

MINUTES
OF THE
THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE

Jasper Free-Will
Baptist Association

CONVENED WITH
SHADY GROVE CHURCH, FRANKLIN
COUNTY, ALABAMA,
OCTOBER 5 AND 7, 1918.

OFFICERS:

REV. JOHN L. CONNER, Moderator
ROBERT FRANKS, Clerk
W. J. UNDERWOOD, Treasurer

The next session of this Association will be held with Liberty Church, six miles north of Guin station, on Frisco railroad, Marion County, Alabama, the same to convene on Saturday before the first Sunday in October, 1919.



FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE

Presented by

Rev. Bill Atkinson

PROCEEDINGS OF

The Thirty-Second Annual Session of the Jasper Freewill Baptist Association, convened with Shady Grove Church, Franklin County, Alabama, October 5th and 7th, 1918. The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. W. D. Martin, the text used was Revelation, 11th chapter, 1st verse, "And there was given me a reed like unto a rod, and the angel stood, saying, rise and measure the temple of God, and the altar, and them that worship therein."

After preaching an intermission of one hour was taken for rest and refreshments, after which the ministers and delegates were requested to meet in the house, organize and proceed to business.

Afternoon Session.

The Association met pursuant to the request of Rev. E. C. Thomas, Moderator. Singing by the congregation, after which prayer by Rev. E. C. Thomas.

The Moderator, Rev. E. C. Thomas, of the former session, and Bro. Robert Franks, clerk of the former session, being present took their seats. The Moderator called the house to order and business was transacted as follows, viz.:

1. Rev. John L. Conner and Bro. W. M. Fowler are appointed reading clerks.
2. Letters from the churches are called for, handed in and read and contents noted as per statistical table.
3. Called for petitionary letters and opened the door for the reception of new churches into the body; received the following, to-wit: Guin Chapel, this church being organized on our articles of faith; the church was unanimously received and the right hand of fellowship extended to the delegates and welcomed to seats with us.
4. On motion it was agreed to permanently organize the body, which was done by electing Rev. John L. Conner Moderator; Bro. Robert Franks, Clerk, and Bro. W. J. Underwood, Treasurer, for the ensuing associational year.
5. Called for correspondence from sister associations and received the following, viz.: From the Tennessee River Association, Rev. H. B. Foster and Rev. H. M. Nix; Morning Star Association, Rev. Thomas Arnold; Bear Creek Association, Rev. Z. A. Frost. These brethren were cordially received and welcomed to seats with us and the hand of christian fellowship was extended to them and we felt that it was good and pleasant for brethren to dwell together in love and union.
6. On motion it is agreed that the Moderator appoint all the committees, and the following were appointed, viz:
7. On Preaching, A. J. Ingle, John Tharp and W. J. Underwood, with the Deacons of Shady Grove Church.

8. On Documents and Order of Business, Bro. W. J. Underwood, Rev. E. C. Thomis and J. H. Tharp, with the Moderator and Clerk.

9. On Sabbath Schools, Rev. W. D. Martin, Guss Eades and W. M. Fowler.

10. On Literature, Lee Page, Robert Keeton and H. R. Mink.

11. On Deceased Ministers and Members, Rev. J. W. Flippo, Jessie Ford, W. J. Lacy and Rev. E. R. Franks.

12. On Finance, Bros. K. M. Pollard, W. S. Flippo, Robert Bostick and J. A. Beazely.

13. On Associational Funds, Bros. I'sham Aldridge, R. E. Kennedy, Lee Nix and J. H. Mason.

14. Committee on Preaching report that Rev. E. C. Thomis preach tonight; Rev. J. W. Flippo tomorrow at 9 o'clock; Rev. Jno. L. Conner preach at 11 o'clock a. m.; Rev. H. B. Foster, of the Tennessee River Association preach at 7 o'clock p. m., and Rev. E. C. Thomis to preach Monday at 11 o'clock a. m., October 7, 1918. Respectfully submitted, A. J. Ingle, chairman. On motion the report was adopted and the committee discharged.

On motion the association adjourned to meet Monday morning at 8 o'clock. Prayer by Rev. Thomas Arnold, of the Morning Star Association, and benediction by the Moderator, Rev. J. S. Conner. Saturday night at 7 o'clock Rev. E. C. Thomas preached to a large and well behaved audience; his text was: Habakkuk, 2nd chapter, 14th and 16th verse: "For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the sea."

the waters cover the sea; thou art filled with shame for the glory; drink thou also and let thy fair skin be uncovered; the cup of the Lord's right hand shall be turned unto thee and shameful spewing shall be on thy glory."

Order of Services on Sabbath.

Sunday Morning, 9 o'clock—Rev. George W. Flippo preached to a large and attentive congregation of people. His text was Hebrews 13th chapter, 14th verse: "For have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come"; and 1st. Cor., 15th chapter, 49th verse: "And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly." By 11 o'clock a large respectable and well ordered concourse of people had arrived; many of them with intense anxiety to hear the Rev. John L. Conner, who had been appointed to reach at 11 o'clock. Text: Subject: "Communion which was handled with power and had a telling effect on the people and free salvation and free communion and the duties of christians in commemorating the death of Jesus Christ." After which the elements of the Lord's

Supper were administered to a host of communicants. At 7 o'clock p. m., Rev. H. B. Foster, of the Tennessee River Association, preached to a large and attentive congregation. Text: St. John, 15th chapter, 14th verse: "Ye are my friends if ye do whatsoever I command you." This closed our Sabbath service.

Monday Morning, October 7, 1918.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment. The congregation sung a hymn, after which prayer was offered by Rev. A. R. Lawler. Rev. J. L. Conner, the Moderator, called the body to order; the Clerk called the roll and the Ministers and Delegates present answered to their names. The Moderator announced that a quorum was present and that the association was ready for business.

On motion the Proceedings of Saturday were read and adopted.

On motion visiting ministers of other denominations were invited to seats with us; none present; reports of committees were called for in regular order and presented as follows, viz.:

On Documents and Order of Business—We your committee on Documents and Order of Business, beg leave to report: 1. We find two petitionary letters, asking for the next association and we recommend that the delegates decide as to where it shall go. Sec. 1 adopted.

2. We recommend that the Clerk superintend the printing of our Minutes and have the work done to the best advantage, and that he have \$7.50 for his services, to be paid out of the Minute Fund. Sec. 2, adopted.

3. We recommend that the Moderator have \$6.00 for his services, to be paid out of the Associational Funds, and that the Treasurer have \$5.00 for his services, to be paid out of the Associational Funds. Sec. 3, adopted.

4. We recommend that this association buy the property described in the contract building committee of the Masonic fraternity party of first part and Rev. W. D. Martin and Robert Franks parties of second part. Said property being in the town of Guin, Marion County, Alabama, and deed of said property be made to the Jasper Freewill Baptist Association, and we pay \$150.00 this year and \$150.00 one year hence, 1919. The above is the price stipulated in contract. Sec. 4, adopted.

5. We recommend that this association ordain Bros. A. R. Lawler, J. O. Jones, W. B. Hollis, and E. R. Franks. Sec. 5, adopted.

6. We further recommend that the Presbytery, Rev. W. D. Martin, Rev. Ed. Thomas and Rev. G. W. Flippo, examine as to

their knowledge of the doctrine and government of our denomination. Section 6 adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. UNDERWOOD, Chairman.

On motion the report was adopted and the Committee discharged.

Our Literature

We, your Committee, report as follows: We recommend the use of Freewill Baptist Literature in our Sabbath Schools, together with the Prayerful study of the Holy Bible. We further urge each church to procure at least one quarter of Literature so they may become acquainted with the same.

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. PAGE, Chairman on Motion.

The report was adopted and the Committee discharged.

On Sabbath Schools

We, your Committee on Sabbath Schools, beg leave to submit the following report:

By investigation we find that the interest for Sunday Schools in the Jasper Freewill Baptist Association is not what it should be. Our ministers and more especially pastors of our churches should earnestly urge the cause of Sunday Schools in our churches. After investigation we find only six churches in the Jasper Freewill Baptist Association out of 17 that have Sunday Schools, and out of the six churches that have Sunday Schools only one are using Freewill Baptist Literature. The names of churches that have Sunday Schools are as follows: Union Hill, Shady Grove, Eastern Star, Poplar Log, Pleasant Hill, and Evening Shade. We earnestly urge every church in this Association to have a good Sunday School to report at the next Association and where they use literature we earnestly request them to use our literature, published at the Freewill Baptist Publishing Co., Ayden, N. C.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. MARTIN, Chairman.

On motion the report was adopted and Committee discharged.

On Deceased Ministers and Members

We your Committee on deceased Ministers and Members, submit the following report:

Since our last Association, 1917, death has entered and claimed for his victim as follows: Gum Springs, two died, Mrs. E. S. Green, age about 40 years, and Emma Miles, age not given; Freewaters Church, died one, Mrs. E. P. Threadgill, August 22, 1918, age about 48 years; Mount Pleasant Church, W. H. Webb, died January 30, 1918, born May 22, 1918; Bro. J. H. Mullinix, born September 27, 1854, and died February 22, 1918; Mt. Olive, Sister Jones, born September 6, 1889, and died March 30,

1918. We trust those who have died in the triumph of a living faith and we pray God's blessing on us that we all may hold out faithfully to the end and meet our friends and loved ones on the mundane shore of glory.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. FLIPPO, Chairman.

On motion the report was adopted and Committee discharged.

On Finance

We, your Committee on Finance, report as follows:

We find paid in from the various churches as Minute funds, (\$23.12) thirty-three dollars and twelve cents.

Respectfully submitted,

W. S. FLIPPO, Chairman.

On motion the report was adopted and the Committee discharged.

On Association Funds

We, your Committee on Association Funds, submit the following report, received from the different churches:

Mount Olive Church, \$5.00; Mount Pleasant Church, 75c; Liberty Church, \$1.00; Pleasant Ridge Church, 50c; Union Hill Church, 25c; Shady Grove Church, \$1.50; Pleasant Hill Church, \$1.00; Guin Chapel Church, \$6.50; total amount \$16.50. Received from the Delegates of the various churches as a private contribution, \$5.80; total in all, \$22.30.

Respectfully submitted,

J. HILLASON, Chairman.

On motion the report was adopted and the Committee discharged.

On motion the Association adjourned for preaching and to meet at 10 o'clock, P. M. Prayer by our Moderator, Rev. John Colanner.

At 11 o'clock Rev. Ed. Thomas, according to arrangements of the Committee, preached a most elequent sermon to a large and attentive congregation. Text used: Jonah 1:6, "So the Ship master Come to Him and Said Unto Him, What Meanest Thou, O Sleepers, Arise Call Upon thy God, if so be that God Will Think Upon Us that We Perish Not."

AFTERNOON SESSION

The Association met pursuant to adjournment, singing by the congregation, and prayer by Bro. G. C. Webb. The Moderator called the body to order and called for unfinished business as follows, viz:

On Ministerial Character

We, your Committee on Ministerial Character, to-wit: A. J. Ingle, R. E. Kennedy, J. L. Eads, D. H. Nix, John Keeton, W. A. Smith and G. W. Moore as standing Committee, submit the following report:

We find our ministers all in good standing, except B. P. Harris. There has been some bad reports circulated on him and have been investigated by the church at Mt. Pleasant, where he was a member and said church excluded him from his church. We ask this body to drop his name from our Minutes.

We still urge our ministers to encourage Sunday School work in the bounds of this Association and that the churches see after their pastors and that each preacher in this Association make a report of his work each year and that the churches see after the interest of their pastors.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. INGLE, Chairman.

On motion the report was adopted and said standing Committee retained.

Treasurer's Report

Amount left in my hands October 8, 1917.....\$144.43
 October 7, 1918, received from churches..... 22.30
 Total amount\$166.73
 On October 7, 1918, paid out for Church Property at
 Guin, Ala.....\$150.00
 Paid Rev. E. C. Thomas, former Moderator..... 6.00
 Paid Bro. W. J. Underwood, Treasurer..... 5.00
 Total amount Paid Out at session of 1918.....\$161.00
 Which leaves a balance now on hand.....\$ 5.73

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. UNDERWOOD, Treasurer.

On motion the report was received and adopted.

On motion that the clerk write Revs. E. R. Franks, A. R. Lawler, J. O. Jones and W. B. Hollis credentials names of ordained ministers present that answered to the Roll Call, Rev. John L. Conner, Bro. W. D. Martin, Rev. J. W. Flippo, Rev. E. C. Thomas, Rev. J. R. Ford, Licentiate E. R. Franks, A. R. Lawler, J. O. Jones, and W. B. Hollis.

Ministers Report

Since the last session of the Jasper Freewill Baptist Association, I have preached 115 sermons, married two couples, buried 33 persons and received for my services from Free Waters church \$30.00, from Union Chapel Church, \$65.00; from Gum Springs Church, \$70.00; from Pearces Chapel Church, \$75.00; and from the Vernon Association, \$7.50; total, \$147.50.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. JOHN L. CONNER.

Since our last Association I have preached 34 sermons, prayed 37 public prayers, received into the church five members, visited to the sick eight times, traveled 470 miles, received for

my services from Eastern Star, \$41.00; Mountain Flame Church, \$6.75; total received, \$47.75.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. E. C. THOMAS.

Since the last session of the Jasper Freewill Baptist Association I have traveled 1056 miles, preached 73 sermons, prayed 85 public prayers, visited 125 homes, given 37 exhortations, received into the church 36 members, baptized 18, helped to organize one church and helped to ordain one deacon, conducted three burial services, married two couples. I have received for my services from Liberty Church, \$28.25; from Union Hill Church, \$75.00; and other places, \$27.55; for marrying two couples \$2.50; total \$132.80.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. W. D. MARTIN.

Since the last session of our Association I have traveled 340 miles, preached 72 sermons, gave 53 exhortations, prayed 70 public prayers, have had the care of three churches and have received into the church, Mt. Olive Church four by recommendation, two by baptism; received at Mt. Pleasant five by baptism, two by recommendation; visited the sick room unknown, married four couples; from the various churches for my services, from Mt. Olive Church, \$43.95; from Mt. Pleasant Church, \$28.65; from Bethlehem Church, \$5.00; received for marriage services, \$3.50; total, \$80.75.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE W. FLIPPO.

On account of the ill health of my wife I can't attend the Association, but I beg leave to make report as follows: Since the last Convention of your August body I have married one couple, but as to miles traveled, sermons preached, public prayers and other work done I can't say with accuracy but suffice it to say I have not been idle all the time. I have received for my labors \$12.65. I send 50c for associational fund. I desire your prayers when it goes well with you.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. B. N. ROBERTS.

Since the last session of the Jasper Freewill Baptist Association I have preached 21 sermons, gave four exhortations, prayed 50 public prayers, helped to ordain two deacons and helped license two ministers, married two couples, I have had care of two churches this year, I received as local collection \$48.50, total amount \$50.50.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. J. R. FOARD.

Ordained Ministers and Post Offices

Rev. R. A. Nix, Rosco, Texas, Route No. 3.

Rev. John S. Lamar, Guin, Ala., Route No. 3.
 Rev. James J. Wesley, Guin, Ala.
 Rev. George W. Flippo, Guin, Ala., Route No. 3.
 Rev. James E. Cochran, Winfield, Ala., Route No. 3.
 Rev. E. C. Thomas, Winfield, Ala., Route No. 4.
 Rev. Robert C. Flippo, Guin, Ala., Route No. 3.
 Rev. A. H. Lay, Hackleburg, Ala., Route No. 2.
 Rev. J. R. Foard, Hackleburg, Ala., Route No. 2.
 Rev. William V. Martin, Guin, Ala., Route No. 3.
 Rev. W. R. Martin, Brilliant, Ala., Route No. 1.
 Rev. R. S. Pennington, Eden, Ala., Route No. 1.
 Rev. B. N. Robins, Dennis, Mississippi, Route No. 1.
 Rev. J. S. Brasiel, Brilliant, Ala., Route No. 1.
 Rev. J. R. Williams, Winfield, Ala., Route No. 3.
 Rev. E. R. Franks, Guin, Ala., Route No. 3.
 Rev. John O. Jones, Philcampbell, Ala., Route No. 3.
 Rev. A. R. Lawler, Philcampbell, Ala., Route No. 3.
 Rev. W. B. Hollis, Eden, Ala., Route No. 1.

Licensed Ministers

Rev. John Tucker, Nauvoo, Ala., Route No. 2.
 Rev. O. C. Rich, Eden, Ala., Route No. 1.

Miscellaneous Business

1. RESOLVED; That, any Minister of this Association who is found guilty of circulating false reports, by pen or otherwise, on a brother minister which is liable to impair and destroy his influence shall be deemed guilty of a disciplinary offense, and after discipline has been used if he does not show signs of penitence he shall be excommunicated from the Association and published in our denominational literature.

2. It is agreed to retain a financial system, as we see the great need of such, and we recommend that each member of this Association, pay, annually, 50 cents in connection with the minute funds, and ask all our ministers to use their best efforts in collection of these funds; and it is further understood that our Treasurer keep a true record of all funds paid in, and how the same are paid out; such funds to be disposed of through the Moderator and Clerk being authorized by the Association; said funds to be used to no other purpose than the upbuilding of the Jasper Freewill Baptist Association, i. e., aiding distressed and disabled Ministers and poor widows and orphans.

3. BE IT RESOLVED; That, members shall not hold their membership out of the church over one year after date, and they are under the Jurisdiction of the Church to which they belong.

4. BE IT RESOLVED; That, any Minister of the Jasper Freewill Baptist Association who desires to set forth the full functions of the Gospel, the same shall be made known to the Annual Association by a recommendation from the Church or

Churches to which they belong, and if, on examination, they shall be found worthy, the Association may ordain them, but all ordinations must be done at the Annual Association.

5. On motion, it was agreed that each minister report annually the amount of money he has received, the number of miles traveled, the number of sermons preached, the number of public prayers offered, the number marriage ceremonies performed, the number of visits made to the sick, and burial services attended during the associational year.

6. The following preamble and resolution was presented, read and adopted: Whereas, the Jasper Association is without proper representation with her sister Associations, and feeling the great need of the cause of Christ, that we elect corresponding delegates; and the following were elected, viz:

Bear Creek Association, Bro. R. S. Mullins, Rev. J. R. Foard
 Little Brown Creek Association, Bro. J. T. Tharp, Rev. B. N. Robins; Vernon Association, Rev. John L. Conner, Bro. Robert Franks; Morning Star Association, Rev. John L. Conner, Rev. W. D. Martin; Tennessee River Association, Rev. E. C. Thomas and Robert Franks.

7. On motion it was agreed that Robert Franks, J. L. Conner and W. J. Underwood be and are authorized by this Association to have a Deed made to the Church property that this Association has purchased from the Masonic Fraternity in the town of Guin, Marion county, Alabama.

8. On motion that the ordaining council, to-wit: Rev. E. C. Thomas, Rev. G. W. Flippo, and Rev. W. D. Martin, ordain and set forth to the full functions of the Gospel, Reverends John O. Jones, A. R. Lawler, E. R. Franks and W. B. Hollis. The Clerk, Bro. Robert Franks, be and is instructed to write the above named Brethren their credentials.

9. On motion it was agreed to hold the next session of this Association with Liberty Church, six miles north of Guin station on the Frisco railroad, Marion county, Alabama, the same to convene Saturday before the first Sunday in October, 1919.

10. On motion Rev. E. C. Thomas was elected to preach the introductory sermon, Rev. J. R. Foard, Alternate.

11. On motion it was agreed that the Articles of Faith, Constitution and Rules of Decorum be appended to the Minutes.

12. On motion it was agreed that the Clerk superintend the printing of the Minutes and have the work done to the best advantage and that the Clerk be allowed \$7.50 for his services.

13. On motion be it resolved that this Jasper Freewill Baptist Association assembled at Shady Grove Church, Franklin county, Alabama, tender our thanks to the Church and surrounding community, especially the good Sisters for their hospitality and to the young men and young ladies for their good behavior

and the officers are especially thanked for the faithful manner in which they have discharged their duties.

Respectfully submitted,

J. R. FOARD and Z. A. FROST.

14. On motion the Association adjourned to meet at the time and place named above. Prayer by Rev. John L. Conner. Closing services conducted by the Moderator with feeling and appropriate remarks. A hymn was sung and the parting hand was taken amid tears and joy.

RULES OF DECORUM

Article 1. The Association shall be called to order by the Moderator who presided at the last session; former Clerk also officiating until the body is fully organized.

Article 2. The Association shall be opened and closed with singing and prayer.

Article 3. The Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by ballot at each session of the Association. A majority of votes by the delegates present elects.

Article 4. The names of delegates from the different churches shall be enrolled and called as often as necessary during the session.

Article 5. A majority of delegates present shall rule in all cases except the reception of members, then it shall be unanimous.

Article 6. The Moderator shall not be entitled to vote, except in case of a tie, and then he shall give the deciding vote. He shall also speak on any question after others have spoken, provided he appoint some one to the chair while he is speaking.

Article 7. Only one person shall speak at the same time, and he shall arise and address the Moderator, and after recognition by the Moderator, proceed.

Article 8. No brother shall be interrupted while speaking, unless he depart from the subject under discussion, or use words of personal reflection.

Article 9. No person shall be allowed to speak more than twice on the same subject without leave of the Association, nor more than fifteen minutes at a time.

Article 10. No person shall laugh or talk during the time the debates are going on.

Article 11. No person shall absent himself from the Association without leave of the Moderator.

CONSTITUTION

Article 1. This Association shall be known as the Jasper Freewill Baptist Association of Alabama, and being composed of ministers and delegates from the different churches forming the same, each church being entitled to three delegates.

Article 2. This body shall be considered an advisory council.

Article 3. All questions of doctrine and matters of general interest shall be decided by a two thirds vote of the Association, and the decision shall be final.

Article 4. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, which shall be chosen by a majority vote at each session of the Association.

Article 5. The Association shall meet annually at such time and place as may be agreed upon by a previous annual session and shall not adjourn finally, until all the business is transacted.

Article 6. Churches wishing to become members of this Association must adopt its Articles of Faith and conform to its usages.

Article 7. We agree as churches of this Association to use our best influence to promote the interest of all moral and benevolent institutions, such as the Temperance Cause, Sunday Schools, Missionary Work, etc.

Article 8. No member of this Association shall be eligible to the office of Moderator more than two consecutive sessions, unless no other member be competent to act in that capacity.

Article 9. Any church of this Association failing to be represented for two years in succession, the same shall be dropped from our minutes.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

OF GOD—Article 1. We believe there is one, and but one living and true God. Who is in personality, the Father, the Son and Holy Ghost. Equal and harmonious in every Divine perfection.

OF THE HOLY SCRIPTURES—Article 2. We believe that God is the Author of the Holy Bible, and that its teachings construe the only infallible doctrine of the government of His church.

OF ORIGINAL APOSTASY—Article 3. We believe that Adam was created holy; but by voluntary transgression fell into depravity, and consequently involved his posterity in sin.

OF FREE GRACE—Article 4. 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, regenerated and saved.

OF CHRISTIAN FAITH—Article 5. We believe that Christian Faith is belief in Jesus Christ as the Son of God and Redeemer of the world, and we believe in the inspiration of the Holy Scriptures. That "Faith comes by hearing and believing, by the Word of God."

OF REPENTANCE—Article 6. We believe that Repentance

is sorrow for sin, and the kind of sorrow which constitutes godly repentance must be preceded by effectual conviction of sin.

OF FREE AGENCY—Article 7. We believe that the human will is free, and that men have ability to accept or reject the conditions of salvation as they are revealed in the Holy Scriptures.

OF PERSEVERANCE—Article 8. We do not believe under the Gospel dispensation that any soul is elected to eternal life unconditionally; but those who by faith preserves 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 finally lost!

OF GOOD WORK—Article 9. We believe that good work is the result of Faith, and not of necessity. That those who have Faith will do works of righteousness; while those who have no Faith can not do anything pleasing or acceptable unto God.

OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM—Article 10. We believe that Christian Baptism is the immersion in water of a believer in the names of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost. That baptism cannot be Scripturally administered without Faith in the subject who receives it.

OF THE LORD'S SUPPER—Article 11. We believe the Supper was instituted by our Savior as a commemorative ordinance. That the bread and wine represent his body and blood. That it was instituted for Christians and that all Christians unite in observing that sacred service, regardless of names or denominational distinctions.

OF THE SOUL—Article 12. We believe that man is a living soul. That the body will die, but that the soul is immortal. That death is the separation of the mortal and immortal parts of human beings.

OF THE RESURRECTION—Article 13. We believe in the Resurrection of the dead. When the resurrection shall take place the soul and body will reunite and form an immortal being. That the righteous will be received into a state of everlasting happiness, to reign with God forever and ever. But the wicked will be bound by hand and foot and be cast into outer darkness "The wicked are driven away in their wickedness, but the righteous have hope in their death."

REV. JOHN L. CONNER, Moderator.

BRO. ROBERT FRANKS, Clerk.

BRO. W. J. UNDERWOOD, Treasurer.

STATISTICAL TABLE FOR 1918.

CHURCHES AND COUNTIES	NAMES OF DELEGATES	PASTORS	CLERKS AND THEIR POST OFFICE	Received by Recom.	Received by Baptism	Received by Letter	Dismissed by Letter	Deaths	Excluded	Day of Meeting	Total Membership	Minute fund	Associational funds	Value of Property
Mt. Olive, Marion County, Ala.	Robert Franks, W. S. Flipppo,	Geo W Flipppo	W S Flipppo, Guin, Ala R 1	5	2					3	162	190	500	\$1000 00
Mt. Pleasant, Marion Co. Ala.	J. H. Whitmon, J. M. Underwood, G. C. Webb	Geo W Flipppo	F B Elliott, Guin, Ala R 1	2	4		9	3	6	4	119	235	75	800 00
Gum Springs, Marion Co. Ala.	Isom Aldridge, J. A. Beazely, A. J. Ingle	Jno L Conner	J H Taylor, Glen Allen, Ala. R 2		6			2		4	100	275		500 00
Union Chapel, Marion Co. Ala.	Guss Eades	Jno L Conner	J L Eades, Glen Allen, Ala.							3	121	200	121	500 00
Union Hill, Marion County, Ala.	W. W. Yealading, J. W. Langston, John Jackson	J W Porter	W H Kennedy, Hackleburg, Ala		18				1	2		180	25	1000 00
Freewater, Marion County, Ala.	K. M. Pollard, M. C. Franks, W. A. Stricklin	J L Conner	K M Pollard, Guin, Ala R 3					1		1	94	340		800 00
Liberty, Marion County, Ala.	M. M. Vaughn, W. M. Wilson, W. L. Akeins	W D Martin	W L Akins, Guin, Ala R 3				3				57	180	100	650 00
Pleasant Rdg, Itawamba Co. Miss	E. R. Bostick, R. P. Keeton	B N Roberts	O L Dickinson, Dennis, Miss. R 1				2			4	109	260	50	
Shady Grove, Franklin Co. Ala.	W. J. Lacy, J. W. Nix, Lee Nix	J R Ford	L A Abston, Philcampbell, Ala.	1	3				1	3	74	307	150	800 00
Pearces Chapel, Marion Co. Ala.	Represented by contribution by Rev. J. L. Conner	J L Conner	J W Roberson, Pearces Mills, Ala.							4		200		
Mountain Home, Marion Co. Ala.	R. S. Mullins	J R Ford	R S Mullins, Haleyville, Ala R 3								18	25		
Poplar Log, Marion Co. Ala.	E. A. Fredrick	H Howell	E A Fredrick, Hackleburg, Ala R 3		2					4	19	100		
Bethlehem, Marion County, Ala.	J. A. Flipppo	M R Martin	John R Franks, Guin, Ala R 3						2	3	30	226		600 00
Bethel, Monroe County, Miss.	Not Represented													
Easter Star, Walker County, Ala.	J. H. Mason, W. M. Fowler	E C Thomas	J W Fowler, Nauvoo, Walker Co Ala								25	100		500 00
Pleasant Hill, St. Clair Co Ala.	W. B. Hollis, H. M. Hollis	W D Martin	W M Hollis, Eden, Ala R 1	2	2		9		6	4	32	50	100	600 00
Evening Shade, ItawambeCo Miss	Lee Page, H. R. Mink, John Tharp	B N Roberts	H R Mink, Red Bay, Ala R 1	1						3	17	200		
Guin Chapel, Marion County, Ala.	W. J. Underwood, J. T. McGuire, J. L. Brown	James J Wesley	W J Underwood, Guin, Ala R 1								14	150	650	