomed everyone to the service. An altar prayer was led by Brother Keith Miller, pastor of Higgins F.W.B. Church. Youth groups from North Bend, Higgins and Southside F.W.B. churches provided the singing. Through the service there was a great manifestation of the power of God. There was an abundance of rejoicing, shouting and praising God. Some people came to the altar seeking help and strength from the Lord. Brother James Ledford shared a great testimony, anointed by the Holy Ghost. This service was a great ending of a great Association. Praise the Lord! The closing prayer was led by Brother Keith Miller.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Disabled Ministers Fund

Beginning Balance 8/12/94.....	\$131,834.22
Receipts:	
Ministers Conference.....	\$2565.10
Association.....	2166.00
Burial Fund.....	1740.00
Interest earned.....	8160.56
Total Receipts.....	14,631.88
TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR.....	\$146,465.88
Disbursements.....	11,949.00
Balance Ending 8/11/95.....	<u>\$134,516.88</u>
Rev. Jonas Revis, Treasurer	

Home Missions

Beginning Balance 8/12/94.....	\$278.31
Receipts:	
Sale of Treatise.....	\$62.50
Donations.....	360.00
Misc.	6.01
Disbursements:	428.51
Charlie Lloyd.....	150.00
Ending Balance 8/11/95.....	<u>556.82</u>
Rev. Frank Cable, Treasurer	

Childrens Home

Beginning Balance 8/12/94.....	\$11,786.00
Interest Earned.....	\$228.89
Borings Chapel.....	500.00
Covey Rock.....	225.00
Eastern Gate.....	10.00
Liberty Chapel.....	40.00
Nix Creek.....	300.00
North Bend.....	400.00
Piney Grove.....	100.00
Union Hill.....	150.00
Total Receipts.....	1725.00
TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR.....	\$13,739.89
Disbursements:	
12/94.....	\$12,014.89
8/12/94.....	1725.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS.....	\$13,739.89
Ending Balance.....	<u>00.00</u>

Foreign Missions

Beginning Balance 8/31/94.....	\$2399.24
Receipts:	
Burbank.....	\$600.00
Covey Rock.....	250.00
Davis Town.....	100.00
Eastern Gate.....	10.00
Liberty Chapel.....	20.00
Low Gap.....	775.00
Middle District.....	600.00
Nix Creek.....	210.00
Pensacola.....	169.25
Southside.....	500.00
Unaka Springs.....	175.00
Vale.....	55.00
Woodby Hill.....	300.00
Young Chapel.....	700.00
Woodby Hill Ladies Aid.....	120.00
Ministers.....	425.00
Special Offering at Asso. '95.....	933.00
	\$5942.25
TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR.....	\$8341.49
Disbursements:	
Paul Gentuso.....	7800.00
Expenses: Stamps, Checks, etc.....	82.73
Ending Balance 8/14/95.....	\$458.76

- OBITUARIES -

Sandra Kay Hitechew went home to be with the Lord on January 19, 1995. She was born on September 3, 1951 and was a native of Carter County. She was a lifetime member of Sunset F.W.B. Church in Roan Mountain, TN. She was a joy to know and never knew a stranger. This world would be a much better place to live if each of us showed God's love to one another as she did. To know Kay was to love her, and to be known by Kay was to be loved.

Jeter Ingram of Bakersville, NC departed this life on September 28, 1994 at the age of 62. He was a loving husband, father and grandfather. He was a member of Middle District Church. He is survived by his wife Loise Fay, two daughters and one son, five grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and a host of friends. We feel our loss is Heaven's gain.

Belivia Dulaney Hunter, age 79, departed this life March 19, 1995. She was a member of Pilgrims Chapel F.W.B. Church for 50 years. She is survived by a daughter and son, five grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren. She will be missed by family and friends.

Mary Inez Wilson, age 92, departed this life July 1, 1995. She was a member of the Pensacola F.W.B. Church. She is survived by three daughters and one son, a sister, three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. She will be missed by family and friends. Our loss is Heaven's gain.

Reverend Fred Junior Beam, born March 25, 1926, departed this life December 12, 1994. He was an active member of Hillcrest F.W.B. Church. He pastored churches in and out of Jacks Creek Association. He was a great inspiration to his churches, and known and loved by all. We feel our loss is Heaven's gain. He is missed by family, neighbors, friends and his church.

Reverend Jerome F. Honeycutt, age 51, was born July 30, 1943, and went home to be with the Lord on September 12, 1994. He announced the call to preach during a revival at Youngs Chapel F.W.B. Church on April 30, 1973. He preached his first message on Sunday night, May 6, 1973 at Youngs Chapel Church. from the text of 1 Corinthians 1: 25-27. He was a member of the Jacks Creek Ministers' Conference. He was the son of Cora McIntosh Honeycutt and the late Garvel B. Honeycutt. He is survived by his wife Brenda Burnette Honeycutt, three sons, Jerry, Darren and Jamie Honeycutt; two grandchildren Cody and Brittany Honeycutt; and four sisters. He pastored the following churches: Millers Chapel, Unaka Springs, Davis Town, North Bend, Colberts Creek and Nix Creek F.W.B. Churches. He was a loving and devoted husband and father. But his greatest devotion was to his God, whom he served with a whole heart. He is greatly missed by family and friends.

Brother Walter Woodard went home to be with the Lord after a life of almost 90 years. He was born July 12, 1905 and died March 25, 1995. Brother Woodard was a deacon and faithful member of Nix Creek F.W. B. Church until declining health kept him from

attending. He is survived by his wife, Mae Woodard; two sons, three daughters, one sister and a host of grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Brother Woodard is fondly remembered for his friendly smile and faithful testimony for the Lord to those he would meet. Even after he was unable to attend church services, he remained a faithful prayer warrior to the church. Earth's loss is truly Heaven's gain.

Jeff Bennett was born March 10, 1905 and departed this life August 23, 1994. He had been a faithful member of Woodby Hill F.W.B. church for 22 years, as long as his health permitted him to attend. He is survived by his wife Emma, one son Elmer and six daughters, Nola, Shirley, Lurley, Pauline, Faye and Kaye; sixteen grandchildren and twenty great-grandchildren. Mr. Bennett is remembered for his kindness and generosity to those around him. He was loved by his family, friends and church family, and is greatly missed by all who knew him.

Sarah Jane Tolley was born January 2, 1894, and departed this life December 26, 1994, at the age of 98. She was a member of the Sunday School of Woodby Hill F.W.B. Church, Rt. 1, Hampton, TN. She was baptized at the age of 86 by Rev. Ronda Street and Roy Cates. She attended church as long as her health permitted. She is greatly missed by her son and two daughters, 21 grandchildren, 44 great-grandchildren, 18 great-great-grandchildren, her friends and church family

Earnest Honeycutt was born December 1, 1910, and departed this life November 24, 1994. He was a faithful member of Woodby Hill F.W.B. Church when his health permitted, and sat on the same seat at every service. He had lived alone since the death of his wife. He is survived by a brother and a number of nieces and nephews, friends and the church family. He is sadly missed.

Marshall Stockton went home to be with the Lord on November 1, 1994. Marshall was a deacon and Sunday School superintendent of Burbank F.W.B. Church. He was always first to the church and made sure everything was in order for the services. He helped in any and every way possible to further the church and the work of the Lord. The week before his home-going he attended the conference, rejoiced in the Sunday Service and Communion on Sunday night. Marshall was not only a laborer for the Lord but an asset to the whole community. While no one could replace him, the church is still motivated by his example and rejoice in the fact that he is at rest with our Lord. He is survived by his wife Mable, one daughter Glenda, two sons Wayne and Ronnie, five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren, and many friends. "Well done, good and faithful servant."

Oakie Hill departed this life May 20, 1995. Oakie was a faithful member of Burbank Church as long as health permitted. She will always be remembered for the love for her family and her Lord as well as her gentleness and humility. Oakie made her home with her sister-in-law Pauline Hill. She is sadly missed by her family who showed her so much love and care, but she exchanged her sickness and suffering for sweet peace and rest that is awaiting all God's children. She is survived by her sister-in-law, three nephews, two nieces and many friends.

Frank Heaton departed this life on April 24, 1995. His wife Maggie preceded him in death on February 11, 1995. They attended Burbank F.W.B. Church until illness kept them from attending. They are both greatly missed by their family and community. They were married seventy-two years and are survived by four sons and five daughters. Two sons preceded them in death. We are comforted to know a glad reunion has taken place in Heaven.

MINISTERS CONFERENCE

Middle District October 29, 1994

The Jacks Creek F.W.B. Ministers Conference met with the Middle District F.W.B. Church on October 29, 1994 at 9:30 a.m. The pastor Brother Bud Edwards welcomed the conference to Middle District Church. The congregation stood and sang "Victory In Jesus." Devotion were by Brother Norman Loveless, a prayer by Brother Stanley McMahan.

Conference was called to order by the moderator Brother Ricky Pate, rules of decorum were read. Ministers roll call was made with everyone standing in full fellowship. The congregation stood in a moment of silence in honor of Rev. Jerome Honeycutt who had passed away Sept. 12, 1994. Minutes of last session were read and approved. The call for old business and new business, and anyone seeking licenses or ordination was made. Brother Steven Miller asked to be licensed to preach, and was forwarded to the Investigating Committee. Officers for the next conference were appointed. Brother Ronnie Carroll was moderator and Brother Paul Bennett alt. Brother Jonas Revis to address the subject of young ministers conduct in becoming pastors. Brother Troy McCourry spoke to the ministers as they became pastors. He did a wonderful job, using many scripture references and many of his experiences in his experience as pastor for the last forty-five years.

11:00 a.m. Preaching Service

The congregation sang "Amazing Grace." The moderator introduced the speaker Brother Bernie Jones, who preached a great message. Closed in fellowship handshake and prayer.

Rev. Blaine Whitson, Clerk Alternate

Young's Chapel January 28, 1995

The Jacks Creek F.W.B. Ministers Conference met with Young's Chapel F.W.B. Church on January 28, 1995 at 9:30 a.m. It began with the congregation singing "When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder." The pastor, Brother Randy Laws, welcomed the conference to Young's Chapel. Devotions were given by Brother Russell Hughes, reading 1 Timothy, Chapter 4. An altar prayer was led by Brother John Stockton.

The call to order was led by the moderator Brother Tommy Hensley, and rules of decorum were read. Ministers roll call was made with everyone standing in full fellowship. Minutes of last session were read by Bro. Blaine Whitson. The deacons and

delegates were welcomed to a seat in the body. Visiting ministers were seated as following: Revs. Roger Hood, Danny Loveless, Gary Blunt and Duane Cassida. Brother Steven Miller was recommended for license and was turned over to the Ordaining Council. Brother David Anderson was dropped from the ministers roll at his request. Brother Randy Johnson presented a letter from Valley Forge F.W.B. Church stating the church had elected him as pastor and requesting he be ordained. Brother Johnson was turned over to the Investigating Committee. Brother Jimmy Arrowood gave the committee's report concerning Brother Roger Byrd and his delinquent charge. It was reported that Brother Byrd had sent a letter by Brother Troy McCourry but Brother McCourry was absent. Brother Charlie Trevitt made a motion to wait for the letter, and the motion carried.

Officers were appointed for the next conference: Brother Ronny Carool Moderator; Bro. Darrell Edwards, Assistant. Devotions: Bro. Randy Johnson and Jack Silvers, Alt. Brother Paul Bennett spoke for Foreign Missions. Bro. Roger Hood spoke for the F.W.B. Children's Home, and Bro. Gary Blunt spoke for prison missions. Bro. Ronny Carroll thanked the conference for financial help.

Brother Blaine Whitson read Article 10 concerning a preacher being ordained if he was called to pastor a church of another denomination. Bro. Charlie Trivett said that so far it had not been done - others had been refused. Bro. Paul Bennett said he was pastoring a Presbyterian Church with good success, and would like to be ordained. Bro. Parky spoke of his concern for the future. Bro. Ricky Pate made a motion to amend Article 10 to a F.W.B. Church. Bro. Paul Bennett seconded the motion, and motion was carried to change Article 10 to read that a licensed minister can not attain ordination until he is called to pastor a F.W.B. Church. The Ordaining Council gave their report recommending Bro. Steven Miller for license to preach for one year.

At the 11:00 a.m. Bro. Norman Loveless preached, reading from Luke 10:25, Romans 1:13 and I Cor. 13, on the subject "How do you read it or how do you understand?" It was a good message. The conference closed with prayer by Bro. Bud Edwards.

Ulis Miller/ Clerk

Low Gap April 29, 1995

The Jacks Creek Free Will Baptist Ministers Conference met with the Low Gap F.W.B. Church on April 29, 1995, at 9:30 a.m. Pastor Bro. Stanley McMahan welcomed the association to Low Gap Church. The congregation sang "Amazing Grace." Bro. Marvin Hensley led the devotions, and a prayer by Bro. Bud Edwards.

Conference was called to order. By the moderator Bro. Ronnie Carroll. Rules of decorum were read. Ministers roll call was made with everyone present standing in full fellowship. Minutes of last session were read and approved. Deacons and delegates were recognized and seated. Visiting Ministers were welcomed as following: Bros. Duane Cassida and Ralph Ledford. Call was made for anyone seeking membership, licensing or ordination. Bro. Randy Johnson asked to be ordained and was presented to the ordaining

council for questioning. Bro. Duane Cassida asked for membership and was presented to the investigating committee until the next conference. Call for old business brought no response. Call for new business: Bro. Charlie Trivett informed the conference that Dr. Thigpin from the State Association would come to any church to answer questions they might have about joining that Association if they would contact him. Bro. Trivett also asked that we have a secret ballot at the association as to whether to join the state association or not.

Bro. Jonas Revis read a letter from the Children's Home and asked that anyone interested in being house parents at the home please contact him or the home. Bro. Jonas spoke on the subject of instructing the young ministers in their duties as ministers and pastors. He used 1st Cor. 1: 1-21 and 1st and 2nd Timothy as his background scripture. It was brought to the attention of the conference by the moderator that Brother David Jones had been delinquent for three or more conferences. The investigating committee was asked to look into the matter. Bro. Leonard Shehan thanked the conference for the financial help and the prayers during his illness.

The 11:00 a.m. preaching service began with the congregation singing "Victory In Jesus." Bro. Jack Silvers preached a good message, using for his text "I show unto you a more excellent way," from 1st Cor. 12:28. The ordaining council gave their report recommending Bro. Randy Johnson for ordination. Bro. Bobby Revis gave the charge, prayer and laying on of hands was led by Bro. Bill Greer, followed by a song fellowship with closing prayer by Bro. Charlie Trivett.

Rev. Ulis Miller, Clerk

North Bend August 12, 1995

The Jacks Creek F.W.B. Ministers Conference met with North Bend F.W.B. Church following its 100th Annual Association on August 12, 1995 at 9:30 a.m.. The congregation came in the church singing "Amazing Grace." Pastor, Brother Roger Laws welcomed the conference to North Bend Church. Devotions were led by Bro. James Ledford, reading Psalms 150 and Isa. 53:1. Prayer by Bro. Stanley McMahan.

Called to order by moderator Bro. Charlie Trivett, rules of decorum were read. Minutes of last session were read and approved. A letter from Covey Rock Church was read in honor and appreciation for Rev. Leonard Shehan. Ministers roll call was made with everyone standing in fellowship. Deacons and delegates were seated. Visiting Ministers were welcomed as following: Bro. Roger Hood with the Childrens Home,, Bros. Allen Whitehead, Henry Berry, Keith Miller, Danny Osborn and Dexter Brummitt, all with Toe River F.W.B. Conference.

Officers were elected: Clerk, Brother Ulis Miller; Alternate, Bro. Blaine Whitson. Ordaining Council: Chairman, Bro. Bobby Revis, Bro. Marvin Hensley, Bro. Orphard Hensley, Bro. Ronnie Peterson, Bro. Troy McCourry and Blaine Whitson. Alternating Investigating Committee: TN Chairman, Rev. Norman Loveless, Rev. Bernie Jones, Rev. Junior McKinney and Rev. Darrell Edwards, Alt; NC Chairman Rev. Jimmy Arrowood,

Rev. Ross Grant, Rev. Roger Laws and Rev. Bud Edwards, Alt.

The call for anyone seeking licenses or ordination was made. Bros. Marvin Silvers, Larry Barr, and Lester Perkins asked for ordination, and were forwarded to the investigating committee. Bro. Tommy Hensley was appointed moderator for the next conference, Bro. Junior McKinney alternate. The ordaining council asked for four house payments to be made out of the Disabled Ministers Fund for Bro. Ronnie Carroll after hearing his statements. Their request was granted. Dismissed with prayer by Bro. Roger Byrd.

At the 1:30 p.m. session, the congregation sang two songs. The ordaining council was down stairs dealing with a situation concerning Bro. Kenny Shultz. During this time Bros. Darrell Edwards, Steve Miller, Bernie Jones, Stanley McMahan, Frank Cable, Bud Edwards and Roger Lawes gave witness for the Lord. At 3:05 p.m. chairman Bro. Bobby Revis asked for permission to carry the problem over until the next conference. His request was granted. However, when he went back downstairs the discussion of Bro. Kenny Shultz was still in progress. Bro. Shultz turned in his licenses and ordination papers to the chairman, Brother Bobby Revis, bringing the session to close with prayer.

Ulis Miller, Clerk

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The following ministers are pastoring churches in another association:

Fleenor, Theodore.....	East Fairview F.W.B. Church
Greer, Bill.....	Keystone F.W.B. Church
Hensley, Marvin.....	Cane Creek F.W.B. Church
Miller, Ulis.....	St. Paul F.W.B. Church
Pate, Ricky.....	Eastern Gat F.W.B. Church
Price, J.D.....	Coxes Creek F.W.B. Church
Richardson, Terry.....	Fellowship F.W.B. Church, Erwin, TN
Sheets, J.C.....	Fellowship F.W.B. Church, Limestone, TN

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 fruit of the vine 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 too 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 man shall absent himself from the body while in session without leave of 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.

We your committee on the Jack's Creek Free Will Baptist treatise present the following resolutions, that have been adopted at various sessions, beginning in 1948 through 1980, and recommend that they be included in the new Treatise to be printed. The following articles were recommended and approved at the annual session August, 1983.

53rd Session 1948 - When committees are chosen for the Association they are to have a minister as chairman. The remainder of the committee is to be chosen from the delegates.

60th Session 1955 - A motion was passed not to allow any woman to preach.

63rd Session 1958 - Any person teaching or holding a church office are to be members of the Free Will Baptist denomination.

76th Session 1971 - Any person writing a letter to the investigating committee must sign the letter or the letter will be considered null and void.

79th Session 1974 - No moderator of the Jack's Creek Association shall serve more than a one year period, nor can he succeed himself. An assistant moderator shall be elected annually and shall be elevated to position of moderator after he has served his year as assistant. After two years have expired any previous moderator may be elected to assistant moderator again.

80th Session 1975 - Jack's Creek Ministers Conference is opposed to the so called Millennium or Millenial doctrine as preached today. Any of our ministers found to be preaching or teaching this said doctrine, shall have their license called for, and their names dropped from the ministers roll.

83rd Session 1978 - The Jack' Creek Free Will Baptist Association does not condone, or allow homosexuality among its people, that it is deemed to be a deadly sin. Lev. 20:13, Romans 1:26-32. Also we are opposed to abortion in any form. "Thou shalt not kill", the fifth commandment, Ex. 20:12.

We do not accept mixed color marriages, because it pleased God to make everything after its own kind, and to separate the people of the earth. Gen. 11:19

Second coming of Jesus as written in minutes

84th Session 1979 - No minister will be allowed to serve on more than one committee of investigation or ordaining council.

Jack's Creek Ministers Conference does not condone our ministers performing a wedding, and joining together in Holy Matrimony anyone who has been previously married and divorced.

Respectfully submitted by Reverends Blaine Whitson, Stanley McMahan, and Ronnie Peterson. August 1984.

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 F.W.B. 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 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	(24) Church Location
(12) Clerk & Mod. Fund	
(13) Paid Pastor	

Present pastor _____

Pastor elect _____

Revival conducted by _____

Treasurer _____

Address _____

Clerk _____

Address _____

Phone _____

CHURCHES (All Full Time unless indicated otherwise)	No. Baptized	Members Added	Dismissed by Letter Ect.	Deaths	Total Membership	Average in Sunday School	No. in Ladies Auxiliary	No. in C.T.S.	Minute Fund	Associational Fund	Clerk and Mod. Fund	Paid Pastor	Paid for Revivals	Children's Home	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Disabled Ministers Fund	Poor & Sick	Improvement to Church Property	Value of Church Property	Paid Visiting Ministers	Communion
Big Creek	3	4			144	75	20		\$40	\$30	\$20	\$9,425	\$1,000	\$639	\$644	\$	\$200	\$5,968	\$	\$229,810	\$ 559	2
Borings Chapel					43	26			40	40	10			500				2,891	10,000	80,000		
Brummitts Creek	1	2			60	35			25	50	10	7,800	450					883	600	254,335		1
Burbank		2		4	250	120		64	50	20	20	14,400	1,100	603	2,031	7,593	260	5,521	675	227,549	361	4
Colberts Creek			8	2		31			20	20	5	5,160	434					1,464				
Covey Rock		11			198	109			40	60	10	11,960	600	225	643	4,123	200	5,580	2,791	210,024	856	2
Crabtree		5			49	45	17			25		6,250						1,293	30,000	100,000	474	4
Davistown					33	30	7		20	20	10	3,696	234			100		216	9,886	192,000	50	4
Eastern Gate	7	7	4		65	45	12		20	15	10	3,300	400	600	10	10	10	400	30,000	130,000	100	4
Higgins	1	6			136	88			20	20	5	12,331	1,333				65	9,306		49,000	149	4
Hilcrest	3	7	1	1	45	24			20	20	15	7,150	350		84	440	50	1,334	4,625	250,000	601	1
Liberty					129	80	18	30	20	20	20	23,400	1,261	871	1,900	4,554	200	4,340	3,250	300,000	400	2
Liberty Chapel	4	4			57	50	9		20	20	20	8,394	374	40	20	20	20	2,681		94,235		4
Low Gap	5	6	1		115	66			50	30	10	10,400	300	1,142	3,293	750	100	541		300,000		2
Middle District	1	4		1	79	65		26	40	33	25	8,992	600	900	650	1,868		1,799	10,000	202,000	75	4
New Hope					14	20	6													100,000		
Nix Creek	4		4	2	58	33			40	30	5		1300	1,300	210	210		6,284	2,000	55,500		1
North Bend	3	4	2		116	89			80	50	25	6,300	750	400	2,618	450	100	2,478	10,355	198,084	200	1
Pathway	3	3	2		85	64	10		25	25	10	9,180	700	359			50	4,450	6,200	100,000	450	4
Pensacola	1	2	4	2	72	44	20		30	50	10	8,233			355	169	50	8,767	6,300	90,835	185	
Peterson's Chapel		2	2		87	85	10		40	10	10	5,375		206				1,906	5,749	161,426	300	3
Pilgrim's Chapel				1	37	12			10	10	10							553		50,000	140	
Pine Grove	3	3	2	3	135	77			60	25	5	16,575		363	246	2,351	50	5,220	7,391	155,000	50	
Southside	11	4	6	2	229	201			50	15	25	14,280	1,500		800	1,793	260	4,051	8,624	300,000	278	4
Sunset		5	9	1	75	65			25	15	15	8,000	200			8,371	25	6,062	1,781	149,600	50	4
Unaka Springs		1	2		122	50	15		30	25	5	3,650	400			750	25	900	500	85,500	200	2
Union Hill	4	4				26			10	25	10	3,032	240	150	171			852	3,096	60,000	205	2
Vale 2nd & 4th	1			1	35	20			15	10	10	2,850		100		210	50		1,596	62,000	60	1
Valley Forge	10	14	1	5	276	179	30	68	75	75	25	16,839	700	2,110	24,329	8,712	200	15,121	27,184	396,831	450	4
Woodby Hill			3	3	82	46	12		30	20	5	7,800			558	420	25	1,419		55,000	366	2
Young's Chapel	2	12		2	124	79			50	75	20	7,675		1,209	4,449	1,900	681	4,182	9,550	65,000	925	4

