

MINUTES
Of The
SEVENTY FIFTH ANNUAL
SESSION
Of The
JASPER FREE WILL BAPTIST
ASSOCIATION



Held With Shady Grove Church
September 29 and 30, 1961



Officers:

REV. CLOVIS TUCKERModerator

REV. WILLIAM ATKINSONClerk



The Next Session Of This Association Will Convene With
NEW OAK GROVE CHURCH, NAUVOO, ALABAMA
On Friday Before The First Sunday In
October, 1962

Rev. N. A. Patterson to Preach the Introductory Sermon



FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE

Presented by

Rev. Bill Atkinson

JASPER FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Rev. Clovis Tucker—Moderator Winfield, Alabama
Rev. William E. Atkinson—Clerk P. O. Box 35, Winfield, Ala.

GENERAL BOARD

1. Dewey Burleson (Chm.)	1963	Brilliant, Ala.
2. Herbert S. Atkinson	1962	Route 2, Guin, Ala.
3. Wise Holcomb	1963	Route 2, Guin, Ala.
4. L. D. Clement	1962	Route 2, Hackleburg, Ala.
5. Travis R. Carter	1963	Winfield, Ala.
6. Amos Martin	1962	Nauvoo, Ala.
7. W. L. Franks	1963	Brilliant, Ala.
8. James Walden	1962	Winfield, Ala.
9. E. R. McDuffa	1963	Route 3, Phil Campbell, Ala.
10. J. E. Tittle	1962	Route 2, Carbon Hill, Ala.
11. Jim Hunter	1963	Carbon Hill, Ala.
12. O. Z. Johnson	1962	Route 1, Guin, Ala.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. Dewey Burleson (Chm.)	Brilliant, Ala.
2. Travis R. Carter	Winfield, Ala.
3. Amos Martin	Nauvoo, Ala.
4. James Walden	Winfield, Ala.
5. Jim Hunter	Carbon Hill, Ala.

PROCEEDINGS

Proceedings of the 75th Annual Session of the Jasper Free Will Baptist Association held with Shady Grove Church September 29-30, 1961.

FRIDAY MORNING

Services began at 9:30 with a song, a prayer, and devotion by Bro. Hertis Sullins. Bro. G. O. Parker gave welcome address.

Bro. R. P. Ritch and Bro. James Walden were named reading clerks. A partial report was given by the Credential Committee. Letters from twenty churches were read and delegates seated.

The moderator retained all members of General Board. He named Bro. James Walden to fill out his unexpired term on General Board and Executive Committee.

INTERMISSION

Singing was directed by Bro. Henry Cagle. Prayer was by Bro. A. L. Warren.

Visiting brethren seated with us were these: Wilburn Beasley, N.E. Miss. Assn.; A. L. Warren, Vernon Assn.; R. P. Ritch, Vernon Assn.; Wayne Yarbrough, N.E. Miss. Assn.; Orbie Pearce, Bear Creek Assn.; Booker Tise, Miss. State Line Assn.

Bro. Clovis Tucker brought timely message from Isaiah 1. A mission offering of \$43.52 was received.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Singing was directed by Bro. R. P. Ritch. Devotion was rendered by Bro. A. G. Lacy.

Letters from six more churches were read and delegates seated.

The moderator appointed these committees:

APPRECIATION COMMITTEE

Lela Crowe
Martha Franks
Vina Walden

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Donald Hollingshead
W. H. May
N. A. Patterson

DECEASED MEMBERS COMMITTEE

P. P. Barnes
Wyman Holcomb
J. W. Garrison

The Quarterly Meeting report was read by your clerk.

Mrs. Billy Ray Smith gave Woman's Auxiliary report.

Each of these was accepted.

The General Board was excused for a regular meeting.

Visiting ministers were given opportunity to speak briefly. These spoke: A. L. Warren, Wilburn Beasley, Wayne Yarbrough, Orbie Pearce, R. P. Ritch.

After this, Bro. Milton Gann brought the afternoon message.

FRIDAY NIGHT

Devotion was offered by Bro. J. O. Jones. Bro. Donald Hollingshead brought the evening message, after which a large number took part in communion and feet washing.

CHURCHES AND DELEGATES

1. Bear Creek— Elmer Steward, Nellie Gunnion, Marie Williams
2. Bethlehem— Henry Cagle, Daisy Cagle, Felix Crowe
3. Brilliant— Charles Mullenix Sr., W. L. Franks, Cliff Franklin
4. Carbon Hill— L. O'Shea, N. N. Jones, Mrs. Robert Blackwell
5. Cedrom Grove— Helen Tittle, Helen Boshell, Inez Atkins
6. Edgar Chapel— Carolyn Steward, J. J. Edgar, Elmer Lee Steward
7. Free Waters— Lela Crowe, Artis Pugh, James Phillips
8. Good Springs— Millie Humphres, Cleve Humphres, Ophelia Warren
9. Guin— Cora Garrison, Lily Bell Roberts, Mable Palmer
10. Gum Springs— Velma Moore, Verla Sexton, Lolla Gay Prescott
11. Holly Springs— Venida Tarwater, Lena Burgette, Cecile Scott
12. Liberty— Lillian Dickerson, Annie Norris, Anner Lolly
13. Lone Star— Arlin Bostick, Buna Bostick, Marcel Hardin
14. Mt. Joy— Huston Raburn, Louise Brown, Barbara Kinard
15. Mt. Olive— Rosie Silas, Mirtie Atkinson, Mintie Evans
16. Mt. Pleasant— Bro. Vaughn, Sis. Vaughn, Annie Lawrence
17. New Liberty— Millard Selman, Mammie Selman, Ellis Burkett
18. New Oak Grove— J. M. Robins, William Noles, Bill Montgomery
19. Parrish— Homer Goodwin, Gladys Goodwin, Gertrude Thompson
20. Pleasant Hill— Flora Tice, Betty Sue Gardner, Vienna Rayburn
21. Pocahontas— Dora Roberts, Mary Sue Cheatwood, Leonia Rubley
22. Poplar Log— J. H. Sullins, Orbie Cook, Olen Lee
23. Red Bay— Mrs. Willard Purser, Lenora Garrett, Mrs. Robert Gahagan
24. Shady Grove— James Clark, B. F. Jeffreys, L. R. Pounders
25. Spring Hill— No Delegates
26. Union Chapel— Gus Eads, Ada Eads, Mrs. R. W. Bean
27. Union Hill— Freeman Cochran, Icy Gunnin, Jewell Tharp
28. Winfield— V. C. May, Olen Gann, Odessa Mays

QUARTERLY MEETING REPORT

The quarterly meeting of the Jasper Free Will Baptist Assn. held four meetings during the Associational year 1960-61. They were held with Union Hill Church October 29, Brilliant Church January 28, Pocahontas Church April 29, and Gum Springs Church July 29.

An average of 17 ministers and 9 deacons attended.

16 churches represented at all four meetings. They were:

Union Hill	Mt. Pleasant
Cedrom Grove	Pocahontas
Carbon Hill	Union Chapel
Free Waters	New Oak Grove
Holly Springs	Gum Springs
Mt. Olive	Guin
Brilliant	Winfield
New Liberty	Red Bay

Two churches represented at three meetings:
Parrish and Spring Hill

Bethlehem, Liberty and Bear Creek represented at two meetings.

Edgars Chapel, Lone Star and Poplar Log did not represent.

Ten Ministers attended all four meetings:

O. Z. Johnson	Jimmie Brown
P. P. Barnes	R. J. Gahagan
Philip Gilbert	Clovis Tucker
William E. Atkinson	Donald Hollingshead
Richard Humphries	B. M. Atkins

Gurley Roberts and Wyman Holcomb attended 3 meetings.

Those attending 2 meetings were:

N. A. Patterson	W. M. Narrimore
R. T. Blackwell	Wise Holcomb
J. S. Frederick	C. A. Odom

Ministers attending 1 meeting:

Wyman James	Fred Fuller
Hertis Sullins	E. R. Franks
J. O. Jones	A. G. Lacy
	James Walden

17 Ministers did not attend any meetings:

Visiting Ministers attending were:

Hobert Gardner	Louie Bates
Wilburn Beasley	A. J. Lambert
J. H. Burgess	Eustice Riggs
Luther Gibson	R. W. Rich

QUARTERLY MEETING FINANCIAL REPORT

Amount on hand	\$ 1.47
Received during year as fees	79.00
Total	\$ 80.47
Clerk's Salary—Dixie Atkinson (4 x \$5.00)	\$ 20.00
Program Expense and Postage for year	18.67
Given to Jasper Association (9-28-61)	35.00
Total	\$ 73.63
Balance on hand	\$ 6.80

LADIES AUXILIARY REPORT

The Jasper District Auxiliary convened with the Winfield Free Will Baptist Church, Saturday, April 22, 1961. The meeting was opened with a song, followed by prayer by Rev. William Atkinson.

Welcome Address by Mrs. Julia Perry. Response to welcome by Mrs. Lorene Conner.

Letters were read from the following churches:

Mt. Pleasant Church: Sis. Maggie Huguley, Sis. Ida Aldridge, Sis. Annie Lawrence.

Brilliant: Sis. Lucy Stanford, Sis. Lee Franks, Sis. Jimmy Brown.

Guin: Sis. Ruby Dickenson, Sis. Christine Miles, Sis. Beatrice Franks.

Winfield: Sis. Dixie Atkinson, Sis. Julia Perry, Sis. Dot Smith, Sis. Jessie Kilgore.

Mt. Olive: Sis. Louise Wilson, Sis. Mirtie Atkinson, Sis. Lorene Conner.

Red Bay: No Delegates.

Free Waters: Sis. Imogene Pugh, Sis. Gail Pollard, Sis. Ruby Sue Pollard, Judi Pugh as alternate.

Delegates were seated.

Appointing of committees by Sis. Dixie Atkinson:

Resolutions: Sis. Ida Aldridge, Sis. Louise Wilson, Sis. Beatrice Franks; Nominating: Sis. Imogene Pugh, Sis. Jimmie Brown, Sis. Ruby Dickenson; Appreciation: Sis. Lorene Conner, Sis. W. L. Franks, Sis. Ruby Sue Pollard; Finance: Sis. Julia Perry, Sis. Mirtie Atkinson, Sis. Pollard; Registration: Sis. Christine Miles and Linda South.

Program: "What Being An Auxiliary Member means to me" by Sis. Annie Lawrence. "What Being a Y.P.A. Member means to me" by Barbara Stanford. "What Being a G.T.A. Member means to me" by Sylvia Carter.

Sis. Dixie Atkinson named Delegates to State Convention as follows: Sis. Annie Lawrence, Sis. Julia Perry, Sis. Lorene Conner, Sis. Lucy Stanford, Sis. Beatrice Franks, Sis. Imogene Pugh.

Installation of officers by Sis. Dixie Atkinson.

Morning Message by Rev. Jimmy Brown.

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 the delegated body. For the splendid food they have at the lunch hour, and the christian spirit that has been shown during the day.

Respectfully submitted,
Lorene Conner
Mrs. W. L. Franks
Ruby Sue Pollard

NOMINATING

We, the Nominating Committee, recommend the following officers, President—Mrs. William Atkinson; Vice President—Mrs. James Walden; Secretary Treasurer—Mrs. Dot Smith; Youth Chairman—Mrs. Edgar Atkinson; Study Course Chairman—Mrs. A. P. Leonard; Program, Prayer Chairman—Mrs. Richmond Pollard; Personal Service Chairman—Mrs. G. C. Lawrence.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Artis Pugh
Mrs. Jimmie Brown
Mrs. Ruby Dickinson

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.
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 \$2.00 each month to the Children's Home.
7. We recommend that each auxiliary continue to send in coupons to the Children's Home.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Ida Lee Aldridge
Mrs. Louise Wilson
Mrs. Beatrice Franks

FINANCE

We, the Finance Committee submit the following report:

Balance brought forward from last year	\$ 5.90
Total Dues collected	26.40
Total	\$32.30

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Julia Perry
Mrs. Mirtie Atkinson
Gail Pollard

REGISTRATION

We, the Registration Committee submit the following report:

Ministers present	5
Delegates present	20
Laymen present	38
Deacons present	1

Respectfully submitted,
Sis. Christine Miles
Sis. Linda South

The Declamation Contest was held Saturday night, April 22, 1961. Virginia Ann Sexton was declared winner from the YPA group and Jane Hughes was winner of the GTA group.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. William Atkinson, Pres.
Mrs. Billy Ray Smith, Sec.-Treas.

SATURDAY MORNING

The morning session began at 9:00 o'clock. Singing was directed by Bro. W. L. Franks. Devotion was given by Bro. Otho Thompson. There was a roll call of delegates and seats were assigned them. The roll of ministers was read again. At this time the letter from Spring Hill Church was read. No delegates were present.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

We, your finance committee, after having checked all letters find that a sum of \$255.07 has been paid in as association and minute funds.

Respectfully submitted,
Donald Hollingshead
W. H. May
N. A. Patterson

This report was accepted and committee was discharged.

APPRECIATION COMMITTEE REPORT

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to this host church for making our visit with them so pleasant.

Respectfully submitted,
Lela Crowe
Marha Franks
Vina Walden

This report was accepted by unanimous vote of approval by entire body standing. The committee was discharged.

DECEASED MEMBERS COMMITTEE REPORT

We wish to report that death has taken from our number the following:

Edgar's Chapel — Norvella Borden; Gum Springs — Lee Williams, Rufus Butler, W. C. Sexton; Holly Springs — Vela Rae Davis, Dicie Haithcock; Lone Star — Rance Mauldin; Mt. Joy — Lythle Fredrick; New Oak Grove — Levi Benson, Sissie Martin, Joe Noles; Mt. Olive — Hester Underwood, L. N. Elliot; Poplar Log — Tilda Kennedy, Etter Cummings, C. R. Britnell; Pocahontas — Queen Nesmith, Gilbert Boshell, Jess Manasco; Red Bay — Savannah Gaddis, Robert P. Keeton; Shady Grove — E. F. Stone, Julie Whitehead, R. W. Murray, Rhoda Britton; Union Chapel — Martha Bell Warren; Union Hill — W. B.

Yeilding, T. J. Langston, L. D. Fredrick; Winfield — Riley Baccus.

Respectfully submitted,

P. P. Barnes

J. W. Garrison

Wyman Holcomb

This report was accepted and the committee was discharged.

GENERAL BOARD REPORT

ITEM NO. I

We recommend that Pleasant Hill Church be accepted into our body.

ITEM NO. II

We recommend that the body decide where next session of this association will be held.

ITEM NO. III

We recommend that the Quarterly Meetings for next year be given to these churches; Holly Springs 1st; New Oak Grove 2nd; Union Hill 3rd; Red Bay 4th.

ITEM NO. IV

We recommend that Bro. Hertis Sullins replace Bro. B. M. Atkins on Credential Committee, and that Bro. Atkins serve as advisory member.

ITEM NO. V

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

ITEM NO. VI

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

ITEM NO. VII

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

ITEM NO. VIII

We recommend that we receive a love offering in each annual session of this association for our aged ministers. **Amendment Added;** Each church is urged to bring special offering for this to each annual session.

ITEM NO. IX

We recommend that each church of this body contribute to Fayette Church to help that church entertain the State Association.

ITEM NO. X

We urge each church, who employs a full-time pastor, to call such pastor at a date early enough to allow him to get moved before the opening of school.

This report was adopted item by item. By vote of body New Oak Grove was given next session of this association.

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

ITEM NO. I

We have examined all church letters and have found them to be in good order.

ITEM NO. II

We recommend that Bro. A. G. Lacey be recieved back into our body and be given card of good standing.

ITEM NO. III

We recommend that Bro. Booker Tice be received into our body as an ordained minister in good standing.

This report was adopted item by item and at different times of the session.

The moderator was given power to name delegates to the State Association. He later requested each local pastor to furnish the clerk with name of delegate from each church.

William Atkinson, J. S. Fredrick and A. G. Lacey were named delegates to Vernon Association.

G. C. Lawrence, N. A. Patterson, A. G. Lacey were named delegates to the State Line Association.

Those visiting brethren seated with us were these; Charles Thigpen, Cumberland Assn.; K. V. Shutes, Vernon Assn.; Eustace Riggs, Mt. Zion Assn.; and Carlton Lambert, Progressive Assn.

INTERMISSION

Singing was directed by Bro. W. L. Franks. A wonderful message was brought by Bro. Charles Thigpen. An offering of \$45.23 was received for Free Will Baptist Bible College.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

After song and prayer, Bro. Carlton Lambert gave report of Children's Home. Some children of the Home were present who sang and did a reading. An offering of \$74.29 was received for the Children's Home.

A letter from Pleasant Hill Church was read and contents noted. No delegates were present.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

MODERATOR	Rev. N. A. Patterson
ASST. MODERATOR	Rev. O. Z. Johnson
CLERK	Rev. William E. Atkinson
ASST. CLERK	Travis Ray Carter

We received an offering the sum of \$42.69 for the aged ministers of our association. This offering was given to Bro. B. M. Atkins, Bro. G. W. Flippo, Bro. E. R. Franks, and Bro. R. S. Brooks.

After an old fashioned hand shake, we adjourned to meet one year hence with New Oak Grove Church.

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, Howard Thomas, Earl Smith

CARBON HILL — Joe Hopson, Jim Nichols

CEDROM GROVE — J. E. Tittle, Angelo Boshell, Carroll Stocks

EDGAR'S CHAPEL — Marshall Raper, F. T. Edgar, J. D. Faulkner

FREE WATERS — W. M. Wilson, G. E. Pollard

GOOD SPRINGS — W. M. Warren, Leeman Humphres

GUIN — Amos Roberts, J. W. Garrison, Elic Pugh, Willard Bannister, Milton Miles, Hubbard Estes

GUM SPRINGS — J. H. Moore, Maxwell Gibbs, Charlie Ashmore

CHURCHES	PASTORS For New Year	No. Members	Received by Baptism	By Letter or Statement	Excluded	Deceased	Dismissed by Letter	Building and Repair	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	FWB College	Children's Home	Superannuation	Pastor's Salary	Paid Evangelists	Assn. and Minute Funds	Value of Church Property	Value of Pastorium
Bear Creek	J. S. Fredrick	57	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	276.54	55.00	8.00	1,000	
Bethlehem	Wise Holcomb	60	0	0	0	0	2	151.95	5.00	5.00	0	0	0	212.16	50.00	5.00	4,000	
Brilliant	Orbie Pearce	183	3	9	0	0	9	829.18	110.50	57.48	12.00	63.80	12.64	3120.00	150.00	15.00	25,000	3,000
Carbon Hill	N. A. Patterson	144	2	2	0	0	0	282.50	0	0	0	59.74	0	646.35	68.00	8.00	5,000	
Cedrom Grove	John B. Tittle	40	4	1	0	0	0	500.00	0	0	0	12.50	0	225.00	80.00	5.00	6,500	
Edgar's Chapel	Otho Thompson	41	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	55.04	0	5.50	2,500	
Free Waters	James Walden	163	3	1	0	0	5	0	24.00	36.00	0	101.00	36.00	1101.58	100.00	12.00	6,000	
Good Springs	W. M. Briley	52	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	118.00	54.00	7.00	3,000	
Guin	Phillip Gilbert	62	9	9	0	0	3	753.74	18.00	5.78	21.00	23.28	0	1265.00	165.00	10.00	10,000	
Gum Springs	R. W. Ritch	65	1	2	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	25.00	0	620.00	85.00	8.00	8,000	
Holly Springs	J. S. Fredrick	69	0	0	0	2	1	27.29	10.00	0	0	40.00	0	612.60	66.50	10.00	7,500	
Liberty	J. W. Spencer		1	3	0	0	3	211.60	0	0	0	0	0	213.00	53.32	6.00	3,000	
Lone Star	Richard Humphres	133	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	186.65	40.00	5.10	1,500	
Mt. Joy	J. O. Jones	42	0	0	0	1	0	0	10.00	6.00	0	45.98	4.60	157.00	0	7.00	3,000	
Mt. Olive	Billy Ray Smith	289	1	0	0	2	2	78.03	173.00	36.00	24.00	60.00	24.00	1143.61	118.50	15.00	21,000	
Mt. Pleasant	James Walden	196	8	7	0	0	7	1604.63	36.00	24.00	0	60.00	0	544.70	75.00	6.00	12,000	
New Liberty	O. Z. Johnson	94	1	1	0	0	3	21.00	17.00	12.00	0	82.43	0	815.00	75.00	11.00	5,000	
New Oak Grove	Eustace Riggs	120	19	0	0	3	0	800.00	0	0	0	95.43	0	1163.39	200.00	10.00	15,000	
Parrish	Robert Blackwell	30	1	3	0	0	0	5.41	0	0	0	20.00	0	169.97	56.00	3.00	3,000	
Pleasant Hill	William Mitchell	81	0	0	0	0	1		0	0	0	0	0	50.00	0	8.00	2,000	
Pocahontas	Clovis Tucker	129	3	2	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	67.09	0	1042.17	70.00	10.00	3,500	
Poplar Log	C. C. Kimbrough	162	5	1	0	3	2	0	0	0	0	119.03	0	1002.93	65.00	12.37	3,500	
Red Bay	Donald Hollingshead	190	2	7	0	2	3	60.00	48.00	0	114.00	60.00	0	3120.00	155.00	10.00	20,000	10,000
Shady Grove	Herdis Sullins	261	2	4	0	4	0	1166.75	0	0	10.00	0	0	592.59	134.24	12.00	6,500	
Spring Hill	W. D. Glasgow	53	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10.00	0	173.59	30.00	5.00	2,000	
Union Chapel	Richard Humphres	48	0	0	0	1	0	20.00	0	0	0	0	0	203.37	25.00	11.00	3,000	
Union Hill	A. G. Lacey		0	1	0	3	2	0	0	0	0	99.99	0	435.00	85.00	10.00	15,000	
Winfield	William E. Atkinson	230	5	7	0	1	14	71.76	353.10	107.22	264.81	345.00	97.16	3900.00	370.00	14.00	25,000	10,000

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, F. A. Aldridge, Ray Weeks, Junior Aldridge, Paul Tidwell
 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, Johnny Knight, Audrey Knight, Lonnie McDaniel
 PARRISH — Howard Romine, John Hutto, Henry Thompson, Wallace Watson
 PLEASANT HILL — Larkin Townley, R. C. Burleson, Lester Raburn
 POCAHONTAS — Curt Griffin, Jim Hunter, W. T. NeSmith, Frank Hines, Elbert Nelson
 POPLAR LOG — J. R. Fredrick, W. H. May, B. H. Owen
 RED BAY — H. L. Keeton, C. W. Tharp, J. R. Yielding, O. H. Mink, Ross White, Willard Purser, Raymond Creekmore
 SHADY GROVE — W. F. Freeman, J. T. Mashburn, H. M. Bankston, G. E. Nix, E. R. McDuffa, Fred Rice, Clyde Freeman, L. A. Alston
 SPRING HILL — Henry Mason, Jim Lawson, Buddy Barton
 UNION CHAPEL — Lonzo Goodwin, R. W. Bean
 UNION HILL — D. C. Kennedy, L. D. Clement, Ester Gunnin, Louis Lacey, Loya Anglin
 WINFIELD — Fletcher South, Garlon Holliman, Billy Ray Smith

ROLL OF MINISTERS

Atkins, B. M., Townley, Ala.
 Atkinson, William E., P. O. Box 35, Winfield, Ala.
 Barnes, P. P., Alden, Ala.
 Blackwell, Robert, Route 1, Carbon Hill, Ala.
 Brooks, R. S., Nursing Home, Hamilton, Ala.
 Brown, Jimmy, Townley, Ala.
 Flippo, G. W., Route 2, Guin, Ala.
 Frederick, J. S., Hackleburg, Ala.
 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.

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., Hackleburg, Ala.
 Lawrence, G. C., Sulligent, Ala.
 Mitchell, William, Route 2, Hackleburg, 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., 218 23rd Ave., Birmingham, Ala.
 Roberts, Gurley, Route 1, Guin, Ala.
 Roberts, William A., Route 2, Carbon Hill, Ala.
 Spencer, J. W., Route 1, Vina, Ala.
 Sullins, Hertis, Hackleburg, Ala.
 Tucker, Clovis, Winfield, Ala.
 Tice, Booker, Route 2, Hackleburg, Ala.
 Thompson, Otho, Route 5, Russellville, Ala.
 Walden, James, Winfield, Ala.

CHURCH CLERKS

BEAR CREEK — Maudie Grissom, Route 1, Hackleburg, Ala.
 BETHLEHEM — Willodean Cagle, Route 1, Brilliant, Ala.
 BRILLIANT — Jessie Stricklin, Brilliant, Ala.
 CARBON HILL — Mrs. Salma Wilson, Route 2, Carbon Hill, Ala.
 CEDROM GROVE — Nellie Mae Jackson, Route 2, Carbon Hill, Ala.
 EDGAR'S CHAPEL — Winofline 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, Route 1, 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 — Buna Bostick, Tremont, Miss.
 MT. JOY — Martha Jones, Route 2, Phil Campbell, Ala.
 Mt. Olive — Clark Flippo, Route 1, Guin, Ala.
 MT. PLEASANT — Lester Lawrence, Box 593, Winfield, Ala.
 NEW LIBERTY — Arthur Smith, Route 1, Bankston, Ala.
 NEW OAK GROVE — J. M. Robbins, Route 1, Nauvoo, Ala.
 PARRISH — Margie Uptain, Parrish, Ala.
 PLEASANT HILL — Betty Sue Gardner, Route 2, Hackleburg, Ala.
 POCAHONTAS — Mrs. Joe Hunter, Route 2, Carbon Hill, Ala.
 POPLAR LOG — B. H. Owen, 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 — Willie Mae Williams, Brilliant, Ala.
 UNION HILL — D. C. Kennedy, Hackleburg, Ala.
 WINFIELD — James R. Gilreath, Box 214, Winfield, Ala.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Amount on hand September 29, 1961	\$ 97.24
Received from Quarterly Meeting	35.00
Received from Woman's Auxiliary	10.00
Received as Assn. and Minute funds	225.07
Total	\$397.31
Paid Clovis Tucker (Moderator)	\$ 15.00
Paid O. Z. Johnson (Asst. Moderator)	5.00
Paid William E. Atkinson (Salary and expense)	45.00
Paid Travis R. Carter (Asst. Clerk)	10.00
Paid fees to Ala. State Assn. (28 x \$2.00)	56.00
Total	\$131.00
Balance on hand	\$266.31

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 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.

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 reprove 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.

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.

ARTICLE IX

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 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

1. 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 of adjournment, We _____.

Rev. _____, Moderator

Bro. _____, Clerk

FORM OF LETTER OF DISMISSION

STATE OF ALABAMA.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

We, the Free 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