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## JACK'S CREEK FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

One Hundred and Third Annual Session Held At Pensacola F.W. B. Church Burnsville, NC August 6 - 8, 1998

## Officers:

Rev. Jonas Revis, Moderator Rev. Stanley McMahan, Assistant Moderator Rev. Ulis Miller, Clerk Rev. Blaine Whitson, Assistant Clerk

## **NEXT SESSION:**

The next session will be at Youngs Chapel F.W.B. Church in Burnsville, NC, on July 29 - 31, 1999 (The last Thursday in July) at 10:30 a.m. Rev. Terry Richardson will preach the introductory

message. Rev. Leonard Shehan will be his alternate.

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## MINISTERS CONFERENCE

#### **PROCEEDINGS**

The Jack's Creek Free Will Baptist Association met with the Pesacola Free Will Baptist Church at Pensacola, N.C. Aug. 6, 1998 at 10:30 A.M. for its one hundred and third annual association. The session began with Bro. Troy McCourry welcoming the association. The congregation sang "Id Rather Be An Old time Christian" Bro. McCourry ask Bro, Clyde Fender and Sister Bonnie Wilson to come up front and be recognized for their longevity and contribution to the association. Bro. Clyde Fender was eighty six and Sis. Wilson was ninety three years old. Prayer by Bro. Frank Cabal. Bro. Bobby Revis preached the introductory message, reading 1st. John chapter 3 verse through 4. His text was "Behold, or Observe what God has done" He preached a great message followed by the Crabtree Trio singing "When He Takes Me Home To Stay," Bro. Harold Webb sung "Oh What A Saviour," Bro. J. C. Sheets sung "God Leads His Children Home." Bro Leonard Shehan gave his testimony and was followed by many others Witnessing for Christ. Many prayer request were made and an alter prayer was led by Bro. Stanley McMahan. (It was just a wonderful service with the Holy Spirit present.)

#### 1: 00 P.M. Business Session

The session began with the congregation singing "Victory in Jesus: and "He will hold my hand". Devotions were by Bro. J. C. Sheets reading Psalms 23, prayer by Bro. Jonas Revis. Called to order by moderator Bro. Charlie Trivett. Rules of decorum were read. Church letters were read and delegates seated. Rev. Roger Whitson was welcomed as a visiting minister.

#### CHURCH LETTERS

Big Creek: Bro's: Willis Adkins, Willie Murphy and Earl Honeycutt

Boroings Chapel: Sisters Leathy Hensley and Donna Woodby

Brummitts Creek: Bro's Paul Bennett, Philips Wilson and Sister Star Bennett

Burbank: Bro. Draper Heaton and Sisters Mary Troutman, Betty Hughes, Maude Forbes and Florence Street.

Colberts Creek: Bro. Mike Wilson, Rev. Roger Whitson and Sister Louise Burgis.

Covey Rock: Bro's, Buck Laws, Jess Fox, Rickey Miller, Donnie Deyton and Sisters Marie Laws, Joyce Fox and Maude Hensley.

Crabtree: Sisters, Virginia Honeycut, Mary Bell Lyons, Jennie, Loveless, Shirley Peterson and Carolyn Honeycutt.

Davistown: Bro's. Perry Moore, Bill McPeters, Orphard Hensley, Michael Carver, and Sister Violet Moore..

Eastern Gate: Bro. J. D. Hill.

Higgins: Bro's, Clyde Thompson, Anise Bailey Sister Ethel Bradford.

Hillcrest: Bro's. Jimmy Johnson, Bobby Revis, Eugene Wilson and Sisters Imagene Johnson, Naomi Revis, Imagen Johnson, Maryella Revis.

Liberty: Bro's. Marvin Voliva, Royce Hogan and Sisters Dianna Hollifield and Grace Allison.

Liberty Chapel :Bros. Ralph Hedrick, and Sis. Susie Headrace.

Low Gap: Bro's, Sam Riddle and Stanley McMahan.

Middle District: Bros. George Yelton and Earl Troutman.

New Hope: Bros. Stephen Miller and Paul Ault

Nix Creek :Bros. Jimmy Arrowod, Lester McClure, J. B. Cope, Mike Lister and Ronnie Brooks.

North Bend: Bros. James Ledford, Howard Buchanan, Owen Barnett, Hobert Hopson and Sisters Linda Cox and Nora Buchanan.

Pathway: Bro. Jimmy Quillen.

Pensacola: Bros. Ronald Fox, Keith Blankinship, Rick Wilson, Rose Miller, Gene Blankinship and Junior Thompson.

Peterson Chapel: Bro. Reuben Higgins and Sis. Wilma Laws.

Pilgrims Chapel: By letter.

Pinev Grove: By letter.

Southside: Bros. Kenneth Higgins, Ray Tolley and Steve Tipton.

Sunset: Rev. Gary Whitehead.

Unaka Springs: By letter.

Union Hill: Bro. Lester Miller and Johnny Miller.

Vale: Bros. J. D. Vance and Don Calhoun.

Valley Forge: Bros. Carl Roberson, Jim Honeycutt, Sisters Mildred Vaughan and Ruby Harmon.

Woodby Hill: By letter.

Youngs Chapel: Bros. Randy Laws, Lee Thompson, Clay Fender, Vance Hughes, and Sis. Lila Fender, Billie Thompson, Emogene Silvers and Nicole Robinson.

#### Election of Officers

Moderator:Rev. Jonas RevisAssistant Moderator:Rev. Stanley McMahan

Clerk: Rev. Ulis Miller
Assistant Clerk: Rev. Blaine Whitson

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Rev. Jonas Revis

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Children's Home Treasurer:

Assistant Children's Home Treasurer:

Rev. Bernie Jones
Rev. Ralph headrick
Foreign Missions Treasurer:

Rev. Marvin Hensley

Assistant Foreign Missions Treasurer: Rev. Paul Bennett
Burial Fund Treasurer: Rev. Bobby Revis

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Assistant Burial Fund Treasurer: Rev. Orphard Hensley

Rules Committee: Chairman, Rev. Roger Laws, Frank Cable, Lee Thompson, Willis Adkins, Jimmy Johnson adv. Blain Whitson.

Associational Investigating: Tennessee; Chairman, Leonard Shehan, Bernie Jones, Rickey Pate alternate George Yelton.

North Carolina; Chairman, Brother Orphard Hensley, Howard Buchanan, Paul Bennett alt. J. C. Sheets...

Investigating Committee for Disabled Ministers` Fund: Tennessee: Chairman Ulis Miller, Bernie Jones, Ray Tolley alt. Kenney Higgins. N.C. Chairman: Bro. J. C. Sheets, Bud Edwards, James Ledford alt Stanley McMahan..

Board of Directors for Disabled Ministers Fund: Chairman, Bro's Clay Fender, Marvin Hensley, Bill Greer, Orphard Hensley Perry Moore and Ulis Miller / Adv. Cap.

Board of Directors for Home Missions Fund: Chairman, Bro. Frank Cable, Ralph Hedrick and Charlie Trivett

#### Associational Committees

Churches: Pastors and Deacons: Bro. Leonard Sehan, Howard Buchanan and Owen Barnett.

C. T. S: Sisters Lilla Fender, Star Bennett and Bro. Clay Fender

Disabled Ministers Fund: Bro. Jonas Revis

Education: Bro's. Paul Bennett, Blain Whitson and Bobby Revis.

Foreign Missions: Bro's. Eddie Payne and Tim Thompson.

Home Missions: Bro. Frank Cable, and Sis. Lilly Fender.

Ladies auxiliary: Sisters Nora Buchanan, Bernice Wilson and Shirley Peterson.

Childrens' Home: Bro. Jonas Reves

Sunday School: Bro. Orphard Hensley and Sis's. Donna Woodby and Violet Moore.

Sessions: Bro. T. J. Peterson, J. C. Sheets and Stanley McMahan.

Resolutions: Bro. J. C. Sheets, Lee Thompson and Danny Elliott

Bro. Eddie Payne spoke briefly on behalf of the foreign missions board. Bro. Tim Thompson spoke about Gods call to him to go to Moscow Russia in the foreign missions work. Brother Thompson will be teaching missionary children in Russia. Session closed with prayer by Bro. Stanley McMahan.

## Thursday 7:00 P.M. Service

Brother Troy McCourry welcomed everyone to the service. The church choir sung two songs, "Jesus is Coming Soon" and "God on the Mountain". The church trio sung "Not Afraid To Die". Prayer by Bro. Ralph Headrick. Bro. Darrell Edwards preached the message. He used for his scripture reading from John Chapter 10, Haggai chapter 1, and 1st. Samuel 17. His subject was the "Shepherds Bag". The Service closed with the congregation singing "He Will Hold My Hand" and dismissal prayer by Bro. Bro. Brad Higgins.

## Friday 9:30 A. M. Session

Began with the congregation singing "Just A Little Talk With Jesus". Devotions were by Bro. Orphard Hensley reading from John chapter 20, Prayer by Bro. Stanley Parkey. Called to order by the moderator Bro. Johns Revis, rules of decorum were read. Minuets of previous session were read and approved. Churches that had not reported in Thursdays session gave their reports and were read by the clerk, all delegates were seated in the body. Ministers roll call was made with all ministers standing in full fellowship. Visiting Ministers were welcomed as following Bro,s. Eddie Payne, Verlon Anderson, Jerry Whitehead and Dr. Thigpin. Call for new business, Bro. Charlie Trivett presented the church flag & a certificate be given to all ministers wives or next of kin at the close of a ministers funeral. The idea was accepted and agreed to be paid for out of the home missions funds motion being approved by the association.

## **Associational Committee Reports**

Churches, Pastors and Deacons: We your committee on churches, pastors and deacons would like to submit the following. Churches please read the following scripture, Mat. 16 verses 13 through 19, Eph. Chapter 5 complete. Pastors please study Eph. Chapter 4, 1st. Peter chapter 5. Deacons or servants of the church please read Acts chapter 6 and 1st. Timothy chapter 3 and 2nd. Timothy chapter 3.

Bro,s. Leonard Sehan, Owen Barnett and Howard Buchanan.

## **Church Training Service**

"When I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in the; Which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also" 2 timothy 1:5

Church Training Service is a very important function of the church. C.T.S. is for the whole family. but especially to train our young people how to cope with the many problems of life. And how in this evil day they can live by the standards of God's Holy Word. They need to learn the history and the doctrine of the Free Will Baptist.

Our first responsibility is training in the home as Timothy was. god said of Abraham in Ge. 18:19 "For I know him that will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the Lord" Can HE say that of us today? Prov. 22:6.

#### Children's Home

We, your Committee on the Children's Home, believe that since the children at the children's home have no control over their existing situation, it is our duty and privilege to give our complete support, prayerfully and financially, to help maintain the home. By doing this we can be assured some children who are less fortunate that others can be exposed to life in a Christian atmosphere.

We should also pray for all those concerned with making this atmosphere possible - Psalms 127:3; Proverbs 20:11; Proverbs 22:6; Matthew 18:4-6; Mark 10: 13-16

## Ladies Auxiliary

We recommend that the ladies auxiliary read and study and, apply it to our leves each day. Proverbs chapter 31, sis. Bernice Wilson and Nora Buchanan.

## **Education Report**

Education is the development in knowledge, skill, ability or character by teaching, training, study or experience. Our churches are to be not only a place of worship but a place of training and teaching of the Bible and about Christ. When Jesus' parents took him to the temple at age twelve he became the teacher by "listening and asking questions" Luke 2:46.

The only places in a sinful world where young converts and young pelple will learn about Christ are in our homes and churches. Let us resolve to see that both are places for learning about and how to be Christians. May we all do more to further the cause of Christ by doing as he said in Luke 2:49. "Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business". Let us also show by the lives we live that 'we' are about our Father's business.

Respectfully submitted - Blaine Whitson, Bobby Revis, Paul Bennett

**Sunday School Report** 

Psalms 119:11 'Thy Word have I hid in mine heart that I might not sin agains thee". Psalms 119:105 'Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.' Sunday school is the place for young and old to learn more about God's Word. Teachers should be filled with the Holy Gost and truly dedicated to the cause of Christ. The more We study and learn of the Word of God - the more we grow as Christians. Committee - Rev. Ophard Hensley, Violet Moore, Donna Woodby

Rules Committee: We recommend that the Association meeting time be changed to the last Thursday in July. Bro's. Frank Cable, Roger Laws, Blane Whitson, Jimmy Johnson, Lee Thompson and Willis Adkins.

#### Sessions Committee:

Sessions: First Ministers Conference will be at Middle District F. W. B. Church November 28,1998. At 9:30 A. M. Bro. Leonard Sehan to preach Bro. Jimmey Arrowood alt. Moderator for Nov. Conference Bro. Leonard Sehan alt. Bro. Frank Cable.

Second Ministers Conference: Will be at Huntdale Union Church Jan. 30, 1999 at 9:30 A. M. Brother J. C. Sheets will preach alt. Paul Bennett

Third Ministers Conference: Will be at Covey Rock F. W. B. Church May 29, 1999 at 9:30 A.M. Brother John L Stockton will preach alt. Frank Cable.

Association and fourth conference will be at Youngs Chapel Thursday July 29 - 31 at 10:30 A.M. Brother Terry Richardson will preach the introductory message. Leonard Shehan will be his alt. Thursday Brother Russell Hughes will preach at 7 p.m. Friday 11 a.m. Brother Dean Murphy will preach. Brother Troy McCourry will be his alt. If there is preaching Saturday the 31st at 11, it will be Brother Rickey Woods.

11 A.M. Service

Congregation singing "Amazing Grace". Pro. and Sister Perry Moore sang "The King and I", prayer by Verno Davis Bro. Frank Cabel, reading from Luke ch. 10 - What must I do to enherit eternal life?, dismissed in prayer by Bernie Jones.

## Foreign Missions

The bible is the inspired Work of God. It is also the story of God's ongoing mission to reach everyone everywhere with the gospel. He is 'not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.' 2 Peter 3:9

There are about 5 billion 950 million individuals living in our world. They make up about 24,000 people groups. These groups are unique and distinct because of language, culture, location, or religion. Almost half of them do not currently have the gospel available.

Some of them live in areas where the church is strong but has overliiked them. Others live where thate are only nominal Christians. The majority live in parts of

the world where the gospel in unavailable.

These "unreached people" are found in five major religious groupings. Tribal, Hindu, Chinese, Western, and Buddhist. They all require cross-cultural evangelism (foreign missions) to be reached.

The largest concentrations of these people are found in the part of the world known on the 10/40 window, the area between 10 and 40 degrees north of the equator and running from West Africa to the Pacific Ocean.

To help reach the very last people groups with the gospel of Christ will require the efforts of the whole body of Christ.

1. Many must go as missionaries.

2. Others must send through prayer and financial support.

3. Yet others must mobilize and organize the work force. We all must do our part to fulfill the Great Commission and hasten the return of our lord.

Respectfully submitted - Tim Thompson & Eddie Payne

## Friday 7 P.M. Youth Service

Pastor, Bro Troy McCourry welcomed all the young people and everyone to the service. The congregation sang "Amazing Grace", prayer by Bro. Keith Miller. We had seven different groups of young people that came to sing. They were listed as they came in. It was a wonderful service. They not only sing but many gave their testimony, both the singers and congregation stood and witnessed for Christ. Everyone had a wonderful time in the Lord. It was a service that would make you proud of our young people. Service closed with prayer.

## Financial Reports

Children Home:	
Covey Rock	\$450.00
Nicks creek	300.00
Liberty Chapel	40.00
Easterngate	20.00
Piney Grove	100.00
Current Bal.	\$ 910.00
Rev. Bernie Jones / Tr	rea.
Home Missions:	
Beg. Bal. 8/8/98	\$ 512.58
Donations	15.00
Interest Earned	7.66
Collection at the Association	900.00
	\$ 922.66
Disbursements:	
Charlie Lloyd	60.00
Current Bal.	\$ 1,375.24
Rev. Frank Cable / Trea.	
Disabled Ministers' Fund:	
Beg. Bal. 8/8/97	\$ 147,844.96
Receipts:	
Ministers Conference	2,401.00
Association	2,575.00
Burial Fund	1,965.00
Interest Earned	10,055.83
Total to account for	\$ 164,841.79
Disbursements:	11,006.45
Rev. Jonas Revis / Trea.	\$ 153,835.34

## Foreign Missions - Financial Report

Beginning Balance 8-9-97	716.60
Receipts	
Big Creek	600.00
Brummits Creek	
Burbank	
Covy Rock	
Davistown	
Easterngate	
Middle District	
Nix Creek	
North Bend	
Pensacola	
Southside	
Unaka Springs	
Woodby Hill	
Woodby Hill Ladies Aid	
Youngs Chapel	
Rev. Jim Aarowood	
Rev. Dean Murphy	
Tape Sales	
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Disbursements	
Dr. Paul Gentuso41	18.60
Miscellaneous	
Collected Funds at Association	
Ending Balance 8-12-98.	

A motion was passed in the association in 1997 that the treasurer for disabled ministers fund would be elected indefinitely with replacements only as it became necessary.

## **Obituaries**

BIDDIE STOCKTON passed away after a elngthy illness on November 27, 1997. She was 48 years of age. She is survived by her mother, Theodora Ingram, one daughter, and four sisters. Biddie was a member of Middle District Free Will Baptist Church in Buladean, but had been unable to attend for some time due to her extended illness. The mfamily is comforted by the fact that she is now at peace and suffering no longer.

HOYT HUGHES went home to be with the Lord on January 25, 1998. He was 71 years of age. He was preceded in death by his wife, Josephine Dupkoski Hughes. He is survived by a son, six daughters, a brother, five grandsons, six granddaughters and two great-grandchildren. He was a faithful and devoted member of Middle district Free Will Baptist Church. Hoyt courageously battled illness throughout much of his life, but continued to "fight the good fight of faith: until the Lord called him home. While he is greatly missed by his family and friends, there is great comfort in knowing he is now with the Lord.

VERNARD JENKINS departed this life on June 26, 1998, at the age of 73 after suffering a heart attack. Vernard, a life-long farmer, is survived by his wife, three brothers, one sister, one son, one granddaughter, and a host of friends throughout the community and county. He was a member of Middle District Free Will Baptist Church in Buladean. Vernard, knows for his smiling face and friendly attitued

toward all who knew him, will be sadly missed.

REVEREND JACK SILVER age 69 went home to be the Lord, November 29, 1997. He announced the call to preach at Young Chaple Free Will Baptist and also preachedhis first message at Young Chapel on a Sunday morning. His text 'Wait Upon The Lord'. He was pator at Covey Rock Free Will Baptist church when he departed this life. He is survived by his wife Jewell Jones Silver, a mother Atlas Honeycutt Silver, 2 sons - Randell Silver & Dennis Silver of Burnsville, N.C. Also a sister - Bula England of Burnsville, N.C., a brother - Arcemus Silver of Asheville, N.C., 2 grandchildren, 1 step grandson, 2 great grandchildren. He tried to tell everybody that Jesus saves. He was a loving husband & father. He is greatly missed by his family and friends.

MARION THOMAS ELLIOTT born October 16, 1921 and departed this life after a long illness on June 24, 1998. He was a dedicated member and deaconof Nix Creek FWB Church. He is survived by his wife, Margie Robinson Elliott, and a son Danny Elliott and tow daughters - Judy Davis and Delores Arnold, 9 grand-children and 2 great grandchildren. He helped to extablish the original Nex Creek

FWB Church. He was a faithful member and will be missed greatly.

GLYNIA JEANETTE BOWLING Death September 26, 1997. Age 65. Glynia loved many, and her her church. She was an active member until hear health would not allow her to be. She is missed by many friends and loved one but we know she has found eternal rest.

RUBY WARD BOWERS Death December 5, 1997. Age 60. the Lord sent her to our church for many reasons and each of us was touched by her in many different ways. She is greatly missed by her friends and family. God broke our heart to prove to us he only takes the best.

**BEULAH WHITE** was born august 24, 1938 and departed this life November 18, 1997. she was a faithfull member of Woodby Hill Free Will Baptist Church Route 1, Hampton, TN as long as she was able to attend. Her quiet ways made her a special person to everyone who knew her. She is survived by five daughters, Phyllis, Linda, Vickie, Betty and Janet and one son Billy and a number of grand-children and great grandchildren. She is sadly missed by all her children and family and many friends.

JAMES MONROE REECE a faithful and beloved member of Burbank FWB Church went home to be with the Lord on December 6, 1997. Jim loved the Lord and served his church every way possible from teacher to custodian. In conversations with Jim you would soon learn where his treasures were. He is survived by his wife Betty, one daughter, two granddaughters and many friends. Well done good and faithful servant. Our loss is heaven's gain.

MRS. JENNIE HUGHES MILLER went to be with the Lord June 8, 1998. Jennie loved her home and family and was a very talented person. Her sweet smile made everyone love her. She is survived by her husband, Wayne, her

mother Martha Hughes, one sister, two brothers and many friends.

WILLIAM "WILLIE" FRANKLIN went home to be with the Lord November 1, 1997. Willie lived in North Carolina but was a faithful member of Burbank FWB Church. He was a quiet man but he proved he loved the Lord by his faithfullness, kindness and sincere devotion. He is survived by his wife Ruth and many friends. We all miss Willie but are consoled by the fact he is now resting with the Lord.

LAWRENCE WILSON, 80, of Pensacola went home to be with the Lord January 19, 1998. He was a faithful member, Sunday School teacher and deacon of the Pensacola Free Will Baptist Church. He is survived by his wife Wanda, two daughters Patricia and Jane, one son Richard, eight grandchildren, six great

grandchildren and many friends. He is greatly missed by all.

Now the laborer's task is over,
Now the battle day is past
Now upon the farther shore
Lands the voyager at last
Father in thy gracious keeping
Leave we now thy servant sleeping

**CARNAL ALLEN**, 88, of the Pensacola community died Monday, June 15, 1998. Surviving are seven children, 19 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren.

We said our goodbyes with a kiss, then you slowly faded from us. You grew weak and lifeless, but you didn't die. You just moved to heaven - a place of beauty, free from pain where spring is eternal. You are with Jesus.

**ALVIN CASEY**, age 62, died November 19, 1997. He was an outstanding member of Unaka Springs FWB Church. He always had a smile and a kind word to say. He is survived by his mother Pearl Casey, his wife Triele Casey, three sons, four daughters, two brothers, 3 brandchildren, 2 great grandchildren. He is sadly missed by all his family and his church family and may friends. We feel our loss is heaven's gain.

ADA PEARL EDWARDS was born October 3 1910 and departed this life March 7, 1998. She is survived by 4 daughters and 5 sons, 1 step son. She was a member of Unaka Springs FWB Church. She is missed very much by her family and friends. She was a very devoted church member, who loved her church very

much.

**EMMERT O. FOSTER** was born March 15, 1921 and departed this life on April 18, 1998. He is survived by his wife, Blanche Foster, two sons, three daughters, and two grandchildren. He was a member of Unaka Springs FWB Church. He loved going to church and always made visitors feel welcome. He is greatly missed by his family and friends.

NELL FORTNER born October 18, 1924, departed this life September 1, 1997 to be with her Saviour. Sister Fortner was a native of Yancey Co., and the daughter of the late Lennie and Katherine Price Brinkley. Surviving are her husband, Arnold Fortner, one daughter Lila Bailey, two sons Larry and Wade Fortner. Sister Nell was the wonderful grandmother of 9 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren. She was a member of Young's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church all he life. The church wa a very important part of her life. She loved it with all her heart. Sister Nell had a special love for all the young people at the church. Her heart's desire was to see th young people get established and be great warriors for God. Sister Nell wa a deacon's wife for 30 years, taught Sunday School for many years. She was also a faithful member of the Ladies Auxiliary. She enjoyed attending all the Ministers Conferences and the Associations. Sister Nell was a wonderful & kind mother to all her family. She is greatly missed by all her family and friends very much. When she went home, heaven received one of the best.

ETTA HONEYCUTT STREET of Buladean, N.C. was born October 8, 1905 and departed this life after an extended illness on august 25, 1997. She was a member of Middle District FWB Church where she was a very faithful member as long as she was able to attend. She was preceded in death by her husband Chester Street, two sons, and one daughter. She is survived by two sons, three daughters and a host of grand children, great grandchildren, and great-great grandchildren who loved and miss her very much. We believe that when one dies in Christ then to be "absent from the body is to be present with the Lord". Her family and friends have the assurance of seeing her again some day.

ADDREN ROBINSON was born November 3, 1926 and departed this life June 30, 1998. He was a faithful member of Davistown FWB Church in Old Fort, N.C. He is survived by his wife, Irene Robinson. He is sadly missed by

family and friends.

THOSA JOHNSON TRICE, 87, died August 12, 1997 in a Crossnore, N.C. hospital. She was the daughter of the late Will and Siss Johnson. A member of Vale FWB Church and attended faithfully as long as she was able. Thosa was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Von Trice, a son Bobby and two brothers. She is survived by two sons charles and Max Trice, two daughters Corene Eller and Maxine Presnell, nine grandchildren, 12 great grandchildren, four sisters and three brothers and a host of other relatives and friends. She is sadly missed by all.

LYDA ADKINS was born October 8, 1905 and departed this life September 8, 1997. She was a faithful member of bit Creek FWB Church. She is survived by nine children, twenty grandchildren, twenty-five great grandchildren, and three great-great grandchildren. She was a wonderful mother who loved her children dearly. The home place is empty and it will never be the same, but we have precious memories of times we had together. Our prayer is that we will live the

life she lived, and meet her again some day.

ESTER WHITSON born September 22, 1922, departed this life September 13, 1997. She is survived by her husband, Jack Whitson, 2 sons, 7 grandchildren, and 8 great grandchildren. She was a faithful member of Big Creek FWB Church. The following is a message found by her husband after her death, which she left for her family ---"Don't weep or grieve for me. I have gon to my beautiful home where there is no pain. I thank the Lord for that promise. Lord help me to stop and listen and to absorb what you say".

EDDITH WILSON age 73, passed away February 22, 1998. She was the daughter of the late Clate and Bonnie Bennett Adkins and the wife of Raymond Wilson who died in 1984. She was a dedicated member of Big Creek FWB Church and faithful in attendance and service until a short time before her death. Surviving are two sons and daughters-in-law, Roger and Denise Wilson and Ricky and Gwen Wilson, one sister Thelma Whitson, three grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. She is greatly missed by family and friends on earch, but united with many in heaven.

**BEATRICE BEAM PETERS** passed from this life to be with Jesus on May 5, 1998 at the age of 86. She is preceded in death by her husband Lawrence H. Peters. She was the daughter of the late Gilispie and Flora Barrier Beam. She is survived by one son, three daughters, 1 brother, 5 sisters, 14 grandchildren, 14 great grandchildren and a number of neices and nephews. She was an active member of Hillcrest Free Will Baptist Church in Nebo, N.C. She is loved and missed by all her family and friends. We know someday soon we shall see her

again.

LOLA BAILEY FENDER, age 82, was born January 9, 1915 and departer this life December 12, 1997. She was a faithful member of Hillcrest FWB Church where she was a Sunday School teacher and organist until the time of her death. She is survived by her husband, Rev. Clyde Fender, and three daughters, three grandchildren and two great grandchildren. She is greatly missed by her family, friends and her church. The following poem was written in memory of her by Martha Wester, a member of her church:

THE WORDS OF OUR ANGEL

Children is has only been a few days, since I left you that night
But when the angels came, what a beautiful sight
I knew my time was fading, though I had no fear
Then I heard a voice say, you are going home dear.

Oh what a journey it was, the lights so bright
Then I saw Heaven, what a beautiful sight
Children the Heaven we dream about, there is no compare
You just cannot imagine, what God gives us to share.

From the Lambs Book of Life, my name called out loud To enter through the Pearly Gate, I walked so proud Friends and loved ones, waiting by that golden door Singing and praising God, like I never heard before.

Children as I saw our Father, we all long to see
A feeling no one could imagine, when He reached out to me
Clyde, you always sing, "We Are Too Close To Turn Back Now"
You myst make everyone realize, this is so true, somehow.

Children, I hope to see you all again, someday It won't be long, for God is soon coming your way Live your life to the fullest, on the earth below Remember only you can make the choice, of where you go.

I must leave you now, I have so much to do
I am filled with love and energy, and a glorified body too
Children do not worry, how wonderful it is up here
Always remember, how I love each of you, so dear.

#### MINISTERS CONFERENCE.

Unaka Springs F.W. B. Church Nov. 29, 1997

The Jacks Creek Free Will Baptist Ministers Conference met with Unaka Springs F.W.B.Church Nov.11,1997 at 9:30 A.M. The session began with the congregation singing "Standing on the promises". Pastor Bro. Brad Higgins welcomed the conference to Unaka Springs Church. Devotions were by Bro. J.C. Shetts reading Isaiah chapter 59, prayer by Bro. John L. Stockton.

Conference was called to order by the moderator Bro. Terry Richardson. Rules of decorum was read. Fellowship was called for with all the ministers standing in full fellowship. Minutes of last session were read and approved. Ministers roll call was made and deacons and delegates welcomed to a seat in the body. Visiting ministers were welcomed as following, Brothers Keith Miller, Paul Ault, Reed Bagbay, Adam Night, and James Kilgore. Call was made for anyone seeking licenses, ordination or membership. Bro's. Richard Bryant and Mike Carver requested ordination and was referred to the investigating committee. Bro. Paul Ault ask for membership and was referred to the ordaining council by the investigating committee, they had finished their investigating. Bro. Keith Miller ask for membership with a recommendation from the Toe River Association and was referred to the investigating committee. Bro. Brad Higgins was to replace the late Bro. Bro. Jack Silvers on all his positions

Bro. Randy Johnson was appointed moderator for next session Bro. Rodney Devton alt. Bro. Danny Ray Loveless for devotions.

Brother James H, Kilgore spoke for the Children Home. Bro. Jonas Revis showed slides and reported on his trip to visit the Missionaries in Africa. Bro. Revis ask that everyone stand in a special prayer for the missionary work in Africa, prayer was led by Bro.John L. Stockton. The ordaining council gave their report recommending Bro. Paul Ault as a member of the conference as an ordained minister and was approved by a vote of the conference.

#### 11:A.M. Service

The service began with the Knight Family singing four songs. Bro. Charlie Trivett ask for a love offering for Bro. Knight due to his illness. \$305.00 was received. Bro. Bobby Revis preached a great message reading from second Timothy his subject was "Watch thou in all things". The service closed with prayer by Bro. Junior McKinney.

Rev. Ulis Miller / clerk

Nicks Creek May 30, 1998

The Jacks Creek F. W. B. Ministers conference met with the Nicks Creek F. W. B. Church May 30, 1998 at 9:00 A.M. The conference was welcomed by the pastor Bro. Jimmy Arrowood. The congregation sung "Heavens Jubilee". Devotions were by Bro. Keith Miller, reading from second Timothy chapter four, prayer was by Bro. Ronnie Peterson.

Session was called to order by the moderator, Bro. Junior McKinney. Rules of decorum were read. Minuets of last session were read and approved. Ministers roll call was made with every one standing in full fellowship. Visiting ministers were welcomed as following Brothers Rickey Clubb and Keith Miller. Call for anyone seeking licenses, ordination or membership. Bro. Richard Bryant ask for ordination, Bro. J.B. Cope ask for licenses and Brother for membership. They had all made request before the last conference but the investigating committee had not made their investigation. However this had been done since then and they were all recommended to the ordaining council. Brother Jonas Revis spoke recommending that all ministers be concerned about supporting the disabled ministers fund. He also thanked the conference and association for the amount of \$15,236.98 given to the Children home in the past physical year Bro. Charlie Trivett also encouraged all the young ministers to give to the fund, by reminding everyone that no one knows when we may need help. Brother Bill Greer was the on to speak to the young ministers advising them how to conduct themselves both as ministers of the gospel and pastors of a church. He did that with a lot of good advise that he had learned by experience in his years of pastoral work as a pastor and also using Bible Scripture. Session closed with prayer for the. 11:00 A.M. preaching service.

#### 11:00 A.M. Service

Began with the congregation singing "Amasin Grace". Brother James Ledford ask to be prayed for and anointed with oil, this was done with the prayer being led by Bro. Norman Loveless. Bro. Brad Higgins preached a wonderful message. His subject was "They had a mind to work." The ordaining council gave their report, recommending Bro. J.C. Cope for licenses, Bro. Keith Miller membership as an ordained minister and Bro. Richard Bryant for ordination. Bro. Marvin Hensley gave the charge for ordination of Bro. Bryant. Prayer and laying on of hands were led by Bro. J.C. Sheets the service closed with a fellowship hand shake.

Ulis Miller / clerk

## Crabtree Free Will Baptist Church March 28, 1998

The Jacks Creek Free Will Baptist Ministers Conference met with the Crabtree F. W. B. Church March 28, 1998 at 9:30 b with the pastor Bro. Ronnie Peterson welcomening the conference to Crabtree. The congregation sung "He set me free" devotions by Bro. Danney Ray Loveless reading from Luke 14:23 prayer by Bro. Norman Loveless.

Call to order by the moderator Bro. Rodney Deyton. Moderator ask that the congregation stand for a moment of prayer for our nation. Rules of decorum were read. Roll call was made with all ministers standing in full fellowship. Ordaining council was dismissed with applicants for licenses or ordination. Minuets of last session were read and approved. visiting ministers were welcomed as folowing Bros. Keven Trembell, Keith Miller, John Buchanan, Randy English and J. B. Cope. Call for anyone seeking licenses or ordination. Bro. Rickey Woods licenses were renewed, seeking licenses were Bros. J.B. Cope and was recommended to investigating committee. Bros.Rick Price and Danny Ray Loveless were recommended to the ordaining council by the investigating committees report. Bros. Mike Carver was recommended to the ordaining council for ordination by the investigating committee. Bro. Richard Bryant was to be ordained and Bro. Keith Miller to be accepted as a member but the investigating committee had not investigated them, they very willingly agreed to be held over until next conference.

Brother Randy English spoke concerning the flood situation in Carter County and what a bad condition some of the residents were in that had lost their homes and ever thing they had. Bro. Ricky Pate ask that the conference take an offering for them. The congregation stood and received an offering in the amount of \$ 568.02 for the flood victims. Bro. Kevin Trembill spoke on behalf of the childrens Home he invited any of the pastors down for vacation. Bro. Charlie Trivett ask that we consider buying a christian flag for ministers at their death. A committee was appointed to check the costs as following. Bros. Charlie Trivett, Norman Loveless, Stanley McMahan and Paul Bennett. Bro. Ron Street was appointed as moderator and Junior Mckinney alt. Bro. Keith Miller devotions for next conference.

#### 11:AM Service

Bro. Perry Moore and Daughter sang two beautifull songs. Bro. Marvin Hensley preached a wonderful message reading from Ps. 138, "The Lord will perfect that which concerneth me." was his text. One Brother ask to be anointed with oil and prayed for and his request was carried out. The ordaining council made their report approving Bro. Mike Carver for ordination and Bros.Rickey Price and Danny Loveless for licenses. Bro.J. C. Sheets gave the charge for ordination to Bro Carver laying on of hands and prayer led by Bro. Ronnie Peterson.

#### Pesacola 8/8/98

The Jacks Creek Free Will Baptist Ministers Conference met with the Pensacola F.W.B. Church Aug.8,1998 at 9:30 A.M. The session began with the congregation singing "Amazing Grace". Devotions were by Bro Randy Johnson reading first Timothy, prayer by Bro Terry. Richard.

The session was called to order by the moderator Bro. Jonas Revis, rules of decorum were read, minutes of last session were read and approved. Ministers roll call was made with everyone standing in full fellowship. Visiting ministers were welcomed as following Brothers Clark Raymon, Dexter Brumitt, Eddie Payne, Verlan Anderson and Dr. Charles Thigpen. Deacon and delegates were welcomed and seated.

#### Election of Officers

Clerk: Bro. Ulis Miller

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Ordaining Counsel: Chairman Brother J.C. Sheets, Ronnie Peterson, Troy McCourry, Bobby

Revis, Marvin Hensley and Jimmy Arrowood.

Investigating Committee: TN. Chairman Brothers Terry Richardson, Norman Loveless, Junior

McKinney, and Bernie Jones alt.

NC. Chairman Brothers Russell Hughes, Tommy Hensley, Roger Laws and Ralph Headrick alt.

Call for anyone seeking licenses or ordination, Brother Scotty Jenkins ask to be ordained and was referred to the investigating committee. Ordaining counsel and investigating committees for TN. And NC. were both dismissed. Bro. Jonas Revis read the disabled ministers report. Bro. Charlie Trivett discussed the Christian Flag situation that had ben brought before the last conference. A motion was passed to furnish a flag to the wife or next of kin at the death of one of our ministers. Bro> Charlie Trivett, Paul Bennett and Sister Star Bennett was selected to see the flags were available when needed. Brothers Leonard Sehan or Orphard Hensley to present the flag to the widow or next of kin. Moderator for next conference Bro. Leonard Sehan, Bro. Frank Cable alt. Bro. Orphard Hensley to give instructions to young ministers. Bro. Orphard Hensley to order flowers for NC. And Ulis Miller for TN. When a minister dies. Dr. Thigpen announced the national association to be in Atlanta July 18-22, 1999. Bro. Dexter Brummit announced the annual walk-a-thon and ask everyone to take part in it. Bro. Clark Raymon spoke representing the children home. Bro. Eddie Payne spoke for the foreign missions. Session closed with prayer by Bro. Stanley McMahan.

Ulis Miller / Clerk

#### 11:A.M. Service

Began with the congregation singing "Amazing Grace." The speaker was announced by the pastor Bro. Troy McCourry. Brother Eddie Payne read Ex. Chapter 19, his subject was I want a real God. He used an experience he had in Africa with a man that had lost confidence in his Idols. After lots of praying and teaching him who was the real God. The man agreed to put God to a real test, then if he proved himself they would serve him. His message was a lot like Elijah proving to the children of Isarel that Baal was not real. When God proved himself not only the man believed on him but the entire village. It was a great message enjoyed by everyone.

The service closed with prayer by Bro. Payne.

Ulis Miller / clerk

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Higgins, Roscoe	
Miller, Ulis	
Steve Cochran	
Richardson, Terry	
Sheets, J.C.	
Whitson, Blains	Huntdale Union Church

#### CONSTITUTION OF JACK'S CREEK F.W.B. ASSOCIATION

- 1. This Association shall be composed of delegates chosen and sent from each church.
- 2. The delegates chosen and sent shall be recommended in a letter from the church to which they belong and shall include the minister and some of the ablest members belonging to the church.
- 3. The Association shall elect annually a moderator and a clerk. The moderator shall not serve more than four (4) consecutive terms at one time. (Amended 8-9-1986)
- 4. The Rules of Decorum shall be read immediately after the body is organized.
- 5. The Association will encourage a sound ministry; such as present Christ as an all-sufficient Saviour; having made salvation possible for every human being on the terms of the gospel, which is freely offered to all.
- 6. Any minister in good standing, whether a delegate or not, may be invited to a seat and take part in the deliberation, and have his name enrolled in our minutes.
- 7. The Association may appoint such committees as may be necessary to the expedition of business, and every committee appointed to any particular business shall report their proceedings in writing to the Association while in session, and all reports may be adopted or rejected by the body.
- 8. The Association shall have a book in which shall be kept an accurate account of all its proceedings.
- 9. Any church may become a member of the Association by making application by letter or by delegate and adopting our articles of faith and church covenant.
- 10. The Association may withdraw from any church that becomes disorderly or refuses to be represented.
- 11. There shall be an associational fund for defraying expenses and charges that may accrue, and for replenishing such; each church may contribute at pleasure.
- 12. There shall be a treasurer appointed by the Association, whose duty it shall be to have care of and account for the money committed to his charge.
  - 13. The Association shall use the Free Will Baptist Treatise in full.
- 14. Each church shall be allowed one vote for every ten members or fraction thereof.
- 15. The Association advises all its churches to commemorate the death and suffering of our Lord at least twice a year.
- 16. The Association shall pay its clerk at least \$5.00 for his services per annum.

#### PERMANENT RESOLUTION

#### Passed 8/11/84

We make a motion that the following resolution be accepted:

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

Rev. Stanley McMahan, Bill McPeters and Junior Street

#### CHURCH COVENANT

- 1. Having given ourselves to God by faith in Jesus Christ and adopted the Word of God; according to the original Free Will Baptist doctrine as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to each other by the help of God.
- 2. We solemnly covenant before God that we will carefully observe the commandments implied by a confession of faith, and in the spirit of meekness rebuke and admonish those who have gone astray, and watch over each others' reputation and use our influence to the upbuilding of the church and for the advancement of the cause of Christ, endeavoring to seek the unity of the spirit in the bonds of peace, and to confess our faults one to another, and to strengthen those that are weak.

3. We promise that by the help of God we will faithfully practice family and secret prayer, and strive to cultivate the doctrine of God's revealed word in the minds of those under our care.

4. We also agree to use our influence for the support of the Gospel and to contribute liberally to aid the ministry according to our several abilities. Also we agree to be liberal with those that are afflicted and needy, and especially those of the household of faith.

5. We also agree to attend all regular meetings regularly if not providentially hindered and submit to all ordinances implied in a Profession of

Faith.

- 6. We also agree to abstain from all sinful and vain amusements.
- 7. We also agree to abstain from all intoxicating liquors and not to use it as a beverage, nor to aid or assist in the manufacture of such nor furnish it to others.
- 8. We also agree to encourage home and foreign missions, education, Sabbath schools, good morals and everything that is to the glory of God and to the welfare of men. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly and preserve us blameless until the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, that we may be happily admitted into the Kingdom of God, may ascribe honor unto the Lamb forever. Amen.

#### ARTICLES OF FAITH

Article 1.—THE TRUE GOD. We believe that there is one and only one living and true God who is in personality the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, equal and harmonious in every divine perfection.—"There is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself a ransom for all to be testified in due time." I Tim. 2:6.

Article 2.—HOLY SCRIPTURES. We believe that God is the author of the Holy Bible, and its teachings constitute the only infallible doctrine for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness. II Tim. 3:16.

Article 3.—ORIGINAL APOSTASY. We believe that Adam was created holy, but by voluntary transgression fell into depravity and consequently involved his posterity in sin.—And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food and that it was pleasant to the eye, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit and did eat. Gen. 3:6.

Article 4.—FREE GRACE. We believe that the grace of God comprehends all spiritual blessings; that the Gospel is the power of God unto salvation; that the Holy Spirit not only reproves the world of sin, but is the means whereby sinners are converted and made wise unto salvation. For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek, for the same Lord is rich unto all that call upon Him. Rom. 10:12.

Article 5.—CHRISTIAN FAITH. We believe that Christian faith is belief in Jesus Christ as the Son of God and Redeemer of the world and in the

divinity of the Holy Scriptures, that faith comes by hearing the word of God.

—He that believeth in the Son hath everlasting life, but he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him. John 3:36.

Article 6.—REPENTANCE. We believe that repentance is sorrow for sin, and the kind of sorrow which produces Godly repentance must be effectual conviction of sin.—Now I rejoice, not that ye were made sorry, but that ye sorrowed to repentance; for ye were made sorry after a godly manner, that ye might receive damage by us in nothing. For Godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death. II Cor. 7:9-10.

Article 7.—FREE AGENCY. We believe that the human will is free, and that men have the ability to accept or reject the conditions of salvation as they are revealed in the Holy Scriptures.—He hath showed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God. Micah 6:8.

Article 8.—PERSEVERANCE. We do not believe, under the Gospel dispensation, any soul is elected to eternal life unconditionally, but that those who by faith persevere to the end will be saved; that it is possible for men, who have been converted, to make shipwreck of the faith, turn again to sin and be lost.—And Jesus said unto him: No man having put his hands to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God. Luke 9:62.

Article 9.—GOOD WORKS. We believe that good works are the result of faith, and not of necessity; that those who have faith will do works of righteousness, while those who have not faith cannot do anything pleasing or acceptable to God.—Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire: wherefore, by their fruits ye shall know them. Matthew 7:19-20.

Article 10.—CHRISTIAN BAPTISM. We believe that Christian Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water, in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost; that baptism cannot be scripturally administered without faith in the subject who receives it.—Therefore we are buried with him by baptism unto death: that like as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so also we should walk in newness of life. Romans 6:4.

Article 11.—THE LORD'S SUPPER. We believe that the supper was instituted by our Saviour as a commemorative ordinance; that the bread and 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.

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.

87th Session 1982 - Southside Church. A motion was passed to change the length of time a moderator could serve. The motion read the moderator could serve for four years in succession if the association elected him each year.

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 men applying to this Conference for a license to preach, for ordination, or for membership, shall present a letter of recommendation from the Free Will Baptist Church of which he is a member. This letter shall be dated and signed by the pastor, the deacons and the clerk. Upon the majority approval of this Conference, the applicant will be received under our watchcare. The applicant shall sign a waiver permitting our Investigating Committee to check on his personal life. The Committee should submit their report at the next regularly scheduled conference. If the Committee recommends the applicant and the majority of the Conference approves, the applicant and his wife (if applicable) will be questioned by the Ordaining Council as to his divine calling, his qualifications, and his doctrinal beliefs. Upon the approval of the Ordaining Council and the majority approval of the Conference, the applicant will be licensed, ordained, or accepted as a member of this Conference.

ARTICLE 10: All applicants licensed by this Conference will be licensed to preach for a period of one year. Upon the majority approval of the Conference, the license may be renewed annually. This license does not permit the preacher to officiate at a marriage. A licensed preacher may baptize converts and administer the Communion and Feet-washing Service under the direct supervision of an ordained Free Will Baptist minister. Licensed preachers are expected to preach at least twenty-four sermons each year. If any preacher neglects to do so (unless providentially hindered), he will be entitled to a seat in this conference only as a visiting minister. All licensed preachers will be assigned a senior pastor for training for a period of one year. This assignment can be changed to accommodate any prevailing circumstances. Even though a licensed preacher is elected to

pastor a church, he is to continue this training on a schedule suitable to both parties.

ARTICLE 11: All applicants for ordination shall meet the following requirements in addition to those listed in Article 9. The applicant must submit a letter of recommendation from the senior pastor he trained under. The applicant must have been licensed to preach for two full years (exception: if a preacher has been elected to pastor a church, he can be ordained after he has been licensed for one full year and he submits a letter from the church he is pastoring). The applicant must have preached at least fifty sermons.

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.

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 13: Ordained ministers (men) from sister associations seeking membership with this conference, shall present a letter of recommendation from their conference dated and signed by the Moderator and the Clerk, in addition to the requirements of Article 9. If the applicant is accepted by this Conference, a new Certificate of Ordination will be issued with the name of his original Conference and the names of the Ordaining Council 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. All charges brought against a minister will be brought to the conference and a recommendation made by the conference before proceeding further.

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. Readopted 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

Greetings in Christ:  We, the Free Will Baptist now in session, send the fo your body:	Church at llowing named delegates to represent us in
OUR STATIS	STICS ARE AS FOLLOWS—
(1) Our Meeting Days	(14) Paid For Revivals
(2) Number Baptized	(15) Children's Home
(3) Members Added	(16) Home Missions
:41 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	



Sister Nell Fortner

member of
Youngs Chapel
Free Will Baptist Chruch



Rev. Jack Silvers

member of
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CHURCHES (all full time unless indicated otherwise)	# Baptised	Members Added	Dismissed Etc.	Deaths	Total Membership	Average in S.S.	# in Ladies Aux.	#in C.T.S.	Minute Fund	Associational Fund	Clerk & Mod Fund	Paid Pastor	Paid for Revivals	Childrens Home	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Disabled Min. Fund	Poor and Sick	Improvements to Church Property	Value of Church Property	Pard Visiting Ministers	Communions
Big Creek		4		3	144	86	20		\$40	\$30	\$20	\$10,900	\$600	\$1,904	\$1,240	\$600	\$200	\$5,022		\$329,810	\$1,925	2
Borings Chapel					40	22			40	40	10		300					2,282		60,000		
Brummitts Creek	3		1		57	37			40	50	10	8,000	400	856		500		2,195	\$6,810	260,000	245	3
Burbank	11	9	1	3	254	129		74	50	25	20	13,800	600	1,487	3,385	6,555	260	19,202		276,210	390	4
Colberts Creek	5	2			24	29			20		10	5,524						1,000				1
Covey Rock	1	4			196	107			40	60	10	6,210	933	2,387	4,743	4,162	200	12,561	2,472	226,026	200	2
Crabtree			1		45	41	17		25	25	10	6,975		150				1,840	759	100,000	265	4
Davistown				1	29	30	5		20	20	10	8,547										
Eastern Gate	1	3		1	60	30	10		20	15	10	2,700		20	10	10	10	930	500	230,000	458	1
Higgins	10	8	1		149	112			40	20	5	15,730	767				65	1,364		49,000	143	4
Hillcrest				2	48	18			20	50	15	6,300				420	50	1,600		250,000	100	1
Liberty					135	86	15		50	50	50	27,300		2,875	4,780	7,453	20	7,935	6,206	350,000	750	2
Liberty Chapel	6	5			67	60			20	20	20	9,667	400	40	20	20	20	600		214,000		4
Low Gap	3	1	8	1	108				50	50	10	10,400			1,387		100	1,453		306,324		3
Middle District	2	2		4	77	81		23	40	35	25	10,705	300	977	1,045	1,150		3,437	2,000	220,000	125	4
New Hope	2	6	1		14	34	8		20			1,700	250		1,500	80		254		113,000	225	4
Nix Creek	2	5		1	52	42			40	50	5	14,743		300	810	941		2,675	2,553	75,053	644	2
North Bend		2	1		114	-76			80	50	25	6,600	2,892	1,048	2,216	900	100	3,146	7,365	254,164	100	3
Pathway	13			3	78	49	12	13	40	20	10	3,600	800	414			100	1,530		100,000	225	3
Pensacola				2	75	47	15	30	60		10	8,541	544		259	243	200	14,134	21,000	118,000		
Peterson's Chapel		2	2	2	129	90	6	T	35	10	10	13,800						1,325	5,182	161,426	200	3
Pilgram's Chapel			-		36	15		T	10	10	10	6,300								50,000	175	1
Piney Grove	1	1	1	1	141	82	14		60	25	5	16,900		392	52	3,293	50	3,789	2,137	155,000	150	1
Southside	7	14	1	4	243	201			50	15	25	14,280	3,000	600	800	800	260	8,583	1,300	300,000	400	4
Sunset	2	1		2	62	70			25	15	15	9,683	600		500	4,087	25	11,613			500	4
Unaka Springs	11	15	7	3	63	63	20		35	40	10	6,000	1,000	200	1,598	300	25	735	12,000	146,000	350	2
Union Hill	1	1	1	T		29			15	25	10	2,130	301	400				1,306	733	60,000	480	1
Vale 2nd & 4th	1	1	1		34	24			20	10	10	3,140	300				25		1,600	65,000	20	1
Valley Forge	7	1	1	4	295	196	30	57	75	75	25	18,900	1,016	2,909	13,164	9,865	200	23,330	61,065	545,126	1,250	4
Woodby Hill	1	1	1	2 1	50	45	17	1	30	20	5	9.050	500	100	-	420	25	1,625	7,195	95,933	300	1
Youngs Chapel	7	1	3	3	135	88		10	50	75	20	15,475		300	2,795	3,990	565	4,949	11,573	125,000	432	4

