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PROCEEDINGS

Proceedings of the 71st. Annual Session of the Jasper Free will Baptist Association held with Red Bay Church October 4th and 5th., 1957.

Friday Morning

Opened at 9:30 with song by Bro. A. J. Lambert, prayer by Bro. G. E. Pauley, Devotional Service by Bro. J. O. Jones, Welcome address by Bro. R. B. Freeman, Response to welcome by Bro. G. E. Pauley. A short talk was given by Bro. Raymond Riggs, the Promotional secretary of Foreign Mission Board.

At this time a partial report was given by the credential commitee. Some church letters were read and contents were noted.

After much discussion, it was decided by body that we should have a 12 member General Board and a 5 member executive committee, composed of members of General Board. Moderator was given power to name board and committee.

More letters were read and contents noted.

Visiting Ministers seated:

Raymond Riggs-Foreign Mission Board

A. J. Lambert—Vernon Asso. L. V. Collier—State Line Asso. J. B. Ledlow—Liberty No. 2 Asso.

H. L. Key-Bear Creek Asso.

Five Minute Intermission

Song by Bro. A. J. Lambert, Message by Bro. H. A. Pitts, scripture Joshua 1st Chapter, Text—"Be strong and of a good courage". An altar prayer was offered by Bro. N. A. Patterson. Offering taken for Guin Church was \$75.77.

Friday Afternoon

Singing led by Bro. A. J. Lambert, Devotional by Rev. Raymond Riggs. Ladies Auxiliary report was given and was accepted pending some corrections. All other church letters except Edgar's Chapel were read, contents noted, and delegates seated. Edgar's Chapel was not represented until Saturday.

Churches and Delegates

Bethlehem—Adell Linley, Virdie Warren, C. M. Warren

Bear Creek—Lon Gunnion, Elmer Steward, Cleburn Gann

Brilliant-Boston—Charlie Mullenix, Riley Cooper, Vester Shirley

Carbon Hill—Bro. Oshea, Sis. Oshea, Sis. Hobson

Edgar's Chapel—John Robinson, Ethel Robinson, J. J. Edgar Free Waters—Imogene Pugh, Lela Crowe, Colombia Franks Good Springs—Jimmie Ree Warren, Lorice Humphres, Delton

Humphres

Guin—Iva Lee Miles

Gum Springs—Arlean Tucker, Velma Moore, Sis. Wyman Holcomb

Holly Springs—Jim Gordon, Oneal Childers, Ed Tarwater Liberty—Lorene Pugh, Lilliam Dickerson, Roland Dickerson Lone Star—Mrs. Keeton, Mrs. Bostick, Mrs. Pounders Mt. Joy—Martha Jones, Flora Jane Jones, Rosa Pounders Mt. Olive—Autie Franks, Lorene Conner

Mt. Pleasant—Annie Lawrence, Mrs. Alfred Martin, Mrs. Jack Lawrence

New Liberty—Arthur Smith, Clay Lowery, J. D. Dozier New Oak Grove—Carl Hill, Clanton Manasco Parrish—John Hutto, Zoda Robinson, Orene Martin Pocahontas—Leona Rubley, Hattie Hunter, Mrs. Elbert Nelson Poplar Log—Harrison Gregg, Jr. Red Bay—Ernest Derricott, Edison Keeton Shady Grove—Lee Nix, L. W. Cooper, B. F. Jeffreys Spring Hill—Dee Farris, Audie Barton, Mrs. Dee Farris Union Chapel—Hester Goodwin Union Hill—Junior Rayburn, L. D. Clement Winfield—Glenda Weeks, Ray Carter, V. C. May

At this time names of those chosen for General Board and various committees were read by the clerk:

GENERAL BOARD

1. Dewey Burleson

2. Herbert S. Atkinson

3. Wise Holcomb 4. L. D. Clement

5. Travis R. Carter

6. Amos Martin

7. J. A. Hobson

8. Clovis Tucker 9. Lehman Humphres

10. Lee Nix

11. Calvin Warren

12. T. M. Keeton

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Dewey Burleson Travis R. Carter Amos Martin Clovis Tucker Lehman Humphres

APPRECIATION COMMITTEE

Imogene Pugh Martha Jones Mrs. Alfred Martin

DECEASED MEMBERS COMMITTEE

Junior Rayburn Harrison Gregg, Jr. B. H. Owens

FINANCE COMMITTEE

W. H. May Charlie Mullenix Oliver H. Mink

Bro. J. B. Ledlow made a short talk. Song by A. J. Lambert. Message by Bro. Dave R. Franks. Theme—"The Witness of the Holy Spirit."

Offering for Bro. Dave R. Franks was \$40.24

Delegates staying over were given places to stay after which we adjourned.

Friday Night

Song Service—Bro. Dave R. Franks Devotional—Bro. G. E. Pauley

Message—Bro. A. J. Lambert, Theme—"A refuge that is not

sufficient."

Ladies Auxiliary Report

April 26, 1957, the Jasper Ladies Auxiliary convened with the Free Water Free Will Baptist Church.

The meeting was opened with a song followed with a prayer by Sis. Nancy Self. The devotional was given by Rev. N. A. Patter-

The welcome address was given by Sis. Imogene Pugh and the Response by Sis. Bobbie Lawrence.

Letters were read by Sis. G. C. Lawrence and Sis. William Atkinson naming the delegates.

Mt. Pleasant—Sis. Maggie Huguley and Sis. Annie Lawrence Free Water-Sis, Imogene Pugh, Sis. Edgar Pollard, and Sis. Allie Green

Red Bay-Sis. H. C. Killen and Sis. Emma Blanton

Mt. Olive-Sis. Lorene Conner, Sis. Mirtie Atkinson and Sis. Dixie Atkinson

Union Hill—Sis. Bulah Langston and Sis. Flora Clements Brilliant-Sis. Nancy Self, Sis. Lucy Standford, and Sis. Jane Downy

Winfield-Sis. Fred Earnest, Sis. Bill Smith, and Sis. Ed Weeks The delegates were seated and the visitors recognized.

Sis. H. A. Pitts, President, appointed the following committees: Appreciation-Sis. H. C. Killen, Sis. Nancy Self, and Sis. Dixie Atkinson

Nominating-Sis. Annie Lawrence, Sis. A. P. Lenard, and Sis. Edgar Pollard

Resolution-Sis. G. C. Lawrence, Sis. Ulas Stanford, and Sis. Lorene Conner

Finance—Sis. Bobbie Lawrence, Sis. Bulah Langston, and Sis. Ed. Weeks

Songs "Bringing in the Sheaves" and "I Will Sing the Wonderous Story" followed by the message by Rev. William Atkinson-Scrip-

Text-"Incline thine ears and come unto me, hear and your soul shall live."

Everyone enjoyed a delicious lunch served by the host church. The afternoon session was opened with a song-"Our Best." Prayer was led by Rev. W. H. Rhyland. Presidents introduction by Sis. H. A. Pitts.

Topic 1—"God's plan in the Old Testament history by Sis. Dixie

Topic 2—"God's plan revealed in the works and words of Jesus"

Topic 3—"God's plan carried out by Paul" Sis. W. H. Rhyland Topic 4—"God's plan in the work of the Holy Spirit" Sis. Claude

The following reports were read and adopted. APPRECIATION

We the appreciation committee wish to express our thanks to the host church for the splendid way it has shown its love to this delegated body. We wish to thank the ladies for the good food they prepared for us. We also appreciate the love and fellowship we have

Respectfully submitted, Sis. H. C. Killen Sis. Nancy Self Sis. Dixie Atkinson

NOMINATING

We, the Nominating Committee, recommend the following officers:

President—Sis. William Atkinson Vice-President—Sis. H. C. Killen Rec. Sec.—Sis. Bill Smith Literature Chairman—Sis. Imogene Pugh

Youth Chairman-Sis. Lucy Stanford Study Chairman—Sis. Mary Rayburn Stewardship—Sis. Ed Weeks

Sec.—Mrs. Bobbie Lawrence Program Committee-Sis. A. P. Leonard, Sis. G. C. Lawrence

Appointed delegates to the State Convention-Sis. H. A. Pitts, Sis. Imogene Pugh, Sis. Lorene Conner, Sis. Bobbie Lawrence, Sis. A. P. Leonard.

Respectfully submitted, Sis. Annie Lawrence Sis. A. P. Leonard

Sis. Edgar Pollard

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

2. We recommend the report 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. We recommend Sis. A .P. Leonard. 5. We recommend that each 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 Pome.

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.

Respectfully submitted, Sis. G. C. Lawrence Sis. Lorene Conner Sis. Ulas Stanford

FINANCE COMMITTEE

We, the finance committee, submit the following report:

\$28.15 Brought forward from last year

23.29 Dues collected this year

\$51.44 Total

17.80 Paid out for State and National dues

3.00 Paid out for prize for the winner of the coupon drive

\$30.64 Total in treasury at present.

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. Bobbie Lawrence, Secretary and Treasurer

SATURDAY MORNING

The service opened at 9:00 with song led by moderator, prayer led by Bro. Delmus Miller, devotional by Rev. A. G. Lacy. Quarterly meeting report was given by Sis. Annie Lou Miller. 1 was accepted.

QUARTERLY MEETING REPORT

The Quarterly Meeting of this Association convened three times this past year, Parrish December 29, Union Hill March 30, and Gum Springs June 29. An average of 14 churches, 13 ministers, and

9 deacons attended.

The number of meetings each minister attended are as follows: H. A. Pitts, 2; P. P. Barnes, 3; G. E. Pauley, 3; Robert Blackwell, 2; W. E. Atkinson, 3; N. A. Patterson, 2; O. Z. Johnson, 2; Lewis Livingston, 1; J. H. Glasgow, 1; Clovis Tucker, 3; Wyman Holcomb, 2; Wise Holcomb, 2; Richard Humphres, 1; Joe Frederick, 1; B. N. Atkins, 1; G. C. Lawrence, 1; Chester Odum, 2; H. C. Killen, 2; E. R. Franks, 1; W. D. Jaggers, 1; Dave Franks, 1; Raymond Riggs,1.

> Respectfully submitted, William E. Atkinson, Mod. Annie Lou Miller, Clerk

It was decided that there would be only three quarterly meetings next year. These were given to these churches: Holly Springs, 1st, New Oak Grove, 2nd; Carbon Hill, 3rd.

A motion to retain the same offices of Quarterly Meeting for

coming year was adopted.

At this time there was a roll call of delegates and they were

given special seats.

The letter from Edgar's Chapel was read, accepted, and delegates seated. Bro. B. M. Atkins urged delegates to attend and stay until session is over.

Bro. Wilburn Beasley was seated as a visitor. Offering for Children's Home was \$29.73.

APPRECIATION COMMITTEE REPORT 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 want to thank the ladies for the good food they have prepared for all of us

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

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. Artis Pugh

Mrs. Martha Jones Mrs. Alfred Martin

Report was accepted and committee was discharged. Delegates appointed to other associations: State Line Asso., O. Z. Johnson; A. G. Lacy, G. C. Lawrence; Vernon Asso., O. Z. Johnson, J. S. Frederick, A. G. Lacy; State Asso., Mrs. H. A. Pitts, Ester Gunnion, Mrs. O. Z. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Burleson, Mrs. R. B. Freeman.

Superannuation report was given.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

We, your finance committee, finds that there has been paid \$110.25 as associational funds, \$103.39 as minute funds, making a

This corresponds with data given in church letters. Respectfully submitted,

W. H. May Charles Mulleniv

Oliver H. Mink This report was accepted and committee discharged. Each church was asked to send \$2.00 extra in the future to take care of State Association dues.

DECEASED MEMBERS COMMITTEE REPORT

We, your committee on deceased members, find that the death angel has called the following from these churches:

Free Water-1-Bro. Otis Adams Carbon Hill-1-Sis. Bell McGough Liberty-1-Bro. Lomack Smith Red Bay-1-Bro. John D. Yeilding Pocohontas-1-Sis. Tommy Boshell

Shady Grove-3-Sis. Fay Hall, Bro. Herman Hall, Sis. Rosa

Baggett

Parrish-2-Sis. Elizabeth Sexton, Sis. Rushie Clements

Bethlehem-2-Rev. Joe Flippo, and wife

Mt. Olive-1-Bro. W. S. Flippo

Boston-3-Bro. Tate Woods, Sis. Lorene Hosmer, Sis. Millie Andrews

Respectfully submitted, Junior Rayburn Harrison Gregg, Jr. B. H. Owens

This report was accepted and committee was discharged. A letter from Bear Creek Association concerning Rev. H. L. Key was read.

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

We, your credential committee, wish to make these recommendations:

ITEM NO. 1-

We recommend that these men be accepted into the Jasper Free Will Baptist Association as ordained ministers and do further recommend giving cards of good standing to each Rev. Calvin Bevans, Rev. W. D. Jaggers, Rev. H. L. Key, and Rev. R. B. Freeman.

ITEM NO. 2—

We recommend that Bro. Fred Fuller be ordained to preach the gospel.

ITEM NO. 3— We recommend that Bro. Victor Smith and Bro. H. L. Burkett be ordained as deacons of New Liberty Church.

Respectfully submitted, Rev. N. A. Patterson Rev. B. M. Atkins Rev. J. O. Jones

This report was adopted item by item but committee was retained.

At this time more money for Guin Church was raised and pledged until the goal of \$150.00 was met.

Song by Bro. Dave Franks. Message by Bro. William E. Atkinson, text: Jude 1:3—"Earnestly contend for faith once delivered to saints."

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Song service led by Bro. Carl Hill, devotional service by Bro. O. Z. Johnson.

REPORT OF GENERAL BOARD

Session of General Board October 4, 1957 with credential committee, moderator, and clerk also present.

Because of the complaint from the Parrish Church concerning a minister, the board makes this recommendation: as

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ITEM NO. 1

That members of the General Board with members of Credential Committee along with moderator and clerk meet with Parrish Church Wednesday, October 9 at 7:15 P.M. to take definite action. ITEM NO. 2

We recommend that Bro. G. C. Lawrence replace Bro. J. O. Jones on Credential Committee.

ITEM NO. 3

We recommend that the moderator be paid \$15.00, clerk \$20.00, asst. moderator \$5.00, and asst. clerk \$10.00.

ITEM NO. 4

We further recommend that the clerk be paid \$15.00 for expenses.

ITEM NO. 5

We recommend that Friday night service of each session of the association be a Communion Service. ITEM NO. 6

We recommend that the clerk take steps to get new letter forms to shorten church letters if possible.

> Respectfully submitted. William E. Atkinson, Clerk

This report was adopted item by item.

A motion to elect members of the General Board each year was defeated. Another motion, endorsing proposal given by clerk, was adopted. This was the proposal. After 1958, all members of the General Board will serve a two year period. All members of the General Board will hold numbered positions: 1, 2, 3, 4, etc. One half of the board will be named each year. Those holding odd numbered positions: 1, 3, 5, 7, etc., shall be chosen on odd numbered years: 1959, 1961, etc. Those holding even numbered positions: 2, 4, 6, 8, etc., shall be chosen on even numbered years; 1958, 1960, etc., odd numbered positions of board 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, expire in 1959. Even numbered positions 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, expire in 1958. Moderator shall have power to name the board members.

This was adopted by body.

Three churches requested the next session of this association meet with them. They were: Liberty, Good Springs, and Mt. Olive. The body voted and on the third ballot it was given to Mt. Olive.

Bro. Fred Fuller was ordained to preach. Bro. Victor Smith and Bro. H. L. Burkett were ordained as deacons of New Liberty Church. The presbytery was Rev. G. C. Lawrence, Rev. N. A. Patterson, Rev. B. M. Atkins, and Rev. J. O. Jones.

After ordination the right hand of Christian fellowship was given to these subjects along with Bro. R. B. Freeman, Bro. H. L. Key, Bro. Calvin Bevans, these coming to us from other bodies.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

These were elected by the body: Moderator Rev. J. O. Jones Asst. Moderator Rev. G. E. Pauley Clerk Rev. William E. Atkinson Asst. Clerk Travis R. Carter And then we adjourned to meet one year hence at Mt. Olive Church.

CHURCHES AND DEACONS

Bethlehem-C. A. Tidwell, J. H. Estes, Woodrow Franks Bear Creek-E. Hill, G. W. Steward, R. Williams, Henry Grissom Brilliant-Boston-J. A. Underwood, Dewey Burleson, James T. Pugh, Luther Franks, Vester Hawkins, H. L. Thomas, Earl Smith Carbon Hill-Joe Hobson, B. Southerland, J. C. Nichols Edgar's Chapel-Marshall Raper, J. D. Faulkner Free Waters-G. E. Pollard, W. M. Wilson, Hubbard Estes Guin-E. Pugh, Milton Miles Gum Springs-J. H. Moore, Robert Omary, Maxwell Gibbs Good Springs-L. D. Humphres, M. M. Warren, L. L. Humphres Holly Springs-P. E. Lay, L. T. Burgett, E. A. Childers, J. M. Scott Lone Star-B. B. Pounders, Bill Pitts, Claude Russell Liberty-Auston Pugh, E. Dickerson, W. Wisham, Hill Bozeman, Gro-Mt. Joy-Bill Brown, Bill Bates, Marshall Godsey, W. N. Newell Mt. Olive-H. S. Atkinson, H. L. Franks, A. G. May, R. L. Johnson, R. M. McNeise, Paul Wilson, E. E. Britnell, Oniel Lee Mt. Pleasant-Sam Flippo, O. Erwin, F. A. Aldridge, Willard Westbrook, C. Kimbrell, Vester Lawrence New Liberty-D. Smith, O. Fowler, V. Smith, B. Smith, J. Madison, H. L. Burkett New Oak Grove-Alvin Early, Amos Martin, Willie Martin, John-Nie Knight, A. Knight, L. McDaniel Parrish-Dan Glascow, H. Thompson, Oscar Uptain, H. Romine Pocahontas-Curt Griffin, Jim Hunter, L. Ne Smith, Frank Hines, E. Nelson Poplar Log-W. H. May, B. H. Owens, J. R. Frederick Red Bay-O. H. Mink, J. R. Yeilding, T. M. Keeton, H. L. Keeton, C. Tharp Shady Grove-G. E. Nix, W. F. Freeman, J. T. Mashburn, H. M. Bankston, L. A. Abston Spring Hill-H. Mason, Jim Lawson, Ray Bevis, B. Barton

Union Hill-T. J. Langston, W. C. Lacy, D. C. Kennedy, Esther Gun-Winfield-E. Franks, G. Holliman, James Walden, Fletcher South, Ed Weeks, B. R. Smith.

Union Chapel-Lonzo Goodwin, Luke Estes

CLERKS AND ADDRESSES

Bear Creek-Maudie Grissom, Rt. 1, Hackleburg, Alabama Bethlehem-Rufus Evans, Rt. 1, Brilliant, Alabama Brilliant-Boston-Charlie Mullenix, Brilliant, Alabama Carbon Hill-James Oshea, Carbon Hill, Alabama Edgar's Chapel-Myrtle Raper, Rt. 3, Phil Campbell, Alabama Free Waters-Brandon Estes, Rt. 2, Guin, Alabama Guin-Christine Miles, Guin, Alabama Gum Springs-J. H. Moore, Brilliant, Alabama Good Springs-Roy Humphres, Rt. 1, Vina, Alabama Holly Springs-J. M. Scott, Rt. 1, Hodges, Alabama Liberty-Basil Martin, Rt. 2, Guin, Alabama Lone Star-Fred Fuller, Tremont, Mississippi Mt. Joy-Martha Jones, Rt. 2, Phil Campbell, Alabama Mt. Olive-Dwyite Franks, Rt. 1, Guin, Alabama Mt. Pleasant-Lester Lawrence, Box 593, Winfield, Alabama New Liberty-Cordy Madison, Rt. 3, Fayette, Alabama New Oak Grove-H. G. Montgomery, Rt. 3, Nauvoo, Alabama Parrish-Audie Romine, Parrish, Alabama Pocahontas-Olene Rubley, Rt. 2, Carbon Hill, Alabama

Poplar Log—B. H. Owens, Rt. 3, Hamilton, Alabama Red Bay—Oliber H. Mink, Box 335, Red Bay, Alabama Shady Grove—Otto Campbell, Box 24, Spruce Pine, Alabama Spring Hill—Minnie Bevis, Rt. 3, Nauvoo, Alabama Union Chapel—W. A. Holliman, Rt. 4, Winfield, Alabama Union Hill—Ester Gunnin, Box 25, Hackleburg, Alabama Winfield—Billy Ray Smith, Winfield, Alabama

MINISTERS AND ADDRESSES

Atkins, Eld. B. M.—Townley, Alabama Atkinson, Eld. William E.-Rt. 1, Guin, Alabama Barnes, Eld. P. P.-Alden, Alabama Blockwell, Eld. Robert-Rt. 1, Carbon, Hill, Alabama Bevans, Eld. Calvin-Fayette, Alabama Brooks, Eld. R. S.-Hackleburg, Alabama Chism, Eld. B. C.—Tremont, Mississippi Conner, Eld. J. L.—3211/4 N. Florence, Monterey Park, California Flippo, Eld. G. W.-Rt. 2, Guin, Alabama Fredrick, Eld. J. S.—Hackleburg, Alabama Franks, Eld. E. R.—Rt. 2, Guin, Alabama Franks, Eld. Dave R.-F.W.B. Foreign Mission Board, Nashville, Tennessee Freeman, Eld. R. B.-Red Bay, Alabama Fuller, Eld. Fred-Tremont, Mississippi Gann, Eld. Milton-F. W. B. College, Nashville, Tennessee Godsey, Eld. J. A.-Hamilton, Alahama Halcomb, Eld. Wise-Rt. 2, Guin, Alabama Halcomb, Eld. Wyman-Winfield, Alabama Humphres, Eld. Richard-Rt. 1, Vina, Alabama Jaggers, Eld. W. D.—Rt. 2, Hackleburg, Alabama Johnson, Eld. O. Z.-Rt. 1, Guin, Alabama Jones, Eld. J. O.—Phil Campbell, Alabama Keeton, Eld. P. T.—Rt. 2, Belmont, Mississippi Key, Eld H. L.—Carbon Hill, Alabama Kinard, Eld Charlie-Phil Campbell, Alabama Lacy, Eld. A. G.—Hackleburg, Alabama Livingston, Eld. Lewis-Carbon Hill, Alabama Lawrence, Eld. G. C.—Brilliant, Alabama Lowery, Eld. Lee Roy-Bankston, Alabama McMikin, Eld. Lee Weston-Rt. 5, Russellville, Alabama Mitchell, Eld. J. W.—Rt. 1, Hackleburg, Alabama Newell, Eld. Hugh B.—Rt. 2, Phil Campbell, Alabama Odom, Eld. Chess-Rt. 2, Carbon Hill, Alabama Parker, Eld. G. O.—Rt. 4, Hamilton, Alabama Patterson, Eld. N. A.—Rt. 2, Guin, Alabama Pitts, Eld. Harold A.—Box 208, Winfield, Alabama Roberts, Eld William-Rt. 2, Carbon Hill, Alabama Spencer, Eld. J. W.-Rt. 1, Tremont, Mississippi Spencer, Eld. R. J.—Rt. 2, Red Bay, Alabama Tucker, Eld. Clovis, Rt., Winfield, Alabama

CLERK'S FINANCIAL REPORT

Paid in as Associational Funds	\$ 6.00
Paid in as Minute Funds	110.25 102.39
TOTAL	\$218.64

- 11 6-	Association Program Materials	2.32
Paid for	A. Pitts (Moderator)	15.00
Paid H.	O. Jones (Asst. Moderator)	5.00
Paid J.	lliam E. Atkinson (Clerk)	20.00
Paid Wi	nie Lou Miller (Asst. Clerk)	10.00
Paid An	envelopes, paper, postage, etc.	6.13
Paid for	lliam E. Atkinson (Clerk expense)	15.00
Paid Wi	ate Associational Dues	52.00
Balance	left on hand to print minutes, mail minutes, etc\$	93.19

CHURCH COVENANT

Having been brought, as we humbly trust, by divine grace, to embrace the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour, and having obtained 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 uncontrolable 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.

Art. 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.—Rom. 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 preceded 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 presevere 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 receive it. Rom. 6:4.

Art. 11. We believe the Supper instituted by our Saviour is recommendable 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 from 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 times 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 eception 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

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.

minutes at a time.

FORM OF CHURCH CONFERENCE

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	f church for Reception of Members.
2. We invite brethren an	nd sisters to seat with us.
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4. Call for Peace and Fe	ellowship of the Church. Church.
6. On motion for adjourn	nment, We
Rev	, Moderator
Bro	, Clerk.
FORM OF L	ETTER OF DISMISSION
STATE OF ALABAMA	
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCI	ERN:
We, the Free Will Bapti	ist Church at
	certify that Bro
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Rev	, Moderator.
	, Clerk
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