# MINUTES Of The SEVENTY FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

Of The JASPER FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Held With New Liberty Church September 30th and October 1st, 1960

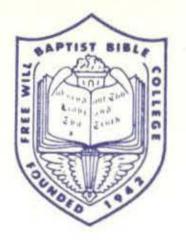
**Officers:** 

REV. H. L. KEY\_\_\_\_\_Moderator REV. WILLIAM E. ATKINSON \_Clerk

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The Next Session Of This Association Will Convene With SHADY GROVE CHURCH, PHIL CAMPBELL, ALABAMA On Friday Before The First Sunday In October, 1961

Rev. Clovis Tucker to Preach the Introductory Sermon



## FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE

Presented by

Rev. Bill Atkinson

Rev. Harvey L. Key-ModeratorRoute 2, Carbon Hill, Ala.Rev. William E. Atkinson-ClerkP. O. Box 35, Winfield, Ala.

## JASPER FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

## GENERAL BOARD

1961	Brilliant, Ala.
1962	Route 2, Guin, Ala.
1961	Route 2, Guin, Ala.
1962	Route 2, Hackleburg, Ala.
1961	Winfield, Ala.
1962	Nauvoo, Ala.
1961	Brilliant, Ala.
1962	Route 3, Winfield, Ala.
1961	Route 3, Phil Campbell, Ala.
1962	Route 2, Carbon Hill, Ala.
1961	Carbon Hill, Ala.
1962	Route 1, Guin, Ala.
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## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. Dewey Burleson (Chairman)	Brilliant, Ala.
2. Travis R. Carter	Winfield, Ala.
3. Amos Martin	Nauvoo, Ala.
4. Clovis Tucker	Route 3, Winfield, Ala.
5. Jim Hunter	Carbon Hill, Ala.

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#### PROCEEDINGS

Proceedings of the 74th Annual Session of the Jasper Free Will Baptist Associaates held with New Liberty Church September 30th and October 1st, 1960.

#### FRIDAY MORNING

Services began at 9:30 with song by Bro. Hartsell Burkett, prayer by Bro. O. Z. Johnson, and Devotion by Bro. P. P. Barnes. There was a welcome address given by Bro. Hartsell Burkett and Bro. Travis Ray Carter gave the response.

Bro. Travis Ray Carter and Sister G. C. Lawrence were named as reading clerks. Letters from twenty-four churches were read, contents noted, and delegates were seated.

Bro. A. J. Lambert, Bro. Jimmy Brown, and Bro. J. B. Tittle were seated as visitors.

Your clerk read revised Constitution and Rules of Decorum. These were placed on the table for future vote and discussion.

The moderator retained all members of the General Board whose terms had expired except his own. Bro. J. E. Tittle was named in his stead.

#### INTERMISSION

A song was directed by Bro. A. L. Lambert. After this Bro. H. L. Key brought message from John 4:6. There was an offering received and divided equally between Foreign Missions and Home Missions. The total offering was \$52.23.

#### FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Sister Martha Jones directed song, Bro. J. O. Jones led in prayer, and Bro. Gurley Roberts offered Devotion.

Bro. J. M. Chaffin was seated as a visiting deacon.

Letters from Red Bay, Lone Star, and Edgar's Chapel were read, contents noted, and delegates seated except for Edgar's Chapel. No delegates were present from Edgar's Chapel.

The moderator appointed the following committees:

#### APPRECIATION COMMITTEE

Mrs. Garlin Sparks Mrs. Rosie Silas Mrs. Christine Miles

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

Richmond Pollard W. H. May W. J. Underwood

#### DECEASED MEMBERS

Mrs. William Atkinson Foster Holcomb J. M. Scott

The General Board was in session for approximately one hour. Mrs. William Atkinson gave Quarterly Meeting Report. Mrs. Billy Ray Smith gave Woman's Auxiliary Report. Bro. J. B. Tittle and Bro. Jimmy Brown each brought short messages. Bro. Willie Justice brought afternoon message from 1 Cor. 13. Delegates were assigned places to spend the night.

## CHURCHES AND DELEGATES

- 1. Bear Creek- Nellie Gunnion
- 2. Bethlehem- Calvin Warren, Virdie Warren
- 3. Brilliant- W. L. Franks, Selma Whitman
- 4. Carbon Hill- Mrs. J. A. Hopson, Mrs. Wiliam Roberts, Mrs. Robert Blackwell
- 5. Cedrum Grove- Inez Atkins, Helen Tittle, Claude Keeton
- 6. Edgar's Chapel-None.
- 7. Free Waters- James Phillips, Richmond Pollard
- 8. Good Springs- Vester Humphres, Mrs. M. M. Warren, Millie Humphres
- 9. Guin- Ruby Dickinson, Christine Miles, W. J. Underwood
- 10. Gum Springs- Joe Holcomb, Foster Holcomb, Virla Sexton
- 11. Holly Springs- Gimillia Barker, Luna Baty
- 12. Liberty- Lorene Pugh
- 13. Lone Star- Arlin Bostick, Mrs. Arlin Bostick, Macell Hardin
- 14. Mt. Joy- Huston Raburn, Martha Jones, Rosa Pounders
- 15. Mt. Olive- Louise Wilson, Rosie Silas, Mirtie Atkinson
- 16. Mt. Pleasant- Wilma Westbrooks, Buster Westbrooks, Harvey Mobley
- 17. New Liberty- Fulton Johnson, Clobe Lowery, Andrew Aldridge
- 18. New Oak Grove- Carl Hill, Daisy Hill, Martha Enos
- 19. Parrish- Jane Watson, Zodie Robertson, Gertrude Thompson
- 20. Pocahontas- Martha Yocum, Dora Roberts, Nellie Sparks
- 21. Popular Log- D. G. Markham, O. A. Cook, Marvin Boyette
- 22. Red Bay- Robert Gahagan, Mrs. Robert Gahagan, Mary Yielding
- 23. Shady Grove- Lee Nix, Ora Graves, Bessie Cleveland
- 24. Spring Hill- Minnie Bevis, Ann Burns
- 25. Union Chapel- Willie Mae Williams, Patsy Williams, Mariah Bean
- 26. Union Hill- Jo Ann Clement, Icy Gunnin
- 27. Winfield- Travis Ray Carter, Dot Smith, Vernie Lee Benton

## FRIDAY NIGHT

A song was led by Bro. Hartsell Burkett, prayer was by Bro. J. E. Tittle, and devotion was given by Bro. O. Z. Johnson. Bro. Clovis Tucker brought a communion message after which a large number of men and women took part in a communion and feet washing service.

#### QUARTERLY MEETING REPORT

The Quarterly Meeting of the Jasper Free Will Baptist Association held 4 meetings during the associational year 1959-60. They were held with Mt. Olive Church Nov. 26th, Carbon Hill Church Jan. 30th, Union Chapel Church May 28th, and Guin Church July 30th. An average of 16 ministers and 11 deacons attended.

Churches represente	d at all 4 meetings were	
Mt. Pleasant	Brilliant	Winfield
Parrish	Guin	Mt. Olive
Free Waters	Cedrum Grove	Gum Springs
Pocahontas	Carbon Hill	1 0
Union Chapel	New Liberty	
Churches representee	d at 3 meetings were:	
Holly Springs	Red Bay	Mt. Joy
Churches represented	d at 2 meetings were:	
Union Hill New Oak Grove	Shady Grove	Spring Hill
Churches represented	1 at 1 meeting were:	
Good Springs Bethlehem	Lone Star	Liberty
Churches not repres	ented at any meetings we	ere:
10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 1		Bear Creek
Ministers attending	all 4 meetings were:	
O. Z. Johnson	P. P. Barnes	Gurley Roberts
Donald Hollingshead	William Atkinson	
Ministers attending	3 meetings were:	
Wise Holcomb	<b>Richard Humphries</b>	E. R. Franks
Wyman James	Clovis Tucker	Willie Justice
J. O. Jones	C. A. Odom	
Ministers attending	2 meetings were:	
N. A. Patterson	James Walden	Fred Fuller
Robert Blackwell	W. M. Narrimore	
Ministers attending 1	meeting were:	
B. M. Atkins	J. W. Spencer	Wyman Holcomb
Max Feltman	William A. Roberts	Othel Thompson
A. G. Lacy	Will Alexander	The Late, Harrison
Hertis Sullins	G. C. Lawrence	Gregg, Jr.

15 ministers belonging to our association did not attend any of the quarterly meetings.

Visiting ministers were: Louie Bates, A. J. Lambert, J. B. Ledlow, John B. Tittle and Carlton Lambert. We sincerely urge each church to represent and each minister to attend each quarterly meeting.

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## CLERK'S FINANCIAL REPORT

Amount on hand	\$1.64
Received during year for fees	73.00
Total	\$ 74.64
Paid Dixie Atkinson (clerk) \$5.00 per meeting	\$20.00
Paid for envelopes and paper	
Paid for Stencils	2.74
Paid for stamps	0.04
Paid to Blair F. W. B. Church	
Paid to Jasper F. W. B. Association	
Total paid out	\$ 73.17
Balance on hand	1.47

Rev. O. Z. Johnson-Moderator Dixie Atkinson-Clerk

#### WOMAN'S AUXILIARY REPORT

The Jasper District Auxiliary Convention met with the New Oak Grove Church, Saturday, April 23, 1960.

The meeting was opened with song led by Rev. William E. Atkinson. Prayer by Rev. Gurley Roberts. Welcome address by Sis. Martha Enis. Response to welcome by Sis. Willie Pugh. Reading clerks were Sis. Willie Pugh and Sis. Autie Franks. Delegates seated as follows: Brilliant-Lucy Stanford, Willie Pugh and Francis Smith; Winfield-Dixie Atkinson, Patsy Lee and Dot Smith; Mt. Olive-Madie Williams, Sara Flippo and Lorene Conner; Free Waters-Mrs. O. Z. Johnson, Willene Phillips, Imogene Pugh and Edgar Pollard.

The president, Sis. A. P. Leonard, appointed the following committees: Appreciation-Martha Enis and Patsy Lee; Nominating-Sara Flippo, Lucy Stanford and Betty Franks; Registration-Marilyn Elliott, Judy Tesney and Barbara Stanford; Finance-Dot Smith, Autie Franks and Annie Lawrence; Resolutions-Willie Pugh, Rosie Silas and Dixie Atkinson.

Special singing by the Cross Children, followed by congregational singing. Playlet- "Let Susie Do It", by Mt. Olive Church.

The following officers were nominated for the coming year: President-Mrs. A. P. Leonard, Vice President-Mrs. William Atkinson, Sec.-Treas.-Mrs. Dot Smith; Youth Chairman-Mrs. Willie Mae Atkinson; Field Worker-Mrs. Willie Pugh. Reports of committees were read and adopted.

The president, Mrs. A. P. Leonard, appointed the following delegates to the State Convention: Patsy Lee, Autie Franks, Willie Pugh, Mrs. O. Z. Johnson, Vina Walden. Prayer by Bro. Hubbard Estes. Songs by Bro. William Atkinson, Benediction by Bro, Freeman.

#### 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.

> Respectfully submitted, Martha Ennis Patsy Lee

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#### 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 not having an auxiliary to organize one.
- 4. We recommend each auxiliary pay \$2.00 per month to Children's Home.
- 5. We recommend a field worker. Mrs. Willie Pugh was appointed.
- 6. We recommend each auxiliary meet with the league and Sunday School Convention at the stated time.
- 7. We recommend each Auxiliary send coupons to the Children's Home.
- 8. We recommend that the youth chairman appoint judges for Declamation contest of next Convention.

Respectfully submitted, Willie Pugh Rosie Silas Dixie Atkinson

#### FINANCE

We, the Finance	Committee submit the following report:	
Balance brought i	forward from last year\$ 11	.20
Fotal Dues		.10
Total	\$ 25	.30
	Respectfully submitted,	
	Autie Franks	

Autic Flanks Annie Lawrence Dot Smith

#### REGISTRATION

We, the Registration Con	nmittee submit the following report
Ministers present	
Deacons present	
Delegates present	
Laymen present	
	Respectfully submitted,
	Judy Tesney
	Barbara Stanford
	Marilyn Elliott

The Declamation Contest was held Saturday night, April 23, 1960. Linda Earnest was declarde winner from the YPA group, and David Sexton was winner of the GTA group.

> Respectfully submitted, Mrs. A. P. Leonard, President Mrs. Billy Ray Smith, Sec.-Treas.

#### SATURDAY MORNING

The morning session began at 9:00 O'clock. After a song and prayer, Bro. James Walden conducted devotion.

There then was roll call of delegates and seats were assigned to them. The roll of ministers was read again for the second time.

Bro. A. L. Warren, Bro. Phillip Gilbert, and Bro. Carlton Lambert were seated as visitors.

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## DECEASED MEMBERS COMMITTEE REPORT

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

Bear Creek-Ida Cook; Brilliant-J. A. Underwood, Ulass Stanford, Clattus Warren; Guin-Marion Dupree; Holly Springs-Susie Belcher, Leoma Lynch; Free Waters-Colombia Franks; Lone Star-W. C. Crocker; Mt. Olive-Agnes Brown; Mt. Pleasant-Walter Reed; New Oak Grove-J. R. Benson, John Benson; Spring Hill-Roxie Henson; Red Bay-T. M. Keeton; Poplar Log-Harrison Gregg Jr.; Shady Grove-Grace Jackson; Union Chapel-L. C. Estes, Marlon Goodwin; Union Hill-John Fredrick, Mrs. Willis Mitchell, Mrs. R. S. Brooks; Winfield-Mary McGuire, Murray Trimm.

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. William Atkinson Foster Holcomb J. M. Scott

This report was accepted and committee was discharged.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

We, your finance committee, having checked all letters find there has been paid in as associational funds and minute funds a total of \$247.87.

Respectfully submitted,

**Richmond** Pollard

W. H. May

W. J. Underwood

This report was accepted and the committee was discharged.

## APPRECIATION COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the appreciation committee, wish to express our thanks to the people of this host church for the wonderful way they have cared for us during this annual session. Because of their hospitality our visits with them have been real enjoyable ones.

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. Garlin Sparks Mrs. Rosie Silas Miss Christine Miles

Report was accepted and committee was discharged.

## GENERAL BOARD REPORT

ITEM NO. I

We accept the resignation of Bro. O. Z. Johnson from Board of Trustees of Children's Home and do hereby recommend Bro. G. C. Lawrence. ITEM NO. II

This Board has considered possibility of ending associational year September 1st instead of October 1st. We make no recommendation concerning this.

ITEM NO. III

We recommend the next session of this association be held with Shady Grove Church.

ITEM NO. IV

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

ITEM NO. V

We further recommend that the clerk be paid \$25.00 for expense.

ITEM NO. VI

We recommend that Bro. Gurley Roberts replace Bro. G. C. Lawrence

on the Credential Committee, and that Bro. B. M. Atkins fill out unexpired term of Bro. A. G. Lacey. We further recommend Bro. G. C. Lawrence as an advisory member.

ITEM NO. VII

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

ITEM NO. VIII

We recommend that the Quarterly Meetings be given to these churches: Union Hill 1st, Brilliant 2nd, Pocahontas 3rd, Gum Springs 4th. ITEM NO. IX

We recommend that the Sunday School, League, and Woman's Auxiliary Convention be given to Winfield Church.

This report was adopted item by item.

William E. Atkinson, Gurley Roberts and O. Z. Johnson were named as delegates to State Line Association.

These three were also named as delegates to the Vernon Association.

Those named as delegates to the State Association were these: Mrs. William Atkinson, Mrs. Dewey Burleson and Mrs. Ruby Dickinson from the association at large. From the churches as follows: BRILLIANT-Mrs. James Pugh; RED BAY-Mrs. Ada Gahagan; SPRING HILL-Mrs. Minnie Bevis; UNION HILL-Billy Kennedy; GUM SPRINGS-Foster Holcomb.

Bro. Thomas Pugh and Bro. A. L. Warren conducted devotional periods.

#### CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

ITEM NO. I

We have examined all letters from the various churches and have found them in order.

ITEM NO. II

We recommend that Bro. Harvey Key be given a letter of recommendation as requested.

ITEM NO. III

We recommend that Bro. William Mitchell be given card of good standing provided he place his letter in a local church at the earliest possible date. ITEM NO. IV

We recommend that Bro. Robert Gahagan be received into our body as an ordained minister and given card of good standing. ITEM NO. V

We recommend that Bro. James Walden, Marion Nairemore and Thomas Pugh be ordained to preach the gospel.

> Respectfully submitted, G. C. Lawrence

B. M. Atkins

**Richard Humphres** 

#### INTERMISSION

After songs by Free Will Baptist Bible College Quartet and prayer, Bro. Kennedy of the College Quartet brought a wonderful message from Jude. An offering of \$62.34 was received for the college.

#### SATURDAY AFTERNOON

After song and prayer Bro. Carlton Lambert, superintendent of the Children's Home, gave report of the Home. An offering of \$82.95 was received for the Home.

The Constitution and Rules of Decorum were read again. A vote was

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taken to determine if these were to be accepted. The vote was unanimous to adopt as read.

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Rev. Clovis Tucker MODERATOR Rev. O. Z. Johnson ASSISTANT MODERATOR ....Rev. William E. Atkinson CLERK Travis Ray Carter ASSISTANT CLERK

Bro. James Walden, Bro. Marion Nairemore, and Bro. Thomas Pugh were ordained to preach the gospel.

An offering of \$28.53 was received and given to Bro. B. M. Atkins, Bro. E. R. Franks, Bro. G. W. Flippo and Bro. R. S. Brooks,

After an old fashion hand shake we adjourned to meet one year hence with Shady Grove Church.

## CHURCHES AND DEACONS

BEAR CREEK-Lon Gunnion, Edd Hill, G. W. Steward, Roland Williams, Henry Grissom

BETHLEHEM-J. H. Estes, C. A. Tidwell, Woodrow Franks.

BRILLIANT-Vester Hawkins, Dewey Burleson, Luther Franks, James Pugh, Sr., Howard Thomas, Earl Smith

CARBON HILL-Joe Hopson, Jim Nichols

CEDRUM GROVE-J. E. Tittle, Angelo Boshell, Carroll Stocks

EDGAR'S CHAPEL-Marshall Raper, J. O. Faulkner, Fletcher Edgar

FREE WATERS-Hubbard Estes, G. E. Pollard, W. M. Wilson

GOOD SPRINGS-M. M. Warren, Leeman Humphres

GUIN-Amos Roberts, Elic Pugh, J. W. Garrison, Willard Banister, Milton

Miles GUM SPRINGS-John H. Moore, Charlie Ashmore, Maxwell Gibbs

HOLLY SPRINGS-J. M. Scott, P. E. Lay, L. T. Burgette

LIBERTY-Austin Pugh, Earlie Dickinson, Grover Smith, Walter Wisham

LONE STAR-Bill Pitts, B. B. Pounders, Claude Russell

MT. JOY-Bill Brown, W. N. Newell, Marshall Godsey

MT. OLIVE-R. M. McNeese, R. L. Johnson, H. L. Franks, A. G. May, H. S. Atkinson, Paul Wilson

MT. PLEASANT-Claude Kimbrell, Willard Westbrooks, Vester Lawrence, Lester Lawrence, Sam Flippo, Byron Myers, F. A. Aldridge

NEW LIBERTY-Dave Smith, Victor Smith, Olen Fowler, J. B. Smith, J. J. Madison, H. L. Burkett, Aaron Whitson

NEW OAK GROVE-Amos Martin, Bob Early, Lonnie McDaniel, Johnny Knight, Audrey Knight

PARRISH-Howard Romine, John Hutto, Henry Thompson, Wallace Watson, Dan Glascow

POCAHONTAS-Curt Griffin, Jim Hunter, W.T. NeSmith, Frank Hines, Elbert Nelson

POPLAR LOG-J. R. Fredrick, W. H. May, B. H. Owens

RED BAY-H. L. Kceton, W. C. Tharp, J. R. Yielding, O. H. Mink

SHADY GROVE-W. F. Freeman, J. T. Mashburn, H. M. Bankston, G. E. Nix,

E. R. McDuffa, Fred Rice, Clyde Freeman, L. A. Abston, Clyde Herring SPRING HILL-Henry Mason, Jim Lawson, Buddy Barton

UNION CHAPEL-Lonzo Goodwin, R.W. Bean

UNION HILL-T. J. Langston, D. C. Kennedy, L. D. Clement, Ester Gunnin, Louis Lacey

WINFIELD-Fletcher South, Garlon Holliman, Billy Ray Smith

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CHURCHES	PASTORS For New Year	Church Membership	Received by Baptism	Received by Letter or Statement	Excluded	Deceased	General Offering	Building and Repair	Paid Foreign Mission	Paid Home Missions	Paid College	Paid Children's Home	Superannuation	Pastors Salary	Evangelistic Work	Association and Minute Funds	Value of Church Property	Value of Church Parsonage
	Joe Fredrick	54	0	0	0	1	\$75,25	0	0	0	0	0	0	333.25	42.00	10.00	1,000	
Bethlehem	O. S. Gardner	60	0	0	0	0	795.56	402.56	0	0	0	0	7.00	201.79	67.68	5.00	4,000	
Brilliant	Jimmie Brown	140	7	3	0	3 2	967.96	880.52	92.75	115.00	0	138.00	15.00	3,120.00	200.00	15.00	25,000	3,000
Carbon Hill	W. A. Roberts	74	0	4	0	0	478.48	88.50	14.00	0	0	100.41	10.00	1,112.22	60.00	10.00	5,000	
Cedrom Grove	John B. Tittle	44	2	3	0	0	\$50.24	0	0	0	0	229.78	0	350.24	90.00	6.00	6,000	
Edgars Chapel	Cliff Kimbrough	39	0	0	0	0	182.50	0	0	0	0	0	0	120.00	37.50	7.00	1,500	
Free Waters	Hobert Gardner	163	2	2	0	1	228,36	81.00	24.00	36.00	0	187.00	36.00	1,106.71	107.00	12.00	6,000	
Good Springs	J. W. Spencer	50	4	1	0	0 1	261.08	0	0	0	0	0	0	140.96	59.62	7.00	3,000	
Guin	Phillip Gilbert	52	0	2	0	1	904.95	733.05	0	0	0	0	0	727.95	66.50	10.00	10,000	
Gum Springs	N. A. Patterson	50	6	0	0	0 1	733.22	0	0	0	17.00	67.77	0	420.64	125.00	8.00	8,000	
Holley Springs	Joe Fredrick	72	3	1	7	2 1	731.56	0	0	0	0	20.00	0	530.47	55.00	10.00	7,500	
Liberty	J. W. Spencer	?	2	1	0	0 5	380.63	3,000.00	0	0	0	0	0	210.00	60.94	6.00	3,000	
Lone Star	Richard Humphries	132	0	0	0	1 (	268.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	218.00	50.00	5.02	2,500	
Mt. Joy	Lester Hood	43	1	3	0	0 0	147.71	0	0	14.60	0	38.15	0	71.96	27.50	6.00	3,000	
Mt. Olive	Gurley Roberts	294	11	0	0	1 8	163.15	425.00	130.00	36.00	24.00	60.00	24.00	1,075.00	95.00	15.00	21,000	
Mt. Pleasant	James Walden	178	3	1	0	1 1	537.21	2,040.19	0	0	0	48.00	0	292.00	84.00	4.00	6,000	
New Liberty	O. Z. Johnson	93	4	3	0	1 1	664.52	40.15	0	0	0	108.00	10.00	490.00	75.00	11.00	6,000	
New Oak Grove	Joe Fredrick	190	0	2	0	2	889.42	1,040.00	0	5.00	0	109.95	0	1,302.90	91.50	10.00	15,000	
Parrish	P. P. Barnes	48	0	0	0	0 :	664.00	81.45	0	0	0	5.00	6.00	214.00	30.00	7.00	2,500	
Pocahontas	Clovis Tucker	127	1	2	0	0 1	414.36	0	0	0	0	68.47	10.00	990.00	50.00	10.00	3,000	
Poplar Log		159	12	2	0	1 1	229.50	0	0	0	0	11.66	0	1,035.18	74.31	12.00	3,500	
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#### CHURCH CLERKS

BEAR CREEK-Maudie Grissom, Route 1, Hackleburg, Ala. BETHLEHEM-Willodean Cagle, Route 1, Brilliant, Ala. BRILLIANT-Charles Mullenix Sr., P. O. Box 4, Brilliant, Ala. CARBON HILL-Mrs. Salma Wilson, Route 2, Carbon Hill, Ala. CEDRUM GROVE-Nellie Mae Jackson, Route 2, Carbon Hill, Ala. EDGAR'S CHAPEL-Mrs. Winoblin Borden, Route 3, Phil Campbell, Ala. FREE WATERS-Brandon Estes, Route 2, Guin, Ala. GOOD SPRINGS-Lorice Humphres, Route 1, Vina, Ala. GUIN-Christine Miles, Box 341, Guin, Ala. GUM SPRINGS-Wyman Holcomb, Route 3, Winfield, Ala. HOLLY SPRINGS-J. M. Scott, Route 1, Hodges, Ala. LIBERTY-Austin Pugh, Box 352, Guin, Ala. LONE STAR-Ruth Gregory, Route 1, Tremont, Miss. MT. JOY-Martha Jones, Route 2, Phil Campbell, Ala. MT. OLIVE-Lowell Franks, Route 2, Guin, Ala. MT. PLEASANT-Lester Lawrence, Box 593, Winfield, Ala. NEW LIBERTY-Ellis Burkett, Route 1, Bankston, Ala. NEW OAK GROVE-J. M. Robbins, Route 1, Nauvoo, Ala. PARRISH-Margie Uptain, Parrish, Ala. POCAHONTAS-Mrs. Joe Hunter, Route 2, Carbon Hill, Ala. POPLAR LOG-B. H. Owens, Route 3, Hamilton, Ala. RED BAY-Oliver H. Mink, Box 335, Red Bay, Ala. SHADY GROVE-E. R. McDuffa, Route 3, Phil Campbell, Ala. SPRING HILL-Ann Burns, Route 3, Nauvoo, Ala. UNION CHAPEL-Annie Warren, Route 1, Guin, Ala. UNION HILL-D. C. Kennedy, Route 2, Hackleburg, Ala. WINFIELD-Billy Ray Smith, Box 355, Winfield, Ala.

#### ROLL OF MINISTERS

Alexander, Will, Brilliant, Ala. Atkins, B. M., Townley, Ala.

Atkinson, William E., P. O. Box 35, Winfield, Ala.

Barnes, P. P., Alden, Ala.

Benson, William J., Route 2, Nauvoo, Ala.

Blackwell, Robert, Route 1, Carbon Hill, Ala.

Brasseal, Luther, Route 4, Winfield, Ala.

Brooks, R. S., Nursing Home, Hamilton, Ala.

Brown, Jimmy, Brilliant, Ala.

Chism, B. C., Tremont, Miss.

Flippo, G. W., Route 2, Guin, Ala.

Fredrick, J. S., Hackleburg, Ala.

Freeman, R. B., Route 5, Booneville, Miss.

Feltman, Max, Route 3, Hamilton, Ala.

Franks, E. R., Route 1, Guin, Ala.

Franks, Dave R., F. W. B. Foreign Mission Bd., Nashville, Tenn.

Fuller, Fred, Tremont, Miss.

Gahagan, Robert, Red Bay, Ala.

Gilbert, Phillip, Florence, Ala.

Godsey, J. A., Route 3, Hamilton, Ala.

Holcomb, Wise, Route 2, Guin, Ala.

Holcomb, Wyman, Route 3, Winfield, Ala.

Hollingshead, Donald, Red Bay, Ala.

Humphres, Richard, Route 1, Vina, Ala.

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James, Wyman, 1008 Scott St. Russellville, Ala. Johnson, O. Z., Route 1, Guin, Ala. Jones, J. O., Route 2, Phil Campbell, Ala. Keeton, P. T., Route 1, Red Bay, Ala. Kinard, Charley, Phil Campbell, Ala. Lacey, A. G., Opelika, Ala. Lawrence, G. C., Sulligent, Ala. McMikin, L. W., Route 5, Russellville, Ala. Nairemore, Marion, Route 1, Bankston, Ala. Odom, C. A., Carbon Hill, Ala. Parker, G. O., Hamilton, Ala. Patterson, N. A., Route 2, Guin, Ala. Pugh, Thomas R., Roberts, Gurley, Route 1, Guin, Ala. Roberts, William A., Route 2, Carbon Hill, Ala. Spencer, J. W., Tremont, Miss. Spencer, R. J., Route 2, Red Bay, Ala. Sullins, Hertis, Hackleburg, Ala. Tucker, Clovis, Winfield, Ala. Thompson, Otho, Route 5, Russellville, Ala. Walden, James, Winfield, Ala.

## FINANCIAL REPORT

Amount on Hand September 30, 1959	\$ 79.63 30.00
Received from Quarterly Meeting	10.00
Received as Assn. and Minute Funds	247.87
	\$ 367.50
Paid Harvey L. Key (Moderator)	15.00
Paid O. Z. Johnson (Asst. Moderator)	5.00
Paid Travis R. Carter (Asst. Clerk)	10.00
Paid William E. Atkinson (Clerk and Expense)	45.00
Paid fees to Ala. State Assn.	54.00
Total	\$ 129.00
Balance on Hand	\$ 238.50

#### 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:

3. We are commanded to do good to all men, especially to those who

<sup>1.</sup> 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.

<sup>2.</sup> 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.

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 circumstance 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 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 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; 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

#### ARTICLE I

This association shall be known as the Jasper Free Will Baptist Association of Alabama, and shall be composed of ordained ministers, deacons, and delegates from different churches forming the same. Each church shall be entitled to three (3) delegates. All ordained ministers and ordained deacons shall be considered standing delegates provided they are members and in good standing with a local church that is part of this association and provided such church is in good standing with this association.

#### ARTICLE II

This body shall be considered an advisory council, having no authority over the internal affairs of any local church unless said church depart from the Articles of Faith and practice of Free Will Baptists. Whenever conditions warrant it, this association shall have power to reprimand or to exclude any local church.

#### ARTICLE III

This association shall have power to deal with Ministers who may become guilty of deviating from Free Will Baptist Doctrine, whose character may become questionable; or who shall in any other way conduct himself so as to bring reproach upon the ministry.

#### ARTICLE IV

All questions of doctrine and all matters pertaining to a local church or to an individual minister or group of ministers shall be decided by a two-thirds vote of the association. All other matters shall require only a majority. Exception: Any church desiring membership in this association must receive unanimous vote of delegated body when in Annual Session. All decisions shall be final.

#### ARTICLE V

#### SECTION 1

The officers of this association shall be a moderator, an assistant moderator, a clerk-treasurer and an assistant clerk-treasurer who shall be chosen by a majority vote at each session.

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#### **SECTION 2**

Other governing organs of this association shall be these: A twelve (12) man General Board, A five (5) man Executive Committee, a three (3) man Credential Committee, and as many other committees as deemed necessary by the moderator.

#### SECTION 3

The General Board shall be composed of those from different churches. These shall be appointed by the moderator with each man serving two (2) years; but with one-half being appointed each year. It shall be the responsibility of this board to formulate all items of general business during the Annual Session of this Association as well as any other responsibility so relegated by the moderator or the body. When this Association is not in session, this board shall have power to act as body; but must make a report to body of such action.

#### SECTION 4

The Executive Committee shall be composed of five (5) men from the General Board and shall be appointed by the Moderator. This committee shall function as or instead of the General Board when directed to do so by the General Board, the Associational Body, or the Moderator.

#### SECTION 5

Each man on the Credential Committee shall serve three (3) years. The senior member in point of service shall be replaced each year by the General Board. It shall be the responsibility of this committee to examine all letters to this Associational Body from churches, ministers, and other associations. They shall also examine all ministers who become a part of this body either by ordination or by letter. Any item of business pertaining to ministers or conduct of ministers shall originate with this committee. Any item of business handled by this committee may be referred to the General Board or to the Associational Body.

#### **SECTION 6**

The Moderator of this association shall be regarded as an ex-official member of all boards and committees.

## ARTICLE VI

#### SECTION 1

This Association shall meet annually on Friday before the first Sunday in October at a place determined at the previous session, and shall adjourn finally until all business is transacted.

#### **SECTION 2**

There shall also be as many Quarterly Meetings as shall be deemed necessary during each year.

#### **SECTION 3**

The officers of the Quarterly Meeting shall be a Moderator, an Assistant Moderator, a Clerk-Treasurer, and an Assistant Clerk-Treasurer. They shall be elected each year.

#### ARTICLE VII

Churches wishing to become a member of this Association must adopt its Articles of Faith, conform to its usages, and make formal request.

#### ARTICLE VIII

Each church of this Association shall be urged to promote and support

all State and National Projects of the Denomination.

Each local church shall have power to select and ordain all deacons who serve in such church. The ordaining council shall be composed of two (2) ministers, or of one minister and two (2) deacons.

#### ARTICLE IX

#### ARTICLE X

Any man who becomes convinced that the Lord has called him to preach the gospel shall be licensed by church of which he is a member. After he has been licensed for a period of time and has proved his worth, the local church shall then make request to this Association that he be ordained. This local church, of which he is a member, and which licensed him, must be able to show proof of his worthiness as to his ability, sincerity, and desire. If after he has been examined by the responsible ones of this body, he then be found worthy; he shall be ordained by this Associational Body. All ordinations for the ministry must be done at the Annual Session.

#### ARTICLE XI

No church shall have the right to accept as members those who have not been baptized by an ordained minister.

#### ARTICLE XII

#### SECTION 1

Any church placed on probation by this Association shall represent to Quarterly Meetings and to the Annual Session by letter and fees; but no delegates, standing or otherwise, of such church shall have the right to vote in either Quarterly Meetings or the Annual Session as long as such church is on probation. Exception: Any minister who is a member of such church but in good standing with this Association and pastoring another church shall not be so penalized.

#### SECTION 2

No minister having been put on probation by this Association shall have the right to vote in either Quarterly Meetings or the Annual Session.

### ARTICLE XIII

This Constitution and Rules of Decorum may be amended at any Annual Session of this Association by a two-thirds majority vote of delegates present; provided proposed amendment is read one day, placed on the table, and then is voted on the second day.

#### RULES OF DECORUM

I. This Association shall be called to order and presided over by officers elected at the last session.

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

3. The names of delegates shall be noted and referred to as often as necessary.

4. 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 subject after others have spoken, provided someone else serves as Moderator while he speaks.

5. 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.

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

7. No person will be allowed to speak more than twice on the same subject without permission from the Association-nor more than fifteen minutes at a time.

8. No person shall laugh or talk while discussion is going on.

9. No delegate shall absent himself from the Association without leave of Moderator.

10. Any minister absent from the Annual Session of this Association for two years in succession without legal excuse shall be dropped from roll of ministers.



#### 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 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