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PROCEEDINGS

Proceedings of the 70th annual session of the Jasper Free Will Baptist Association held with Poplar Log Church, Oct. 5th and 6th, 1956.

Friday Morning

Song by Wise Halcomb
Prayer by Dr. L. C. Johnson
Song by Wise Halcomb
Talk by Dr. L. C. Johnson
Welcome address by Rev. J. A. Godsey
Response by Dewey Burleson
Collection for college \$84.11
Song A. J. Lambert
Message by G. C. Lawrence—Mans Question Gods Answer
We were dismissed one for refreshments.

Friday Afternoon

The Md. appointed Rev. A. J. Lambert and Rev. Wilburn Beasley, Reading Clerks. Letters read and contents noted.

Churches and Delegates

Bethlehem—Refus Evans, Calvin Warren, and wife
Bear Creek—Lon Gunnion, Truman Scott, and Cleburn Gann
Brilliant Boston—J. R. Cooper, Sis. Eula White, and Nancy Self
Carbon Hill—Joe Nicholason, Sis. Joe Nicholason, and Sis. Joe Hobson
Free Waters—Artis Pugh, Kelcy Pollard, and James Phillips
Edgar's Chapell—J. J. Edgar, Merttle Raper, and Delsey Franks
Guin—Loraine Pugh, Sis. Iriline Miles, and Bettie Miles
Gum Springs—Joe Halcomb, Foster Halcomb, and Mark Sexton
Good Springs—W. C. Humphress, E. C. Humphress, and Roy Humphress
Holly Springs—Barbra Schamlee, Bettie Jean Stidham, and Mrs. Pearl Burgette
Lone Star—Stry Stone, Fred Fuller, and B. B. Pounders
Liberty—Rubin Warren, Basil Martin, and wife
Mt. Joy—Mrs. Rosa Pounders, Louise Kynard, and Mrs. Louise Brown
Mt. Olive—Edward Britnell, Paul Wilson, and Dwite Franks
Mt. Pleasant—Buster Westbrook, Sis. Wilmer Westbrook, and Ivlee Crow
New Liberty—Victor Smith, Dorthy Smith, and Louise Smith
New Oak Grove—J. M. Robins, Amos Martin, and Clinton Manasco
Parrish—Edward Watson, Neva Glasgow, and Kathrine Barns
Pocahontus—Mrs. Louie Rubley, Mrs. Olene Rubley, and Hattie Hunter
Poplar Log—Harrison Gregg, Booker Wiginton, and Charlie Britnell
Red Bay—T. M. Keeton, J. R. Yielding, and Ernest Derricott
Shady Grove—Clyde Herring, Fred Rice, and Otto Campbell
Spring Hill—Minnie Bevis, Nancy Mason, and Elsie Hendricks
Union Chapel—Gus Eads, Orbie Lee Long, and Marlin Goodwin
Union Hill—Dalton Clement, Junior Rayburn, and Olen Carter
Winfield—John West, Dessie Mays, and Lillie Lee
By a move all delegates and letters were received and seated.
By a move all committees were appointed by the moderator.
Order of business—Max Sexton, C. M. Warren, A. G. Lacy with Md. and Clerk.

Deceased Members—Bettie Miles, Vertie Warren, Hattie Hunter
Appreciation—N. A. Patterson, Wise Halcomb, Clovis Tucker
Finance—Harrison Gregg, Paul Wilson, Harvey May
Consign—Delegates to places of stay
On motion we adjourned until 9:00 a.m. Saturday.

We, the Credential Committee have examined the letters from the various churches of the association and find them in proper order represented by delegates and contribution. We therefore recommend that the letters be accepted and the delegates be seated.

B. M. Atkins
J. O. Jones
H. A. Pitts

Friday Night

Rev. N. A. Patterson brought message on communion and many enjoyed humble service of feet washing.

LADIES AUXILIARY REPORT

April 20, 1956, the Jasper District Women's Auxiliary convened with the Union Hill Free Will Baptist Church.

The meeting was opened with the songs, "Rescue the Perishing" and "Kneel at the Cross", followed with a prayer by Sis. G. C. Lawrence. The devotional was given by Sister Mary Rayburn.

The Welcome Address was given by Sis. Lloyd Stacey, and the Response by Sis. N. A. Patterson.

Letters were read by Sis. Juanita Whitson from the following Auxiliaries, naming the delegates:

Carbon Hill—Sis. Lorene Livingston and Sis. N. A. Patterson.

Free Water—Sis. Hubbard Estes, Sis. Richmond Pollard and Sis. G. C. Lawrence

Mt. Olive—Sis. Autie Franks, Sis. Lorene Connor and Sis. Myrtie Atkinson.

Union Hill—Sis. Flora Clements, Sis. Nettie Cochran, and Sis. Mae Hudson.

Winfield—Sis. Lee West, Sis. Juanita Whitson and Sis. H. A. Pitts.

The delegates were seated and the visitors recognized.

Special music was rendered by Bro. and Sis. Herman Cochran. Sis. Mary Frances Gunnion, President, appointed the following committees:

Appreciation—Sis. Myrtie Atkinson and Sis. N. A. Patterson
Nominating—Sis. Autie Franks, Sis. Imogene Pugh and Sis. G. C. Lawrence

Resolution—Sis. A. P. Leonard, Sis. Juanita Whitson, Sis. Lee West

Finance—Sis. H. A. Pitts, Sis. Flora Clements, Sis. Edgar Pollard

Special singing by Bro. and Sis. Cochran was followed with a prayer by Rev. H. A. Pitts

Message by Rev. N. A. Patterson (Scripture Reading John 1:4-9)

Benediction by Sis. Mary Frances Gunnion.

Everyone enjoyed delicious refreshments which were served by the host church.

The afternoon session was opened with a special song "Mansion Over the Hill" by Bro. and Sis. Cochran.

Prayer was led by Sis. H. A. Pitts.

Topic I—"The Field is The World"—Sis. G. C. Lawrence

Topic II—"Lift Up Your Eyes and Look on the Field"—Sis. Juanita Whitson.

Topic III—"The Life of the World"—Rev. H. A. Pitts.
A special song was given by Bro. and Sis. Cochran.
The following reports were read and adopted.

Appreciation

We the Appreciation Committee wish to express our heartfelt thanks to the host church for the splendid way it has shown its love to this delegated body. We want to thank the ladies for the good food they prepared for us. We also appreciate the love and unity we have seen this far among the entire body.

Respectfully submitted,
Sis. Myrtie Atkinson
Sis. N. A. Patterson

Nominating

We, the Nominating Committee, recommend the following officers:

President—Sis. H. A. Pitts.
Enlishment Chairman—Sis. Edgar Pollard
Youth Chairman—Sis. Eustis Riggs
Study Course Chairman—Sis. Mary Frances Gunnion
Program and Prayer Chairman—Sis. N. A. Patterson
Personal Service Chairman—Sis. Dixie Atkinson
Recording Secretary—Sis. Juanita Whitson

Respectfully submitted,
Sis. G. C. Lawrence
Sis. Autie Franks
Sis. Imogene Pugh

Resolutions

(1) We urge each auxiliary to order a manual and study a course in it each quarter.

(2) We recommend that the reports of each auxiliary be read separately.

(3) We urge each church that doesn't have an auxiliary to make an effort to organize one.

(4) We recommend a field worker.

(5) We recommend that the auxiliary meet with the League and Sunday School convention at the stated time.

(6) We recommend that each auxiliary pay at least \$3.00 each month to the Children's Home.

(7) We recommend that each auxiliary continue to send in coupons to the Children's Home.

(8) We recommend that the treasurer get a gift for the winner of the coupon drive.

(9) We recommend that each Auxiliary tithe to the Co-Laborer Bond.

Respectfully submitted
Sis. A. P. Leonard
Sis. Juanita Whitson
Sis. Lee West

Finance

We the Finance Committee submit the following report.

\$22.55 Brought forward from last year

\$16.80 Dues Collected this year

\$39.35 Total

\$11.20 Paid out for State and National dues

\$28.15 Total in treasure at present

Respectfully submitted,

Sis. H. A. Pitts

Sis. Flora Clement

Sis. Edgar Pollard

Sis. A. P. Leonard, Sis. Mary Rayburn and Sis. Myrtie Atkinson were appointed as delegates to the State Convention.

Free Water was elected to be the location of the next session.

The following program committee was appointed:

Sis. N. A. Patterson

Sis. G. C. Lawrence

Sis. A. P. Leonard

"Standing on the Promises" was sung

Benediction—Rev. N. A. Patterson

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Juanita Whitson, Sec.

QUARTERLY MEETING REPORT

There have been 4 quarterly meetings this year. Namely, Oct. 29 at Brilliant-Boston; Jan. 28 at Parrish; April 28, at Shady Grove; July 28 at Holly Springs.

There has been an average of 11 churches, 10 ministers, and 7 deacons present at these inspiring meetings.

The following churches were represented during the year: Bethlehem, (1) Brilliant-Boston, (4) Free Waters, (1) Gum Springs, (4) Holly Springs, (1) Mt. Joy, (2) Mt. Olive, (3) Mt. Pleasant, (2) New Oak Grove, (2) Pocahontas, (3) Guin, (2) Shady Grove, (3) Spring Hill, (3) Union Hill, (1) Winfield, (4) Edgar Chapel, (3) Parrish, (4) and Carbon Hill (2).

The following ministers were present: Richard Humphres, (2) A. G. Lacy, (1) J. A. Godsey (1), O. Z. Johnson (4), J. O. Jones (2), Wyman Holcomb (4), J. H. Glasgow (2), G. C. Lawrence (1), P. P. Barnes (3), N. A. Patterson (3), Robert Blackwell (2), H. A. Pitts (2), Wise Holcomb (1), Clovis Tucker (1), Eustus Riggs (1), K. V. Shutes (1), G. O. Parker (1), P. T. Keeton (1), William Atkinson (2), H. C. Killen (2), J. S. Fredrick (1), Thomas H. Dixon (1), and W. D. Jagers (1).

Rev. William Atkinson was elected moderator for the coming year, Rev. Wyman Holcomb Assistant Moderator, and Annie Lou Shelnutt, Clerk.

Bro. Dewey Burleson, Rev. Wyman Holcomb and Rev. H. A. Pitts is the program committee.

Respectfully submitted

Annie Lou Shelnutt

We, the Credential Committee, have examined Brother William E. Atkinson and Brother Milton Gann as to their fitness to preach the gospel of our Lord, and to the best of our opinion we agree they are worthy. We therefore, recommend to this body that they

be ordained at this session that the name of O. S. Gardner be dropped from roll of ministers of this association since he has united with another association.

B. M. Adkins

J. O. Jones

H. A. Pitts

We, the Appreciation Committee, wish to extend the heartfelt thanks and deepest appreciation of the delegated body to the host church for its wonderful hospitality which has been shown throughout this convention.

We ask the entire body to give a rising vote of appreciation.

N. A. Patterson

Ida Lee Aldridge

Annie Lou Shelnutt

SATURDAY MORNING

After song by choir and prayer, the report of the clerk accepted Minutes of Friday read and accepted as read. The committees went to work while the rest of the body had a devotional.

Devotional—Bro. Ryland

Children sang "Faith, Hope, and Charity"

Mrs. Ryland gave a report of the coupons and urged everyone to send in coupons. They have received about \$4,000 worth of coupons since they started collecting them.

Bro. Ryland gave several facts concerning the Home.

Mark 2:1-5 scripture reading.

Aux. Report was given briefly by Mrs. Mary Frances Gunnin. She announced a complete report would be printed in the minutes of the association minutes.

A report of the quarterly meetings was given.

Rev. N. A. Patterson spoke in behalf of Superannuation.

An offering was received for Rev. B. M. Atkins \$51.81 was received.

Song—directed by Bro. Ryland, "Lift Him Up"

Message—Rev. B. M. Atkins

Rev. 7:9; Rev. 11:15 text.

"The Kingdom of this world are to become the Kingdom of our Lord."

CLERKS AND POST OFFICES

Bethlehem—Harold E. Tidwell, Route 1, Brilliant, Ala.

Bear Creek—Maudie Grissom, Route 1, Hackleburg, Ala.

Boston—Mrs. James Pugh, Brilliant, Ala.

Carbon Hill—L. Oshia, Carbon Hill, Ala.

Free Water—Brandon Estes, Rt. 2, Guin, Ala.

Edgar Chapel—Sis. Myrtle Raper, Rt. 3, Phil Campbell, Ala.

Guin—Ray Webb, Box 311, Guin, Ala.

Gum Springs—Max Sexton, Rt. 4, Winfield, Ala.

Good Springs—L. L. Humphress, Route 1, Vina, Ala.

Holy Springs—E. A. Childers, Rt. 1, Hodges, Ala.

Lone Star—Arlin Bostick, Tremont, Miss.

Liberty—Basil Martin, Rt. 2, Guin, Ala.

Mt. Joy—Mrs. Martha Jones, Rt. 2, Phil Campbell, Ala.

Mt. Olive—Dwyite Franks, Rt. 1, Guin, Ala.

Mt. Pleasant—Hermon Huguley, Brilliant, Ala.

New Oak Grove—J. M. Robins, Rt. 1, Nauvoo, Ala.

New Liberty—Cordy Madison, Rt. 3, Fayette, Ala.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Received by Letter	Received By Experience	Dismissed By Letter	Expelled	Deceased	No. Of Members	Meeting Days	Pupils In Sunday School	Spent On Sunday School	Paid College	Paid Home Missions	Paid Pastor	Paid Helper	Association Fund	Minute Fund	Paid Children Home	Value Of Church Property
Bethlehem	C. R. Puckett	0	0	3	0	0	121	3	40	\$ 28.50	0	0	\$ 270.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 2.00	\$3.00	\$ 24.00	\$ 1,500
Bear Creek	J. S. Frederick	0	2	1	0	1	58	1-3	0	0	0	0	148.00	13.00	3.50	4.00	0	0
Boston	Pauley	4	3	1	0	2	150	All	133	247.50	78.75	33.75	1387.50	145.00	10.00	5.00	176.00	25,000
Carbon Hill	N. A. Patterson	3	2	0	0	2	52	1-3	50	140.93	0	57.63	979.00	40.00	5.00	5.00	10.00	3,500
Free Waters	William Atkinson	0	0	0	0	1	178	1-2	85	154.63	0	0	976.29	76.86	5.00	5.00	0	5,000
Edgars Chapel	J. O. Jones	3	4	0	0	0	30	3	45	21.05	0	2.50	121.31	50.00	1.00	2.00	0	2,000
Guin	Wise Holcomb	0	0	0	0	0	30	All	32	15.00	0	0	211.89	41.00	5.00	2.00	0	10,000
Gum Springs	Clovis Tucker	3	0	0	0	1	75	2-4	56	22.15	0	10.00	437.11	121.25	3.00	3.00	55.00	5,000
Good Springs	R. J. Spincer	0	0	1	0	0	42	2	26	20.00	0	0	69.88	20.20	3.00	2.00	0	1,000
Holly Springs	J. S. Frederick	0	7	0	0	0	112	2-4	0	0	0	0	507.25	50.00	4.00	4.35	0	1,000
Lone Star	C. D. Paden	0	0	3	0	2	142	2	45	80.00	0	0	80.10	21.35	2.00	2.00	0	600
Liberty	Richard Humphress	0	5	0	0	0	85	1-3	45	95.00	0	0	215.95	12.67	2.00	2.70	0	1,000
Mt. Joy	J. O. Jones	2	0	0	0	0	37	1	24	21.62	0	6.00	69.89	45.01	2.30	3.00	44.13	3,000
Mt. Olive	William Atkinson	2	5	3	0	0	301	3-4	96	25.60	24.00	36.00	1018.46	438.00	10.00	5.00	116.00	21,000
Mt. Pleasant	N. A. Patterson	0	0	5	0	3	172	2-4	60	205.98	0	0	987.47	52.00	4.00	4.00	40.00	3,000
New Oak Grove	G. O. Parker	2	4	2	0	3	118	1-3	100	161.83	0	0	1055.00	230.00	10.00	5.00	0	10,000
New Liberty	W. H. Ryland	0	4	0	0	1	144	1-3	51	85.67	0	0	535.00	74.00	4.00	4.00	46.83	2,000
Parrish	Pearl Barns	3	7	1	0	1	60	All	58	105.76	0	6.00	187.77	100.21	3.00	3.00	25.26	2,500
Pocahontus	H. L. Key	0	2	0	0	1	121	All	55	36.50	0	0	565.50	50.50	5.00	5.00	0	2,500
Poplar Log	W. H. Pearce	3	1	2	0	2	157	All	65	48.18	0	0	1342.00	247.74	5.00	5.00	54.00	3,500
Red Bay	H. C. Killer	0	2	2	0	0	158	All	54	624.04	0	0	2080.00	130.00	3.00	3.00	25.00	20,000
Shady Grove	G. O. Parker	0	6	1	0	3	252	2-4	56	116.20	0	2.25	688.32	42.50	3.60	3.90	30.75	1,800
Spring Hill	Richard Humphress	0	0	0	0	2	35	2-4	58	30.00	0	0	366.62	25.00	2.00	1.50	0	2,000
Union Chapel	J. W. Spencer	0	3	0	0	0	41	1-3	0	0	0	0	75.00	22.69	2.50	1.50	0	2,500
Union Hill	G. C. Lawrence	2	2	8	0	0		2-4	70	73.81	0	9.15	300.00	101.05	4.85	2.85	50.09	2,000
Winfield	H. A. Pitts	9	5	5	0	1	176	All	150	548.01	173.32	286.30	3120.00	300.00	5.00	3.00	120.00	25,000

Parrish—Audie Romine, Parrish, Ala.
 Pocahontus—Mrs. Olene Rubley, Rt. 2, Carbon Hill, Ala.
 Poplar Log—D. G. Markham, Rt. 3, Hamilton, Ala.
 Red Bay—Oliver H. Mink, Box 335, Red Bay, Ala.
 Shady Grove—Otto Campbell, Box 24, Spruce Pine, Ala.
 Spring Hill—Mary Ann Thomas, Rt. 3, Nauvoo, Ala.
 Union Chapel—W. A. Holliman, Winfield, Ala.
 Union Hill—Ester Gunnin, Box 25, Hackleburg, Ala.
 Winfield—Garlon Holliman, Winfield, Ala.

ON ORDER OF BUSINESS

We recommend that the next session of this Association will meet on Friday before the first Sunday in October, 1957.

We find that Red Bay and Mt. Olive are asking for the next session of the Association. We recommend that the body decide.

Mt. Olive, Union Hill, Carbon Hill ask for 2nd quarterly meeting. Gum Springs and Mt. Pleasant 3rd Parrish ask for anyone. We recommend that the body decide.

We recommend that the moderator be paid \$15.00, Clerk \$20.00, Assistant Moderator \$5.00, Assistant Clerk \$10.00.

We further recommend that the clerk be paid 15 dollars for expenses.

We recommend that the elected moderator preach the introductory sermon and that the moderator appoint a committee of 3 at the next session to work with the host church to plan the rest of the program.

We recommend that Friday night service of each session of the Association be a communion service.

We recommend that the oldest member of our credential committee be replaced by a new member each year.

Bro. Clarence Estes, Bro. Frank A. Loller, Bro. V. V. Farley, from Parrish Church. They ask the Association to send a committee to help or advise the church ways and means whereby we can all be in harmony and peace with each other. We recommend the body decide what to do about this.

Be it resolved that the Md., Ast. Md., Clerk, Ast. Clerk make the program for the next session of the association.

Respectfully Submitted

Max Sextion

C. M. Waren

A. G. Lacy with Md. and Clerk

We your committee on deceased members find that the death angel has called Bear Creek church Mat Cleveland, Hackleburg, Ala., Boston, Bro. J. D. Self, Bro. Jim Wildeman; Carbon Hill, Bro. Frank Lawson, Sis. Linnie Williams; Free Water, Sis. Iler Franks; Gum Springs, Sis. Margaret Jane Holcomb; Lone Star, Buble Keeton, Floyd Kenedy; Mt. Pleasant, Bro. Oscar Estes, Bro. Gurley Purser, Sis. Verla Purser; New Oak Grove Bro. Dan Curtis, Bro. W. S. Martin, Sis. Matties Sue Bailey; New Liberty, Mr. C. C. Worthy; Pocahontus, Sis. Sussie Bray; Poplar Log, Sis. Ivie Britwell, Bro. Andrew H. Kennedy; Shady Grove, Bro. J. G. Faulkner, Sis. N. T. Nix, Bro. George Clark; Spring Hill Naomie Bevis, Bro. Sam Key; Winfield, Ollie Belle Libbett; Parrish, Sis. Rushie Clements.

Committee of Deceased Members.

Respectfully submitted,

Hattie Hunter

Virdie Warren

Betty Jean Miles

SEC.- TREA. REPORT

On hand from last year	\$ 50.00
Associational fund	109.90
Minute fund	89.15
Total paid in and on hand	\$249.05

Paid out Oct. 1, 1956

G. C. Lawrence	\$15.00
J. O. Jones	5.00
Brandon Estes	20.00
Annie Lou Shelnut	10.00
Total Paid Out	\$50.00
Balance	\$199.05

Brandon Estes, Sec.-Trea.

By a move and a second all reports were received and committees discharged except the credentials committee and Rev. N. A. Patterson took the place Rev. H. A. Pitts.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

After song by choir and prayer the following business was transacted:

Rev. C. D. Paden was granted a letter.

Appointed corresponding delegates.

State Line—A. G. Lacey, J. A. Godsey.

Vernon—William Atkinson and wife.

State—Sis. H. A. Pitts, Sis. Annie Lou Shelnutt, Sis. G. C. Lawrence,

Rev. Milton Gann and Rev. William Atkinson were ordained to preach the gospel.

By a vote of the body the next session of this association will convene with Red Bay Church, Red Bay, Ala. on Friday before the first Sunday in Oct.

Bro. N. A. Patterson was appointed to take H. A. Pitts place on the Credential's Committee.

We went into the election of officers, the following were elected:

Rev. H. A. Pitts, Md.

Rev. J. O. Jones, Asst. Md.

Brandon Estes, Clerk

Miss Annie Lou Shelnutt, Asst. Clerk

The first quarterly meeting will be held with Parrish, the second with Union Hill, the third with Gum Springs, and the fourth with Holly Springs.

Bro. J. A. Godsey, Bro. H. A. Pitts, Bro. J. O. Jones, Bro. H. T. Gregg, Bro. William Atkinson, and Bro. Brandon Estes were appointed as a committee to help Parrish church with their trouble.

Amid tears and handshakes we adjourned to meet one year hence with the above church.

Rev. G. C. Lawrence, Md.

Brandon Estes Clerk

CHURCHES AND DEACONS

Bethlehem—C. A. Tidwell, J. A. Estes, Woodroe Franks.
 Bear Creek—E. Hill, G. W. Steward, Roland Williams, Henry Grisson.
 Brilliant-Boston—J. A. Underwood, H. L. Thomas, James Pugh,
 Vester Hawkins, J. D. Self, Luthor Franks, Dewey Burleson.
 Carbon Hill—B. Southerland, and James Nichols.
 Free Waters—W. M. Wilson, G. E. Pollard, Hubbard Estes.
 Edgar Chapel—J. D. Faulkner, and Marshal Raper.
 Guin—Claud Nix, Elic Pugh.
 Good Springs—L. L. Humphress, T. D. Humphress, M. M. Warren.
 Gum Springs—John H. Moore, and George Benson.
 Holley Springs—J. M. Scott, E. A. Childers, P. E. Lay, L. T. Burgett.
 Liberty—H. Bozeman, E. Dickinson, A. Pugh, G. Smith, and W.
 Wisham.
 Lone Star—B. B. Pounders, Burble Keeton.
 Mt. Joy—Grady Pounders, W. N. Newell, Bill Bates, Marshall Godsey.
 Mt. Olive—H. S. Atkinson, R. L. Johnson, A. G. May, H. L. Franks,
 R. M. McNess.
 Mt. Pleasant—Sam Flippo, O. Erwin, F. A. Aldredge, Claude Kim-
 brell, Willard Westbrooks.
 New Liberty—W. D. Smith, John Madison, J. B. Smith, Olen Fowler,
 A. Whitson, M. Narimore.
 New Oak Grove—Amos Martin, Willie Martin, Seston Nix, Johnnie
 Knight, Alvin Early, S. McDaniel, A. Knight.
 Parrish—Oscar Uptain, Howard Romine, H. Thompson, J. D. Glas-
 gow, V. V. Farley, J. H. Glasgow.
 Pocahontas—Curtis Griffin, Jim Hunter, Albert Nelson, W. T. Ne-
 Smith, Frank Hines.
 Poplar Log—W. H. May, J. R. Fredrick, B. H. Owen.
 Red Bay—T. M. Keeton, J. R. Yielding, Carl Tharp, H. L. Keeton,
 O. H. Mink.
 Shady Grove—L. A. Abston, W. F. Freeman, G. E. Nis, J. T. Mash-
 burn, and H. M. Bankston.
 Spring Hill—Ray Bevis, B. Barton, Jim Lawson, Loyd Hendrick,
 Henery Mason.
 Union Chapel—H. Lodern and Elbert Hendrick.
 Union Hill—T. J. Langston, W. C. Lacy, D. C. Kennedy, L. Jackson,
 and Ester Gunnin.
 Winfield—Garlon Holliman and James D. Crowe.

NAMES OF MINISTERS

Atkinson, Eld. William, Guin, Ala.
 Alexander, Will
 Adkins, Eld. B. M. Townley
 Barnes, Elmd. Pearl, Alden, Ala.
 Benson, Eld. J. R. Nauvoo, Ala.
 Benson, Eld. Wm. J., Nauvoo, Ala., Rt. 1.
 Blackwell, Robt., Carbon Hill, Ala., Rt. 1.
 Braseale, Eld. Luther, Winfield, Ala., Rt. 4.
 Brooks, Eld. R. S., Hackleburg, Ala.
 Conner, Eld. J. L., 321¼ N. Florence, Monterey Park, Calif.
 Cobb, Eld. Harvey, Fayette, Ala., Rt. 5.
 Flippo, Eld. G. W., Guin, Ala., Rt. 2.
 Frederick, Eld. J. S., Hackleburg, Ala.

Flippo, Eld. J. A., Haleyville, Ala.
 Franks, Eld. E. R., Guin, Ala., Rt. 2.
 Frederick, Eld. Amon, Hackleburg, Ala.
 Gann, Milton, Nashville, Tenn.
 Godsey, Eld. J. A. Hamilton, Ala.
 Glasgow, Eld. J. H., Parrish, Ala.
 Wise, Eld. Holcomb, Guin, Ala.
 Halcomb, Wyman, Winfield, Ala.
 Humphress, Eld. Richard, Vina, Ala.
 Jones, Eld. J. O., Phil Campbell, Ala.
 Johnson, Eld. O. Z., Guin, Ala., Rt. 1.
 Keeton, Eld. P. T., Belmont, Miss., Rt. 2.
 Kinard, Eld. Charlie, Phil Campbell, Ala.
 Lacy, Eld. A. C., Hackleburg, Ala.
 Lowery, Eld. Lee Roy, Bankston.
 Lawrence, Eld. G. C., Brilliant, Ala.
 McDonald, W. W., Carbon Hill, Ala.
 McMikin, Les Weston, Russellville, Ala., Rt. 5.
 Mitchell, Eld. J. W., Hackleburg, Ala., Rt. 1.
 Newell, Eld. Hugh B., Phil Campbell, Ala., Rt. 2.
 Newell Eld. L. O., Phil Campbell, Ala., Rt. 3.
 Odom, Ed. Chess, Carbon Hill, Ala., Rt. 2.
 Livingston, Lewis, Carbon Hill, Ala.
 Parker, Eld. G. O., Hamilton, Ala., Rt. 4.
 Patterson, Eld. N. A., Guin, Ala., Rt. 2.
 Pitts, Eld. H. A., Box 208, Winfield, Ala.
 Roberts, Eld. William, Carbon Hill, Ala., Rt. 2.
 Spencer, Eld. J. W., Vina, Ala.
 Spence, Eld. R. J., Red Bay, Ala., Route
 Tucker, Eld. Clovis, Winfield, Ala.

CHURCH COVENANT

Having been brought, as we humbly trust, by divine grace,
 to embrace the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior, and having ob-
 tained justification by faith in His name, we as members of the
 Free Will Baptist Church at _____

_____agree:

1. To watch over each other in love, to pray for each other as
 members of common faith ever striving to keep the unity of the
 spirit in the bond of peace.

2. We will not speak evil of one another, nor will we prosecute
 or expose the faults of the weak members of our church; but we
 will endeavor to be governed by Paul's instructions to Timothy:
 "That we will reprove rebuke and exhort" each other as members
 of common brotherhood.

3. We are commanded to do good to all men, especially to those
 who are of the household of Faith. But we should remember that
 our relations, a family, and assume in a Christian sense the care
 and responsibility that the members of a family should feel for
 each other.

4. We will attend the stated meetings of our church unless we
 are providentially hindered, or uncontrollable circumstances prevent
 us. And contribute our means as the Lord has prospered us for
 the support of our pastor while he is preaching the word to us.

5. We will not injure our influence in the house of the Lord by occupying seats among the ungodly and sinners, but will occupy seats near pulpit and use the natural power which the Lord has given us to praise His holy name. We will sing with those who sing and pray with those who pray.

6. We will not be guilty of the sin of Sabbath breaking by making Sunday visits to our neighbors, which is a double sin against the law of God. For in doing we fail to attend the house of the Lord and hinder others from so doing if they want to do so. Let us remember the law of Moses which condemns Sabbath breaking, and the words of the inspired apostle which says: "Forsake not the assembling of yourselves together as the manner of some is."

7. We will not neglect secret and public prayers and those of us who by teaching our children the great necessity of the Christian religion as heads of families will strive to decide our household to the service of God, only hope for happiness after death. We will adopt the Covenant of Joshua, the servant of the Lord, and say, "But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."

ARTICLES OF FAITH

Art. 1. We believe there is but one and only one living true God, who is in personality the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, equal and harmonious in every divine perfection.—1st Timothy 2:5.

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.—2nd Timothy 3:16.

Art. 3. We believe that Adam was created holy, but by voluntary transgression fell into depravity and consequently involved his posterity in sin.—Genesis 3:6.

Art. 4. We believe that the grace of God comprehends all spiritual blessings; that the Gospel is the power into salvation; that the Holy Spirit not only reproves the world for sin but is the means whereby sinners are converted, regenerated and saved.—Romans 10:12.

Art. 5. We believe that Christian faith is belief in Jesus Christ, the Son of God and Redeemer of the world and in the inspiration of the Holy Scriptures; that faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God.—Jno. 3:16.

Art. 6. We believe that repentance is sorrow for sin and the kind of sorrow which constitutes Godly repentance must be preceeded by effectual conviction.—2nd Cor. 7:9-10.

Art. 7. We believe that the human will is free, and man has ability to accept or reject the conditions of salvation as they are revealed in the Holy Scriptures.—Michael 5:6-8.

Art. 8. We do not believe under the gospel dispensation that any soul is elected to eternal life unconditionally, but that those who by faith preserve to the end will be saved; that it is possible for men who have been converted to make shipwreck of faith, turn again to sin and be finally lost.—Luke 9:62.

Art. 9. We believe that good works is the result of faith and that those who have faith do anything pleasing or acceptable to God.—Matt. 7:19-20.

Art. 10. We believe that Christian baptism is in the emersion of a believer in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, that baptism can not be spiritually administered without faith in the subject who receives it.—Rom. 6:4.

Art. 11. We believe the Supper instituted by our Savior is commendable ordinance; that it was instituted by Christians and that all Christians unite in observing the sacred service, regardless of name or denominational distinction.—I Cor. 11:18-20.

Art. 12. We believe that man is a living soul; that the body will die; but the soul is immortal; that death is the separation of the mortal and immortal; that death is the separation of the immortal parts of human beings.—Genesis 2:7.

Art. 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 in a state of everlasting happiness to reign with God forever and ever, but the wicked will be bound hand and foot and cast into outer darkness. The wicked are driven away in their wickedness, but the righteous have hope in their death.—John 5:28-29.

CONSTITUTION

This Association shall be known as the Jasper Free Will Baptist Association of Alabama, and being composed of ministers and delegates from the different churches forming the same, each church being entitled to three (3) delegates.

2. This body shall be considered an advisory council.

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

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

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

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

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 Temperance Cause, Sunday School Missionary Work, etc.

8. Be it resolved that any minister of the Jasper Free Will Baptist Association who desires to set forth the full functions of the Gospel, the same shall be made known to the Association by recommendation from the church or churches to which they belong. If upon examination they are found worthy, the Association may adorn them but all ordinations must be done at the Annual Sessions.

9. Be it resolved that we will not accept the baptism of any unordained minister.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. This Association shall be called to order by the Moderator, who presided at the last session, the former clerk also officiating until the body is fully organized.

2. The Association shall be opened and closed by singing and prayer.

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

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

5. A majority of delegates shall rule in all cases except the reception of members; when it shall be unanimous.

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

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

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

9. No person will be allowed to speak more than twice on the same subject without leave of the Association—nor more than 15 minutes at a time.

10. No person shall laugh or talk while the debate is going on.

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

FORM OF CHURCH CONFERENCE

We, the Free Will Baptist Church of Christ at _____ after divine service by Rev. _____, met in conference. Opened doors of church for Reception of Members.

2. We invite visiting brethren and sisters to seat with us.

3. Call for reading of minutes of last Conference. Minutes read and _____.

4. Call for Peace and Fellowship of the Church. Church _____.

5. General Business _____.

6. On motion for adjournment, We _____.

Rev. _____, Moderator

Bro. _____, Clerk.

FORM OF LETTER OF DISMISSION

STATE OF ALABAMA.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

We, the Free Will Baptist Church at _____ do certify that Bro. _____

_____ is a member of our Church in full fellowship, and is hereby given this letter of recommendation.

Rev. _____, Moderator.

Bro. _____, Clerk