

**MINUTES**  
**Of The**  
**Eighty-Fourth Annual Session**  
**Of The**  
**Jasper Free Will Baptist**  
**Association**



**Held With Brilliant And**  
**Poplar Log Churches**  
**Oct. 2 and 3, 1970**



**Officers:**

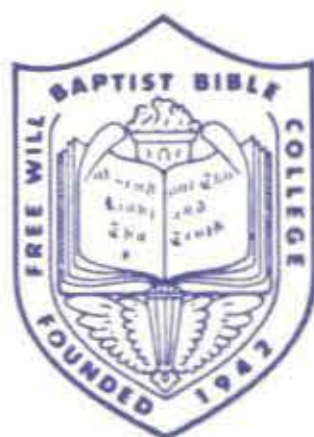
**Rev. O. Z. Johnson**  
**William E. Atkinson**

**Moderator**  
**Clerk**



**The Next Session of this Association will meet with**  
**Cedrum Grove Church on Friday before the first Sunday in**  
**October 1971 and with Mt. Olive Church on the following**  
**Saturday. Rev. Billy Ray Smith to preach the introductory**  
**sermon.**





## FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE

*Presented By*

Rev. M. L. Hollis

## Jasper Free Will Baptist Association

Rev. Billy Ray Smith—Moderator—Hamilton, Alabama 35570

Rev. William E. Atkinson—Clerk — Winfield, Alabama 35594

### GENERAL BOARD

Lon Gunnin	1971	Bill Pitts	1972
Kenneth Watts	1972	J. O. Jones	1971
Luther Franks	1971	Lowell Franks	1972
John Delvicchio	1972	Clarence Myers	1971
P. P. Barnes	1971	Oaron Wright	1972
Elmer Lee Stewart	1972	Bill Montgomery	1971
Richmond Pollard	1971	Henry Thompson	1972
Edward Holland	1972	Elbert Nelson	1971
Dock Lynn	1971	Harvey McGuire	1972
Ray Ritch	1972	Ross White	1971
Lowell Parker	1971	O. V. Nix	1972
Chestine Barksdale	1972	Bias Gilbert Jr.	1971
Billy Wisham	1971	L. D. Clement	1971
		Floy Franks	1972

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Billy Ray Smith—Chairman	Pearl P. Barnes
William E. Atkinson	Lowell Parker
Ray Ritch	Richmond Pollard
	Clarence Myers

### CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

Clovis Tucker	James Pittman
James Walden	

### BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

William E. Atkinson	1975	James Pittman	1973
Billy R. Smith	1974	Richmond Pollard	1972
Hubbard Estes	1971		



## PROCEEDINGS

Proceedings of the eighty-fourth annual session of the Jasper Free Will Baptist Association.

The body was called into session at 9:30 on Friday morning. A period of devotion was led by Rev. O. Z. Johnson. The welcome address was given by Dewey Burleson. Response was offered by Milton Rhudy.

Rev. Bill Duncan, Lowell Parker and William E. Atkinson were named reading clerks. Letters from sixteen churches were read. Delegates were seated from all churches.

Nominations were made for General Board members whose terms expired in 1970. A **motion carried** to elect by acclamation.

A **motion carried** to accept the report of the Executive Committee pertaining to Union Chapel Church (See Reports)

After a period of intermission, Rev. James Pittman delivered the morning message. An offering of \$75.46 was received for Missions. Rev. A. J. Lambert, Rev. Billy Robbins and Rev. Wise Holcomb were recognized as visiting ministers.

### FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Letters were read from the rest of the churches with the exception of Union Chapel which was retained by the Credential Committee.

Proxies were named to the General Board by the moderator. This board was dismissed from the body for its regular meeting (See Reports.)

A **motion carried** to accept the Quarterly Meeting Report. (See Reports)

A **motion carried** to accept the report of Woman's Auxiliary. (See Reports)

The rest of the afternoon was given to messages from Rev. Larry Nix and Rev. Ted Pittman. Rev. James Walden prayed the benediction.

### SATURDAY MORNING

After song and prayer, Rev. W. O. Miller led us in a period of devotion.

The moderator called for the report of the Finance Committee. A **motion carried** to accept the same. (See Reports)

A **motion carried** to accept the report of Board of Christian Education which was given by William E. Atkinson. (See Reports)

A **motion carried** to accept report of Obituary Committee. (See

Reports)

The Appreciation Committee Report was read. A **motion carried** to accept with a rising vote of thanks to both host churches. (See Reports)

Rev. Bill Duncan, Rev. J. A. Godsey, and B. B. Pounders were named by the moderator as delegates to the Mississippi State Line Association. Rev. James Walden, Rev. O. Z. Johnson and Rev. W. O. Miller were named delegates to the Vernon Association. Those named delegates to the State Association were; W. L. Franks, Dempsey Bozeman, Foster Holcomb, Iva Lee Jackson, Lela Crowe, Myrtle Evans, Alice Barnes, Nancy Crane, Ida Wilson, Dot Smith, Lillian Dickinson, L. D. Baty, Martha Jones, Ida Hhudy, J. W. Vaughn, Verla Wright, Minnie Knight, Martha Yocum, Jay Sullins, and Floy Franks. A **motion carried** granting the moderator the right to name others and make any changes necessary at the State Meeting.

The moderator then asked for a roll call of delegates. Those present were properly recognized.

Ministers present were given a chance to answer to the roll call at this time also.

A brief report was given by Rev. Billy Ray Smith concerning the Children's Home.

The clerk read the report from the General Board. A **motion carried** to accept and adopt item by item. (See Reports) Subsequent **motions carried** adopting each of the items.

Some time was allotted Rev. Kenneth Walker, Missionary to Mobile. Pertinent facts were stated and an appeal was made for prayer and financial support for this project.

Rev. Jack Paramore brought the morning message after giving some information on Free Will Baptist Bible College. An offering of \$127.00 was received for the College and Children's Home.

### SATURDAY AFTERNOON

After song and prayer, the moderator called for reading of the Credential Committee Report. (See Reports) Subsequent **motions carried** adopting each of the items.

Some time was granted Rev. Carlton Lambert of Free Will Baptist Children's Home. Pertinent facts were given on the home.

The election of officers for the coming year took place. Rev. Billy Ray Smith was elected moderator, and Rev. Hubert Peoples was elected assistant moderator. Rev. William E. Atkinson was elected clerk and Dixie Atkinson was elected assistant clerk.

An offering of \$46.35 was received for retired ministers.

An ordination service for preachers was held for Harvey McGuire. Rev. James Walden, Rev. Ray Ritch, Rev. Bill Duncan and Rev. W. O. Miller formed the Presbytery.



Rev. Billy Ray Smith appointed committees as follows: **FINANCE:** W. O. Miller, Larry Nix, and Ted Pittman; **OBITUARY:** Jay Sullins, Ida Rhudy and Betty Lynn; **APPRECIATION:** Helen Title, Grover Smith, and George Rhudy.

A motion carried to adjourn which was followed with an old fashioned hand shake.

## REPORTS

### APPRECIATION COMMITTEE

We wish to express our appreciation to Brilliant and Poplar Log Churches for the splendid manner which they have entertained us. We have enjoyed our visits and pray God's richest blessings on you.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bill Brown  
Foster Holcomb

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee met with Union Chapel Church on September 20, 1970 to hear a complaint from a minority of such church.

The evidence heard that day revealed to this committee that said church had indeed erred in excluding some five members without giving proper written notice of such intended action.

We thus advised this church and pastor that they should take steps to correct such an error.

Respectfully submitted,  
William E. Atkinson

### OBITUARY COMMITTEE

We wish to report that God has seen fit to call from our ranks the following: Lillie Haithecock, G. W. Stewart and Fredrick Stewart of Bear Creek; Pete Stanford, Retha Tidwell, John David Franks, and Mona Fields of Brilliant; Lulu House of Edgar's Chapel; Sarah Conway and Bertha Mann of Free Waters; Fred Cutts of Guin; Noah Harbin and Ira Bates of Gum Springs; Rev. G. O. Parker of Hamilton; Birvel Beard of Holly Springs; Madge Norris, Lou Jones and Walter Gardner of Liberty; Clemmie Parker, Arlin Bostich, Mrs. R. E. Barrett of Lone Star; Jeff Wilson, Vidas Burleson, and Willie Franks of Mt. Olive; Margaret Lowery of New Liberty; Robert Blackwell and V. V. Farley of Parrish; Ivie Bell Nix and Mary Manasco of Pocahontas; Cleve Jones, Kathie Gann, and Dollie Harris of Poplar Log; Mrs. Ben Collum of Red Bay; Sara Jane Gossett, Clara Murray and H. F. McDuffa of Shady Grove; Andy Thomas of Spring Hill; Ruby Tyra and Fred Earnest of Winfield.

Respectfully submitted,  
Icie Gunnin  
Virginia Duncan  
Annie Mae Wideman

## FINANCE REPORT

We, your committee on finance, wish to report the receipt of funds as follows:

Associational Funds	\$ 344.50
Retired Ministers	403.50
State Association	289.10
Children's Home	40.00
Foreign Missions	10.00
	\$1,087.00

Respectfully submitted,  
W. L. Franks  
B. C. Duncan

## CREDENTIAL REPORT

We, your Credentials Committee, submit the following report:

### No. I

We have examined letters from all churches and find them in good order with the exception of Union Chapel. Some letters do not state the Church's choice for General Board Member.

### No. II

We recommend that Rev. Larry Nix, Rev. Ted Pittman, and Rev. W. O. Miller be received into our fellowship and given a card of good standing.

### No. III

We recommend that Rev. Jimmy Reese be given a letter of commendation to join another association.

### No. IV

We recommend that Harvey McGuire be ordained to preach the gospel in this session.

### No. V

We recommend that Union Chapel Church and its pastor Rev. J. T. O'Shea be placed on probation for one year pending the completion of the work recommended by the Executive Committee on September 20, 1970.

Respectfully submitted,  
James  
Clovis Tucker  
Ray Ritch  
Bill Duncan



## GENERAL BOARD REPORT

### No. I

We recommend that the clerk be paid the sum of one hundred dollars, the moderator forty-five dollars, the assistant moderator twenty dollars and the assistant clerk twenty-five dollars beginning with this session.

### No. II

We recommend that the next session of this association be held with Cedrum Grove Church on Friday and with Mr. Olive Church on Saturday.

### No. III

We recommend that James Pittman replace Jim Howell on Credential Committee.

### No. IV

We recommend that Quarterly Meetings for the coming year be given to these churches: first, New Liberty; second, Poplar Log; third, New Oak Grove;; fourth, Edgar's Chapel.

### No. V

We recommend that each church send an offering to each annual session for retired ministers; and that such an offering be received during the annual session.

### No. IV

We recommend that each church support regularly the cause of Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Free Will Baptist Bible College, Free Will Baptist Children's Home and Superannuation.

### No. VII

We recommend that money for retired ministers be given to J. O. Jones, J. A. Godsey, J. S. Fredrick and N. A. Patterson. Brother P. P. Barnes requests that he not be included.

### No. VIII

We recommend that William E. Atkinson be retained on Board of Christian Education.

### No. IX

We recommend that Friday's session begin at 9:00 A.M. instead of 9:30 A.M.

## BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Nominal success has been experienced in all efforts of the Board of Christian Education. Youth Rallies were held during the year with the exception of the summer months. Attendance and interest in these have been good.

The board sponsored a Convention for Sunday School and CTS in May which was held at Shady Grove Church. Winners were chosen from the district to represent in the state in most competitive events. Some of our contestants did well in state competition.

A financial statement follows:

Respectfully submitted,  
William E. Atkinson—Chairman

## FINANCIAL REPORT

On hand 9-12-69	\$225.64
Youth meeting offerings	105.79
Convention fees	77.25
	\$408.69
Fees to state convention	\$ 48.00
Prizes awarded	48.95
Film rental	28.95
Postage, etc.	5.90
	\$131.83
Balance 9-28-70	\$276.85

## QUARTERLY MEETING REPORT

The Quarterly meetin gof the Jasper Free Will Baptist Association held 4 meetings during the associational year 1969-70. They were held with: Guin Church on November 29, 1969; Carbon Hill Church on March 28, 1970; Free Waters Church on May 30, 1970 and Good Springs Church on August 29, 1970.

The following churches represented at all 4 meetings: Bethlehem, Brilliant, Carbon Hill, Cedrum Grove, Free Waters, Good Springs, Guin, Gum Springs, Hamilton, Holly Springs, Liberty, Mt. Olive, Mt. Pleasant, New Liberty, New Oak Grove, Pocahontas, Poplar Log, Red Bay, Shady Grove, Spring Hill, Union Chapel, and Winfield.

The following churches represented at 3 meetings: Edgar's Chapel and Union Hill.

Bear Creek represented at 2 meetings.

Lone Star, Mt. Joy and Parrish represented at one meetings.

Twelve ministers attended all 4 meetings. They were: Ambers Aldridge, William E. Atkinson, Pearl P. Barnes, Benjamin C. Duncan, Reynold Flippo, C. A. Odum, William F. Pate, Hubert Peoples, James A. Pittman, Billy R. Smith, Clovis Tucker, James F. Walden.

Six ministers attended three meetings: They were Mickey Crane, Roy Humphres, O. Z. Johnson, N. A. Patterson, Jimmy D. Reese, Elmer Lee Steward.

Four ministers attended two meetings: They were J. A. Fredrick, Clifford Holland, James T. O5Shea, Ray W. Ritch.

Seven ministers attended one meeting: They were Dewey Colley, J. S. Fredrick, Jim Howell, J. O. Jones, Marion Nairemore, J. W. Spencer, Otho Thompson.



Visiting ministers were: Hughes Ellis, Dr. Robert E. Picirilli, W. O. Miller, Charles Dozier, Ted Pittman, and Larry Nix.

Deacons who attended 3 meetings are as follows: W. M. Warren, J. R. Yeilding and G. M. Smith.

Those who attended 2 meetings are: Dewey Burleson, W. H. May, O. D. Eads, Aaron Wright, Earlie Dickinson, and Noah Crane.

The following ones attended one meeting: Lowell Franks, Edward Lolly, Elbert Nelson, Aaron Whitson, Jerry Flippo, Milton Rhudy, Howard Franks, Pearce Miller, Artis Pugh, O. V. Nix, John Lay, Billy Joe May, Wilburn Sexton, C. A. Tidwell, W. M. Wilson, Edward Holland, Leeman Humphres, Bill Pitts, Felix Aldridge and T. H. Scott.

#### QUARTERLY MEETING FINANCIAL REPORT

Amount on hand October 5, 1969	\$ 20.59
Received fees during year	198.00
	\$218.59
Clerk's Salary (4x\$5.00)	\$ 20.00
Postage, Paper, etc.	29.78
Given to Jasper Assn. 9-17-70	150.00
	\$199.78
Balance 9-17-70	\$ 18.81

#### WOMAN'S AUXILIARY REPORT

The Woman's Auxiliary Convention was held at Shady Grove Church May 2, 1970.

The meeting was called to order by Helen Holland, president. Welcome address was given by Irene Nix with response by Dixie Atkinson.

Letters were read and delegates seated as follows: Ida Aldridge, and Avie Pollard of Free Waters; Eather Ellis, Jean Williams and Dot Smith of Hamilton; Faye Franks and Louise Wilson of Mt. Olive; Agnes White of Red Bay; Ora Graves, Jeanette Flippo and Irene Nix of Shady Grove; Melia Earnest, Edith Cole and Fannie Baccus of Winfield; Ella Rae Ivey, Minnie Bevis, Ola Fredrick of Spring Hill; Jeanette Stell of Guin.

The president appointed the following committees; **NOMINATING:** Agnes White, Irene Nix, Jeanette Stell, Melia Earnest, Faye Franks, Lorene Frazier, and Eather Ellis;; **FINANCE:** Sharon Hardin, Minnie Bevis, and Linda Nichols; **APPRECIATION:** Edith Cole, Louise Wilson and Ora Graves; **REGISTRATION:** Deborah Flippo and Avie Pollard; **RESOLUTIONS:** Jeanette Flippo, Fannie Baccus, Ida Aldridge, Ola Fredrick and Jean Williams; **CHART JUDGES:** Reynold Flippo, Dot Smith and Ambers Aldridge.

The president named Dixie Atkinson, Helen Holland, Dot Smith and Jeanette Flippo delegates to the State Convention.

The program was given by Judy Gaskins of Child Evangelism Fellowship.

We, your committee on finance, wish to report the receipts of funds as follows:

Balance brought forward	\$ 56.85
Received as dues	135.00
Total	\$191.85
Paid State Dues	\$108.00
Paid for materials	5.65
Balance	\$78.20
Respectfully submitted,	
Sharon Hardin	
Minnie Bevis	
Linda Nichols	

A MOTION CARRIED to accept report.

We, your registration committee, wish to report as follows: Delegates, 20; Visitors, 20; Ministers, 6.

Respectfully submitted,  
Avie Pollard  
Deborah Flippo

A motion carried to accept report.

We, the Appreciation Committee wish to express our sincere appreciation to Shady Grove Church for the splendid manner in which they have entertained us. We have enjoyed our visit and pray God's richest blessings upon you.

Respectfully submitted  
Edith Cole  
Louise Wilson  
Ora Graves

A motion carried to accept report.

We your resolutions committee submit the following.

1. We recommend that each auxiliary strive to have suggested study courses.
2. We urge each church to organize an auxiliary.
3. We recommend that our convention continue to be held with Sunday School and CTS Convention.
4. We urge each auxiliary to give at least two dollars each month to the Children's Home, that each auxiliary collect coupons for the Home; and also adopt some project for the home.
5. We recommend that each auxiliary keep an achievement chart and present the same each year to the convention.
6. We recommend that each auxiliary support WNAC CO-Labor Fund, and that each auxiliary give at least two dollars each month to missions.



7. We recommend that yearly report slips be secured from WNAC so as to make reports uniform.

8. We recommend that the Secretary be paid \$5.00 per year.

9. We recommend that reports from local auxiliaries be submitted before the convention so that the secretary may prepare State Report; and that only this report be read in our convention with delegates recognized.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jeanette Flippo  
Ida Aldridge  
Jean Williams  
Ola Fredrick  
Fannie Baccus

A motion carried to accept report.

We, your nominating committee, submit the following report:  
**President**, Dixie Atkinson; **Vice-President**, Faye Franks; **Secretary-Treasurer**, Dot Smith; **Assistant Secretary-Treasurer**, Sharon Hardin; **Study Course Chairman**, Ida Aldridge; **Personal Service Chairman**, Jeanette Stell; **Missions Chairman**, Jeanette Flippo; **Stewardship-Prayer Chairman**, Donna Pittman; **Field Worker**, Vina Walden;

Respectfully submitted  
Agnes White  
Irene Nix  
Jeanette Stell  
Melia Earnest  
Faye Franks  
Lorene Frazier  
Father Ellis

A motion carried to accept the report and each was elected by acclamation.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT OF ASSOCIATION CLERK

Amount on hand 9-15-70	\$ 241.61
Received Associational Funds	344.50
Received for Retired Ministers	307.50
Received from Brilliant Bible Class	36.00
Received from Quarterly Meeting	150.00
Received for Foreign Missions	10.00
Received for Children's Home	40.00
Received for State Association	289.10
Offering for Missions	75.46
Offering for College and Children's Home	127.00
Offering for Retired Ministers	46.35
	\$1,727.52
Paid Retired Ministers	\$ 449.85
Paid Association Officers	190.00
Paid Foreign Missions	47.73
Paid Bible College	65.50
Paid Alabama FWB Missions	37.73
Paid Children's Home	104.50

Paid State Fees	140.00
Paid State Food Fund	289.10
Postage	1.86
	\$1,323.27
Balance 10-12-79	\$ 404.25

#### DELEGATES

Bear Creek; Iva Lee Jackson  
Bethlehem; Lela Crowe, Alvin Morrow, Virdie Warren  
Brilliant; Lounell Cagle, Vester Shirley, Nettie Beauchamp  
Carbon Hill; Willie Petty, Myrtle Evans, I. V. Farley  
Cedrum Grove; Alice Barnes, Helen Boshell, Helen Tittle  
Edgar's Chapel; Nancy Crane, Elizabeth Edgar, Ethel Edgar  
Free Waters; Ava Pollard, Imogene Pugh, Richmond Pollard  
Good Springs; Marie Holland, Bessie Spencer, Sidney Humphres  
Guin; Dencer Nichols, Betty Lynn, Dempsey Bozeman  
Gum Springs; Foster Holcomb, Vlema Moore, Lola Gay Prescott  
Hamilton; Madie May, Martha Emerson, Dot Smith  
Holly Springs; Ranzy Baty, Verta Baty, Venila Tarwater  
Liberty; Lilliam Dickinson, Betty Norris, Jessie Smith  
Lone Star; Von Dora Pitts  
Mt. Joy; Louise Brown, Nolen Raburn, Beatrice Raburn  
Mt. Olive; Essie May, Ida Rhudy, Mirtie Atkinson  
Mt. Pleasant; J. W. Vaughn, Annie Lawrence, Lexie Thompson  
New Liberty; Verla Wright, Celia Nairemore, Estelle Fowler  
New Oak Grove; Minnie Knight, Maggie Robbins, Pat Johnson  
Parrish; Gladys Goodwin, Audie Romine, Margie Uptain  
Pocahontas; Dora Roberts, Martha Yocum, Zora Nelson  
Poplar Log; J. H. Sullins; John L. Lay, Vernice McGuire  
Red Bay; None Present  
Shady Grove; Elise Swinney, Doris Mayfield  
Spring Hill; Grace Elliott, Minnie Bevis, Joe Knighton  
Union Hill; Sam Lacey, Gennine Bell Lacey, Icie Gunnin  
Winfield; George Rhudy, Chestine Franks, Florence Spaulding



CHURCHES	PASTORS	Number Members	Received By Baptism	Received By Letter	Received By Statement	Deceased	Dismissed By Letter	Total Offerings	Foreign Missions Home Missions	F.W.B. Bible College	Children's Home	Superannuation	Pastor's Salary	Paid Evangelist	Associational Funds	Value of Church Property	Value of Pastorium	
Bear Creek	Elmer Lee Steward	50	1	1	0	3	2	\$ 075.62	0	\$ 0	\$123.77	\$ 5.00	\$ 833.35	\$ 0	\$ 8.50	\$ 2,000.00	\$	
Bethlehem	Clovis Tucker	67	2	0	0	0	0	2,879.35	0	0	61.36	10 00	1,630.25	200.00	15.00	10,000.00		
Brilliant	O. Z. Johnson	158	4	1	0	4	1	8,219.60	181.84.50	84.50	497.30	10.00	5,266.00	310.00	18.00	25,200.00	5,000	
Carbon Hill	Raymond Bevan	50	0	0	0	1	3	1,979.25	0	0	17.10	0	521.20	150.00	5.00	22,000.00		
Cedrum Grove	Larry Nix	78	2	10	0	0	5	2,742.59	152.35.90	240.00	139.90	35.90	1,080.00	100.00	10.00	9,000.00		
Edgar's Chapel	Cecil Hood	77	3	3	0	1	2	2,470.60	0	0	0	5.00	906.60	180.00	10.00	6,000.00		
Free Waters	Ambers Aldridge, Jr.	133	0	0	0	2	1	7,363.76	24.0	0	56.00	10.00	3,410.00	160.00	10.00	10,000.00	15,000	
Good Springs	Mickey Crane	60	5	0	0	0	0	1,917.68	10.0	0	34.00	5.00	603.45	174.55	10.00	6,000.00		
Guin	James F. Walden	261	24	8	7	1	7	19,572.05	550.85.79	735.84	385.79	285.79	6,251.00	400.00	20.00	50,000.00	18,000	
Gum Springs	Ray W. Ritch	73	2	0	0	2	1	4,537.99	612.20.00	0	120.00	12.50	3,600.00	235.00	12.50	28,000.00		
Hamilton	Billy R. Smith	68	10	5	6	1	0	10,714.36	287.24.50	191.85	239.44	121.35	4,320.00	210.00	10.00	35,000.00		
Holly Springs	Roy Humphres	84	3	1	0	1	0	777.13	0	0	0	10.00	550.00	100.00	8.00	6,000.00		
Liberty	Hubert Peoples	100	9	6	2	3	13	6,740.62	14.32	0	25.00	10.00	3,101.78	450.00	15.00	8,500.00		
Lone Star	Gillie Parrish	65	0	1	0	4	1	880.00	0	0	0	0	500.00	150.00	10.00	3,500.00		
Mt. Joy	Billy Robbins	34	2	0	0	0	1	605.96	18.0	0	60.00	15.00	284.00	37.00	10.00	4,000.00		
Mt. Olive	James A. Pittman	337	23	6	0	3	0	20,429.74	1,168.001.98	985.51	900.64	128.40	5,310.00	500.00	17.00	50,000.00	15,000	
Mt. Pleasant	W. L. Atkins	183	0	1	0	0	1	7,138.19	60.0	60.00	160.00	10.00	3,955.00	325.00	12.00	20,000.00		
New Liberty	Benjamin Duncan	158	8	2	0	1	2	6,816.73	172.372.50	265.50	231.02	172.50	4,060.00	200.00	15.00	15,000.00		
New Oak Grove	Orbie Pierce	135	0	0	0	0	0	6,913.12	50.0	0	215.00	10.00	3,620.00	436.78	15.00	21,000.00		
Parrish	Vertus South	36	0	0	0	2	0	108.70	0	0	15.00	2.50	35.00	0	3.50	2,500.00		
Pocahontas	William Pate	78	8	3	0	2	6	5,895.11	0	0	129.83	15.00	1,860.00	110.00	10.00	13,825.00		
Poplar Log	W. O. Miller	253	9	7	0	3	1	11,914.09	0	0	672.97	5.00	5,843.06	348.51	20.00	20,000.00		
Red Bay	Clifford Holland	158	13	3	3	1	2	8,594.68	55.0	07.57	820.00	176.53	5.00	4,730.00	318.17	10.00	20,000.00	10,000
Shady Grove	Reynold Flippo	257	23	1	10	3	9	14,623.24	507.24.17	1,078.58	297.27	20.00	5,300.00	335.00	15.00	35,000.00		
Spring Hill	J. A. Frederick	60	33	1	15	1	0	2,741.24	0	0	10.00	5.00	156.30	122.00	10.00	3,000.00		
Union Chapel	James T. O'Shea	73	2	0	0	3	1	2,466.63	0	0	25.00	10.00	300.00	62.05	10.00	8,000.00		
Union Hill	Jimmy Howell	125	3	2	0	0	0	2,509.32	0	0	0	10.00	1,960.00	150.00	10.00	15,000.00		
Winfield	William E. Atkinson	336	30	1	8	2	1	24,004.83	344.069.56	1,281.08	800.00	112.87	6,020.00	600.00	25.00	125,000.00	10,000	



## DEACONS

Bear Creek; Lon Gunnion, Roland Williams, Henry Grissom, Troy Mason

Bethlehem; Woodrow Franks, Roy Crowe, Kenneth Watts, Vance Pollard

Brilliant; Dewey Burleson, Vester Hawkins, Earl Smith, Kermit Cagle, Dowell Tidwell, Rayburn Hugeley

Carbon Hill; Joe Hopson

Cedrum Grove; J. E. Tittle Charles Pan, Angelo Boshell

Edgar's Chapel; Noah Crane, J. D. Faulkner, Terry Raper, Kenneth Faulkner, Marshall Raper, Fletcher Edgar, Ray Edgar

Free Waters; W. M. Wilson, Arts Pugh, Pearce Miller, Wilburn Sexton, Clovis Tidwell

Good Springs; L. L. Humphres, M. M. Warren, B. B. Pounders, Edward Holland

Guin; J. W. Garrison, Bill Smith, Frank Cutts, Jerry Flippo, Hubbard Estes, Austin Pugh, Willard Bannister

Gum Springs; Johnny Moore, Maxwell Gibbs

Hamilton; W. H. May, Lowell Parker, Dowell Emerson

Holly Springs; P. E. Lay, Louis Burgett, Clayton Burgett

Liberty; Early Dickinson, G. M. Smith, Edward Lolly, Troy Green, Walter Wisham, Morgan Bozeman

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Mt. Olive; H. L. Franks, Paul Wilson, A. G. May, Gary Baty, Lowell Franks, Milton Rhudy, Robert Silas

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New Oak Grove; Amos Martin, Lonnie McDaniel, Johnny Knight

Parrish; Howard Romine, Henry Thompson

Pocahontas; Jim Hunter, Joe Hunter, Curt Griffin, Elbert Nelson, E. P. Cheatwood, Toxie Nesmith

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Red Bay; Willard Purser, J. R. Yeilding, Carl Tharp, Raymond Creekmore, Ross White, Oliver Mink

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Union Chapel; Jimmy Eads, O. D. Eads, Tommie Williams, Arthur Holliman, Marvin Eads

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#### CHURCH COVENANT

Having been brought, as we humbly trust, by divine grace, to embrace the Lord Jesus Christ as our Raviour, 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 Christmas 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 home 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 your selves 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



Convenient 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 as able to accept or reject the conditions of salvation as they are revealed in the Holy Scriptures.—Micah 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

##### NAME AND MEMBERSHIP

**Section I** This association shall be known as the Jasper Free Will Baptist Association of Alabama; and shall be composed of ordained ministers, deacons, members of the General Board, and delegates from the several churches forming the same. All ordained ministers, deacons and members of the General Board 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 body.

**Section II** Churches wishing to become a member of this association must adopt its articles of Faith, the National Treatise and make formal written request. Each church shall be entitled to three (3) delegates.

#### ARTICLE II

##### AUTHORITY

-----**Section I** 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 from the National Treatise. Whenever conditions warrant it, this association shall have power to reprimand or exclude any local church.

-----**Section II** The 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.

**Section III** 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 this association. All other matters shall require only a majority. Exception; any church desiring membership in this body must obtain unanimous vote of delegated body when in annual session.

**Section IV** Each church of this association shall be urged to promote and support all State and National Projects of the denomination.

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



### ARTICLE III ORGANIZATION

**Section I** The officers of this association shall be a moderator, an assistant moderator, a clerk-treasurer, and an assistant clerk-treasurer who shall be elected annually.

**Section II** Other governing organs of this association shall be a General Board, an Executive Committee, a Credential Committee, and as many other committees as deemed necessary by the moderator.

**Section III** The General Board shall consist of the moderator and clerk along with one person from each church that is a part of this body. Each person from the local churches shall serve for two years with one half being elected each year as so specified in the printed minute. 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 the body; but such action must be approved by the association.

**Section IV** The Executive Committee shall consist of the moderator and clerk along with five (5) others from the General Board. These five shall be elected each year by the General Board. This committee shall function as or instead of the General Board, when directed to do so by the moderator, the General Board or the Association.

**Section V** The Credential Committee shall consist of three (3) persons with the senior member in point of service replaced each year. Recommendations for replacement shall come from the General Board. It shall be the responsibility of this committee to examine all letters coming to this body from churches, ministers, and other associations. This committee shall also examine all ministers who become a part of this body either by ordination or by letter. It is expected that all ministers coming from other associations will present letters of recommendation; however in some cases the committee may see fit to recommend the acceptance of such persons who have not yet received such letters. Any item of business pertaining to ministers or conduct of ministers must originate with this committee. Business matters handled by this committee may be referred to the association or to the General Board.

**Section VI.** The moderator of this association shall be regarded as an ex-official member of all boards and committees.

### ARTICLE IV MEETINGS

**Section I** This association shall meet annually on Friday before the first Sunday in October at a place determined at the previous session; and shall not adjourn finally until all business is transacted.

**Section II.** The associational year shall end August 31 each year and all letters to the association should be mailed to the clerk no later than the first Sunday in September of each year.

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

**Section IV.** The officers of the Quarterly Meeting shall be a moderator, an assistant moderator, a clerk-treasurer, and an assistant Clerk treasurer, who shall be elected annually.

### ARTICLE V ORDINATIONS

**Section I** Each church shall have the right to select and ordain all deacons who serve in such church. The ordaining council shall consist of two ministers and at least one deacon; or of one minister and at least two deacons.

**Section II** Any man who becomes convinced that the Lord has called him to preach the gospel shall be licensed by the 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 formal 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 association. All ordinations to the ministry must be done at the annual session.

**Section III** All ministers 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 current year. Any minister who fails to comply shall be dropped from roll of ministers.

### ARTICLE VI DISCIPLINE

**Section I** Any church placed on probation by this association shall represent to Quarterly Meetings and to the annual session by letter and fees; but shall not have the right to vote by delegates, standing or otherwise, 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 II** 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 VII

### AMENDMENTS

**Section I** This constitution and rules of decorum may be amended at any annual session of this association by a two-thirds vote of delegates present; provided proposed amendment is presented in writing, read one day, placed on the table, and adopted the next 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.

Call of reading of minutes of last conference. Minutes read and

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4. Call for Peace and fellowship of the church. Church \_\_\_\_\_

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5. General Business \_\_\_\_\_

6. On motion of adjournment, We \_\_\_\_\_

Rev. \_\_\_\_\_, Moderator

Bro. \_\_\_\_\_, Clerk

## FORM OF LETTERS 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