# 2006 - 2007 MINUTES Of The JACK'S CREEK FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

For The 111th Session

# **Officers:**

Rev. J. C. Sheets, Moderator Rev. Frank Cable, Assistant Moderator Rev. Ulis Miller, Clerk Rev. Blaine Whitson, Assistant Clerk

# **NEXT SESSION:**

The next session will be at Southside Free Will Baptist Church in Erwin, Tennessee on July 26 - 28, 2007 (The last Thursday in July) at 10:30 A. M. Brother Ronnie Peterson will preach the introductory message. Brother Ralph Hedrick will be his alternate.



THESE MINUTES ARE DEDICATED TO THE REV. ARVIL WILLIAMS. Second Timothy 4: 7&8 - I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith...Rev Arvil Williams has now made and checked up on all his payments to the Lord and has now received his crown of righteous from the Lord himself.

Rev. Arvil Williams, age 75 went to be with the Lord on August 27, 2006. He was a Charter Member of SouthSide Free Will Baptist Church. He was a member of Jack's Creek Ministers Conference and Association for over 40 years. He pastured numerous churches in Tennessee, North Carolina and Virginia. He recently pastured at Limestone Cove First Free Will Baptist Church before having to resign due to his illness.

He will be greatly missed by all who knew and worshipped with him especially his Wife of 56 ½ years, Fredna Williams; A Son and Daughter-inlaw, Terry and Jane Ann Williams; 2 Daughters and Son-in-laws, Debby and Brinson Fender and Lisa and Chuck Morrison; 2 Sisters and Brother-inlaws, Juanita Simmons, Ann and Jim Garland and Jim Rutter; Grandchildren, Terri Ann and Brad White, Summer & Matt Pakrul, Josh McInturff and Danielle Hensley; Great-Grandchildren, Noah Trivette and Zoey McInturff; Several Nieces, Nephews and A Host of Friends.

We would like to THANK The Jack's Creek Ministers and their families for all their prayers, visits and support during Arvil's illness. We would also like to say THANK YOU for the flowers you sent to the funeral and for each one that attended the funeral and witnessed the moving of the *HOLY SPIRIT* as it manifested the life that Arvil lived. It was exactly what he would have wanted and definitely a Celebration of his life. Thanks to Rev. Henry Berry, Rev. Kevin Laws, Rev. Charlie Trivette and Rev. Terry Richardson for the songs, prayers and messages. SPECIAL THANKS to Rev. Roscoe Higgins who made a spiritual presentation of the Christian Flag at the cemetery. We will treasure it always. And yes, The Rev. Arvil Williams made the Lord a Good Soldier.

His last testimony which turned into a preaching message was, "You do well to remember Jesus" and his favorite song, "I want to live there, don't you" should be on our hearts and minds all the time. Again, THANKS to everyone for being a part of Arvil's life and for your continued prayers.

The Family of Rev. Arvil Williams

# OFFICERS OF THE JACKS CREEK FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION AND MINISTERS CONFERENCE

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# MINISTERS CONFERENCE

| Clerk           | Rev. Ulis Miller    |
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# PROCEEDINGS

The Jacks Creek Free Will Baptist Association met with the Valley Forge, F.W.B Church in its one hundred and eleventh annual session. The session began with the congregation singing "What day that will be" and "Just over in Glory Land" Pastor Randy Johnson welcomed the Association and made the necessary announcements. Due to his schedule, Bro Tim Thompson was given time to speak. Bro. Tim told of his work as missionary teacher in Moscow Russia and the pressure that was being more and more on them by the Russian government constantly. He said the school was 16 years old now and they had 100 to graduate this year and some of them were going in to the mission work to help spread the gospel in Russia. He closed by asking to be remembered in prayer that God would met their needs there. Brother Randy Johnson's family sung three songs that was a great blessing to everyone. God's spirit was very evident in the congregation. A lady came forward to be anointed and prayed over for another sister that was sick and a man came to be anointed for him self, they were anointed and prayed with in an alter prayer.

Pastor Randy Johnson introduced the speaker, Brother Stanley McMahan, preached the introductory message, reading from Hebrews Chapter 2 and Mathew 31. His subject was "Who are we and why are we here" it was a very inspiring message to think who we really are and why we are here. The session closed with prayer and blessing the food for lunch.

# 1:30 P.M. BUSINESS SESSION

The session began with the congregation singing "Power in the blood" Devotions were given by Bro. Kevin Laws reading from Mark chapter 9. Prayer by Bro. Kevin Laws. The moderator, Bro. J. C. Sheets called the session to order and read The Rules of Decorum. Church letters were read and delegates were seated. Ministers' Roll call was made. The call was made for any visiting churches or ministers. Visiting ministers were Rev.Frank Woods and Cody Fox.

#### **CHURCH LETTERS**

Big Creek: Bro. Willis Adkins, Toney Byrd, Willie Murphy, Alvin Murphy, Anna Murphy, and Connie Adkins.

Borings Chapel: By letter

Brummitts Creek: Bros. Paul Bennett, John Hazerik; Sisters Star Bennett, Billie June Hazerik,

Burbank: S.D.Hughes, Betty Hughes, Draper Heaton, Mary Troutman and Eddie Hughes.

Colberts Creek: No report

Covey Rock: Bros., Tom Ayers, Russell Hughes; Charles Fender, Rickey Hollifield, Charles Fender, Sisters. Robbie Ayers, Margaret Hughes, and Lisa Whitehead.

Crabtree: Bro. Bart Deyton and Sisters Tammy Benfield and Ruby White Head.

Davistown: Rev. Frank Cable, Perry Moore.

Flat Rock: By Letter.

Higgins: Bro. John Phillips, Sisters Michelle.

Hillcrest: By Letter.

Liberty Chapel: Bro. Scotty Jenkins.

Low Gap: Bro. Ronnie Whitehead and Dana Dale.

Middle District: By Letter.

New Hope: By letter.

Nix Creek: Bro. Jody Trantham, Dimmerriee Brooks. Mike Lister, J.B.Cope, Kelly Cope, Kassie Hemmer.

North Bend: Bros. Owen Barnett, Junior Peterson, Ronnie Peterson, Eddie Tipton. Herbert Hopson. T.J. Peterson.

Pathway: Bros. Jerry Williams, Howard Honeycutt, J.W. Tipton.

Pensacola: Bros. Keith Blankenship, Rose Miller, Ronald Fox and Rose Miller.

Peterson Chapel:

Pilgrims Chapel: By Letter.

Piney Grove: Bro. B.F. McKinney, Dennis Clark, Sisters Charlotte Clark, Aileen McKinney, and Janice McKinney.

Southside: Bros. Kevin Laws, Scott Bradford and Brian Tapp.

Sunset: Rev. Terry Richardson, Vearl Julian, Danny Cox and Rosa Lee Stevens.

Unaka Springs: Bros. Lonnie Wilson, Jennifer Tipton, Susie Salder and Vivan Shell.

Union Hill: Bro. Dean Murphy.

Vale: By Letter.

Valley Forge: Bros. Sam Harrison, Jim Honeycutt, Carl Roberson, and Bob Ray.

Woodby Hill: Bro. Matt Bryant; Sis Frances Guinn, and Lucy Bryant.

Young's Chapel: Bros. Bobby Revis, Lee Thompson, Jerry Wheeler, Stanley Silvers, Roger Thompson and Sisters Billie Thompson, Nina Wheeler and Nina Wheeler.

# **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

| Moderator                         | Rev. J.C. Sheats     |
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| Assistant                         |                      |
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| Burial Fund Treasurer             | .Rev. Bobby Revis    |
| Assistant                         | Rev. Junior Peterson |

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# ASSOCIATIONAL COMMITTEES

Churches, Pastors, and Deacons: Rev. Kevin Laws, Toney Byrd and Lee Thompson. Rev. Randy Johnson, Stanley McMahan, Bob Ray. and Sam Harrison.

Disabled Ministers Fund: Stanley McMahan, Bob Ray and Sam Harrison.

Education: Rev. Paul Bennett, Kevin Laws, Allen Laws.

Foreign Missions: Home Missions: Rev. Marvin Hensley, Steve Miller, Kelly Pitman.

Ladies Auxiliary: Sis. Ann Revis, Demmeery Brooks, Francis Guinn.

Children's Home: Rev. Frank Woods, Mike Allison, Rodney Deyton.

Sunday School: Sister. Bro. Alvin Murphy, Lee Thompson, Garry Davis.

Sessions: Bros. T.J.Peterson, Norman Loveless, Bob Ray.

Resolutions: Bros. Bobby Revis, Eddie Tipton, Rick Hollifield.

Church Relief: Rev. Charlie Trivett, Lonnie Wilson, Toney Byrd.

Home Missions: Rev. Frank Cable, Henry Berry, Junior Peterson.

#### **THURSDAY 7 P.M. PREACHING SERVICE**

The service began with the congregation singing "Amazing Grace" prayer by Bro. Thigpen. The congregation sang "Oh I Want To See Him" and special singing by the Keystone F.W.B Church followed by alter prayer for Bro. Bill Greer and the message, His text was "The trials of your life" He preached a great message and we had a wonderful service closing with Prayer.

# Friday 9:30 A.M.Business SESSION

The session began with the congregation singing "Victory in Jesus." Devotions were led by Rev. Rodney Deyton reading John ch.1 and Titus ch. 2 Prayer was led by Bro. Ronnie Peterson. The session was called to order by the Moderator. Rules of Decorum were read. Church letters were read. Ministers' roll call was made. Call for visiting ministers was made. Bro. Frank Woods and Cody Tipton. A motion was passed to have The following Committee to visit the Children's Home board meetings Rev. Rodney Deyton, Bernie Jones, Blaine Whitson and Charlie Trivett.

#### Association Committee Reports

Churches pastor and Deacons: Pastors have a great responsibility. Being the under shepherds of the congregation. Hosea chapter 4, my people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. Churches are destroyed for the same lack of knowledge. The knowledge lacking is the knowledge that we are our own "worst enemy"! Vigilance that we must never be a house divided is crucial and that through the guidance of the Holy Spirit we can be of one mind and one accord. Mat. Chapter 12 Jesus said, "Every kingdom divided against its self is brought to destruction". We must be ever watchful for this stumbling block!

Our country has one the greatest forms of governments the world has ever known, the ideals of democracy. But this fails miserably in God's church. Of Gods Kingdom we have no opinion before God, no rights, no entitlements! James Chapter 4 says to humble yourself before the Lord and he shall lift you up! His kingdom is not oppressive, but uplifting. His rule is just, fair, merciful and without regard of man's status. Our churches must continue to conform to these "old fashioned principles" and taught who to join, because the lack of this knowledge is a destructive force to our greatest strength of our faith in the work of the cross of Christ.

Respectively: Toney Byrd and Kevin Laws

Foreign Missions: Mark Ch. 16: 15 says "And he said unto them, go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature." This great commission doesn't just apply to America, but to the whole world. In the dark days that we are living In, we need to be sending the light to a lost and dying world. The way we can do this is to support our missionaries. Our support is greatly needed both monetarily and prayerfully. Our missionaries face great heartaches that we may never see. Remember they are far away from home telling people about Jesus.

We are thankful for our churches that do support the Jacks Creek association Foreign Missions Fund, and we encourage those who do not to please consider giving. Respectively Rev. Steven Miller

FWB Family Ministries: Over the past year, members of the Jacks Creek Association have contributed just over \$36,610.00 to our ministry in our efforts to meet the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of hurting youth.

IF THERE IS EVER A TIME WE NEED YOU, IT IS TO DAY!! Let me tell you why. Since the beginning of 2006, 42 youth asked the lord to be their personal Savior, 19 rededicated their lives to the Lord and 16 youth were baptized.

Our crisis pregnancy/resource center, **The Hope Center**, also had a busy year in 2005, serving 214 client families in 915 visits, we saw 70 babies born, answered 103 Hope Line calls and gave out 650 packages of diapers!! **In 2006**, we are offering a mentoring program for young ladies, and pursuing putting an abstinence program in place in our local city and county schools.

We thank all who contributed to our 2006 **MOTHER'S DAY** appeal. Total offerings exceeded \$ 52,000.00 this year. We are encouraged that churches and individuals Gave so sacrificially in order for us continue meeting the needs of children and family's. These gifts will help our general fund tremendously for the entire year.

In July 2005, we kicked off our "20/20Vision" Giving plan. We began asking individuals and families to partner with us by giving \$20 a month toward our goal of \$1,000,000 to underwrite our general operating budget. Now a year, we thank the many of you who faithfully contribute monthly through this plan, and we're happy to report we're still going strong as folks are coming on board through supporting us this way.

The Laurels Retirement & Assisted Living Facility, in Wise, VA is also well under way with about 65% completion at this time, schedule to be open in November of 2006. We feel blessed with the unique opportunity this facility will allow us to meet the needs of our seniors.

What makes us a Ministry? Why the name FWB Family Ministries? What was established in 1939 as an orphanage known as the FWB Home for Children, has now grown into a diverse realm of ministries geared toward the whole family. Because we offer such a variety of programs under our umbrella of services, the name was changed in 1998 to FWB Ministries.

We are a ministry - not just a child care agency. We believe in LIFE-FAMILY, we are a faith based ministry. Our Faith in action- We provide the opportunity for church attendance. The young people who live in our group and foster care homes attend several of our FWB Churches. This ministry provides the transportation so our kids can attend and worship God. Our youth's faith families are invited to special church services that their children are participating in. As result, many of these families are come to know Jesus Christ as their personal savior too. In our home services-a ministry in which we go into families residence to follow up on the youth's progress after they return home. Nothing restores a family greater than introducing them to Jesus and allowing God to put broken homes and families back to gather. Our ministry helps the youth in our care that are already a parent or will be in less than three months, counseling and preparing for a future relationship for a happy family setting, breaking the cycle of unwanted children and broke homes.

The services, and the numerous others we offer, are not state funded. The mission of Family Ministries is to be a model of Excellency in faith-based family, adult adolescent, and child care services which strengthen and preserve the family and provide dignity to those we serve. Your support ensure sour children the best opportunity to live, and work. And grow in the Lord Together, we are "changing America's Families, One Child at a Time." Respectively Rev. Frank Woods.

Disable Ministers Fund: We your committee for the disabled minister's fund submit the following. With all our heart we urge all our ministers to support this fund. Jesus said it is more blessed to give than to receive. Paul wrote that God loves a cheerful giver. We consider it a blessing from our Lord to be able to give for the cause of Christ.

Rev. Stanley McMahan, Bob Ray and Sam Harrison.

Education: The getting of knowledge is education, the use of knowledge is wisdom. Proverbs 29:18 where there is no vision the people perish. In 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy 3:14 But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them. And from a child thou hast known the holey scriptures, which are able to make the wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctoring, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto al good works. This scripture encourages us to continue in that that we have heard since our childhood days. It is so important that parents take the time to share the word with their children not only by taking them to church but by family devotional time. By starting this at a young age, as these children grow up they will be rooted and grounded in the true word of God, Psalms 1:3 says, and he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water that bring forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper, and blessed is this man that delights himself in the law of the Lord. Learning more about our Lord in his wonderful word is a blessing each an every day.

Rev. Kevin Laws, Allen Laws, and Paul Bennett.

Home Missions: Home missions first began at home. Prov.22:6 Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it. God has given us a commission to preach the word; be instant in season, out of season reprove, rebuke, exort with all long suffering and doctrine. 2<sup>ND</sup> Timothy, 4:2 and 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: and, Lo, I am with you always even to the end of the world. Amen. Rev. Henry E Berry

Break for preaching at 11 AM with prayer by Bro. Blaine Whitson

# FRIDAY 11 A.M. PREACHING SERVICE

The service began with the congregation singing "Near the Cross" and a solo by Bro. Bob Ray" and a solo by Sister Alison". Pastor Randy Johnson introduced the speaker Bro. Marvin Hensley delivered the message reading from Isaiah ch. 57. His subject was "Building the Road" He preached a great message, very enlightening on the way of Salvation. The choir then sung "I Am In The Glory Land Way". The Laws Family sung "He Is The Light" prayer was led by Bother Ralph Headrick.

# Friday 1:30 Business Session

The session began with Bro. Alvin Murphy singing "Working the Road" in response to the morning message. Two Brothers came to the altar for special anointing and prayer. Bro. Bobby Revis led the prayer. The Session was called to order by the moderator and committee Reports were continued.

# **Continuation of Committee Reports**

Ladies Auxiliary: The Ladies auxiliary has always played a very important part in our churches. It is women who teach and instruct the young people. The older women should be the ones that set the example for the younger women to follow, according to Titus 2:3. God made Eve as a helpmeet for Adam. From the beginning it was so. Following that same pattern the Ladies Auxiliary can be a great help in the church to day. First of all by being a prayerful, Godly example for others to follow. Proverbs 31; speaks of a virtuous woman "for her price is far above rubies." 1<sup>st</sup> Cor. 3:9"For we are laborers together with God: ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building." Sisters; Ann Revis, Demmerrice Brooks and Francis Guinn.

Sessions: Meetings for Jacks Creek Conference and Association for 2006-2007

October 28, 2006, Conference at Sunset F.W.B Church at 9:30 AM Ministers: Rev. Junior McKinney, Rev Lester Perkins alternate.

April 28, 2007, Conference at Unaka Springs F.WB Church at 9:30 AM Ministers: Rev. Norman Loveless, Rev. Bernie Jones alternate.

July 26-27-28, 2007 Association at Southside F.WB Church at 10:30 AM. Brother Ronnie Peterson will preaching the introductory message Rev. Ralph Headrick will be the alternate. Devotions for 1:30 session will be Rev. Dean Murphy. Thursday Night at 7:00 PM Rev. Adam Miller be preaching, Rev. Kelly Pitman his alternate

Friday morning at 9:30 AM devotions by Rev. Paul Bennett. 11:30 AM Rev. Nathan Jennings will be preaching Rev. Stephen Miller his alternate. 1:30 PM session, devotions Bro. Bernie Jones.

Saturday Ministers conference at 9:30 AM devotions by Rev. Jimmy Arrowood.

Church Training Service: C.T.S is a vital ministry in educating, training, and equipping Christians to better serve as Christ's Disciples both inside and out side of the local Church. In addition to the Bible teaching a small group setting from Sunday School, this one hour a week can be used by the local Church to train young Christians concerning Church Ordinances, sound, doctrine, and practical application on how to live outside of the Church. The Biblical Principles from Sunday School can be supplemented and built upon by C.T.S.

Many of today's Church Leaders learned about the functions of a Church through discipleship and training such as C.T.S. A vast amount of scripture memorization and Biblical principles can be "hidden in our hearts" when we just take one hour a week and devote it to C.T.S. Sunday

School is not enough! What if we applied the same principle of one hour a week to our child's education? C.T.S. is also critical to young Christians. Statistics show that the odds of being saved decrease with and most of what we learn in life is learned in the early years of our youth. Proverbs 22:6 tells us to "train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it." C.T.S. is also critical to the Seasoned Christian-Proverbs 9:9 says "Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be yet wiser; teach a just man and he will increase in learning. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the Holy understanding." Also it is a great time for older Christians to us their talents and gifts by teaching and sharing experiences to their students. C.T.S. should be "family oriented" with classes of all ages. Adding your C.T.S.to your Wednesday evening Prayer Meeting is a great way for your Church Families to add the boost they need in the middle of the week.

Rev. Randy Johnson and Bernie Jones.

Resolutions: Being challenged by the message preached on Thursday. "Who Are We and Why Are we Here." This should make us think our resolve seriously. Born again Bible believing Free Will Baptist. Daniel purposed in his heart not to be defiled with the king's meat. Let us hold to the doctrine of the Free Will Baptist firm and let it not be weakened down, in any manner. "And be ye not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God. Let you're your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify the Father which is in Heaven." (Romans 12:2). Let it be known and resolved that we as the Jacks Creek Conference and Association are not our own, that we are bought with a price, the Precious Blood of Jesus Christ, and He that made us is God, and we are His people, and the sheep of his pasture. According to Psalms, 100:3. Let us preach Gods Word in Spirit and of truth. For the Lord is good; His Mercy is everlasting; and his Truth endureth to all generations. Psalms 100:5. We must be a Godly example before our children and others around us. Let not the cares of this life, blind us from the love of God.

Rev. Bobby Revis, Eddie Gus Tipton, and Rickey Hollifield.

#### Friday 7: A.M. Youth Service

The service was opened by Valley Forge's Youth Pastor Wayne Carr. Several Churches from the Association and area were represented. After an "alter prayer" with the altar filled with praying young people, the Children's Choir of Valley Forge sang several songs including "Oh How I Love Jesus" in which the congregation participated. Zach Montgomery, a high school student gave a testimony of how God had used a shoulder injury to draw him closer. The Junior High Choir then blessed us with singing several songs. Lance Harsh, a recent High School graduate then spoke and inspired all youth to go back to their Churches and get "on fire for Jesus." The Praise Choir from Valley Forge then led the congregation in a "spirit filled" time of worship starting out with "Glory, Glory, Glory, Some body Touched Me!" David Martin, a high school student and member of the Active Christian Teens at Valley Forge shared a heartfelt testimony which stirred hearts. The service ended with several young people making decisions for Christ at the altar and a wonderful time of praise and fellowship.

# Financial Reports

| Children's Home:<br>Received at association<br>Total to account for<br>Submitted by: Rodney Deyton | Sent direct to children's home | \$36,610.00<br>2,687.70<br>\$ <u>39,297.70</u> |  |  |  |
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| Sublittled by: Rodney Deyton   |                                |  |  |  |  |
| Home Missions:   | -                              |  |  |  |  |
| Beginning balance July 28, 200<br>Receipts   | 6                              | \$2,630.15                                     |  |  |  |
| Ministers' Conference  |                                | 230.00   |  |  |  |
| Churches   |                                | <u>920.00</u><br>\$1,150.00                    |  |  |  |
| Total to account for:  |                                | 3,780.15                                       |  |  |  |
| Disbursements:   |                                | 620.00   |  |  |  |
| Total in Treasury:   |                                | \$3,160.00                                     |  |  |  |
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|  | Foreign Missions               |  |  |  |  |
| Beginning Balance 7/30/05  |                                | \$6,406.33                                     |  |  |  |
| Contributions: Big Creek   | \$1,200.00                     |  |  |  |  |
| Burbank  | 600.00                         |  |  |  |  |
| Covey Rock   | 500.00                         |  |  |  |  |
| Liberty Chapel   | 20.00                          |  |  |  |  |
| Low Gap  | 1,200.00                       |  |  |  |  |
| Nix Creek  | 187.03                         |  |  |  |  |
| North Bend   | 1,200.00                       |  |  |  |  |
| Pathway  | 120.00                         |  |  |  |  |
| Pensacola  | 1,236.11                       |  |  |  |  |
| Southside  | 800.00                         |  |  |  |  |
|  | 200.00                         |  |  |  |  |
| Unaka Springs  |                                |  |  |  |  |
| Woodby Hill Auxilia  |                                |  |  |  |  |
| Woodby Hill  | 300.00                         |  |  |  |  |
| Youngs Chapel<br>Rev. Allen Laws   | 1,588.00<br><u>100.00</u>      |  |  |  |  |
| Rev. Allen Laws  | 100.00                         | ¢0 271 14                                      |  |  |  |
|  |                                | <u>\$9,371.14</u>                              |  |  |  |
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|  | terest earned                  | <u>13.70</u>                                   |  |  |  |
| Total to Account fo  | r                              | <u>\$ 15,791.10</u>                            |  |  |  |
| Disbu  | ursements:                     |  |  |  |  |
| Tim Thompson   |                                | 4,800.00                                       |  |  |  |
| Verlin Anderson  |                                | 4,800.00                                       |  |  |  |
| Postage  |                                | <u>7.40</u>                                    |  |  |  |
| Total Disbursements:   |                                | \$ 9,607.40                                    |  |  |  |
| Ending Balance 8/28/06   |                                | \$ 6,183.77                                    |  |  |  |

\$ 4,744.00

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20, 131.56

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Beginning Balance 7/29/06 Receipts: Ministers Conference **Burial Fund** Association Interest Earned **Total Receipts** 

Total to account for

Disbursements

Ending Balance 7/28/06 Rev. Jonas Revis / Treasurer

# **OBITUARIES**

Paulette Branton, 87, went home to be with the Lord on March 5, 2006. She was a faithful me, mber and supporter of Youngs Chapel FWB Church for many years. Surviving are 3 sons, Doyle, Wayne, and Dean Branton, and 1 daughter, Emogene Silvers, 1 brother, Clifton Hughes, 3 sisters, Dora Hughes, Margaret Gardner, and Ruth Thomas, 19 grand-children, and 6 great-great grandchildren. She is missed by her family, church, and friends. Mom was an old-fashioned Christian lady that didn't change with modern times.

Annabelle Lee, Aunt Lee Vess was born July 23 1916 and departed this life July 16, 2006. She and her late Husband Emery joined Davistown FWB Church Sept. 6, 1953. She was faithful as long as she was able to come. She always had a kind word and a big smile for everyone. She was a great prayer warrior and she will be sorely missed.

Sister Annie Fender Trantham 87 years old born 3/1/1918 died 12/27/05. She was an active member and Sunday School Teacher and cleaned the church. She took part in all other events in the church, and was active until disabled. She was I of 14 children born to the late Levi and Eliza Blankenship Fender a mother of 10 children. A grandmother and great-grandmother, with a number of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends. Her favorite Bible verse was John 3:16. She was loved and will be missed by all we feel our loss is Heavens gain.

Edith Street a member of Burbank FWB Church went to her Heavenly home July 25, 2006. She was a kind, generous, loving person that truly loved her Savior, her church, & her family. She is survived by 2 Daughters, 2 Sons, 1 Sister, 4 brothers and many friends. Her place is vacant here but filled in Heaven. Jesus called Edith answered "I'm Ready."

Pearl Heaton a lifetime member of Burbank FWB Church went home to with her Heavenly Father July 24, 2006. She was a devoted Christian and faithful to her church as long as her health permitted. She is survived by three daughters, one son and many friends. Her place here is vacant but Pearl always talked about that place which she now occupies. "I have fought a good fight, I have kept the faith "





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W.S. Jenkins, born Sept. 3, 1930, went home to e with his Savior on Wednesday, July 5<sup>th</sup> "Dub" as he was most commonly known, had been battling a variety of illnesses for a while, so God in his infinite wisdom decided to spare him any further suffering and Called him to his true home. Dub was a life long resident of Buladean community and a member of Middle District FWB.Church, where he had server as a deacon for the last thirty years. He was preceded in death by his parents Daniel and Della Jenkins; two brothers, Robert and Venard; four sisters ; Dorthy Hughes, Stella Street, Sara Arrowood and Francis Arrowood. He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Pauline and son Scotty, both of the home; two brothers, Herbert of Buladean and Donald of Baltimore, Maryland; a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends. Dub will be remembered most for the infectious smile that traveled with where ever he went, which drew many people to love him. While his family Buladean Community as whole will miss him greatly, we realize that God had greater plans, Dub was not a loud Christian, and in many ways a man of few words insofar as church was concerned. He chose rather to worship and demonstrate his testimony by the way he conducted his everyday life. Dub was known to tell those around him that "we were not meant to live for ever, it pays to be ready". While we will miss him greatly, we celebrate the fact that since Dub did "get ready", he is now free from suffering and is in a place where he will live for ever.

Rosella Price Revis was born Nov. 20, 1915, died Feb. 14, 2006, Wife of Thomas Revis and member of Nix Creek, F.W.B church. She was a faithful supporter of her church and God's people, in sickness she held to God and wore a smile.

Anna M. Marlowe Born Nov.15, Died Aug. 3, 2005 She was the loving widow of Clarence Marlowe, precious mother and grandmother. She was a long time member of the Nix Creek, F.W.B. church. Though suffering, she was always ready to greet you with a smile.

Tina 'Tiny' Cable McClure, she was faithful to her church until unable to attend due to her health, she was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, and friend. She was always and willing to do her part for the church and for the Lord. Nix Creek Church will cherish the memory of 'tiny' being a champion for the Lord and a fervent prayer warrior. She offered smiles, hugs, and encouraging words to those around her. Though we must say "Though, she is gone there are other eyes watching her."

Baxter Silvers, 96 went to be with Jesus on Monday, Oct 17, 2005, a native of Yancey County, he was the son of Alexander Silvers and Berdie Tipton Silvers, who died in 1999. He taught school in Yancey County for 37 years, and was a lifetime farmer. He was preceded in death by four sisters, three brothers and a number of half brothers and sisters. Surviving are two daughters, three sons, nine grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren one great-great grand child, 2 great-great grandchildren and one brother. He was a member of Higgins F.W.B. Church, and a Sunday School for sixty years. Baxter was a joy to every-one who knew him, and is missed very much by family and friends.

In loving memory of Flo Hughes who died Feb. 7, 2006. She was a very active and dedicated member of her church. She loved the church and her family especially she loved and longed to be with the Lord. We miss her dearly, but we would not bring her back.

Marie H Powell, Went to be with the Lord on Oct. 16, 2005 at the age of 84. She was a faithful member of Crab Tree F.W.B. Church for 31 years. She loved her Lord and church. She is deeply missed, we loved her very much, she was a sweet and wonderful lady.

Frances Jenkins Arrowood, age 85, went home to be with the Lord on Oct. 10, 2005. She was preceded in death by her husband, Marba Arrowood. She is survived by a son Rev. James Arrowood, two daughters, Shirley Hise. Doris Blevins, six grand children, 2 great grandchildren, and three brothers. Frances was a member of Middle District Church where she has served as Sunday school and Bible School Director. She was employed at Buladean School as Cafeteria Manager. She will always be remembered for her love of children and her home cooked food.

Lora Mae Street left this walk of life to start her new walk out of a wheelchair with her Lord and Savior. Sept. 19, 2005. She was born July 30, 1938, in Piney Flats, Tenn. She is survived by one daughter and son in law, six brothers and two sisters, and one step grandchild. She was the wife of the late Arthur Street who died in 1984. She was a faithful member as her health permitted of Middle District F.W.B Church.

Lora Holtsclaw Perry was born May 31, 1920 and died November 6, 2005. she was a member of Valley Forge Free Will Baptist Church. She was a devoted Christian. She was a well-read bible scholar and an excellent bible teacher. She loved the word of god. Although her health prevented her attendance at church during her last years you could always know she was at home praying for God's man and the service. Heaven surely will be a better place because of God-fearing, praying mothers like Sister Lora Perry.

Mittie Belle Johnson was born April 3, 1915. she was age 91 when she went home to be with the Lord she loved an served so much of her life April 27, 2006. she was the proud grandmother of Rev. Randy Johnson, pastor of Valley Forge Free Will Baptist Church. She was a devoted Christian mother. She was not only the oldest member but a member for the longest period of time. She was a member for 75 of the 76 years of the existence of Valley Forge Free Will Baptist Church. She was a "prayer warrior" in every sense of the word. She could cook up a storm of delicious food for about any size crowd, her specialty chicken and dumplings and coconut crème pie. On one occasion many years ago she with help from the neighbors and friends fed 62 people at an association meeting at her house. One of her favorite scriptures was: "let us not be weary in well doing for we shall reap in due season if we faint not." She led by example and you always knew where she stood but she was a devoted Christian "mom" in every sense of the word.

Harold Telleen was born June 27, 1923 and died on May 7, 2006. He was a member of Valley Forge Free Will Baptist Church. He loved gospel music and was an excellent singer himself. He was a good man who was a friend to many and will be missed by family and friends. Praise God he is singing in a heavenly choir thanks to Jesus who made it all possible.

Irene Nave was born on February 19, 1919 and died June 2, 2006. she was a member of Valley Forge Free Will Baptist Church. She was truly a "prayer warrior" who loved the Lord. She raised a large family and was a "true mom" example to so many in her church and community. We miss that little hand raised to heaven when she got happy. She probably hasn't stopped shouting yet and one day soon we will see her again.

James Elliot "Ell" Trivette was born March 25, 1926 and died June 29, 2006. "Ell" was a member of Valley Forge Free Will Baptist Church. He was the brother of Rev. Charlie Trivette Jr. Nothing pleased him any more than to get something on his brother Charlie. Whether it was a bigger fish or just anything, even if he had to make up something, just so he could get Charlie's goat. He loved life and loved to talk about the "good ole days." He's free from pain and suffering in a better place, waiting for us to come home soon.

Martha Ellis Pilkington was born June 11, 1930 and died September 5, 2005. She was a member of Valley Forge Free Will Baptist Church. She was the daughter of the late "Aunt Lizzie" Ellis who was one of the earlier faithful members of Valley Forge Free Will Baptist Church and was from one of the prominent families of the community.

Nell Hyder was born March 3, 1924 and died September 9, 2005. although sister Hyder was not a member of Valley Forge Free Will Baptist Church it was her church home and we claim her anyway. Her sickness before her death prevented her from always coming to church. She was the mother of Sister Kathy Hyder Harsh who along with her husband Steve do so much for the young people at Valley Forge Free Will Baptist Church. She leaves her Husband Brother Cecil Hyder and a host of family and friends who miss her dearly.

Charles Roland "Chuck" Culler was born March 12, 1952 and died October 26, 2005. Brother "Chuck" was a faithful, working member of Valley Forge Free Will Baptist Church. Not only did he faithfully serve his community as a county commissioner but he served his church well not only as a member but as a trustee who was instrumental as a member of the building committee in the building of the beautiful new church sanctuary. For months as problems arose in the construction process with it's hardships it was "Chuck" was always there and seeing the building committee thru always with a conclusion that the lord seemed to always set his approval on. He fought a long and courageous battle with cancer but today he is free from pain and suffering in a beautiful place, waiting for us to be with him. We miss that special trademark of "chuck" "I love you."

Carmon Simerly, age 83, went home to be with the lord on May 2, 2006. after a lengthy illness. He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Eva, 3 children, Elwood Simerly, Edward Simerly, and Edwina Humphrey, his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was a faithful and dedicated member of Woodby Hill Free Will Baptist Church, where he served for more than 40 years as a deacon. Carmon was also the treasurer, a Sunday school teacher, and trustee for many years. It was a great blessing to brother Carmon when he was able to assist in baptizing 2 of his grandchildren, Melandie & Adam. He was a decorated veteran of the US Army, having served in World War II. He is sadly missed by family, friends, and fellow church members, but we can take comfort in knowing he is at rest with the lord.

Barbara Clark, age 61, departed this life on January 30, 2006, after a brief illness. She is survived by her husband, Sam Clark, two daughters Regina Anderson and Kimberly Cooper, and 5 grandchildren. She was a member of Woodby Hill Free Will Baptist Church since 1961. Barbara is greatly missed by her family and friends.

Gladys Barnett, departed this life Nov. 20, 2005. She was a member Burbank F.W.B Church. Even after she was unable to attend services she was a faithful of the church with her tithes. She is survived by two sons Ted and Jack, one brother and many friends. We miss her but our loss is Heavens gain.

#### Unaka Springs Free Will Baptist Church October 29, 2005

The Jacks Creek Free Will Baptist Ministers Conference met with the Unaka Springs F.W.B Church Oct. 29, 2005at 9:30 A.M. The session began with the moderator Brother J.C Sheets welcoming the conference and making the necessary announcements. The congregation sung "Heavens Jubilee" devotions were given by Brother Terry Richardson reading from Psalms 27, prayer by brother Junior McKenney. The session was called to order by the moderator Brother Ronnie Peterson, rules of decorum were read. Minister's roll call was made with everyone standing in full fellowship. Minutes of last session were read and approved with one correction, visiting ministers were welcomed. Brother's Frank Woods, Roy Roach, Ray Shepard, Greg Largent, Tim Roach, Thurman Sullivan and Terry Birchfield. Brother Lonnie Wilson ask to be ordained and was turned over to the investigating committee. Brother Greg Largent having been approved by the investigating committee was recommended to the ordaining councel for licenses to preach. Visiting churches was welcomed, Frindship Baptist Church from Burnsville N.C. and Frindship F.W.B Baptist from Erwin Tenn.

Call for new business, Brother Frank Cable gave the committees report on their visit to the Free Will Baptist Ministries in Greenville Tenn. The summation of the report read as following. The representatives from the Family Ministries provided the answers to our questions without any hesitation or apparent reservation. We prayed for the Lord's guidance prior to going to the meeting and before the meeting. The Holy Spirit did not alert us to any wrong doing or deception. We were very satisfied with the cooperation by those attending. We found nothing that warrants limiting or with-drawing any support that our churches wish to give to the Free Will Baptist Ministries. We recommend that if a church wants to give to a particular work or project, to clearly designate this on their donation. Brother Frank Woods spoke on the work at the Free Will Baptist Ministries, he reported that had 225 confessions last year, and thanked the association for all the support they had received. Brother Roy Roach spoke of his close relation with the conference while he was at the Greenville Children's Home and his appreciation for the conference.

Elected moderator for next conference, Brother Roger Laws his alternate brother Paul Bennett, devotions by brother James Ledford his alternate brother Lester Perkins. Bro. J.C. Sheets spoke of his daughter and granddaughter's condition and requested a special prayer for them bro. Ray Calbough then spoke about bro. Kevin Calbough's condition and there were many more that requested prayer so the alter was filled with people to pray for the request's and to give God praise for prayers that had been answered the prayer was started by brother Frank Woods. After prayer Brother Bobby Revis spoke about the burial fund for the ministers and encouraged those that haven't joined to consider doing so. The question was then asked if it would be possible to increase the amount, a motion was passed to have the ministers investigating committees of both N.C. and Tennessee. With the clerk to look into the possibility and report back at the association. The Moderator gave a ten minute break before the 11:00 o'clock preaching time.

The 11.00 o'clock service began with Brother Ronnie Fender singing two solos. Brother Ray Calbough preached a good message reading from Romans chapter 13. An offering was taking for brother Kevin Calbough, \$ 1,266.00 was received for him. The ordaining councel gave their report approving Brother Greg Largent license to preach. The session closed with prayer.

Clerk, Rev. Ulis Miller

Piney Grove F.W.B. Church January 28, 2006

The Jacks Creek Min. Conf. met with the Piney Grove Free Will Baptist Church Jan.28, 2006 at 9:30 A.M. The session began with the Pastor B.F. McKenney welcomed the conference and made the necessary announcements.

The congregation sung "Just over in the Glory Land," devotions were given by Bro. Paul Bennett, prayer by Bro. Ronnie Peterson. The moderato Bro Roger Laws called the session to order. Minuets of last session were read and approved. Minister's roll call was made with every one standing in full fellowship. Call for visiting, Ministers Brothers, Frank Woods, Toney Birchfield, Justin Duncan and Larry Shuffler were welcomed to the conference. Call for anyone seeking membership, licenses or ordination with no response. Call for any new business there was none. Call for any old business with no response.

Brother Frank woods was asked to report on the Free Will Baptist Ministries in Greenville TN. Bro. Frank gave a wonderful report, over the past year the Jacks Creek Association had contributed over \$29,400.00 to the ministry and total gifts of \$37,776.86 to the FEMA project. During 2005 they had served over 300 young people, 83 youths had asked the Lord to be their personal Savior, 39 had rededicated their lives to the Lord, and 14 youths were baptized. Bro. Wane Carr announced the walk a thon received \$5,213.47. Officer for the next conference were appointed, Bro. Blaine Whitson Mod. His assistant Bro. Bud Edwards, for devotions Bro. Lester Perkins. The session adjourned for the 11:00 O'clock Preaching.

#### 11:00 A.M Preaching

The service began with a group from the church singing, their singing was filled with Spirit of the Lord until it filled so many in the congregation, they were shouting all over the house. Bro. Stanley McMahan was supposed to preach, he got up to say he was not prepared to preach because had been sick and his alternate would be, but the Lord got hold of him and he forgot he was sick and preached a wonderful message that was a blessing to everyone. Brother Alex Carver read some scripture and spoke for a short while. The session was closed with prayer.

Clerk/ Rev. Ulis Miller

#### Woodby Hill F.W.B. Church April 29, 2006

The Jacks Creek F.W.B. Ministers conference met with the Woodby Hill F.W.B. Church April 29, 2006 at 9:39 A.M. The session began with the pastor Bro. Alex Carver welcoming the conference and making the necessary announcements. The congregation stood and sung "Where the soul never dies" devotions were given by Bro. Lester Perkins reading from Mat. Chapter 10 with prayer by Bro. Terry Richardson. The moderator Bro. Blaine Whitson called the session to order and read the rules of decorum. The Ministers roll call was made with every one standing in full fellowship. Bro. Loveless ask for a check for delinquency, Bro. Rick Price had missed the last four conferences a motion was passed to have the investigating committee to go see him. Call for visiting ministers, Brothers Frank Woods, Toney Birchfield, Kelley Pitman, and Rick Hollifield. Call for anyone seeking licenses or ordination, Bro. Toney Birchfield and Bro. Kelley Pitman ask for licenses and were recommended to the investigating committee, Bro. Lonnie Wilson Ask to be ordained and was recommended to the ordaining councel.

Brother Frank Woods gave a good report on the work at the Children's Home he said there were 17 young people saved in the month of April, he also ask the pastors to remember the offering on Mothers day that is a special offering for children's home. He told of the assisted living home they have just recently opened in Va. And the blessing it was for those that would be living there. The session was adjourned for the 11:00 O'clock preaching.

The preaching service started with the church trio singing four songs. Bro. Kevin Laws brought the message reading from John ch.1 and 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy ch.3, his subject was "The Word Of God" His message was an inspiration to all. The session was called to order for the ordaining councils report. Brother Lonnie Wilson was recommended for ordination, the charge was given by Bro. Norman Loveless with prayer by Bro. Charlie Trivett. Bro. Lonnie Wilson was appointed for devotions at the next conference. The session closed with prayer.

Clerk, Ulis Miller

July 29, 2006 Valley Forge Free Will Baptist Church

The Jacks Creek F.W.B Ministers Conference met with Valley Forge F.W.B Church July 29, 2006 at 9:30 A.M. following the one hundred and eleventh session of the association. The session began with the congregation singing "Hold to My Hand." Pastor Bro. Randy Johnson welcomed the Conference to Valley Forge Church and made the necessary announcements. Devotions were given by Bro. Lonnie Wilson reading from Acts 13:21 and prayer by Bro. Wilson. Three Church letters were read from churches that had not been turned in at

association.

The session was called to order by the moderator Bro. J.C. Sheets, rules of were read by the moderator. The Ministers roll call was made with every one standing in full fellowship. Visiting Ministers were recognized. Bro. Frank Woods and Larry Shuffler, Brother Rickey Hollifield asked to be licensed to preach and was recommended to the N.C. investigating committee. Bro. Rick Price turned in license to the conference. Bro. Toney Birchfield, by letter ask that he not be investigated to preach at this time. Election of officers for next year Clerk Bro. Ulis Miller assistant Bro. Blaine Whitson, Ordaining council Chairman Bro. Norman Loveless, Stanley McMahan, Ronnie Peterson, Charlie Trivitt, Marvin Hensley and Terry Richardson alternate. Ministers Investigating Committee Tenn. Chairman: Rev. Alex Carver, Lester Perkins, Darrell Edwards and Rodney Deyton alt. N.C. Chairman: Rev Paul Bennett, Jimmy Arrowood, Dean Murphy and Scotty Jenkins Alt. Moderator for next Conference Bro. Paul Bennett alternate Norman Loveless, devotions by Bro. Bart Deyton. An offering was taken for Bro. Orvile Williams in the amount of \$ 719.00. Business finished early Bro. Jonas Reves was ask to speak, giving instructions to the young Ministers, the Carr family sung two Inspirational songs the session closed with prayer.

Clerk. Ulis Miller

#### **CHURCH DIRECTORY**

#### Church

**Big** Creek Borings Chapel Brummitts Creek Burbank Colbert Creek Covey Rock Crabtree Davistown Flat Rock Higgins Hillcrest Liberty Chapel Low Gan Middle District New Hope Nix Creek North Bend Pathway Pensacola Peterson's Chapel Pilgrim's Chapel Piney Grove Southside Sunset Unaka Springs Union Hill Vale Valley Forge Woodby Hill Youngs Chapel

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Marvin Hensley Dale Laws Richard Sparks Richard Blevins Dwayne Riddle Russell Hughes Bart Deyton Frank Cable Michael Jackson Keith Miller

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Liberty Chapel Roans Chapel Church Keystone FWB Church First FWB Spruce Pine, NC Green Mountain FWB. TN Pearces Chapel Friendship FWB Erwin Huntdale Union Church

#### 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 librally 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 santify 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 reproff, 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 Hom. Rom. 10:12.

Article 5. - CHRISTIAN FAITH. We believe that Christian faith is belife 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 thehuman will is free, and that men have the ability to accept or reject the conditions of salvation 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. - PERSERVERANCE. We do not believe, under the Gospel dispensation, any soul is elected to eternal life, unconditionally, but that those who by faith perserve 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 losr. - 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, so 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 breat 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 Savious, 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 all the holy angels with him, then slall he sit upon the throne of this 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.

# 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 defaying 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.

# RULES OF DECORUM

Article 1. This session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

Article 2. There shall be no conversation by members, one with another so as to interrupt business, While in session.

Article 3. Every member wishing to speak shall first rise to his feet and address the moderator.

Article 4. No member shall interrupt another while speaking.

Article 5. We will admit of no other title but that of Brother, while in session.

Article 6. Every member speaking shall attend to the subject under consideration.

Article 7. No member shall speak more than three times on one subject. No member is to speak more than fives 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 another member, providing that 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 license 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's 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 it 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 the 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 the 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 Ministers 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 discussion. 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 wiver 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. Revised by a unanimous vote March 9, 2003. All applicants licensed by this conference will be licensed to preach for one year. Upon the majority approval of the conference, the licenses may be renewed annually. This license do not permit the licensed preacher to officiate at a marriage. A licensed preacher may baptize converts and administer the communion and foot washing under the direct supervision of an ordained Free Will Baptist minister. Licensed preachers are expected to preach at least twenty four sermons a year. If any preacher neglects to do so, (unless prividentially hindered) he will be entitled to a seat in this conference only as a visiting minister.

All new licensed preachers will be assigned to some of our most able pastors for the period two (2) years. Only pastors that are willing to accept the responsibility to work with the licensed preachers will be asked to participate. The licensed preachers in this program are with the pastor to observe and learn and are not to interfere or hinder the work of that pastor. The licensed preacher will not be considered to be an associate pastor. The senior pastor that he has served under, will at the end of the two (2) years present a complete report to the ministers conference in a written letter.

The licensed preacher at the end of this program, providing a good report was received from the senior pastor can be ordained when a church calls him to pastor or when he becomes a full-time evangelist.

Any new applicants on or after this date March 29, 2003, will be required to go through this program. The new applicants are asked to attend the senior pastors church when he is not preaching somewhere.

ARTICLE II. Each member is urged and expected to attend all regular meetings of the conference. Any minister being absent from two sessions of the conference in succession shall stand charged with delinquency and shall be deprived of his vote on any question until he offers a satisfactory reason for his absence. His delinquency charge may be removed by a majority vote of the conference. Any minister who does not report to the conference in any fashion for one year shall be dropped from the roll and his credentials called for.

The above requirements shall not apply to any minister who is rendered unable to attend by reason of a continued disability of himself or his family. The minister or his family may report such circumstances in a letter to the conference or by phone call or e-mail to the clerk or assistant clerk.

ARTICLE 12. 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 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 13. 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.

ARTICLE 14. Seven members shall consistute a quorum at all regular meetings. No session of Conference will be considered legal if three or more ordained ministers are not present.

ARTICLE 15. 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 16. The moderator shall have the power to appoint any or all committees to carry on the work of the Conference.

ARTICLE 17. Necessary expenses of this organization shall be met by voluntary contributions or by assessment to the members.

ARTICLE 18. This constitution and by-laws or any article thereof, may be suspended or amended, by a two-thirds vote of the Conference.

ARTICLE 19. 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, TN, August 9, 1975.

# CHURCH LETTER To The Jack's Creek Free Will Baptist Association

Date \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_\_

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    | (13) Paid Pastor             |
|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| (2) Number Baptized     | (14) Paid for Revivals       |
| (3) Members Added       | (15) Children's Home         |
| (4) Members Dismissed   | (16) Home Missions           |
| (5) Deaths              | (17) Foreign Missions        |
| (6) Total Membership    | (18) Disabled Min. Fund      |
| (7) Average in S.S.     | (19) Poor and Sick           |
| (8) No. in Ladies' Aux. | (20) Improve Church Property |
| (9) No. in C.T.S.       | (21) Value Church Property   |
| (10) Minute Fund        | (22) Paid Visiting Minister  |
| (11) Associational Fund | (23) Church Location         |
| (12) Clerk & Mod. Fund  | (24) Communion               |

| Present pastor       | <br> |  |  |
|----------------------|------|--|--|
| Pastor elect         | <br> |  |  |
| Revival conducted by | <br> |  |  |
| Treasurer            | <br> |  |  |
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| Phone                | <br> |  |  |
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| CHURCHES          | _    | MEMBERS ADDED | # DISMISSED | DEATHS | TOTAL  |                  |    | # IN C.T.S. | FUND |     | CLERKAND<br>MODERATOR FUND |                    |       | CHILDRENS<br>HOME | HOME<br>MISSIONS | FOREIGN<br>MISSIONS  | DISABLED<br>MINISTERS | POOR<br>AND SICK | IMPROVEMENT<br>ON CHURCH<br>PROPERTY | VALUE OF<br>CHURCH<br>PROPERTY | PAID MINISTERS<br>VISITING | COMMUNION<br>SERVICES |
|-------------------|------|---------------|-------------|--------|--|------------------|----|-------------|------|-----|----------------------------|--------------------|-------|-------------------|------------------|--|-----------------------|------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| BIG CREEK         | 2    | 4             |             |        |  | 100 Mar 10 10 10 | 15 |             | 60   | 50  |                            | 20,500             | 2,000 | 2,500             | 1,615            | 1,250  | 1,000                 | 14,266           | 18.080                               | 427,061                        | 800                        | A Second              |
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| BURBANK           |      | 4             | 2           | 3      | 253  | 119              | 14 | 62          | 50   | 25  | 25                         | 24,000             |       | 4,100             | 11,978           | 6,600  | 260                   | 6,600            |                                      | 490,000                        | 300                        | -                     |
| COLBERT'S CREEK   |      |               |             |        |  |                  |    |             |      |     |                            |                    |       |                   |                  |  |                       |                  |                                      |                                |                            | Real de               |
| COVEY ROCK        | 3    | 7             |             |        | 150  | 108              |    |             | 40   | 60  |                            | 20,800             | 822   | 6,412             | 11,537           | 10,786   | 300                   | 10,964           | 1,461                                | 398,225                        |                            |                       |
| CRABTREE          | 5    | 7             | 4           | 1      | 38   | 35               |    |             | 25   | 25  |                            | 5,150              |       | 150               |                  |  | 100                   | 3,652            | a                                    | 117,238                        | 760                        |                       |
| DAVISTOWN         |      | 4             |             | 1      | 22   | 20               | 7  |             | 20   | 20  | 10                         | 2,950              | 623   | Cillio N.         |                  |  |                       | 1,597            | 5,000                                | 225,000                        | 261                        |                       |
| FLAT ROCK         | Care | 2             | 1           |        | 69   | 40               | 8  |             | 20   | 20  | 10                         | 9,400              | 633   |                   | 500              | 4,934  |                       | 3,200            | 6,594                                | 200,000                        | 723                        | 4                     |
| HIGGINS           | 10   | 5             | 1           | 1      | 166  | 101              |    |             | 40   | 20  | 5                          | 22,785             | 500   |                   |                  |  | 65                    | 12,622           | 3,344                                | 552,823                        | 564                        |                       |
| HILLCREST         |      | 13            | 2           | 1      | 32   | 13               |    |             | 20   | 20  | 15                         | 4,406              | 600   | - ditte           | 500              |  | 50                    | 164              | 7,000                                | 250,000                        | 275                        |                       |
| LIBERTY CHAPEL    |      | 2             |             |        | 62   | 60               |    |             | 20   | 20  | 20                         | 13,000             | 1,600 | 40                | 20               | A REAL PROPERTY AND A REAL | 20                    | 5,075            | 2,000                                | 237,000                        |                            |                       |
| LOW GAP           | 2    | 7             |             | 1      | 111  | 54               |    |             | 50   | 50  | 10                         | 10,400             |       | 1,688             | 3,150            | 1,200  | 100                   | 5,750            |                                      | 307,023                        | 888                        |                       |
| MIDDLE DISTRICT   |      |               |             | 3      | 63   | 64               |    | 22          | 40   | 60  | 25                         | 14,430             |       | 1,310             |                  | 1,300  |                       | 4,584            |                                      | 350,000                        | 450                        |                       |
| NEW HOPE          |      |               | 5           |        | 40   | 23               | 8  |             | 20   |     | 20                         | 5,400              |       |                   |                  |  |                       | 2,250            | 725                                  | 112,000                        | 250                        | S. Markey             |
| NIX-CREEK         | 11   | 5             | 6           | 3      | 28   | 57               | 10 | 13          | 40   | 50  | 100                        | 20,557             | 884   | 440               | 200              | 187  | 100                   | 2,301            |                                      | 92,113                         |                            |                       |
| NORTH BEND        | 2    | 7             | 2           |        | 131  | 70               |    | 15          | 80   | 100 | 25                         | 8,400              | 1,000 | 645               | 2,652            | 1,200  | 100                   | 3,371            | 4,078                                | 264,500                        |                            |                       |
| PATHWAY           |      | 3             |             |        | 31   | 40               |    |             | 40   | 20  | 20                         | 7,800              | 920   | 600               | 300              |  |                       | . ing. i Shi     |                                      | 110,000                        |                            | 2                     |
| PENSACOLA         | 2    | 4             |             |        | 84   | 50               | 8  | 20          | 40   | 50  | 10                         | 13,294             | 700   |                   | 328              | 1,236  | 200                   | 21,003           | 2,195                                | 120,000                        | 400                        |                       |
| PETERSON'S CHAPEL |      | 1             |             | 1      | 122  | 100              |    |             | 35   | 10  | 10                         | 20,800             | 800   | 1,885             | 4,646            | 1. 10 200  |                       | 9,753            | 38,600                               | 275,000                        | 450                        |                       |
| PILGRIM'S CHAPEL  |      | 1             |             |        | 44   | 30               |    |             | 20   | 20  | 20                         | 5,375              |       |                   |                  |  |                       | 4,549            | 6,234                                | 68,000                         | 100                        |                       |
| PINEY GROVE       | 7    |               |             | 1      | 120  | 57               |    |             | 60   | 25  | 5                          | 16,900             | 1,000 | 1,427             | 1,200            | 2,370  | 50                    | 3,475            |                                      | 165,000                        | 150                        |                       |
| SOUTHSIDE         | 1    | 6             | 4           |        | 275  | 138              | 33 |             | 50   | 15  | 25                         | 24,300             | 1,050 | 2,000             | 800              | 800  | 265                   | 4,151            | 310,000                              | 1,210,000                      | 700                        |                       |
| SUNSET            | 7    |               |             | 1      | 61   | 65               |    | 38          | 50   | 15  | 15                         | 17,400             |       |                   |                  | 2,222  | 25                    | 11,826           |                                      | 256,880                        | 550                        |                       |
| UNAKA SPRINGS     | 2    | 4             | 2           | 3      | 59   | 65               | 10 |             | 75   | 75  | 25                         | 1.5. 1.1.5         | 1,600 | 1,470             |                  | 300  | 50                    | 6,784            | 5,000                                | 156,771                        |                            |                       |
| UNION HILL        | 4    |               |             |        | 45   | 55               |    |             | 35   | 40  | 25                         | Asses              |       | 1,000             | 2,575            | 1000   | 100                   | 2,087            | 5,976                                | 89,756                         | 100                        |                       |
| VALE              | 1    | 7             |             |        | 46   | 35               |    |             | 25   | 25  | 20                         | 6,000              | 350   | 450               | 2,350            |  | 25                    | 550              | 2,500                                | 120,000                        | 150                        | 1.11                  |
| VALLEY FORGE      | 35   | 47            | 1           | 7      | 419  | 265              | 87 | 198         | 200  | )   | 25                         | 43,646             | 700   | 2,043             | 75,532           | 4,376  | 300                   | 17,483           | 318,580                              | 3,012,460                      | 2,605                      |                       |
| . WOODBY HILL     |      |               |             | 2      | 45   | 37               | 10 |             | 25   | 25  | 5                          | 11,910             |       | 578               | 120              | 420  | 25                    | 1,550            | 36,964                               | 132,897                        | 150                        |                       |
| YOUNGS CHAPEL     | 1    | 2             | 4           | 1      | 118  | 51               | 10 | 7           | 50   | 50  | 20                         | 16,550             | 913   | 622               | 3,925            | 4,961  | 200                   | 3,176            | 424                                  | 125,000                        | 469                        |                       |

