

2018 – 2019

Minutes of the 124th Session

**Jack's Creek
Free Will Baptist
Association**

Officers:

Moderator: Rev. Marvin Hensley
Asst. Moderator, Rev. Charlie Trivette
Clerk, Rev. Rodney Deyton
Asst. Clerk, Rev. Blaine Whitson

Next Session:

Covy Rock Free Will Baptist Church
Green Mountain, NC, July 23 – 24, 2020

2019 - 2020 Sessions

October 26, 2019, Conference: Big Creek FWB Church 9:30 AM
Devotion – Rev. Russell Hughes, Rev. Ralph Hedrick - alternate
Message - Rev. John Stockton, Rev. Terry Richardson - alternate

January 25, 2020, Conference: North Bend FWB Church 9:30AM
Devotion- Rev. Ben James, Rev. Gary Huffman - alternate
Message - Rev. Josh Hollifield, Rev. Rick Wood - alternate

April 25, 2020, Conference: Low Gap FWB Church 9:30AM
Devotion- Rev. Russell Hughes, Rev. Billy Styles – alternate
Message - Rev. Stanley McMahan, Rev. Frank Cable – (alt)

July 23-24, 2020, Association: Covy Rock FWB Church
Thursday: 10:30 AM Friday 9:30 AM
Introductory Message - Rev. Rick Wood, Rev. Burnie Jones (alt)
P.M. Devotion: Rev. Lester Perkins, Dennis Autrey(alt)
Thursday night - Rev. Tony Birchfield, Rev. Ronnie Peterson (alt)
Friday AM Devotion: Rickey Hollifield, Darrell Edwards (alt)
Friday AM Message: Rev. Jimmy Arrowood, Rev. John Stockton (alt)
Friday PM Devotion: Rev. Dean Murphy, Andrew McGuire (alt)

July 25 Conference: Devotion Kelly Pittman, Doug Phillips (alt)

Minister's Conference Revival At Mt. Calvary Sept. 16: 7:00
Monday: Rev. Stephen Miller, Tuesday: Rev. Buck Thomason
Wednesday: Rev. Rickey Hollifield, Thursday: Rev. Rodney Deyton
Friday: Rev. Josh Hollifield, Alternate: Rev. Keith Miller

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Association Treatise: \$2.00

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In Loving Memory of

Reverend J. C Sheets

age 74, of Greasy Creek Rd., Bakersville NC, went home to be with the Lord, May 3, 2019. He was a native of Mitchell County, NC and a son of the late Ike and Rosa Frye Sheets. He was a minister and pastor for over 40 years at many churches in North Carolina and Tennessee. His first message was July 24, 1977. His last pastorate was at Limestone Cove Freewill Baptist Church in Unicoi, TN. He was a member of: Roans Chapel Freewill Baptist Church. He is survived by his wife, Betty Edna Sheets, of the home, three daughters; Lisa Sheets, of Elizabethton, TN, Dottie Parker, of Spruce Pine, NC, and Sandra Tipton (Rusty), of Bakersville, NC, three sisters; Martha B. Phillips, of Bakersville, NC, Betty Lingerfelt, of Bakersville, NC, and Margaret Wise, of Spruce Pine, NC, five grandchildren; Tony Parker, Tara Hansen, Jessica Martin, Whitney Tipton, and Luke Tipton, one great grandchild; Caleb Hansen.



Rev. Sheets was a vibrant part of the Conference and participated in numerous positions of leadership. He always had something funny to bring to the table. He loved fellowship with his brethren in many settings. He will be greatly missed.

Rules of Decorum

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

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

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

Article 4. No member shall interrupt another while speaking.

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

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

Article 7. No member shall speak more than three times on one subject. No member is to speak more than five minutes on one subject.

Article 8. Every motion made and seconded shall be attended to unless withdrawn by those who made it.

Article 9. No member shall absent himself from the body while in session without leave of the Moderator.

Article 10. On all motions, when the vote of the body is taken, a majority shall prevail.

Article 11. The Moderator shall have the same privilege to speak as another member providing the Chair is filled.

Article 12. Any member transgressing the above rules shall be admonished by the Moderator.

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TN: Rev. B. F. McKinney, Jr.; Alternate, Rev. Adam Miller

NC: Rev. Frank Cable - Alternate, Rev. Phillip Hughes

PROCEEDINGS

The 124th Jack's Creek F.W.B. Association met at Sunset F.W.B. Church, Roan Mountain, Tennessee at 10:30 AM. The pastor, Rev. Terry Richardson, welcomed the assembly and took care of the administrative duties. Prayer was lead by Rev. Rick Wood. The Sunset choir then sang "I Just Want To Thank You Lord.," "It Will Be Worth It After While," "I Keep Praying," "It's Shouting Time In Heaven", and "I Want To Stroll Over Heaven With You." Several testimonies were then given. Rev. Rick Wood gave his testimony and praise report from his accident.

The opening message was given by Rev. Norman Loveless, reading from Acts 16:16. He began by thanking the churches for prayer through his sickness. He preached why and how Paul and Silas were placed in prison. He then talked about the woman "diviner" and the harm she was causing. She had become a slave to demons. He then said that we as church members should be a slave and servant to Christ and his church.

He pointed out that we have a job to do in working in the church. He spoke about the condition of our church and said that a lot of members need to repent and talked about the woman as a fortune teller and how the demon was cast out by Paul, then the crowd rose up against Paul and Silas. They beat them and cast them into prison where at midnight they sang and prayed. Then an earthquake loosed their bonds and opened the prison doors. The jailer was so convicted he said "What must I do to be saved?" That night he and all his house were saved! He encouraged the church to keep fighting for lost people in our communities! He preached an inspiring message.

Prayer was given by Rev. Bernie Jones who also blessed the food for lunch.

Afternoon Business Session

The afternoon session began with Pastor Terry Richardson welcoming the Association back. Rev. Ralph Hedrick gave the devotion from Hebrews 2. He spoke on our growth in the word as a Christian and how important it is that we indeed grow! We cannot grow without the anointing of the Spirit on the Word. It becomes food for our soul. We have strength in His Work to help us grow! It was a great devotional. Brother Ronnie Peterson led in prayer.

The Moderator, Rev. Marvin Hensley, then read the Rules of Decorum and called the business session to order. He then proceeded to the election of officers for the Association for the coming year. Rev. Marvin Hensley will serve as Moderator with the assistant to be Rev. Charlie Trivette.

The Moderator then called for the church letters to be read and delegates to be seated. A letter from Colbert's Creek was read requesting dismissal from the Association. Their request was granted by motion and vote.

CHURCH LETTERS

Big Creek: Bros. Tony Byrd, Jody Cox, Ricky Wilson

Borings Chapel: Not Reporting

Brummitts Creek: No Delegates

Crabtree: Bro. B.F. McKinney, Jr.

Covy Rock: Bros. Larry Miller, Wade Dahlberg, Riley Dahlberg, Clarence Deyton, and Sister Doris Deyton.

Davistown: Bro. Frank Cable,

Higgins: By Letter

Hillcrest: Rev. Gary Huffman, Rev. Bobby Revis, Brother Doug Phillips

Low Gap: Bro. Carson Jones, Sister Opal Jones, Rev. Blaine Whitson
Middle District: Rev. Scott Jenkins
New Hope: Rev. Ben James, Lurley Bryant, Whitney James, Sue Molt
Nix Creek. By Letter
North Bend: Bros. Owen Barnett, Clay Barnett, Eddie Tipton, and Sister Gayla Hughes
Pathway: Bros. John Ault, Gary Peterson, Gary Whittemore, Jerry Williams
Pensacola: Bro. Ronald Fox, Sister Jackie Fox, Rev. Keith Miller
Peterson's Chapel: Bro. Clifford Silver and Sister Betty Silver
Pilgrim's Chapel: Bro. Russell Hughes and Sister Margaret Hughes
Southside: Bro. Bernie Jones
Sunset: Rev. Terry Richardson, Bros. Brad Whitson, Glenn Gouge, Jeff Smith, Sisters Patti Whitson, Kristi Smith
Union Hill: Bro. James Miller
Vale: No Delegates
Valley Forge: Bros. Carl Roberson and Bob Ray
Woodby Hill: Bros. Harley Guinn, Sam Guinn, Sister Lucy Bryant, Rev. Lester Perkins
Youngs Chapel: Bro. Stanley Silvers, Sister Norma Silvers,

The minister roll call was given and the ministers were seated. There were no visiting churches and no churches were seeking membership. There were no visiting ministers.

Officers of the Association were elected as recorded in the opening pages of this minute report.

The Sessions Committee was elected. The members are Rev. Terry Richardson, Brother Carson Jones, and Brother Jody Cox.

Brother Mike Allison from Free Will Baptist Ministries spoke regarding the new COO (Chief Operating Officer) Jim Robinette as of August 1st.2019 and gave background information about him. He announced and invited all to the 80th Homecoming Celebration October 26th, 2019 beginning at 10:30. He then reviewed the progress and successes of the ministry. (A report in full follows from Rev. Jim McComas, new Executive Director/CEO from Saturday's session).

The Sustainability Committee Chairman Rev. Scott Jenkins presented proposed changes to the Disabled Ministers Fund Rules. The proposals were tabled until Friday's session.

The Moderator called for the Association Committee Reports:

Churches Pastors and Deacons: North Bend FWB Church:
Representative: Brother Owen Barnett. The topic was “The local church is a group of believers which have covenanted together...” (The complete report follows in the section: Committee Reports.)

Time having expired for the daily business, the Moderator called for closing prayer. Brother Jim Ayers was anointed with much fervor of pray. The Moderator led the anointing service.

7:00 PM Worship Service

Pastor Terry Richardson welcomed the congregation. He asked for prayer requests, which were many for the lost, the sick, the military, and the nation. An altar of prayer followed. The Sunset choir sang “I Believe He's Coming Back,” “My Hope Is In The Blood,” “Lord, You Are the Best Thing That Ever Happened To Me,” “I'm Going Home,” “Consider The Lilies,” and “Saved To The Uttermost.” It was Spirit filled singing!

Rev. Henry Berry brought the message reading Psalms 116:15 “Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.” He said that we are to step out in faith and do the will of God to love one another without dissimulation. He encouraged us to call the lost to repentance, not shame them in church, but gently entreat them as a shepherd calls his sheep. He proclaimed that there will be joy in that heavenly land for all the precious saints of the Lord! He did a wonderful work for the Lord.

Sister Kay Richards testified of a faithful father and his love for his Bible. He had read it through more than 39 times and stopped counting. A deep Christian Heritage is a precious and priceless gift!

Pastor Richardson commented and closed the meeting with prayer led by Rev. John Stockton.

Friday Morning Session, July 26, 2019, 9:30 A.M.

The service began with Pastor Terry Richardson welcoming everyone. The congregation sang “Oh, How I Love Jesus”, led by Bro. Danny Cox of Sunset. Rev. B.F. McKinney Jr. led devotions by reading I Peter 5:1-4. The world is not “Home” he declared. There is reason for no Spiritual Power and our condition today: pastors don't feed the flock! We must make sure that the Spiritual food is CLEAN. It takes the pure anointed Word of God to feed the flock! He gave an encouraging devotional.

The session was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. Marvin Hensley, who read the Rules of Decorum. The clerk read the minutes

from Thursday's sessions and they were accepted with one modification. An additional church letter was read from Crabtree FWB Church and their delegates seated. Rev. Charlie Trivette suggested that we contact delinquent churches. Rev. Marvin Hensley commented on delinquency and the fact of individual church independence. Rev. Blaine Whitson reported that we had sent letters last year to said churches with no response. Rev. Terry Richardson encouraged churches that they have responsibility on their own. Rev. Rodney Deyton encouraged individuals in the Association to contact acquaintances from the delinquent churches and encourage them to participate.

The minister roll call was taken and ministers were seated.

There were no visiting churches and no churches asking for membership. There were no visiting ministers.

The Moderator then called for committee reports.

(Association Committee reports on "**Church Operations**" will be reported in full later in the Committee Reports section.)

Sunday Schools: Sunset FWB Church, Representative Brother Danny Cox. Topic: "Is Sunday School Important?"

Children's Training School: Valley Forge FWB Church, Representative Brother Carl Roberson. Topic: "Strategy To Be Successful"

Education: Covy Rock FWB Church, Representative Brother Riley Dahlberg. Topic: "Train Up A Child."

Ladies Auxiliary: Big Creek FWB Church, Representative Christy Miller. Topic: "Helpers In The Lord."

(Association Committee reports on "**Church Outreach**" will also be printed in full later in the Committee Reports section.)

Home Missions: Young's Chapel FWB Church. Report was misplaced by "Divine Providence" to be read in the afternoon session.

Foreign Missions: Low Gap FWB Church, Representative Rev Blaine Whitson. Topic: "Our Designated Missionary Josh Provow".

The Moderator then dismissed business for intermission until preaching services.

11:00 AM Worship Service

The pastor, Rev. Terry Richardson, welcomed the association back.

The church sang "Power In The Blood." Sister Vanessa Cox testified and sang "Why Should I Worry?" and sister Gena Bagby sang "Sweet Beulah Land." Rev. Frank Cable gave the message reading from II Peter 1:1-7. He opened the message praising God for his many blessings though his health challenges this year, throughout life, and the hope of eternal life. His desire was to "encourage the Association and Conference." He requested that each individual open their heart and receive what God wants them to receive, accordingly, we will be blessed. More exists in life than what we see naturally. There is a depth of spirituality beyond the surface. 1st Corinthians declares that there is a foundation no other can lay: Jesus Christ. We can build on that foundation and it would be wise to build with precious materials. There is also another existence beyond this life according to scripture. At the end of this world there is a judgment of what we have built on this Foundation, "revealed by fire!" Peter advised us to build by adding "to your faith..." The body of the church is us, the individuals, "the bride." Can we find a "virtuous woman?" Do Christians who profess Christ display Him in our lives? He noted a list of qualities among which are fidelity, loyalty, faithfulness, and honesty, which we should practice. How great a work God did to create us unto good works and purge our conscience unto good works by His Blood. He encouraged us to search our hearts and fulfill the mission of Christ to our own benefit. He closed the message by leading the congregation in "What A Day That Will Be" and fellowship. He preached a very uplifting message. Rev. Stanley McMahan closed with prayer and a blessing upon the food.

1:30 PM Business Session

The session began with the pastor welcoming everyone back. The congregation sang "Where Could I Go But To The Lord." Devotion was given by Rev. Rickey Hollifield reading from 1 Cor. 4:2 "Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful." His topic was "Accountability." Glorify God, take your faith with you always, and be accountable. 1Cor 6:20- you are bought with a price. Matt. 12:36- shall give account of every idle word. Luke 12:48- of whom much is given, much is required. Rom. 14:12- give account of himself to God. We are to show ourselves approved. Prayer was led by Rev. Ralph Hedrick.

The Moderator called the session back to order and requested that the Home Missions report be read.

Home Missions: Young's Chapel, (read by clerk) Topic: Ye Are The Light Of The World (There is a day of accountability) [Full report included in "Committee Reports" section]. Due to "Divine Providence"

the report timely reaffirmed the opening devotion of Rev. Hollifield. It was Spirit anointed with power and read with tears! Praise God!

Rev. Marvin Hensley gave an interim report of the finances of the Disabled Ministers Fund. A complete report will follow in the printed minutes.

The Sessions Committee reported on their progress. (See Sessions on inside front cover for report details).

Rev. Ralph Hedrick requested prayer for sister Gail Duncan (wife of Rev. Jeff Duncan) who is at this moment undergoing serious surgery. The congregation stood in a prayer of intervention and petition.

Rev. Blaine Whitson was nominated and seconded for the position of Sustainability Committee member replacing Rev. Scott Jenkins. The motion was passed.

Rev. Adam Miller addressed the Association about the tabled Sustainability Committee submission from yesterday. He reported that after a conference with the Board of Directors of the Disabled Ministers Fund and the Sustainability Committee to review previous regulations of the fund, it was decided to table any changes until a further meeting and complete review of by-laws in order to have proposals of change that would concur with all requirements of the rules. A meeting will be scheduled when the members confer at the conclusion of the morning session.

He stated the reality that we acknowledge that the Association appears to be “dying”. Several churches have left and minister numbers have declined from more than 70 to 45. He suggested that (1) ministers discuss this with their congregations and explain the ramifications to follow, (2) Preachers need to give in support of the Disabled Ministers Fund, (3) Special offerings need to be announced in advance of conference meetings in order for better preparation to give since a lot of people use electronic cash instead of currency. The Moderator spoke encouraging contribution to the fund.

A Home Mission interim finance report was given by Rev. Adam Miller (final report to be in minutes).

The Annual Jack's Creek Conference Revival will be held September 16, 2019 at Mt. Calvary FWB Church at 7:00 P.M. nightly. Speakers will be appointed by drawing at tomorrow's conference.

The Moderator praised Sunset FWB Church for their hosting of the Association. Pastor Terry Richardson praised the Lord for all his blessings at Sunset. Closing prayer was given by Rev. Bobby Revis.

7:00 PM Worship Service

The evening service began with Pastor Terry Richardson welcoming everyone. He complimented church member Danny Cox who delivered a wonderful committee report today (Amen!) He encouraged the church to endure and be faithful for the Lord is coming! He received many prayer requests from the congregation. Prayer was led by Rev. Charlie Trivette. The Sunset youth choir sang "Brother We Have Gathered," "He Set Me Free," "Tis That Old Time Religion." Gabe Gouge and Vanessa Cox sang "Beulah Land." Brother Gouge, a youth member, spoke boldly of the blessings and the plan of the Lord for each of us. McKenzie Buckles sang "He Knows My Name." The choir sang "Are You Washed In The Blood?" and "I'd Rather Be An Old Timed Christian." Another duet of girls sang "It's Under The Blood." The choir sang "There Ain't Nothing Gonna Steal My Joy." A youth trio sang "One Day," the choir sang "Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone," and "Didn't I Walk On The Water?" A soloist sang "Blessed Redeemer."

Brother Charlie Trivette sang "The Old Ship Of Zion." He then recited by request the poem: "Ole Jonah." A duet sang "It's Still The Blood." There were several testimonies. Rev. Paul Bennett closed in prayer. It was an anointed service of blessing and growth.

ASSOCIATION TOPIC COMMITTEE REPORTS

Church Operations:

Churches, Pastors, and Deacons: North Bend FWB Church

The local church is a group of believers in Christ who have covenanted together to spread the Gospel, to grow in the knowledge of Christ, and to give Him praise and honor. The head of the church is Christ. He takes each member, as a spiritual stone, and unites them with other believers into a holy temple (Ephesians 2:21). The church works together to fulfill our Great Commission of spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ (Matthew 28:18-20).

There are many parts of a building in the natural world. Each part has its role to play in making the structure strong and long lasting. We, as spiritual stones, have our duties and obligations. Two of these stones are the pastor and deacon. These are the servant leaders of the church. Christ has placed some to lead and others to follow. As the pastor and deacons follow Christ, so is the church to follow them.

The church must always remember Christ has given qualifications for men who will fulfill these duties (I Timothy 3 and Titus 1). These qualifications are not recommendations. They were placed in the Bible to be followed. If a man does not meet these qualifications, he should not be placed into either of these positions. As we follow Christ as our Savior, we must also follow his direction in all facets of our lives. This is very important as the church places men into these leadership positions. Let us never leave the Master's plan when building the church.

The pastor serves the church by feeding the congregation through the preaching of the Word of God. He is to reprove, rebuke and exhort. He is to do this with long suffering or patience. He is to do this through Biblical instruction (I Timothy 4: 1-2). The pulpit is not a place for wives fables and traditions. It is a place to preach the Word and the Word alone. The preaching of the Word will bring repentance. It will be conviction to the lost. It will bring healing to the sick and afflicted. Preaching will feed the flock and lead to growth and spiritual maturity.

The deacons serve the church by tending to the physical needs of the congregation. The position of a deacon first started in the early church to care for the needs of the widows (Acts 6). These men were to make sure no widows were overlooked. Stephen was one of the first seven deacons. He fulfilled his duties and proclaimed the Gospel, and he eventually was a martyr for the faith.

Deacons, pastors and the entire church are to be united in our love for Christ. As God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit was united, we are also to be working together as one body. These three sections of the body are not to be working against each other. We are to be working together to bring honor and glory to our Savior. Remember, Christ is the head and we are parts of the body. Each role in the body is important. Our prayer is that each church will be united to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Submitted by: North Bend FWB Church

Presented by: Owen Barnett, Deacon

Committee: Ronnie Cox, Danny Ayers, Martin Renfro, Mike Renfro, Lindsey Barnett and Pastor, Phillip Hughes

Sunday School: Sunset FWB Church

Recently, a preacher on the radio preached a sermon referencing the following verse: Romans 1:13, "Now I would not have you ignorant,

brethren...” He stated that he felt the largest and fastest growing church denomination in the United States was the “Ignorant Brethren” because so many professing Christians spent so little time studying and understanding God’s Word. Also recently, on the television show, Jeopardy, three teenagers competed in a Teen Tournament Challenge. All three were extremely intelligent, able to answer very difficult questions in the areas of science, history, geography, literature, etc. However, when they encountered a category about the Bible, none of the three were able to answer even seemingly basic questions. This reminds us of II Timothy 3:7, “Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.” Within the past decade, Time Magazine published an article entitled, “Sunday School – the Most Useless Hour in America.”

Is it okay to be ignorant about the doctrinal truth the Bible contains? Is it acceptable to pursue worldly knowledge while neglecting to pursue spiritual understanding? Is Sunday School in America really a waste of time? The answer to these questions should be “no, no and no!” To born again believers, feeding daily on the Word of God is as vital to our spiritual being as oxygen is your physical being. Without both, survival will not last. It is essential for growth and maturity in the Christian faith that we study, meditate upon, and strive to obey God’s Word. Sunday School provides an excellent format for this. Yet, so many continue to fall short in this area of the Christian life because it is not a priority in their lives. But, consider, if a dear loved one took the time to write you a personal hand-written letter, would you ignore it or discard it without reading it? Probably, you would read it over and over, sensing the love and meaning in each word, and keeping the words and message close to your heart. If the Bible is God’s hand-written letter of love to all mankind, why do we choose to ignore and discard it? Why do we choose not to meet with other people to read and study it together?

Attending Sunday School is both a tremendous privilege and blessing. Here, lessons are learned at an early age that can affect us for a lifetime. As adults, we can continue to learn more about our Lord, ourselves, and other people. Here, we learn doctrinal truth that can serve as a basis for not only Holy conduct, but can also aid us in making correct decisions in our lives. Here, we not only learn the way of salvation, but we also get to know our Lord in a more close and personal way. Here, we can find meaning and God’s will and purpose for our lives. So many other people work so hard during their lives climbing the “ladder of success” only to find one day that their ladder is leaning against the wrong wall. Here, we can learn scripture that can serve as an anchor of comfort and hope

in difficult times. The blessings of meeting to study the Bible go on and on. It is God's strong desire that we daily study His Word. Proverbs 1:20, 23 says "Wisdom crieth without; she uttereth her voice in the streets. Turn you at my reproof; Behold, I will pour out my spirit unto you, I will make known my words unto you." Men of old such as David said in Psalms 119:33, "Teach me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes; and I shall keep it unto the end." Men and women have sacrificed their very lives translating, protecting, distributing, and proclaiming God's Word. It, and the Savior it declares, is the only sure hope for mankind. Do we dare take the Bible, and the meeting together to read and study it more carefully for granted?

Is Sunday School important? Absolutely Yes!

Submitted by: Sunset FWB Church

Presented by: Danny Cox

Committee: Jessie Erick and Dave Richards

Church Training Service: Valley Forge FWB Church

CTS provides another opportunity for our youth, other than Sunday School, to help keep their minds focused on God and the value of His word. It can provide training that molds young lives, especially for children who do not have Christian parents. Young people today have talents, which need to be shaped into being successful Christians. CTS is a place where these talents can be developed through Christian activities and responsibilities, so they will feel needed and get encouragement.

Parents and churches need to provide resources to educate its youth so they know how to study the Bible, how to pray, how to witness, and how to conduct themselves, and how they ought to talk and dress as a Christian.

Luke 2:52 says that Jesus increased in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and man. In our society we see that our children get an education for this life (knowledge and wisdom). We provide food they need for healthy bodies (stature), and we see that they have a social life with training and activities (man). Shouldn't the emphasis about God be just as important as these things to prepare them for eternity?

When Jesus called his disciples, he didn't just assume they knew how to live a godly life. He worked and taught them for something like three years. In John 20: 21 Jesus said, "As my Father hath sent me, even so

send I you.” They were ready to live and do the tasks of carrying the gospel because they had been taught by Christ and His examples. In every vocation that a person may endeavor to pursue, it takes a certain amount of training. God gives parents children and God gives parents the responsibility to train them in the way they should live. That takes a lot of love, a lot of patience and a lot of time. Parents need to fulfill that responsibility at home and train them in CTS.

Submitted by: Valley Forge FWB Church
Presented by: Carl Robertson
Committee: Bob Ray and Linda Roberson

Education: Covy Rock FWB Church

“Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.” (Proverbs 22:6). Our churches are places for reverence and respect, for worshipping and learning about the standards of God’s Holy Word. *“And when he had made a scourge of small cords, he drove them all out of the temple, and the sheep, and the oxen; and poured out the changers’ money, and overthrew the tables;” (John 2:15).* *“Take fast hold of instruction: let [her] not go: keep her; for she [is] thy life.” (Proverbs 4:13).*

Jesus told us to *“go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.” (Mark 16:15).* Spiritual education for the young through the old is the process of habits. It is the teaching or training by parents, grandparents, teachers, preachers, and church family, which prepares us for life. It makes you learn, cultivate and develop the healthy values of life. Christians’ lives should be a testimony to educate others about Him by being Christ-like. Spiritual training makes you competent enough to cross the obstacles, hardships and hurdles of life. This education not only imparts knowledge, but wisdom also. It must lead to your spiritual advancement. The real education is a holistic one, which not only develops and takes care of your body but mind, heart and soul, too. All these meanings indicate that education seeks to nourish the good qualities in man and draw out the best in every individual. Education seeks to develop the innate inner capacities of man.

Our Jack’s Creek Free Will Baptist Association uses the King James Version of the Bible; thus, we also use the King James Version for our Sunday School materials. We salute the Christian and the United States flag.

“The fear of the Lord [is] the beginning of knowledge: [but] fools despise wisdom and instruction.” (Proverbs 1:7). “And ye shall teach them your children, speaking of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.” (Deuteronomy 11:19).

Submitted by: Covy Rock FWB Church

Presented by: Riley Dahlberg

Committee: Clarence Deyton (Deacon), Doris Deyton, Ricky McCourry and Susie Peterson

Ladies Auxiliary: Big Creek FWB Church

We read in the Bible where God originally made a woman as a helper to Adam (**And the LORD God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him. And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man. Genesis 2:18,22).**

Throughout the Bible there are many examples of how women continued to assist in God’s work to help others. Women in church today also have many important roles. One of those being that the older women are to be an example to the younger women (**That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children, to be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed. Titus 2:3-5).**

A ladies auxiliary can be a good way to do that, through shared testimonies, devotions, and prayer time. It also exists to aid in the physical and spiritual needs of the church as a whole and especially the community. A ladies auxiliary can be a great asset to a church in many ways; by teaching the younger women, building fellowship among members, supporting the church, and as an outreach to the community.

Some examples of specific projects that our ladies auxiliary do are: Sunshine Baskets to the needy; donate school supplies; auction to support missions; sell items such as flavorings, nuts, and knives to fund fellowship hall items and community needs.

Submitted by: Big Creek FWB Church

Presented by: Christy Miller

Committee: Big Creek FWB Church Ladies Auxiliary

Church Outreach:

International Missions: Low Gap FWB Church

We are both happy and blessed to be able to support Josh Provow and his wife, Lydia, and their family as they work to establish churches in Bulgaria. They are now living in the city of Shumen. They will soon be joined by Debbie and Brenton Discoll. Josh and his team are physically building a church, which is called the Hanna Project. He says in his newsletter, "We spent time with the team working really hard in two different villages, pouring hours of sweat and love into the village and its people. In each village after completing the physical labor projects, the team put on a concert and evangelization outreach. The good news was shared and put in the hands of its people. We offered new testaments at each place and were shocked at the eagerness with which they were received. Please pray that these seeds fall on good soil and that the Lord would help us cultivate them so that they can then take the news to others and produce the fruit of the Gospel."”(End quote)

Submitted by: Low Gap FWB Church

Presented by: Blaine Whitson, Pastor

Committee: Tonya Ray and Grace Whitson

Home Missions: Youngs Chapel FWB Church

Matthew 5:14-26: "Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

As Christians, we are to be missionaries to the world. Our heavenly Father has worked a miracle in our life, which is to be shown to someone else, that they might believe. We need to seek our calling, develop our skills, and be about our Father's business. There is a day of accountability for each of us. What will we have to show for the time we have spent here? Will our Father be pleased with our service? Pray, seek, give, go.

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

Matthew 9:35-38, verse 36: "But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were

scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd.”

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

As Christians, we need to “lift up our eyes,” behold “the fields,” and labor to bring in “the harvest.” Are we focused on ourselves, our needs, our successes, or can we see the Lord’s work? Perhaps, we need an awakening such as Peter had in Acts 10.

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

We are a very blessed people; we have clothes to wear, food to eat, and, most importantly, we have heard the Gospel. There is still a need of people hearing the Gospel and receiving Jesus Christ as their personal Savior here at home in our own community. We believe the first thing that needs to be done in carrying out this mission is for our churches to make up their mind that they will serve the Lord. Choose you this day whom ye will serve. Another mission that we have at home is to stay on guard. If we lower our standards and conform to the things of this world, then we cannot carry the true Gospel to them that are lost. We must first be partakers of the full Gospel before we can preach it. (II Corinthians 4:3.) When people begin to see unity and compassion for others, and faithfulness to God in their local churches, then the mission will be carried out.

Young’s Chapel FWB Church

Pastor: Buck Thomason

Deacons: Dean Branton, Stanly Silvers, and Lee Thompson

Free Will Baptist Family Ministries: Rev. Jim McComas

(Excerpted from FY19 Executive Summary Report)

God has been good to Free Will Family Ministries, allowing us to serve for over seventy-nine years. As we approach our eightieth birthday it is evident that God has used the ministry to win countless souls to Christ. If “but one” enters the kingdom because of our efforts, everything we have done will have been truly worth it. Today, almost one hundred

children are actively in care with Family Ministries. This number continues to grow, as we maintain our focus on serving the fatherless and motherless in Arkansas and Tennessee.

In the early 2000's, Family Ministries expanded to include another group of vulnerable and often uncared-for people. Our programs in Virginia and Tennessee that minister to the elderly have grown over the past twenty years to include almost one hundred individuals in care as well. We have also expanded to care for pregnant young women who are in helpless situations, including care for their newborn babies. Every day, when the sun rises, Family Ministries' caregivers work with over three hundred children, pregnant girls, and elderly. We are beyond thankful for the ministry opportunities God has provided as we continue forward into our eightieth year of service.

2018-2019 has been a year characterized by change for the ministry. The Board, under the leadership of Noah Taylor, selected Jim McComas as the next chief executive officer of Free Will Baptist Family Ministries. (Replacing retiring Rev. Frank Woods.) He pastored Canaan Free Will Baptist Church of Creston, Ohio, for twenty-one years. Jim was very involved in the community as well as denominational leadership, serving on the board of directors of both the Wayne County Pregnancy Care Center and the Ohio State Association of Free Will Baptists.

For the past nearly five years, Jim has worked for the denomination as director of church revitalization for Free Will Baptists North American Ministries. In this position he traveled from state to state singing, teaching, and preaching, in hundreds of Free Will Baptist Churches.

Family Ministries is at a turning point in the development of its activities. During FY19, the organization took a giant step forward, eliminating \$1.5M in overspend. Operationally, the business lost around \$500K in FY19. Organizationally, the ministry made major advancements in the past ten months projecting a break-even budget for the year.

The Skilled-nursing facility was closed, converting John Reed to an assisted-living facility. It now has twenty-two residents.

Cost cutting measures were applied to Governor's Bend and a new executive director was selected for the facility. The facility is now full, including a waiting list. It serves over sixty residents.

The Hope Center continues to fund raise the dollars needed to finish the new maternity home. The project is fully underway this fiscal year. More funds are needed to complete the facility.

The Laurels in Virginia continues to be a vibrant part of our ministry with over forty filled beds.

Conclusion: Current census numbers include sixty-three children in foster care in TN, four in independent care, twenty in the TN residential program, sixty rooms occupied at Governor's Bend, forty-three rooms occupied at the Laurels, twenty-two rooms occupied at John Reed, over one hundred girls in care the Hope Center, twenty-five at Maggie House, twelve in the Florence Crittenton Home, and twenty-eight in the Young Home. God has blessed our ministry in serving hundreds of children, over one hundred seniors, and hundreds of expectant young women this past year. The love of Christ was manifest through our 200+ employees, and the ministry has seen over one hundred professions of faith in Jesus Christ. The mission of Family Ministries has remained true to the purpose for which the organization was founded!

FREE WILL BAPTIST FAMILY MINISTRIES

Contributions during Association:

Crabtree	\$50.00
Young's Chapel	\$500.00
Nix Creek	\$800.00
Union Hill	\$500.00

Total: \$1850.00

Submitted by: Rev. Phillip Hughes, Treasurer

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HOME MISSION FUND REPORT

Beginning balance June 24, 2019 \$2434.05

Received: Association Collections: \$740.00

Total: \$3174.05

Disbursements: Phone Call System \$420.00

Ending Balance: July 26, 2019 \$2754.05

Submitted by: Rev. Adam Miller, Treasurer

INTERNATIONAL MISSION FUND REPORT

Beginning balance July 28, 2018 \$1134.92

Contributions:

Covy Rock	\$1000.00
Pathway	\$210.00
Woodby Hill	\$300.00
Woodby Hill	\$50.00

Low Gap	\$300.00
Pensacola	\$1272.00
Crabtree	\$25.00
Southside	\$400.00
Big Creek	\$1500.00
North Bend	\$300.00
Total	\$5387.00

Ending Balance July 26, 2019 **\$6491.92**

Submitted by: Rev. Blaine Whitson, Treasurer,
Rev. Scott Jenkins, Assistant Treasurer

BURIAL FUND JACK'S CREEK F.W.B. ASSOCIATION

Beginning Balance	\$23,102.60
Received as of August 1, 2019	\$1,230.00
Total:	\$24332.60
Burial Fund Expenditure	\$4,000.00
Ending Balance August 1, 2019	\$20,332.60

Submitted by: Rev. Rickey Hollifield, Treasurer

DISABLED MINISTERS FUND

Church Loan Extension Fund Investment Acct.

Beginning balance as of July 30, 2018	\$340,557.04
Interest earned	+\$13,559.74
Withdrawal 10-8-18	-8000.00
Ending Balance June 30, 2019	\$346,116.78

Checking Account: Beginning Balance as of Aug. 1, 2018	\$4877.54
Deposits	+18,480.00

Disbursements: Paid to Ministers	-\$8025.00
Administration fee	-\$600.00
Misc. – postage, flowers etc.	-\$650.24
Burial Fund Fee	<u>-\$4,000.00</u>
Balance in Checking 8-1-2019	\$10,082.30

Submitted by: Rev. Marvin Hensley, Treasurer

Money for Association

Clerk and Moderator Fund:	\$425.00
Association Fund:	\$1,342.00
Minute Fund:	\$1044.00

OBITUARIES 2018--2019



Thad Hollifield, a member of Pensacola FWB Church born, July 17, 1949, went to be with the Lord October 4, 2018. He will be greatly missed by his daughter Darlene Hollifield, his son Keith Hollifield and wife Barbara along with his grandson Cody and wife Emily, and great-grandson Kaden Hollifield.



Wanda Wilson, 96, of Pensacola, North Carolina, born September 25, 1922, passed away on Monday April 15, 2019. Wanda was the wife of Lawrence C. Wilson who passed away in 1998. She was also preceded in death by a son, Terrell Wilson, who died in 1985. Wanda leaves behind a son, Rick Wilson and daughters Patricia Silver and Jane Byrd. In her 96 years of service to her church,

family and community she was a constant reminder of the virtuous woman as described in Proverbs 31. She will be greatly missed by her family, her friends, and by all who knew her.

Gerald Vance, age 78, departed this life on April 8, 2019. He attended Vale FWB Church. He loved to listen to singing and enjoyed talking to and being around Christian people. He leaves behind his wife of 58 years, Edna Stockton Vance, daughter Terri Yoder, and son L.D. Vance. He will be greatly missed by family and friends!



Glenda Byrd, 73, of Burnsville, born June 26, 1945, passed away on Sunday February 17, 2019 at her home after battling cancer for over a year. She leaves behind her husband of 55 years, Richard Byrd, a daughter, Karen and son Darrin and his wife Jane of Burnsville. She also leaves behind a granddaughter Casey Fox and husband Adam, a great-granddaughter Huntley, and a sister Jean

Campbell of Burnsville as well. She was a member of Pensacola FWB Church. She was one special mother and friend and is loved and missed by all who knew her.



Gaynell Hensley Davis, born May 21, 1922 passed into the presence of the Lord October 1, 2018 at her home in Erwin, TN surrounded by her loving family. Gaynell was the wife for 67 years of Rev. Verno Davis who preceded her in death in 2013. Also preceding her in death was a son, Gerald Lynn Davis. Gaynell is survived by her other children, Verdie Sanders and husband Edward, Evelyn King and husband Terry, Rev. R.J. Davis and wife

Darlene, Gwendolyn Davis, Anita Calvert and husband Greg, and Sandra Edwards and husband Kenneth. Also, there is a host of 13 grandchildren, 11 great-grand children, and 14 step great-grandchildren. The greatest love of Gaynell's life was her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. She was an avid quilter who loved reading, cooking, gardening, and genealogy studies. She assisted in the publication of the book "Just Reminiscing" which was full of old saying's, which she loved. She was a godly woman and will be missed by all who knew her.



Wanda Ray Jones, age 78, of Erwin passed away peacefully on Monday, September 17, 2018, while surrounded by her loving family. She was a lifelong resident of Unicoi County where she worked for the county school system for several years. Wanda was a charter member of Southside FWB Church for 58 years, which she loved so much. Wanda

leaves behind to cherish her memory her loving and dedicated husband, Rev. Bernie Jones, one son Doug Jones and wife Sharon of Johnson City, one sister Ann Edwards and husband Jack of Erwin, two grandsons Derrick "Alex" and Ian Jones.

Richard (Arnold) Hughes, age 76. Arnold was such a lovable man who always called us "younguns" and asked "How are you doing?" He was a member of Hampton Bulldog State Champion basketball team in 1960. He loved to fish and come to church. He was a devout church member and a dedicated trustee for our church. He also served occasionally, as assistant adult Sunday School teacher. We really miss him but we know that he is talking and singing with everyone in heaven.

Larry Towson, age 66. Larry was a lovable individual and was always “up to something.” He loved his church, family, and friends. He was a devout member of the church and served as janitor for the church with his wife Debbie for many years. He is greatly missed by everyone but we are so thankful that he is not hurting any more and for the promise that we will be together again when the Lord comes back. What a celebration is going on in Heaven between brother Arnold Hughes and brother Larry!

2018 - 2019 Ministers Conferences

Covy Rock F. W. B. Church Oct. 27, 2018

The Jacks Creek FWB Ministers' Conference met with Covy Rock FWB Church in Green Mtn., N.C. at 9:30 A.M. The session began with Pastor Marvin Hensley welcoming the conference and making the necessary announcements. The congregation sang, “I Want to Know More About My Lord.” Due to neither of the devotion appointees being able to attend, several people gave their personal testimonies. Rev. Dean Murphy told how he was so blessed because of how his parents raised him. It was a spirit-filled time. Prayer was given by Rev. Keith Miller.

The session was called to order by the Moderator, Bro. Adam Miller, who read the Rules of Decorum. The minutes of the last session were read with one correction. The Minister's roll call was made with all ministers standing in full fellowship. There were no visiting ministers and no visiting churches. There were no ministers seeking license or ordination.

The moderator dismissed the Ladies Auxiliary group to discuss organizing and to help form chapters in our local churches.

Mike Allison from FWB Family Ministries spoke to the conference. He stated that there have been 98 babies born in the Hope ministry. Renovation of the maternity home for these mothers is almost complete. These mothers will be able to remain there and be taught parenting skills for one year as they raise their child. He also discussed the

Independent Living for foster care children helping them find jobs and become independent. He also reported that almost 4500 campers had accessed the Oak Center where several young people had been saved this summer. Next year FWB Family Ministries will celebrate 80 years of operation.

Alvin Murphy then spoke about our missionary, Josh Provow. He and his family have been moved to a different area of Bulgaria and face many new challenges, especially with the government there. Josh is trying to build bridges from the old to the new, taking people from Islam to Christ. He is very interested in Operation Christmas Child with Samaritans Purse so that these boxes can be given to show our love for the people there. This will also be about getting Bibles written in their native language, to be given in the next few months. Bro. Murphy asked that each church in our association take up money to help with purchase of these Bibles. Rev. Scott Jenkins offered a motion that each pastor go back to their church and start a fund to help Bro. Provow with his request. His motion was seconded and passed. The money will be taken up at the next conference in January. Bro. Eddie Tipton, who is with Gideons International, said that his organization would help with the project and asked the preachers to invite the Gideons to their churches to give a presentation.

In other business, Rev. Scott Jenkins informed the conference about progress being made with the Sustainability Committee. They met with preachers, deacons and church members at Young's Chapel in September and heard great ideas on how to improve things in our Association. They are planning another meeting in Tennessee on Nov. 12. An announcement will be made as to where. He also spoke about finding a new place for our revival, maybe even down in McDowell County. Rev. Jenkins also spoke about the phone service that we are now using to get messages and announcements out to churches and pastors. He stated that we could expand this service. We now are able to call 50 people. He said we could go from that to serving from 50 to 100 with the cost increasing to \$420. After some discussion, Rev. Rodney Deyton motioned that we expand the service. The motion passed.

In old business, the moderator appointed Rev. Roger Thompson, Rev. Keith Miller, and Rev. Rick Wood to serve on the topic committee for the next meeting in January.

Churches	No. Baptized	Members Added	Dismissed	Deaths	Membership	Average in Sunday School	Communion	Ladies Auxiliary	C.T.S.	Minute Fund	Association Fund	Clerk & Moderator Fund	Paid Pastor	Paid for Revivals	F.W.B. Family Ministries	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Disabled Ministers Fund	Poor and Sick	Improvement to Church Property	Value of Church Property
Big Creek	2				69	68	1	12		75	150	50	16,600		5,471	1,245	3,240	300	10,700	1,327	505,117
Borings Chapel																					65,000
Brummitt's Creek					47	19	2			30	25	25	7,200						600	1,200	300,000
Covy Rock	5	1	10	2	154	104	4			60	100	20	17,608		3,957	4,759	881	300	11,713	50,843	635,123
Crabtree	1	8	3		10	17	1			25	40	25	6,550		50	25	25	100		4,100	131,841
Davistown					16	16	3			40	100	10	5,050		300	200			3,600		297,233
Higgins			3		58	53	4			45	20	5	20,800		1,240			65	16,400		566,304
Hillcrest		3	2		17	13	4			23	20		4,800			50		50			250,000
Low Gap	3		1		83	41	3			50	50	10	13,000	1,000		65	300	100			310,000
Middle District				4	53	43	4		20	53	40	25	17,910	920	2,388		2,452		6,032		375,000
New Hope		2		1	13	20		10		25			7,950					100	1,557	545	400,000
Nix Creek					14	25		4		19		20		1,000	880	1,200		100	1,107	5,989	202,609
North Bend	1				51	43	3	12	15	50	100	25	12,000	921	3,307	7,094	4,062	100	3,185	15,643	585,440
Pathway	7	7		2	44	58		10		50	25	25	10,200	500			210		8,724		160,000
Pensacola		1	2	3	65	50		6	10	40	50	10	21,016		923	926	1,272	200	12,079	4,885	170,000
Peterson's Chapel					64	50	1			25	15	15	13,500			1,545			7,600		380,000
Pilgrim's Chapel					30	12				19	15	15	4,300						1,530		71,000
Southside	1	2		4	279	92	3	26		50	15	25		1,200	5,100		400	240	7,617	8,700	1,610,000
Sunset	7	2		2	83	70	4			63	15	15	28,036		1,786	300		50	18,408		550,000
Union Hill		5		1	29	27				25	20	25			500				3,554		94,752
Vale				1	15	23	5			18	50	25	6,500		300	1,100		50	1,053	3,088	225,000
Valley Forge	16	29		14	771	604	2	110	258	150	100	25		4,333	3,062	69,450	10,685	300	16,439	125,000	5,300,600
Woodby Hill					46	22	1	8		30	50	5	10,400		602	80	350	25	606	1,018	158,000
Youngs Chapel		10	1		83	37		6		45	50	20	5,400	2,000	500	4,031	1,200		2,463	791	500,000
Totals	43	70	22	34	2,094	1,507		204	303	1,010	1,050	420	228,820	11,874	30,366	92,070	25,077	2,080	134,967	223,129	13,843,019

After this, several testimonies were given and an altar of prayer was given.

11:00 A.M. Preaching Service

The pastor welcomed everyone back. Thank you cards were read from the Bernie Jones and Verno Davis families thanking the conference for their support and love following the death of their loved ones.

The congregation then sang, "Have a Little Talk with Jesus." Rev. Jimmy Arrowood brought the message using scripture, Daniel 7:33. He spoke about the settling of America and the move westward with the pioneers. Many of them were tempted to get rich quick by going to the gold fields. Many of the towns they started were soon ghost towns. Very few struck it rich. He compared this to the new church movement today. They are promised prosperity. They are told that they don't really have to attend church, nor do they need to. They are being told that they need to be quiet in church but make racket in the world. He stated that we must get back to the old paths mentioned in Jeremiah. He said that people used to stand in reverence when the word was read in church, now they have to be told. He said that lots of people in the gold fields found fools gold. What a disappointment it was to them when they found out. It's the same with our churches. We need the real God who cleanses us and forgives us from sin. There is no other name under Heaven whereby we may be saved. Then we are instructed to follow the leadership of the Holy Spirit. There is no fools gold there, it is the real thing. Let judgment begin at and end with the house of God. He preached the truth and was spirit-filled. The service ended in prayer by Rev. B.F. McKinney, Jr.

Sincerely Submitted: Blaine Whitson, Clerk

Big Creek F. W. B. Church, January 26 2019

The Jacks Creek FWB Ministers' Conference met with Big Creek FWB at Sioux, N.C. at 9:30 A.M. The session began with Pastor Adam Miller welcoming the conference and making the necessary announcements. Devotions were led by Rev. Dean Murphy who spoke on the subject "We Must Agree." We must agree to go to church. We must not make excuses. We must agree with God and his precepts. Brothers

and Sisters must agree to get along and love each other. We must agree that our lives must be in harmony with God. When we shake hands, it must be the sign that we agree and support each other. This was a wonderful devotional.

The Moderator, Bro. Adam Miller called the session to order and read the Rules of Decorum. The minutes of the last conference were read and approved with no exceptions. The minister roll call was given with all ministers standing in full fellowship. Friendship Church was visiting with us. Visiting ministers were Dakota Crain from Big Creek and Buck Thomason from Young's Chapel.

The Moderator called for anyone seeking a license with Buck Thomason presenting a letter from Young's Chapel recommending that he be licensed. He has been recently elected as the pastor at Young's Chapel. Rev. Thomason was turned over to the investigating committee until the next conference.

In other business, Mike Allison from Family Ministries gave a report letting us know that Jim McComas has been selected by the board of directors as the new C.E.O. at the ministry in Greeneville, Tennessee. Brother Mike informed us that Bro. McComas will be holding a revival at Fairview FWB Church in McDowell County March 3-6. Bro. Mike told us that the home is now serving 51 children on Campus. The school is now in full operation for the children. He also spoke of a new nursing program at our nursing facilities.

Bro. Alvin Murphy then gave an audio report on our Missionary, Josh Provow and his work in Bulgaria. The video showed his location, the work of a missionary, and the obstacles and difficulties they face. Some of the success taking place there is seeing children come into the village where Josh and his family are stationed and seeing them attend a party given for them with food and games and a Bible story offered. Many of these places are closed by the government to the life and story of Christ. Josh gives Bibles in their own language for those who want them. The mission team has started Bible study in several of the villages. They are also being invited into people's homes to share the gospel hoping that many of them will come to know Christ and then be willing to share the gospel with their families and friends. The team hopes and plans to plant

several churches in that area. Many Bibles in the Turkish language are needed. They hope they will read John 3:16 and take it to heart. This was an excellent presentation given by Bro. Murphy.

The Topic Committee, consisting of Revs. Keith Miller, Roger Thompson and Rick Wood, gave their report with their theme being "Get the Word Out!" Preachers, do your job and preach the Word. Rev. Wood said that the book of Jude leads to Revelation to a common salvation. Let's put it out there and stand on the Word of God. All three gave their personal testimony with Rev. Thompson singing, "Thank You Lord, for Your Blessing on Me." They did a great job.

The Topic Committee for the next conference will be Revs. Dennis Autrey, Ralph Hedrick and Billy Styles.

11:00 A.M. Preaching Service

Pastor Miller welcomed the congregation back after a brief break. The Jamie Miller family sang, "My Lord is Taking Good Care of Me," "He Takes Good Care of Me," and "He Says Peace Be Still." At this point, people began rejoicing and praising the Lord and then revival broke out. The Lord came down. There was no preaching when the Heavenly Preacher showed up.

Rev. Rodney Deyton, who was scheduled to preach, stated that his text would have come from Heb. 12:1 and Eph. 3:14-19.

Sincerely Submitted: Blaine Whitson, Clerk

Pathway F.W.B. Church, April 27, 2019

The Jacks Creek FWB Ministers' Conference met with Pathway FWB in Erwin, Tenn. at 9:30 A.M. The session began with Pastor Matthew Robinson welcoming the conference and making the necessary announcements. The congregation sang "Victory in Jesus." At this point, a praise service broke out with one of our brothers asking to be anointed, and he asked for us to help him pray for something. There were many testimonies and much praise. A song was given by Sister Debbie Deyton and her granddaughter Lilly, "Until My Last Breath," which Mrs. Deyton

had written. More testimonies were then given. No devotions were given. Rev. Rickey Hollifield then thanked the conference for their prayers and financial support during his time of being injured with a torn A.C.L. in his knee.

The business session was called to order by the moderator, Bro. Adam Miller. The Rules of Decorum were read. The minutes of the last session were read and approved with no exceptions. The minister roll call was given with all ministers standing in full fellowship. Bro. Andy McGuire stood and apologized for missing the last conference. The conference approved his reason. Our visiting minister was Rev. Matthew Robinson from Pathway. Our visiting church was United Friendship of Marion.

There was no one seeking license or ordination at this time. Bro. Buck Thomason's letter from the investigation committee was read with the committee recommending him to be questioned by the ordaining council.

In old business, Rev. Adam Miller spoke on the Sustainability meeting and stated that they had met with folks in Tennessee and things were very productive.

Bro. Mike Allison spoke to us about the progress being made at FWB Family Ministries. He said that they averaged from 16-18 on their campus at Greeneville. They have 26 children in Charleston, Arkansas, 32 children in Ft. Smith, Arkansas, 14 children in Little Rock, Arkansas, and have about 60 children in foster care from ages 2-18. He said that in 2018 there were 56 saved, with 29 baptisms and 5 rededications. The Hope Center had 81 babies born in 2018. The maternity home renovation is now under way. He gave reports on the Door of Hope Crisis Pregnancy Center and foster care in Erwin, and he reported that this facility had received "The Best of Unicoi County" award for 2019. They also have two assisted living facilities, one in Wise, Va. and the other in Erwin, TN. They will celebrate their 80th anniversary in October. They asked that we do a Mother's Day love offering from our churches.

In other business, the Moderator spoke on our all call phone system, and a motion was made that the system be paid for yearly out of the Home Mission Fund and that this program be a permanent part of our

conference. The cost is \$420.00 for now. The motion passed.

The Moderator then read rules passed from last year's Association that has the Association committees working on their assigned reports to be completed before the beginning of this year's Association: Low Gap will give the report on Foreign Missions; Churches, Pastors and Deacons given by North Bend; Church Training by Valley Forge; Education by Covy Rock, Ladies Aide given by Big Creek; Home Missions presented by Young's Chapel; and Sunset giving the report on Sunday Schools.

The Topic Committee, consisting of Revs. Ralph Hedrick, Billy Styles, and Dennis Autrey, spoke from Phi. 4:7, John 16:33, and John 14:27 on the Grace of God and the Peace of God. Having Christ in our hearts brings more peace than riches or earthly treasure. It helps us overcome the world as we follow Christ. They gave a very spiritual, powerful report.

The Moderator spoke on the Associational Revival and asked for all preachers who had not preached yet to submit their names and a drawing would be held to see who would conduct the services this year.

In the final business of the day, the Ordaining Council recommended Bro. Buck Thomason to be licensed for the coming year with Rev. Blaine Whitson to be his senior pastor for the next two years. We welcome Brother Thomason and his family to our conference.

11:00 A.M. Preaching Service

Pastor Matthew Robinson welcomed us back and introduced Rev. Jimmy Arrowood to bring the message. His text was from 2 Cor. 5:17 and Gal. 6:15. Brother Jimmy preached about the Creature and God's Creation. It is a person who is strongly controlled by someone else. We were created by God, but a change came over us, and now we have to be changed back. We have always been God's creation. He stated that Satan is a creation of God also, and that he began to do "right in his own eyes" and was cast out of heaven after the war there. God fixed it so that those who go to heaven have to have a change so that this creature is fit for Heaven. Preachers should be specific when they preach and name things wrong. People lose their creation and get away from God. It's the preacher's job to help them get back to God. God always gets what he

wants. Let's please him. This was a very inspiring, thought-provoking message.

Sincerely Submitted: Blaine Whitson, Clerk

Sunset F.W.B Church, July 27, 2019

The Jacks Creek FWB Ministers' Conference met at Sunset FWB Church in Roan Mtn, TN on July 27 at 9:30 A.M. in conjunction with the Association. The session began with Rev. Norman Loveless welcoming the assembly and making necessary announcements. The congregation sang "Victory in Jesus." Devotions were given by Rev. Charlie Trivette reading from 1 Peter 1:18-21. He said we are glad that there is now one eternal sacrifice and not an annual repetition of offering for sin. The pure blood of Christ was taken to the holy altar of God in heaven. The blood turned it from a throne of judgment unto a throne of grace. The blood of Christ is our refuge and hope!

Rev. Loveless asked all to stand in a moment of silence in remembrance of our departed brother, Rev. J.C. Sheets.

Many prayer requests were received and a sister requested a prayer cloth be anointed. Her request was granted and Rev. Ronnie Peterson led the prayer.

The session was called to order by the Moderator Rev. Adam Miller, who then read the Rules of Decorum. The minutes from the last conference at Pathway FWB Church were read and approved. The minister roll call was given with all ministers standing in full fellowship.

There was one visiting minister, which was Rev. Jim McComas of the Cumberland Association and current Executive Director/CEO of Freewill Baptist Family Ministries. He was seated as a visiting minister.

A call was made for anyone requesting ordination with no response.

A call was made for renewal of license with no response.

A call was made for anyone seeking license to which Brother Doug Phillips responded with a request and a letter from his home church, Hillcrest FWB, Nebo, NC. The letter was read by the clerk. A motion was made and seconded to turn Brother Phillips over to the N.C. Investigating Committee for a report back to the next conference. The motion was unanimously passed.

The church letter was read from New Hope FWB Church and accepted into the record. A letter from Higgins FWB Church was reported as temporarily delayed and will be provided later today.

The Moderator called for the election of officers for the ensuing year: Officers were elected as recorded on page four.

In other business, the Moderator recognized Rev. Jim McComas from Family Ministries to speak to the conference. He introduced himself and his background of pastoring and working with the national office of Freewill Baptists. He then relayed a story about the song “Victory In Jesus” which was a blessing. He presented an updated report to the conference about Freewill Baptist Family Ministries and their many activities. The report is presented in the Committee Report section of the printed minutes. He was well received and given full support and respect.

The annual Ministers Revival will be at Mt. Calvary FWB Church, 523 Veterans Drive, Marion, NC, beginning September 16th at 7:00 PM nightly. Names were drawn from a list of remaining ministers who had not participated so far. The scheduled speakers are as follows:

Monday:	Rev. Stephen Miller
Tuesday:	Rev Buck Thomason
Wednesday	Rev. Rickey Hollifield
Thursday	Rev. Rodney Deyton
Friday:	Rev. Josh Hollifield
Alternate:	Rev. Keith Miller

Rev. Scott Jenkins asked for Rev. Stephen Miller to assist him with the phone call service. It was approved by vote.

Special Announcements:

The clerk asked for any minister with an email address to forward it to him

It was requested that announcements of special offerings be placed on the call system before the next meeting.

A reminder was made to advise the moderator of agenda requests a week in advance of the next meeting.

Rev. Junior Peterson announced the Prayer Walk for schools in Yancey County. It will be August 17, 2019 at 9:00 A.M. beginning at the School Board Offices. All are encouraged to attend!

The meeting of the Disabled Ministers Board/Committee and the Moderator will be at Woodby Hill FWB Church at a time to be determined

The Moderator thanked Sunset FWB Church for hosting the Conference and doing a wonderful job. He expressed our true appreciation of the effort and fellowship given.

Respectfully submitted, Rev. Rodney Deyton, Clerk

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- North Bend F.W.B.** 25 North Bend Dr., Green Mtn., NC
 Pastor: Phillip Hughes 828-682-4387 Clerk: Linda Cox
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- Pathway F.W.B.** Carolina Ave. @ Academy St., Erwin, TN
 Pastor: Matthew Robinson 828-208-2912 Clerk: Linda Gouge
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- Vale F.W.B.** 1404 Old Toe River Rd., Newland, NC
 Pastor: Phillip Carver 828-737-9359 Clerk: Joyce Burleson
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- Valley Forge F.W.B.** 1503 Riverview Dr., Elizabethton, TN
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 Clerk: Judy Heaton 608 Barker Street, Elizabethton, TN 37643
 423-416-5254

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 Cochran, Steve & Lorrie 423-735-9020
 501 Tweetie Hill Rd., Erwin, TN, 37650
 Deyton, Rodney & Debra 423-341-2008
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The following ministers are pastoring churches outside of our Association

Arrowood, Jimmy	Odoms Chapel F.W.B. Church, Bakersville, NC
Autrey, Dennis	Peppers Creek Baptist, Marion, NC
Bennett, Paul	Friendship Chapel, N. 226 Hwy., Bakersville, NC
Birchfield, Tony	Keystone F.W.B. Church, Johnson City, TN
Cochran, Steve	Unaka Springs F.W. B. Church, Erwin, TN
Greer, William J.	Watagua Valley F.W.B. Church, Elizabethton, TN
Hedrick, Ralph	First F.W. B. Church, Spruce Pine, NC
Loveless, Norman	Oakdale F.W.B. Church, Bluff City, TN
Miller Stephen	First Free Will Baptist Church, Johnson City, TN
Stockton, John	First Free Will Baptist, Limestone Cove, TN
Styles, Billy	United Friendship Free Will Baptist, Marion, NC
Tipton, Keith	Roans Chapel Free Will Baptist, Bakersville, NC
Trivette, Charlie	Fork Mtn Free Will Baptist, Roan Mtn, TN
Wood, Rick	Mt. Calvary Free Will Baptist, Marion, NC

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. "For 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 Timothy 2: 5-6

Article 2 - **Holy Scriptures** - We believe that God is the author of the Holy Bible, and its teachings constitute the only infallible doctrine "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness." II Timothy 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 eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof and did eat..." Genesis 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 over all is rich unto all that call upon him." Romans 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 on the Son hath everlasting life, and 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 Corinthians 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, "...what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to 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 hand 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 into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life." Romans 6: 4

Article 11 - The Lord's Supper - We believe that the supper was instituted by our Savior 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 Corinthians 11: 28-29

Article 12 - Feet Washing - We believe that washing the saints' feet is a command of our Savior, and that his followers ought to practice the same. "If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also 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 Corinthians 9: 14

Article 14 - Judgment Day - We believe in one general Judgment Day. Hebrews 9: 27. "Because He hath appointed a day, in the 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, II Peter 2: 10-13, II Thessalonians 2: 6-9, Revelations 21: 1-6, Revelations 19: 6-9

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 other's reputation and use our influence to the up-building 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 to 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. 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.

Constitution of Jack's Creek Free Will Baptist 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 August 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 Savior; 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 Association 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 Freewill 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

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 a moderator quarterly, and a clerk annually, both ordained ministers of one year or more membership in this Conference after his ordination. Amended August 1, 2009

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 the last Saturday of October, January, April, and the Saturday of 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. Amended July 25, 2014

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 the Ordaining Council, and one of the senior members shall be the chairman of the 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 watch care. 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 scheduled conference. If the Committee recommends the applicant and the majority of the Conference approves, the applicant and his wife (if married) 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 member of this Conference. No member shall meddle with the work of another or injure his reputation for usefulness, but watch over each other in love, and thus promote harmony and love among the membership.

Article 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 license may be renewed annually. This license does not permit the licensed 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 a 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 new licensed preachers will be assigned to one of our most able pastors for the period of 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. 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 pastor's church when he is not preaching somewhere. The licensed preacher at the end of this program, providing a good report was received from the senior pastor, may request to be ordained. Amended August 1, 2009

Article 11. 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.

All charges against a minister will be brought to the Conference and a recommendation made before proceeding farther. Amended August 10, 1996

Article 14. To constitute a quorum, at least half of the members on the roll must be present in order for the meeting to be called to order and business conducted. No session of Conference will be considered legal if fifteen or more ordained ministers are not present. Amended August 1, 2009

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 of 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.

Article 20. This Conference will only allow its members to preach, teach, and use the King James Version (KJV) of the Bible as we believe it is the infallible Word of God. Added - August 1, 2009

The above Constitution and By-Laws was 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. Amended March 28, 2003

Resolutions and Rules - Adopted Since 1948

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 is to be a member 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 Millennial 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. Leviticus 20: 13, Romans 1: 26-32. Also we are opposed to abortion in any form. "Thou shalt not kill," the fifth Commandment, Exodus 20:13. (Amended by Association July 29,2011)

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

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

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

(Note: Two of these resolutions have been omitted since our Constitution was amended to incorporate the resolutions.)

The following rules and motions that govern our body have been adopted since the above list was prepared.

August 13, 1983 - Ministers Conference - Concerning ministers marrying people that have been divorced: "If they have separated, divorced but not re-married,

and get back together (and choose) to remarry, a minister may marry them."

"We, your Ordaining Council, recommend to the Conference that a By-Law be passed that any preacher, who leaves his church and starts a New Work within (10) ten miles, consisting of members of the Old Church, be dealt with by the Conference by calling for his credentials.

89th Session 1984 - Resolutions Committee Report: 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 bylaws, 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.”

August 12, 1994 - Rules Committee Report: “We also make the following motion: No one is to be nominated for any office or committee unless present at the meeting in which the nomination occurs, unless the nominee has been informed and agrees prior to the nomination to accept the position if elected.”

August 8, 1997 - Rules Committee Report: “The Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer of the Jack’s Creek F. W. B. Disabled Ministers Fund will be elected by the Jack’s Creek F.W.B. Association for an indefinite period of time. A new Treasurer and/or Assistant Treasurer may be elected at the request of the current treasurer, at the decease or withdrawal from the Association by the treasurer, or by a majority vote of this Association.”

August 7, 1998 - Rev. Charlie Trivette presented the church flag and a certificate to be given to all ministers’ wives or next of kin at the close of a minister’s funeral. The idea was accepted and agreed to be paid for out of the Home Missions fund, motion being approved by the Association.

November 28, 1998 - A motion was passed that anyone bringing a charge against a minister in the Conference would be subject to being investigated by the same Investigating Committee as the minister, before the charge would be brought before the Conference.

July 30, 1999 - 1 PM Business Session: A motion was passed to reprint and use the Treatise that was written by the Committee appointed in 1985.

October 28, 2000 - Ministers Conference - Rev. Charlie Trivette spoke on the flags to be presented at funerals of deceased ministers. Rev. Trivette made a motion that the presiding minister call in advance to find out the wishes of the family. The motion was approved.

September 29, 2001 - Ministers Conference - A decision was made that when a Conference was called (postponed) after inclement weather, it would be a standing rule that it would convene the next Saturday.

January 29, 2005 - Ministers Conference - A motion was passed stating, “If the Investigating Committee got a signed letter requesting an investigation of a preacher ten days or sooner before the next Conference they have the authority to go ahead with the investigation. If it was within the ten days before the next conference, they will wait for the Conference Approval.”

July 27, 2018-Association- A motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept the following recommendations from the Sustainability Committee
(Committee was originally appointed by the Moderator on July 28, 2017 to study

surveys collected regarding possible changes of operation)

- 1) The Association's Moderator shall contact the pastor of member churches in regards to specific committee assignments for the upcoming Association at the third minister's conference. This will allow the members ample opportunity to meet and plan for a presentation. Each church contacted will be responsible for a committee.
- 2) The assigned committed will choose one spokesperson to present their report during the Association. Each report shall not exceed five minutes in length.
- 3) The Rules and Resolution Committees shall be combined to create the Rules/Resolution Committee.
- 4) The Churches, Pastors, and Deacons, Sunday School, Church Training Services, Ladies Auxiliary, and Educations Committees shall be combined into one group called the "Church Operations Committee. This multi-sectioned committee will be given five minutes per report if necessary with the committee choosing one spokesperson for each section.
- 5) Proposed minutes of each meeting shall be published and distributed to all member churches and preachers quarterly within one month after the conclusion of the meeting.
- 6) The Sustainability Committee shall become a standing committee designed to field questions, make recommendations and report to the association and conference. The Committee will present any recommendations to the Rules/Resolutions committee prior to the association. Into addition, the Committee will schedule times, during the next year, to meet with member churches for special sessions for conversations regarding how the conference might become more effective and efficient.
- 7) The monies of the Home Missions fund shall be expanded to include offerings, possible fees and other assorted expenses. Postage expenses for mailing the quarterly reports shall be included in these funds.
- 8) This new formed Sustainability Committee will be composed of five members with the chairman being replaced each year, the next member in line will become the chairman, and a new member will be elected which will serve for five years.

July 28, 2018 - Conference- A motion was made, seconded and approved to adopt the following Sustainability Committee recommendations: 1) The Conference's Moderator is to be elected for a period of one year. 2) The Moderator is to create an agenda for each meeting, contacting members, if necessary to finalize the agenda. 3) Members wishing to have items placed on the agenda shall notify the Moderator at least one week prior to the quarterly meeting. 4) The Moderator will present at each meeting the agenda to be followed. 5) No additions will be made unless the Moderator deems it necessary in case of unforeseen circumstances.

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 Ministers 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 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 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. (Amended August 12, 1977)
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 pastors.

Burial Fund (Est. August 12, 1978)[Level 2: August 8, 1980]

Article 1. This fund shall be known as the **Jack's Creek Free Will Baptist Ministers Burial Fund.**

Article 2. This fund has two levels of benefits to choose from:
(A) For an annual premium of \$15.00, a member will receive \$500.00 of death benefits. (B) For an annual premium of \$30.00, a member will receive \$1,000.00 of death benefits.

Article 3. Participation in this program is completely voluntary.

Article 4. Any minister, who is in good standing and a member of the Jack's Creek Ministers Conference, has the option to participate in this program, provided he makes that election within one year of the date he becomes a member of this Ministers Conference. His wife has the option to participate in this same program for the same benefits and the same annual premium. Her premiums will be in addition to his premiums.

Article 5. A membership application must be completed, signed, dated, and the first annual premium paid to be enrolled in this program.

Article 6. Annual premiums are due and payable in advance at the Ministers Conference held in conjunction with the Jack's Creek Free Will Baptist Association each year. On October 29, 1983, a motion was passed to give a 90-day grace period (for paying annual premium) on Burial Fund.

Article 7. Any minister, who fails to pay his annual premium, who withdraws from the Ministers Conference, or who is dismissed from the Ministers Conference, forfeits his rights to the benefits of this program. He is not entitled to a refund of any of the premiums paid into this Fund. If his wife is a member of this program, she forfeits her benefits and will not receive any refund of premiums paid.

Article 8. If the minister precedes his wife in death, she has the option to continue in this program as long as she conducts herself as a Christian, remains unmarried, and pays her annual premiums.

Article 9. When a minister or his wife has paid into this fund the full amount of their coverage, they do not have to pay any more premiums to have full coverage at their death. Amendment added July 31, 2015. If a minister or his wife wants to extend their coverage to \$2000.00, they can continue to pay \$30.00 per year. The same rules as listed above will still apply. Amendment added July 29, 2016.

Church Letter To The Jack's Creek FWB Association

Date _____

We, the members of _____, now in session, send the following named delegates to represent us in your body:

Our Statistics Are As Follows:

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| 1) No. Baptized _____ | 12) Clerk & Moderator Fund _____ |
| 2) Members Added _____ | 13) Paid Pastor _____ |
| 3) Members Dismissed _____ | 14) Paid for Revivals _____ |
| 4) Deaths _____ | 15) Family Ministries _____ |
| 5) Total Membership _____ | 16) Home Missions _____ |
| 6) Avg. Attendance _____ | 17) International Missions _____ |
| 7) No. of Foot Washings _____ | 18) Disabled Ministers Fund _____ |
| 8) Ladies Aux. _____ | 19) Poor & Sick _____ |
| 9) Number in C.T.S. _____ | 20) Prop. Improvements _____ |
| 10) Minute Fund _____ | 21) Property Value _____ |
| 11) Association Fund _____ | 22) No. of Minutes Desired _____ |

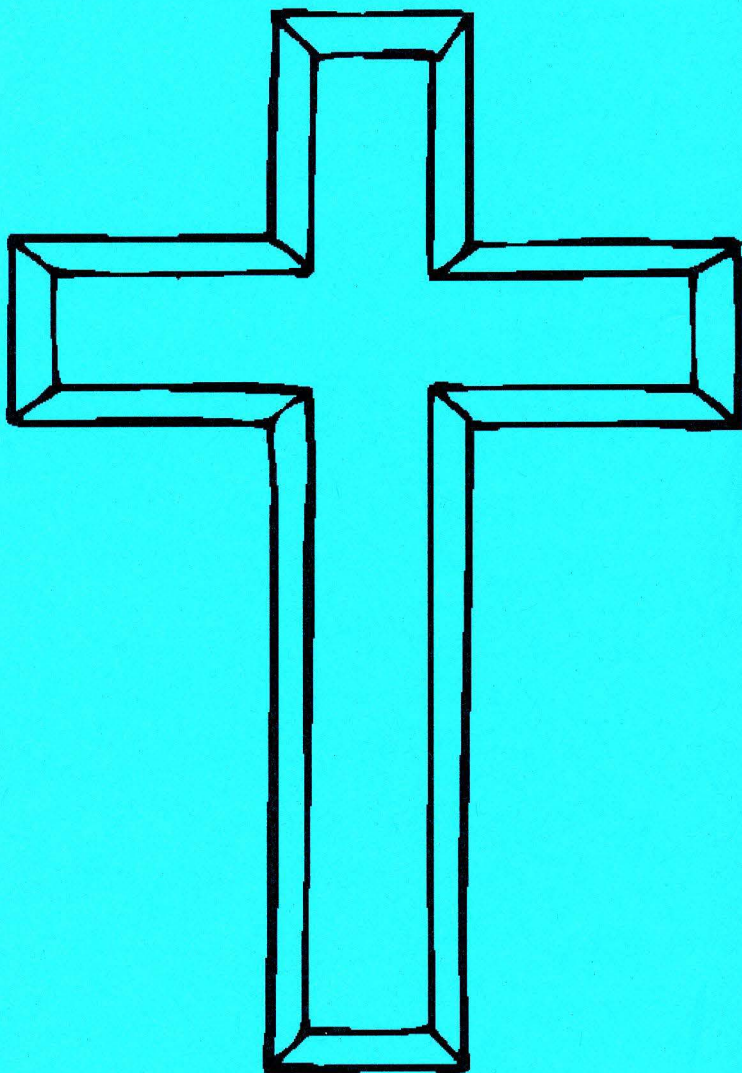
Please send at least \$1.50 to the Minute Fund for each copy of the minutes you want.

Pastor Elect _____ Phone No. _____

Church Clerk _____ Phone No. _____

Clerk's mailing address: _____

Revivals conducted by: _____



He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting
Life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see
life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.

John 3:36