

MINUTES
Of The
SEVENTY-NINTH ANNUAL
SESSION
Of The
JASPER FREE WILL BAPTIST
ASSOCIATION

Held With Shady Grove Church
October 1 and 2, 1965



Officers:

REV. WISE HOLCOMB MODERATOR
BRANDON ESTES CLERK

The Next Session of this Association will meet with
UNION HILL CHURCH, HACKLEBURG, ALABAMA
Rev. O. Z. Johnson to Preach the Introductory Sermon
On Friday Before The First Sunday In
October, 1966



FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE

Presented by

Rev. Wilburn Beasley

JASPER FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Rev. Wise Holcomb, Moderator Guin, Alabama
Brandon Estes, Clerk Guin, Alabama, Rt. 2

GENERAL BOARD

1. Dewey Burleson	1967	Brilliant, Alabama
2. Richmond Pollard	1966	Route 2, Guin, Alabama
3. Herman Baker	1967	Red Bay, Alabama
4. L. D. Clement	1966	Route 2, Hackleburg, Ala.
5. H. E. Fields	1967	Winfield, Alabama
6. Amos Martin	1966	Nauvoo, Alabama
7. W. L. Franks	1967	Brilliant, Alabama
8. Junior Aldridge	1966	Brilliant, Alabama
9. E. R. McDuffa	1967	Rt. 3, Phil Campbell, Ala.
10. J. E. Tittle	1966	Rt. 2, Carbon Hill, Ala.
11. E. P. Cheatwood	1967	Carbon Hill, Alabama
12. Clovis Tucker	1966	Winfield, Alabama

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. Dewey Burleson	Brilliant, Alabama
2. J. E. Tittle	Carbon Hill, Alabama
3. Amos Martin	Nauvoo, Alabama
4. Junior Aldridge	Brilliant, Alabama
5. Clovis Tucker	Winfield, Alabama

PROCEEDINGS

Proceedings of the 79th annual session of the Jasper Free Will Baptist Association held with Shady Grove Church Oct. 1 and 2, 1965.

FRIDAY MORNING

Services began at 9:30 A.M.

Devotion by Otto Thompson

Welcome address Mrs. Ora Graves

Response by Amos Martin.

The Moderator appointed Bro. Billy Ray Smith and Bro. Robert Franks as reading clerks.

Letters from the various churches read and contents noted.

CHURCHES AND DELEGATES

Bear Creek: Estell Scott, Clarence Engle, Lonny Jackson.

Bethlehem: Henry Cagle, Willodean Cagle, Felix Crow.

Brilliant: Vester Shirley, Charley Mullinex, Sis. Mable Pierce.

Carbon Hill: N. N. Jones, Andrew Pickens, Sis. Inez O'Shea.

Cedrum Grove: Sis. Helen Tittle, Helen Boshell, Nellie Mae Jackson.

Edgar's Chapel: Sis. Elizabeth Edgar, Delise Faulkner, Bro. Robert Adams.

Free Waters: Richmond Pollard, Sis. Leslie Holcomb, Thomas Crow.

Good Springs: Sis. Jewel Humphries, Lucille Humphries, Sis. M. M. Warren.

Guin: Sis. Amos Roberts, Sis. Hubbard Estes, Sis. E. R. Franks.

Gum Springs: Foster Holcomb, Joe Holcomb, Hattie Holcomb.

Hopewell: Etta Calloway.

Holly Springs: Sis. Nellie Lay, Audeen Baldwin, Cecil Scott.

Liberty: Sis. Dollie Robertson, Annie Norris, Marguette Bozemon.

Lone Star: Sis. Suenell Barrett, Marcelle Hardin.

Mt. Olive: Sis. Mirtie Atkinson, Madie May, Mintie Evans.

Mt. Pleasant: Jessie Vaughn, Sis. Annie Lawrence, Sis. Maggie Hugley.

Mt. Joy: Rep. by letter.

New Liberty: Genise Fowler, Juanita Fowler, Rosie Smith.

New Oak Grove: Carl Hill, Sis. Daisy Hill, Bill Montgomery.

Parish: Margie Upton, Gerture Thompson

Pleasant Hill: Sis. Jennie Bell Burleson.

Pocahontas: Sis. Alice Barnes, Sis. Martha Yown, Sis. Joy Pike.

Poplar Log: Sis. Markham, Hugh Holland.

Red Bay: Sis. Agnes White, Barbara Baker, Sis. Oliver Mink.

Shady Grove: Ledger Cooper, O. V. Nix, Hoyett Walker.

Spring Hill: by letter.

Union Chapel: Hester Goodwin, Willie Mae Williams, Tommy Williams.

Union Hill: Lucille Anglin, Icy Gunion, Freeman Cochran.

Winfield: Olen Gann, Floy Franks, Chestine Franks.

Call for petitionary letters received one from Hopewell Church.

Partial report of Credentials Committee received and adopted.

Partial report of Credentials Committee.

We find the church letters in order, we recommend that Hopewell be received.

We recommend that article I of the Constitution be amended to read as following.

This Association shall be known as the Jasper Free Will Baptist Association of Alabama and shall be composed of ordained ministers, deacons, delegates and members of the General Board.

J. O. Jones, Clerk

Report received and adopted.

The mod. appointed Henry Cagle in Clovis Tucker's place for Friday.

FRIDAY 11:00 A.M. SERVICE

Moderators message of Bro. Wise Holcomb. Text Behold How Good and Pleasant it is for Brethren to dwell together in Unity.

Offering of \$48.51 divided equally between Foreign and Home Mission. Home Mission earmarked for E. B. Ledlow.

We dismissed one hour for refreshments.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Devotion by Bro. G. C. Lawrence.

1. Moved and Seconded that the examining committee be discharged.

2. Report of Womens Auxiliary.

3. Report of quarterly meetings.

4. Appointment of Committee.

1. Appreciation

Sis. Orbie Pierce, Sis. Lucille Estes, Sis. Icy Gunion.

2. Obituary Committee.

Robert Franks, Arthur Smith, B. B. Pounders.

3. Finance Committees.

N. A. Patterson, Floy Franks, Charlie Mullenix.

Several good talks were made by visiting ministers.

Rev. E. B. Ledlow made an interesting talk on Home Mission.

By a move and a second we adjourned the Business Session until 9:00 A.M. Saturday.

LADIES AUXILIARY REPORT

The Jasper District Woman's Auxiliary convened with the Free Will Baptist Church on April 24, 1965.

The meeting was opened with song, following by prayer by Mrs. Autie Franks.

Welcome Address by Mrs. Richmand Pollard; Response by Mrs. Joe Johnson.

Letters were read from the following churches:

Guin—Lucille Estes, Myrtle Robertson.

Winfield—Jessie Kilgore, Dot Johnson, Billy Lovett.

Mt. Olive—Madie Williams, Louise Wilson, Dot Smith.

Red Bay—Agnes White, Mildred Purser, Jean Hannock.

Free Waters—Mrs. Ida Wilson, Mrs. Edgar Pollard

Brilliant—Mrs. Lee Franks.

Letters were accepted and delegates seated.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.

Appointment of Committees by the vice-president in the absence of the president.

Nominating: Lucille Estes, Kathleen Lovett, Madie Williams, Mildred Purser, Martha Franks, Edgar Pollard.

Finance: Vina Walden, Jessie Kilgore, Ida Wilson.

Resolutions: Dot Smith, Mr. Ross White, Louise Wilson.

Appreciation: Jean Hannock, Dot Johnson, Myrtle Robertson.

Registration: Kay Walden, Janet Estes.

Judging of Achievement Charts: Rev. Herman Baker, Rev. James Walden, Rev. William Atkinson. Mt. Olive won with an A-1 Chart.

Intermission:

Song followed by prayer.

Report of the Committees:

REGISTRATION

We, The Registration Committee Submit the following report:

Delegates Present	14
Ministers	4
Deacons	2
Visitors	36
Officers	2
Total	58

Respectfully submitted,
Kay Walden
Janet Estes

Report received and adopted.

APPRECIATION

We the appreciation Committee wish to express our thanks to Free Waters Free Will Baptist Church for the invitation to be with you today for this Convention. For the Christian Fellowship and for the food that will be prepared for us during the lunch hour. May God Bless each of you.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mrs. Jean Hannock
Mrs. Joe Johnson
Mrs. Myrtle Robinson

Reports received and accepted.

NOMINATING

We the Nominating Committee recommend the following officers: President, Mrs. William Atkinson; Vice President, Mrs. Bill Smith; Sec. and Treas. Mrs. Herman Baker; Study Course, Mrs. G. C. Lawrence; Personal Service Chairman, Mrs. James Walden; Field Worker, Mrs. Joe Johnson.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lucille Estes
Kathleen Lovett
Madie Williams
Martha Franks
Mrs. Edger Pollard
Mildred Purser

The officers were accepted separately and the report as a whole was accepted.

RESOLUTIONS

We the resolutions Committee make the following resolutions.

1. We recommend that each Auxiliary endeavor to have the suggested study courses.
2. We recommend that each Auxiliary report be read separately.
3. We urge each church endeavor to organize an Auxiliary.
4. We recommend that the Auxiliary convention meet with the Sunday School and CTS convention.
5. We urge each Auxiliary pay \$2.00 per month to the Children's Home.
6. We recommend each Auxiliary support the WNAC Co-Laborer Fund.
7. We recommend each Auxiliary keep a standard of Achievement Chart and present it at the Auxiliary Convention.
8. We recommend each Auxiliary to send coupons to the Children's Home.
9. We recommend that each Auxiliary have a special individual project for the Children's Home.
10. We recommend that the Auxiliary Convention pay the secretary \$5.00 per year.

Respectfully submitted,
Agnes White
Dot Smith
Louise Wilson

FINANCE

We the finance Committee submit the following report:

Amount brought forward on April 24, 1965	\$18.70
Amount received for dues	24.30
Total	43.00

Respectfully Submitted
Vina Walden
Jessie Kilgore
Ida Wilson

Report was received and accepted.

Appointment of Delegates to state convention by President. Mrs.

James Walden, Mrs. Herman Baker, Mrs. Ross White, Mrs. Lee Franks.
 Convention Message—Bro. Herman Baker
 Dismissed Bro. Hubbard Estes

Mrs. Barbara Baker
 Sec. Treas.

QUARTERLY MEETING REPORT

The Quarterly meeting of the Jasper Free Will Baptist Assn. held 4 meetings during the Associational year 1964-65. They were held with Brilliant Church on Nov. 28, New Oak Grove Church on Jan. 30, Cedrum Grove Church on May 29 and Good Springs Church on August 28.

17 Churches represented at all 4 meetings. They were:

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

One Church represented at 3 meetings:

Bethlehem

4 churches represented at 2 meetings: They were

Shady Grove	Spring Hill
Good Springs	Poplar Log

4 Churches represented at 1 meeting.

Mt. Joy	Lone Star
Parrish	Bear Creek

Edgar's Chapel and Pleasant Hill did not represent.

5 Ministers attended all 4 meetings. They were:

James F. Walden	H. L. Burkett
Orbie Pierce	William E. Atkinson
Billy R. Smith	

6 Ministers attended 3 meetings. They were:

Wyman James	Phillip Gilbert
Wise Holcomb	O. Z. Johnson
Herman Baker	Pearl P. Barnes

5 Ministers attended 2 meetings. They were:

N. A. Patterson	Richard Humphries
Robert Blackwell	Clovis Tucker
Hermon E. Fields	

6 Ministers attended 1 meeting. They were:

J. M. Cobb	J. O. Jones
J. S. Fredrick	R. J. Spencer
W. A. Roberts	Jimmy Howell

17 Ministers did not attend any of the meetings.

Visiting Ministers were: Rev. William Travis and Rev. Dilmos Miller.

37 Deacons attended the meetings.

QUARTERLY MEETING FINANCIAL REPORT

Amount on hand 10/2/64	\$ 9.73
Received as fees during the year	82.00
Total	\$91.73
Clerk's Salary — Dixie Atkinson (4 x \$5.00)	\$20.00
Postage, Envelopes and paper	25.27
Given to Jasper Association 10/1/65	\$40.00
Total	\$85.27
Balance on hand 10/1/65	\$ 6.46

James Walden, Moderator
 Dixie Atkinson, Clerk

FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Devotion by Rev. W. E. Atkinson
 Evening message on Communion by Rev. J. O. Jones
 The congregation enjoyed a communion and feet washing service.

SATURDAY MORNING SERVICE

Devotion by Rev. Orbie Pierce. Roll call of ministers and delegates.
 Report of Appreciation Committee.
 We wish to express our appreciation to the host church for making our visit with them a most enjoyable one.
 Mable Pierce, Lucille Estes, Guy Gunion

Report received and com. discharged.
 Finance report received and com. discharged. This report is given with the clerks report.

OBITUARY REPORT

Bear Creek, Sis. Frank Hathcock.
 Bethlehem, Sis. Olar Tidwell, Sis. Eunil Evans.
 Brilliant, Sis. S. B. Mills, Bro. Wesley Crow, Bro. Ellie Beachomp, Bro. James Pugh.
 Cedrum Grove, Elizabeth Barton.
 Free Waters, Rev. G. W. Flippo, Bro. Grady Pollard.
 Gum, Amos Roberts, Sis. Beatrice Franks.
 Gum Springs; Austin Sexton, Melton Prescott.
 Holly Springs: Joal Lay
 Mt. Olive: Bro. Herbert Atkinson., Sis. Lona Williams, Bro. Fayett Burleson.
 New Liberty: Nancy Flynn.
 New Oak Grove: Addie Bailey
 Pocahontas: Rev. B. M. Atkins, Bro. Malley Johnson, Bro. Rich Jordan.
 Red Bay: Sis. Maggie Johnson.
 Shady Grove: Bro. James Clark, Sis. Elizabeth Jackson.
 Union Hill: Thomas Barnett.
 Winfield: Fletcher South, James Harold Smith, Sis. Bessie Reed, Isaac Beasley.

J. B. Smith, B. B. Pounders, Robert Franks

Report received and adopted.
 We recognized all visiting ministers and members.
 Appointments of delegates to sister associations.

State Line: Richard Humphres, W. E. Atkinson, Jessie Vaughan, Rosie Vaughan.

Vernon: O. Z. Johnson, W. E. Atkinson, Sis. E. R. Franks.

Alabama State: Sis Ida Aldridge, Sis. Mirtie Atkinson.

Bro. W. E. Atkinson was given the power to appoint other delegates to state association as needed.

Final report of credentials committee. We recommend that Bro. James O'Shea and Bro. Noah Robertson be ordained to preach the gospel, (The other part of this report will be found in the roll of ministers.)

James Walden

J. O. Jones

Orbie Pierce

SATURDAY 11:00 A.M.

Bro. Charles A. Thigpin brought a wonderful message from the college collection for college \$62.54.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

The children from the children's home rendered some beautiful songs.

Rev. Carlton Lambert gave a full report on the condition and progress of the home. Collection for Children's Home \$80.10.

REPORT OF GENERAL BOARD

Item (1) We recommend that the next session be given to Union Hill.

Item (2) We recommend that the quarterly meeting be given as follows: 1. Mt. Pleasant, 2. Winfield, 3. New Liberty, 4. Pocahontas.

Item (3). We recommend that the Clerk be paid \$50.00, Moderator \$15.00 and Assistant Moderator \$5.00 and the Assistant Clerk \$10.00.

Item (4) We recommend that Bro. Bill Smith replace Bro. J. O. Jones on the Credentials Committee and that Bro. James Walden and Bro. Orbie Pierce be retained.

Item (5) We recommend that Friday night be a Communion Service.

Item (6) We recommend that each church bring a love offering for retired ministers and also an offering be taken at the annual session.

Item (7) We recommend that each church give an offering of money or favors to the host church for the Ala. State. Assoc.

Item (8). We urge each church who employs a full time pastor to call same before school opens.

Item (9). We urge each church to give as follows. 1. Foreign and Home Mission. 2. Children's Home. 3. Bible College. 4. State Superannuation.

Item (10). We recommend that each church send youths to the Progressive Association youth camp.

Item (11) We recommend that the meeting days of each church be shown in the minutes.

Item (12) We recommend that this years offering be given to Rev. J. O. Jones and Rev. G. O. Parker.

Item (13) We recommend that the letters of the churches still be read at the association.

Item (14) We recommend that programs of the association be sent to all ministers, clerks, of the churches and to those people on the program.

Report received and adopted by section. All sections adopted except Item 11 and 13, these were rejected as this is standard procedure of the association.

By a move and a second the association adopted the following.

Beginning at the 1967 session of the association the Friday session will be held at one church and the Saturday session moved to another church.

SECRETARY-TREASURERS REPORT

On hand Oct. 1, 1965	\$230.21
Paid in Oct. 1 and 2, 1965 for Dothan Church	\$ 43.00
Home Mission and E. B. Ledlow Building Fund	53.81
Aged Ministers	82.00
Foreign Mission	24.25
State and local Minute Fund	395.00
TOTAL PAID IN	\$598.06
TOTAL ON HAND OCT. 3, 1965	\$828.27

PAID OUT

Dothan Church	\$ 43.00
E. B. Ledlow	53.81
J. O. Jones and G. O. Parker	82.00
Foreign Mission	24.25
State Dues	145.00
Printing Programs	2.50
To the Officers of the Assoc.	80.00
TOTAL PAID OUT	430.56
BALANCE FOR PRINTING MINUTES	398.71

CLERKS AND POSTOFFICES

BEAR CREEK—Maudie Grissom, Rt. 1, Hackleburg, Ala.
BETHLEHEM—J. H. Estes, Rt. 1, Brilliant, Ala.
BRILLIANT—Lucy Stanford, Rt. 1, Box 75, Brilliant, Ala.
CARBON HILL—Selma Wilson, P. O. Box 453, Carbon Hill, Ala.
CEDRUM GROVE—Helen Tittle, Rt. 2, Box 80A, Carbon Hill, Ala.
EDGAR'S CHAPEL—Winoffline Borden, Rt. 3, Phil Campbell, Ala.
FREE WATERS—Brandon Estes, Rt. 2, Guin, Ala.
GOOD SPRINGS—Robbie Humphries, Rt. 1, Vina, Ala.
GUIN—Austin Pugh, Rt. 2, Guin, Ala.
GUM SPRINGS—Lorene Aldridge, Rt. 3, Winfield, Ala.
HOLLY SPRINGS—Cehris Barksdale, Rt. 1, Hodges, Ala.
HOPEWELL—Etta Calloway, Rt. 3, Nauvoo, Ala.
LIBERTY—Marie Lolley, Rt. 2, Guin, Ala.
LONE STAR—Buva Bostic, Tremont, Miss.
MT. OLIVE—Clark Flippo, Rt. 1, Guin, Ala.
MT. PLEASANT—Ida Lee Aldridge, Rt. 1, Brilliant, Ala.
MT. JOY—Martha Jones, Rt. 2, Phil Campbell, Ala.
NEW LIBERTY—Genive Fowlor, Rt. 6, Fayett, Ala.
NEW OAK GROVE—Carl McKeever, Rt. 3, Nauvoo, Ala.
PARRISH—Margaret Uptom, Box 305, Parish, Ala.
PLEASANT HILL—Frances Robum, Rt. 2, Hackelburg, Ala.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Number of Members	Received by Baptism	By Letter Statement	Deceased	Total Offering	Foreign Mission	Home Mission	F.W.B. College	Children's Home	Superannuation	Pastor's Salary	Paid Evangelists	Association and Minute Fund	Value of Church Property	Value of Pastorium
Bear Creek	J. S. Frederick	62	3	0	1	\$836.00	0	0	0	\$30.00	0	\$806.00	\$75.00	\$12.75	1000.00	
Bethlehem	Richard Humphries	60	1	1	2	573.20	0	0	0	7.46	0	296.69	50.00	8.00	4000.00	
Brilliant	Orbie Pierce	181	1		4	4863.55	67.67	42.67	42.67	133.53	10.50	267.50	260.00	18.00	25000.00	3000.00
Carbon Hill	Clovis Tucker	60	2	0	0	995.71	0	0	0	10.00	0	73.00	80.00	15.00	5000.00	
Cedrum Grove	Wm. A. Roberts	46	1	0	1	993.78	30.61	30.61		130.68	30.61	304.96	50.00	10.00	6000.00	
Edgar's Chapel	Cecil Hood	53	0	0	0	103.72	0	0	0	0	0	57.52	14.00	7.50	2500.00	
Free Waters	William Adkins	158	6	0	2	3757.40	24.00	36.00	0	59.00	0	2725.45	110.00	15.00	10000.00	
Good Springs	R. J. Spencer	53	0	1	0	704.89	0	0	0	45.00	0	182.10	75.00	10.00	3500.00	
Guin	James F. Walden	131	17	5	2	8869.79	165.65	120.19	47.69	77.50	45.59	4067.00	210.00	17.00	20000.00	8000.00
Gum Springs	Willard Mayhall	68	4	0	2	2969.69	0	0	0	172.00	0	940.00	245.00	8.00	12000.00	
Holly Springs	R. L. Spencer	76	1	0	1	860.15	0	0	0	65.00	0	597.02	95.00	8.00	7000.00	
Hopewell	N. A. Patterson	17	0	0	0	50.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	50.00	6.50		
Liberty	J. W. Spencer	43	2	0	0	1701.05	0	0	0	12.00	0	169.98	115.00	10.00	3000.00	
Lone Star	Herman Baker	50	0	0	0	285.00	0	0	0	0	0	240.00	45.00	630.00	1000.00	
Mt. Joy	R. W. Lester	34	1	3	0	661.19	8.00	30.00	8.10	10.73		318.99	40.70	14.25	2000.00	
Mt. Olive	Billy Ray Smith	277	2	6	3	8744.76	568.98	102.81	94.01	222.35	87.83	4068.00	275.00	18.00	21000.00	10000.00
Mt. Pleasant	Dole Oderholt	160	0	1	0	2897.96	45.00	45.00	45.00	60.00	0	1405.00	75.00	9.00	12000.00	
New Liberty	N. A. Patterson	110	0	1	1	2804.53	12.06	12.06		75.00	0	2655.80	75.00	14.00	8000.00	
New Oak Grove	Phillip Gilbert	80	1	0	1	1757.58	55.06	45.00	70.00	85.00	0	1160.00	135.00	28.00		
Parrish	Vertus South	33	0	0	0	508.88	0	0	0	20.00	0	313.00	54.00	2.00	25000.00	
Pleasant Hill	B. D. Tice	70	2	1	0	272.21	0	0	0	0	0	236.10	26.10	13.00	2000.00	
Pocahontas	Pearl Barnes	71	2	1	3	2494.44	14.06	17.00		110.18		1660.00	30.00	10.00	7000.00	
Poplar Log	C. C. Kimbrough	160	1	2		3858.13	0	0	0	285.34	0	1547.43	150.00	9.00	15000.00	
Red Bay	Herman Baker	220	0	3	1	6090.57	73.52	20.75	90.00	90.50		3925.00	269.35	5.00	20000.00	10000.00
Shady Grove	Jimmie Howell	256	6	1	2	1834.93	16.00	0	75.00	410.00	0	1130.00	115.00	12.00	10000.00	
Spring Hill	Delmus Miller	15	3	0	0	255.00	0	0	0	0	0	138.13	25.00	5.00	2065.00	
Union Chapel	Marvin Wimsett	44	0	0	0	201.50	0	0	0	0	0	156.50	46.00	8.50	3000.00	
Union Hill	Doyle Oderholt	277	0	0	1	1217.61		14.00		42.10		792.00	108.00	10.00	15000.00	
Winfield	W. E. Atkinson	272	5	5	4	9984.26	392.55	256.34	358.37	360.00	131.08	4390.00	355.00	25.00	26000.00	10000.00

POCAHONTAS—Lillian Hunter, Rt. 2, Box 160, Carbon, Hill, Ala.
 POPLAR LOG—B. H. Owen, Rt. 3, Hamilton, Ala.
 RED BAY—Tilmon E. Hamm, Box 202, Red Bay, Ala.
 SHADY GROVE—E. R. McDuffa, Phil Campbell, Ala.
 SPRING HILL—Bernis Davis, Rt. 3, Nauvoo, Ala.
 UNION CHAPEL—Willie Mae Williams, Rt. 1, Brilliant Ala.
 UNION HILL—Lucille Anglin, Rt. 2, Hackleburg, Ala.
 WINFIELD—B. P. Alkinson, Jr., P. O. Box 22, Winfield, Ala.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Moderator Rev. O. J. Johnson
 Asst. Moderator Rev. Billy Ray Smith
 Clerk Brandon Estes
 Asst. Clerk Rev. W. E. Atkinson

DEACONS

1. BEAR CREEK—Edd Hill, Roland Williams, G. W. Stewart, Henry Grissom, Lon Gunnion, E. L. Steward.
2. BETHLEHEM—Clovis Tidwell, Jim Estes, Woodrow Franks.
3. BRILLIANT—Howard Thomas, Dewey Burleson, Earl Smith, Luther Franks, Vester Hawkins.
4. CARBON HILL—Jim Nichols, Joe Hopson, Bert Southerland.
5. CEDRUM GROVE—J. E. Tittle, Angelo Boshell.
6. EDGAR'S CHAPEL—Marshall Raper, J. D. Faulkner, F. T. Edgar, Elmer Steward.
7. FREE WATERS—W. M. Wilson, Vance Polland, Pearce Miller, Artis Pugh, William Sexton.
8. GOOD SPRINGS—M. M. Warren, L. L. Humphries, B. B. Pounders.
9. GUIN—Willard Bannister, Hubbard Estes, Amos Roberts, Elic Pugh, Milton Miles, J. W. Garrison, Austin Pugh.
10. GUM SPRINGS—J. H. Moore, Charlie Ashmore, Maxwell Gibbs.
11. HOPEWELL—Sonny Bell.
12. HOLLY SPRINGS—P. E. Lay, L. T. Burgette, J. M. Scott.
13. LIBERTY—Grover Smith, Walter Wisham, Earlie Dickinson, Noah Robertson, Ruben Warren.
14. LONE STAR—B. B. Pounders, Claude Russell, Billie R. Pitts.
15. MT. JOY—Bill Brown, W. N. Newell, Marshel Godsey, Huston Rayburn.
16. MT. OLIVE—A. G. May, H. L. Franks, R. L. Johnson, Paul Wilson, R. M. McNeise, Harvey May.
17. MT. PLEASANT—Vester Lawrence, Lester Lawrence, Junior Aldridge, F. A. Aldridge, Sam Flippo, Claude Kimball, Ray Weeks.
18. NEW LIBERTY—John Madison, Aaron Whitson, Victor Smith, J. B. Smith, Dave Smith, Olen Fowler, Sid Moore.
19. NEW OAK GROVE—Amos Martin, Bob Early, Johnnie Knight, Audrie Knight, Lonnie McDaniel.
20. PARRISH—Henry Thompson, John Hutto, Howard Romine, Wallace Watson, V. B. Farley, Homer Goodwin.

21. PLEASANT HILL—Lester Rayburn, Roscoe Burleson, Jimmy Rayburn, Billy Rucker.
22. POCAHONTAS—Toxie NeSmith, Curt Griffin, Ellert Nelson, Joe Hunter, E. P. Cheatwood, Jim Hunter.
23. POPLAR LOG—B. H. Owen, O. E. Cook, Olen Lee, Fred Sullins, J. R. Fredrick.
24. RED BAY—J. R. Yielding, H. L. Keeton, C. W. Tharp, Ross White, Willard Purser, Raymond Creekmore, O. H. Mink.
25. SHADY GROVE—Clyd Freeman, E. R. McDuffie, Fred Rice, W. F. Freeman, Henry Bankston, John Mashburn.
26. SPRING HILL—None.
27. UNION CHAPEL—R. W. Bean, Alonzo Goodwin, Marion Eads.
28. UNION HILL—D. C. Kennedy, Estes Gunnin, L. D. Clement, Louis Lacy, Loya Anglin.
29. WINFIELD—Garlon Holliman, Fletcher South, A. H. Ruppert, B. P. Atkinson, Jr.

ROLL OF MINUTES

Atkinson, William E.—P.O. Box 35, Winfield Ala.
 Baker, Herman — Red Bay, Ala.
 Blackwell, Robert—Rt. 1, Carbon Hill, Ala.
 Brasseal, Luther—Rt. 4, Winfield, Ala.
 Burkett, Harchel—Rt. 1, Bankston, Ala.
 Fields, Herman—Winfield, Ala.
 Franks, Dave R.—Brazil, South America
 Franks, Robert—Brilliant, Ala.
 Frederick, J. S.—Hackleburg, Ala.
 Holcomb, Wise—Rt. 2, Guin, Ala.
 Hollingshead, Donald—87 McCoy St. Cordova, Ala.
 Humphries, Richard—Rt. 1, Vina, Ala.
 James, Wyman—1008 Scott St., Russellville, Ala.
 Jones, J. O.—Rt. 2, Phil Campbell, Ala.
 Long, A. G.—Hackleburg, Ala.
 Lawrence, G. C.—Belk, Ala.
 O'Shea, James—Carbon Hill.
 Parker, G. O.—Hamilton, Ala.
 Pierce, Orbie—Brilliant, Ala.
 Roberts, W. A.—Rt. 2, Carbon, Hill, Ala.
 Robertson, Noah—Rt. 2, Guin, Ala.
 Smith, Billy Ray—Rt. 2, Guin, Ala.
 Smith, Oscar—Hamilton, Ala.
 Spencer, R. J.—Red Bay, Ala.
 Tice, Booker—Rt. 2, Hackleburg, Ala.
 Tucker, Clovis—Winfield, Ala.
 Thompson, Otho—Rt. 5, Russellville, Ala.
 Waldon, James —Guin, Ala.

The above Roll of Ministers made by the Credentials Committee to comply with article 10 sec. 2 of the Constitution.

With singing and hand shaking we adjourn to meet on year hence with Union Hill Church.

Rev. Wise Holcomb, Mod.
 Brandon Estes, Clerk

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 state 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 so 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 unto salvation; that the Holy Spirit not only reproves the world of sin but is the means whereby sinners are converted, regenerated and saved.—Romans 10:12.

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

Art. 6. We believe that repentance is sorrow for sin and the kind of sorrow constitutes Godly repentance and must be preceded by effectual conviction.—II 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 persevere 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 not faith can not do anything pleasing or acceptable to God.—Matt. 7:19-20.

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

Art. 11. We believe the Supper instituted by our Savior 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, General Board and delegates from different churches forming the same. Each church shall be entitled to three (3) delegates. All ordained ministers and deacons shall be considered standing delegates provided they are members and in good standing with a local church that is part of the association and provided such church is in good standing with this association.

ARTICLE II

This body shall be considered an advisory council, having no author-

ity over the internal affairs of any local church unless said church depart from the Article of Faith and practice of Free Will Baptists. When ever 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.

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. Then senior members 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 of 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 Article 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

SECTION 1

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.

SECTION 2

All preachers are required to report yearly to the Credential Committee of this body. Such report shall be for year beginning September 1 and ending August 31; and shall be due September 1 of the current year. Any preacher who fails to comply shall be dropped from our roll of ministers.

ARTICLE XI

No church shall have the right to accept as members those who have not been baptised 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 is 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 (15) 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

1. 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 of 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 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