

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

★
Held With Union Chapel And
New Liberty Churches
Sept. 29 - 30, 1972

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Officers:

Rev. N. A. Patterson
William E. Atkinson

Moderator
Clerk

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The Next Session of this Association will meet with
Pocahontas Church on Friday before the first Sunday in
October 1973 and with Hackleburg Church on the following
Saturday. Rev. Billy R. Smith to preach the introductory
sermon.

JASPER FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Rev. Billy Ray Smith-Moderator-Hamilton, Ala. 35570

Rev. William E. Atkinson - Clerk - Winfield, Ala. 35594

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GENERAL BOARD

Mickey Crane	1973	J. O. Jones	1973
Kennith Watts	1974	Lowell Franks	1974
Luther Franks	1973	Allen Brasseal	1973
Harvey Ivey	1974	Aaron Wright	1974
P. P. Barnes	1973	Junior Mote	1973
Elmer Steward	1974	Henry Thompson	1974
Richmond Pollard	1973	Elbert Nelson	1973
Edward Holland	1974	Jerrel Graben	1974
Dock Lynn	1973	Ross White	1973
Claburn White	1974	O. V. Nix	1974
Lowell Parker	1973	Billy Gilbert	1973
Hasten Cantrell	1973	O. D. Eads	1974
Chestine Barksdale	1974	Louis Lacy	1973
Bryan Silas	1973	Floy Franks	1974
Bill Pitts	1974		

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Billy Ray Smith	Floy Franks
William E. Atkinson	Lowell Parker
Lowell Franks	Aaron Wright
	P. P. Barnes

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

Ambers Aldridge
B. C. Duncan

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

William E. Atkinson	1975
Billy R. Smith	1974
Hubbard Estes	1976
James Walden	1977

PROCEEDINGS

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

The body was called into session Friday morning at 9:00 A. M. A period of devotion was led by Rev. Ambers Aldridge. The welcome address was given by Lemmie Harbin and the response by Carl Atkinson.

A partial report was given by the Credential Committee approving letters from all churches except Hackleburg. The moderator then appointed Rev. Bill Duncan to assist the clerk in reading of letters. Letters from twenty-eight churches were read and approved with delegates seated. A report from the Credential Committee approved the letter from Hackleburg. The letter was then read and delegates seated.

Nominations were made to General Board for terms expiring in 1972. A motion carried to elect by acclamation. An executive committee was elected consisting of Lowell Franks, Floy Franks, Lowell Parker, P. P. Barnes, Aaron Wright along with the moderator and clerk.

Rev. Dave Franks brought the morning message in the worship service. An offering of \$130.32 was received for missions. Visiting ministers were recognized as follows: J. M. Harbin, James Cutts, M. H. Hollis, W. C. Rayburn, and J. B. Tice.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

After song and prayer the Quarterly Meeting Report was read. A motion carried to accept the report. (See Reports)

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

Members of the General Board were excused from the assembly and asked to assemble outside for annual meeting. (See Reports)

The rest of the afternoon was given to messages from Rev. Junior Mote and Rev. Conrad Whitson.

SATURDAY MORNING

A period of devotion was led by Rev. Bill Duncan.

The Obituary Report was read and a motion carried to accept the same. (See Reports)

A motion carried to accept Board of Christian Education Report. (See Reports)

A report from Committee on Finance was read and approved. (See Reports)

A motion carried to accept Appreciation Committee Report as read. (See Reports)

Names of Delegates were called; and then those ministers present answered to their roll call.

Delegates to other associations were named as follows: Vernon - B. C. Duncan, O. Z. Johnson, N. A. Patterson, Mississippi State Line - B. C. Duncan, Virginia Duncan, North Alabama - Floyd Barber. Those named to the State Association are as follows: Dixie Atkinson, Vina Walden, Rachel Barber, Alice Barnes, Virginia Duncan, Margaret Ivey, Lela Crowe, Ida Aldridge, Hattie Hunter, J. M. Nipper, Melba Griffin, Tabema Barber.

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

A report from Credential Committee was read and a motion carried to accept the report and adopt item by item. Subsequent motions carried adopting each of the items as read except Item 4 and Item 7. Item 4 was lost. An amendment carried to item 7 requesting that the clerk send a letter to Hubert Peoples informing him of action taken.

Dr. Joe Ange was guest speaker in the morning worship service. An offering of \$174.54 was received for Free Will Baptist Bible College and Free Will Baptist Children's Home.

Visiting ministers recognized were as follows: A. J. Lambert, Orbie Peirce, Joe Ange, James Cutts, Calvin Bevans, and Carlton Lambert.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

After song and prayer a report from Free Will Baptist Children's Home was given by Rev. Carlton Lambert.

The last two items of Credential Report were read and motions carried adopting each.

A list of approved ministers for the coming year was also submitted by the Credential Committee. (See Reports)

In the ensuing election of officers for the coming year the following were chosen; Rev. Bill Smith, moderator, Rev. Bill Duncan, assistant moderator. Rev. William E. Atkinson was elected clerk; and Dixie Atkinson was elected assistant clerk.

An offering of \$52.75 was received for retired ministers.

The moderator named committees as follows: **Appreciation**; Vina Walden, Nellie Jackson, Aaron Wright: **Obituary**; Virginia Duncan, Ida Aldridge, Clovis Childers: **Finance**; Floyd Barber, Milton Rhudy, Floy Franks

Rev. Bill Smith, Rev. Bill Duncan, and Rev. J. O. Jones were named by the moderator to serve as the ordaining council. In the ordaining service which followed Ivan Ryan, Conran Whitson and Dennis Borden were ordained to preach the gospel.

A motion carried to adjourn which was followed by an old fashion hand shake.

REPORTS APPRECIATION

In behalf of the Jasper Association, we say "Thank You" to Union Chapel Church and to New Liberty Church for inviting us into your churches. Thanks for Christian Fellowship and especially for the delicious meals. May the Lord bless you as you love and labor for Him!

Respectfully submitted,
Dixie Atkinson
Vina Walden
Autie Franks

OBITUARY

We wish to report that God has called from our ranks the following: C. W. Franklin of Brilliant; Mrs. Melvin Hill of Carbon Hill; Jenny Stevenson of Cedrom Grove; George Jackson of Good Springs; Wood Garrison, Delmer Palmer, and Annie Vaughn of Guin; George Harbin of Gum Springs; P.E. Lay of Holly Springs; John L. Howell of Hackleburg; Dolly May, Elbert Hollis, Effie Thomas, Henry Berryhill, Boyd Maddox, and Etta Phillips of Mt. Olive; Maggie Huguley of Mt. Pleasant; Poke Lowery and A. L. Atkins of New Liberty; Ella Martin, Willie Mote, Harice Keeton, and W. S. Noles of New Oak Grove; Toxie NeSmith, and Bill Manasco of Pocahontas; Earl Harris of Poplar Log; Minnie Keeton, Jess Keeton, Ernest Derricott, and Mrs. Ben Dempsey of Red Bay; Lola Abston, Tommy Pounders, and J. T. Mashburn of Shady Grove; Olen Gann, Ruth Brand, Bessie Reed and George Shaw of Winfield.

Respectfully submitted,
Jo Ann Riggs
Ava Pollard
Ida Lee Aldridge

FINANCE

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

Associational Funds	\$ 506.09
Retired Ministers	526.55
State Association	287.00
Children's Home	32.50
TOTAL	\$1,352.14

Respectfully submitted
W. Lee Franks
John Moore

CREDENTIAL

We, your committee on credentials, submit the following report:

1. We have examined letters from all churches except Hackleburg and find them in order. We therefore recommend that letters be read and delegates seated.
2. We recommend that Rev. Willard Mayhall be received into this body in good standing from Bear Creek Association.
3. We recommend that Rev. Ted Pittman be given a letter of recommendation to join another body.
4. We recommend that New Liberty Church and Mt. Joy Church renew the license of Conrad Whitson and Dennis Borden for another year.
5. We recommend that Ivan Ryan be ordained to preach the gospel in this session.
6. We recommend every minister turn in a card of good standing to the credentials committee; and that care be taken to complete information.
7. A serious question came before the Credential Committee concerning the conduct of Hubert Peoples as a minister. We requested on several occasions that he meet with us; but he has refused to do so. He has not turned in his credentials; but is no longer a minister in good standing with the Jasper Association.
8. It has been brought to our attention that James M. White has used his card of good standing to secure credit; and has defaulted payment. Therefore he is no longer in good standing with Jasper Association.

9. The Credential Committee request that the moderator appoint an ordaining council for the ordination service in this session. We wish to be excused from ordaining men to preach when it violates our conscience and convictions to do so.

Subsequent motions carried adopting each item except No. 4. Item No. 4 was lost.

QUARTERLY MEETING

October 28, 1972

1. We recommend that Rev. James Pittman and Rev. J. A. Fredrick be given letters of recommendation.

2. We recommend that Rev. Calvin Bevans be given card of good standing.

3. We recommend that Rev. James Cutts and Rev. J. M. Cobb be given card of good standing upon receipt of letter from the clerk, moderator, or the credential committee of their respective associations stating their good standing.

Subsequent motions carried adopting each item except No. 3. Item No. 3 was amended to accept persons named without letters of recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,
James Walden
James Pittman
Ambers Aldridge
B. C. Duncan

GENERAL BOARD

1. We recommend that the clerk be paid one hundred, twenty-five dollars, the moderator sixty-five dollars, the assistant clerk forty dollars, and the assistant moderator twenty dollars this session.

2. We recommend that the next session of this association be held with Pocahontas Church on Friday and with Hackleburg Church on Saturday.

3. We recommend that first Quarterly Meeting be given to New Oak Grove, the second to Cedrom Grove, the third to Holly Springs, and the fourth to Free Waters.

4. We recommend that B. C. Duncan replace James Walden on Credential Committee

5. We recommend that each church send an offering to each

annual session for retired ministers; and that each church support this cause regularly. We also recommend that each church support support regularly the cause of Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Children's Home and Bible College.

6. We recommend that money for retired ministers be given to J. O. Jones, J. A. Godsey, N. A. Patterson, J. S. Fredrick, C. A. Odom and A. L. Warren.

7. We recommend that James Walden replace Richmond Pollard on Board of Christian Education

8. We urge each church to recommend persons to the General Board who will be present Friday afternoon for the annual meeting.

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Board of Christian Education promoted a very successful Youth Camp again this summer with several of our churches participating. Along with the Vernon Association, a profitable and enjoyable week was spent at Camp Chula Vista near Pell City July 17- 22.

Last December we promoted training courses for teachers, church musicians, and pastors in Guin. Though attendance was not real good; we did consider this a success.

The Conference on Evangelism in Guin Armory March 27-31 was a great success! Many came from across the state; and from other states as well. Perhaps we will plan another for next year.

The Sunday School and CTS Convention was held in Winfield April 14-15. The usual number of churches represented. Winners were chosed in Sword Drill and TicTac Toe. These also represented us in state competition.

Some three to four youth meetings were held this year; but interest has been poor. It no longer seems advisable to continue these. None are planned for the future.

A financial statement follows:

Balance 9-28-71	\$ 451.38
Youth Meeting Offerings	32.83
Training Course Receipts	101.25
Conference Receipts	770.13
Convention Fees	76.00
Camp Receipts	1,490.00
TOTAL	\$2,921.59

Camp Expense	\$1,550.48
Conference Expense	833.25
Training Course Expense	193.30
Fees to State Convention	46.00
Prizes awarded	28.60
Postage	9.68
TOTAL	\$2,661.31

Balance 9-28-72 \$260.28

Respectfully submitted,
William E. Atkinson-Chm.

QUARTERLY MEETING REPORT

The Quarterly meeting of Jasper Free Will Baptist Association held 4 meetings during the Associational year 1971-72. They were held with : Gum Springs Church Oct. 30, 1971; New Oak Grove Church Jan. 29, 1972; Carbon Hill Church April 29, 1972; Bethel Church July 29, 1972.

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

Shady Grove represented at 3 meetings and Hackleburg and Lone Star represented at 2 meetings.

Ministers attending all 4 meeting were: Ambers Aldridge Jr., William E. Atkinson, Pearl P. Barnes, Dewey Colley, B. C. Duncan, O. Z. Johnson, N. A. Patterson, Johnny Sexton, Billy R. Smith.

Attending 3 meetings were; Floyd C. Barber, Roy Humphres, Harvey V. Ivey, Clois Tucker, James Walden.

Those attending 2 meetings were: J. O. Jones, Harvey McGuire, Larry Nix, C. A. Odum, Gillie Parrish, James Pittman, James M. White,

The following attended 1 meeting: Joe A. Box, Mickey Crane, Reynold Flippo, J. A. Godsey, Jim Howell, Marion Nairemore, Hubert Peoples, Ted Pittman, Eustace Riggs, Ray Ritch, A. L. Warren.

Visiting ministers were; J. M. Harben-3, Orbie Pierce-2, Ivan Ryan-1, Willard Mayhall-1, James Cutts-1, Dennis Borden-1.

Deacons attending all 4 meetings were: M. M. Warren, Those attending 3 meetings were: H. C. Burgett, Noah Crane, O. D. Eads, Billy Gilbert, Noah Kennedy, Dennis F. Kizzire, L. E. McDaniel.

These Attended 2 meetings: Dewey Burleson, Roy Crowe, James Hunter, John R. Knight, Elbert Nelson, Amos Martin, G. M. Smith, Larry White, Aaron Wright, J. R. Yeilding. Attending 1 meeting were L. D. Baty, O. A. Cook, Earlie Dickinson, Roy Edgar, Lonzo Goodwin, Curt Griffin, Lewis Lacy, Vester Lawrence, John Moore, Henry Thompson, Kenneth Watts.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT QUARTERLY MEETING

Amount on Hand 9-28-71	\$22.37
Receipts	220.00
TOTAL	\$242.37
Clerk's Salary (4X \$5.00)	\$ 20.00
Postage, Paper, Etc.	33.41
Given to Association	150.00
TOTAL	\$203.41

Balance 9-28-72 \$38.96

Respectfully submitted,
Dixie Atkinson-Clerk-Treasurer

THE JASPER DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY REPORT

The Jasper District Woman's Auxiliary met with the Winfield Church on April 15, 1972. The meeting was opened by the president, Mrs. Vina Walden, followed with song, Rescue the Perishing and prayer by Mrs. Dixie Atkinson.

The welcome address was by Mary Lee Benton and response to welcome by Mrs. Johnnie Sexton. Devotion was given by Mrs. Dixie Atkinson.

The secretary gave her report and the following delegates were seated: Winfield-Clytee Reed, Dora Atkinson and Fannie Baccus; Guin-Shirley White, Merlene Nix, and Martha Sloan; Mt. Olive-Donna Pittman, Ann Silas, and Evelyn Butler; Free Waters-Edgar Pollard, Imogene Pugh, Peggy Sexton and Ruby Pollard; Hamilton-Madie May, Rhea Childers; Red Bay-Mildred Purser, Rachel Barber, Elva Jones, Lola Keeton.

The committees reported. A special song was given by Free Waters Auxiliary. Mrs. Dot Smith had charge of the installation of new officers. Ann Silas and Donna Pittman sang a special song.

Mrs. Jo Ann Riggs was our morning speaker, followed with a song and prayer.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

We the nominating committee submit the following report:
President - Mrs. Dixie Atkinson; Vice-President - Mrs. Vina Walden; Secretary - Treasurer-Mrs. Dot Smith; Asst. Sec.-Treas.-Sharon Hardin; Mission Prayer - Jo Ann Riggs; Mission Study Chairman - Shirley White; Mission Action Chairman - Peggy Sexton and Field worker - Excell Parker

Respectfully submitted
Donna Pittman
Rachel Barber
Dora Atkinson
Martha Sloan
Imogene Pugh

FINANCE REPORT

We the Finance Committee submit the following report:

Balance brought forward	\$ 80.70
Dues collected	117.50
TOTAL	\$198.20

Respectfully submitted
Dot Smith
Evelyn Butler
Edgar Pollard

APPRECIATION REPORT

We, the Appreciation Committee, would like to express our gratitude to the Winfield Free Will Baptist Church for their invitation to convene with them and for their kindness and hospitality. May God bless you as you labor for Him.

Respectfully submitted
Ruby Sue Pollard
Clytee Reed
Jo Ann Riggs

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

1. We recommend that each auxiliary strive to have the suggested study courses.
2. We urge each auxiliary member to stimulate new interest in her own auxiliary and to aid the field worker in organizing of new

auxiliaries in other churches.

3. We recommend that our convention continue to be held with the Sunday School and CTS Convention.

4. We recommend that each auxiliary have as their utmost goal to please God and secondly to provoke one another to good works.

5. We recommend that each auxiliary support the Children's Home by collecting coupons and that each auxiliary accept some project for the home and also support the WNAC Co-Laborer Fund.

6. We urge each auxiliary to give according as the Lord has prospered to missions.

7. We recommend that the Secretary be paid \$7.50 per year.

8. We recommend the securing of yearly report sheets from WNAC so that all reports will be uniform.

9. We recommend that each auxiliary report to the District Sec-Treas. and she compile the state report before the district. We recommend that only the state report be read instead of individual auxiliary reports and that the delegates be recognized from each auxiliary.

Respectfully submitted,

Lola Keeton	Shirley White
Madie May	Peggy Sexton
Mary Berryhill	Ann Silas

Subsequent motions carried adopting each item.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF ASSOCIATION CLERK

Amount on Hand 9-12-72	\$ 353.39
Association Funds	506.09
Retired Ministers	526.55
Brilliant Bible Class	36.00
Quarterly Meeting	150.00
Woman's Auxiliary	10.00
Children's Home	32.50
State Association	287.00
Offering for Missions	130.32
Offering for College and Children's Home	174.54
Offering for Retired Ministers	52.75
TOTAL	\$2,259.14

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	48	2	0	0	0	2	3,015	0	0	0	20.00	5.00	1,945.00	138.65	15.00	2,000.00	0
Bethlehem	Billy Robbins	88	1	2	0	0	0	4,000	0	0	20.00	177.65	10.00	2,150.00	160.00	20.00	10,000.00	0
Brilliant	O.Z. Johnson	172	4	3	0	1	3	7,477	166.50	170.50	260.00	432.81	25.00	5,449.60	300.00	29.00	25,000.00	4,500.00
Carbox Hill	Harvey Ivey	55	13	1	0	1	0	4,701	0	0	0	67.36	7.50	781.04	125.00	7.50	22,000.00	0
Cedron Grove	Pearl P. Barnes	85	6	1	2	1	2	4,682	175.47	120.00	315.00	170.00	60.00	1,355.00	300.00	30.00	10,000.00	0
Edgar's Chapel	Roy Humphres	75	0	0	0	0	0	1,335	0	0	0	0	22.25	1,008.65	219.00	15.00	4,000.00	0
Free Waters	Johnny C. Sexton	116	3	0	0	0	0	4,833	24.00	0	0	61.00	0	3,760.00	200.00	20.00	10,000.00	15,000.00
Good Springs	Mickey Crane	70	18	2	2	1	2	2,349	10.00	0	0	40.00	10.00	805.16	168.00	10.00	7,500.00	0
Guin	James F. Walden	336	34	10	0	3	3	34,787	968.19	998.48	1,425.48	751.98	616.98	7,280.00	378.00	25.00	56,000.00	18,000.00
Gum Springs	Willard Mayhall	87	9	2	2	1	8	5,397	400.00	200.00	0	200.00	18.00	3,395.00	750.00	17.00	28,000.00	0
Hackleburg	Jim Howell	40	6	18	0	1	0	6,090	0	0	0	50.00	0	1,555.00	840.00	20.00	35,000.00	0
Hamilton	Billy R. Smith	79	8	4	2	0	0	14,503	286.67	191.18	766.18	316.18	96.00	4,575.00	525.00	15.00	35,000.00	0
Holly Springs	Dennis Borden	93	2	6	0	1	0	1,473	0	0	0	0	10.00	1,040.00	100.00	2.00	6,000.00	0
Liberty	Herdis Sullins	113	0	0	0	0	0	6,943	14.80	128.30	50.00	107.80	12.50	3,543.83	400.00	15.00	8,500.00	0
Lone Star	Gillie Parrish	79	6	0	0	0	0	17,483	0	0	0	0	0	1,963.00	120.00	15.00	20,000.00	0
Mt. Joy	Charlie McGee	47	2	1	6	0	0	1,520	0	0	0	131.39	20.00	600.00	200.00	10.00	6,000.00	0
Mt. Olive		165	18	1	0	6	10	24,474	1,634.28	878.10	1,696.69	407.38	151.03	6,430.00	630.00	35.00	65,000.00	15,000.00
Mt. Pleasant	James W. Cutts	182	0	0	0	1	1	3,811	65.25	60.00	63.00	120.00	10.00	2,055.00	432.00	12.00	20,000.00	0
New Liberty	B.C. Duncan	184	4	7	2	2	1	11,507	263.80	263.80	263.80	300.06	263.80	3,350.00	250.00	20.00	25,000.00	0
New Oak Grove	Orbie Pierce	129	0	0	1	4	0	6,854	55.00	55.78	165.55	190.09	10.00	3,535.00	295.00	20.00	25,000.00	0
Parrish	A.J. Lambert	35	2	0	0	0	0	759	0	0	0	50.00	5.00	147.22	19.57	10.00	2,500.00	0
Pocahontas	Calvin Bevins	55	2	3	0	2	17	2,613	50.00	0	0	199.18	15.00	2,140.00	250.00	20.00	15,000.00	0
Poplar Leg	J.B. Tice	258	10	4	0	1	9	15,309	0	0	0	784.86	10.00	6,910.54	308.12	30.00	20,000.00	15,000.00
Red Bay	Floyd C. Barber	185	11	5	2	4	0	9,180	90.30	120.79	352.36	85.00	10.00	5,237.50	592.96	25.00	25,000.00	15,000.00
Shady Grove	Malone Cobb	348	67	0	7	3	14	16,898	530.28	696.76	593.38	414.38	25.00	5,400.00	425.25	10.00	50,000.00	0
Spring Hill	Junior Mote	25	0	0	0	0	0	1,802	14.40	0	0	10.00	5.00	128.25	163.00	6.00	4,500.00	0
Union Chapel	Ambers Aldridge Jr.	88	8	4	1	0	0	1,750	0	5.00	37.82	12.50	17.50	845.81	150.00	7.50	3,500.00	0
Union Hill	J.B. Southerland	110	2	0	0	0	1	4,000	0	88.52	0	0	10.00	2,105.00	215.00	15.00	15,000.00	0
Winfield	William E. Atkinson	419	46	1	6	4	8	34,800	423.81	460.90	1,471.18	350.00	134.56	7,800.00	1,065.00	30.00	140,000.00	12,000.00

Paid Retired Ministers	\$ 615.30
Paid Association Officers	250.00
Paid Foreign Missions	65.16
Paid Home Missions	65.16
Paid Children's Home	119.77
Paid Bible College	87.27
Paid State Fees	145.00
Given St. James Church	287.00
Letter Forms and Postage	9.63

TOTAL \$1,644.29

BALANCE 11-1-72 \$614.85

DELEGATES

BEAR CREEK - Monell Gann, Susie McCarley, Mary Gann
 BETHLEHEM - Henry Cagle, Lela Crowe, Verta Warren
 BRILLIANT - Hilda Smith, J. M. Nipper, Wilma Tesney
 CARBON HILL - Delphia Colburn, I. V. Farley, Margaret Ivey
 CEDROM GROVE - Betty Pate, Helen Tittle, Nellie Jackson
 EDGAR CHAPEL - Elizabeth Edgar, Henry Cleveland, Susie Lawler
 FREE WATERS - Fred Otts, Imogene Pugh, Carol Kivette
 GOOD SPRINGS - Opelia Warren, Bessie Spencer, Charles Spencer
 GUIN - Ella Markhan, Elvia Pugh, Julius Box
 GUM SPRINGS - Joe Holcomb, Charley Anderson, Mary Anderson
 HACKLEBURG - Gail Gunnin, Icy Gunnin, Glenda Anglin
 HAMILTON - Ruble Collins, Jimmy May, Madie May
 HOLLY SPRINGS - Lena Burgett, Venila Tarwater, Lessie Burgett
 LIBERTY - Lillian Dickinson, Barbara Lolly, Lillie Cantrell
 LONE STAR - Luna Bostick, Arvin Bostick, Norma Bostick
 MT. JOY - Martha Jones, Louise Brown, Pat Tice
 MT. OLIVE - Letus Atkinson, Gaines Butler, Mirtie Atkinson
 MT. PLEASANT - J. W. Vaughn, Buster Westbrooks, Wilma Westbrooks
 NEW LIBERTY - Cordy Madison, Delphine Garner, Sue Whitson
 NEW OAK GROVE - Nora Belle McDaniel, Peggy German, J. M. Robbins
 PARRISH - Audie Romine, Carrie Booth
 POCAHONTAS - Melba Griffin, Hattie Hunter, Zora Nelson

POPLAR LOG - Jerrel Graben, Dennis Brading, Frank Kerr
 RED BAY - Phillip Orrick, Agnes White, Rachel Barber
 SHADY GROVE - Cleofes Bankston, Bill Cochran, Earl Gassoway
 SPRING HILL - Robbie Gilbert, Cecil Kennedy, Grace Elliott
 UNION CHAPEL - Jim Pittman, Ruthie Pittman, Joan Harbin
 UNION HILL - Genevee Fredrick, Nannie Lou Hudson, Willodean Hudson
 WINFIELD - Carl Atkinson, Lander Baccus, J. B. Gosdey

DEACONS

BEAR CREEK - Lon Gunnion, Roland Williams, Troy Mason, Henry Grissom, Truman Scott, Clarence Ingle
 BETHLEHEM - Roy Crowe, Kenneth Watts, Woodrow Franks, Vance Pollard
 BRILLIANT - Kermit Cagle, Dewey Burleson, Lester Hankins, Rayburn Hugeley, Earl Smith
 CARBON HILL - Joe Hopson
 CEDROM GROVE - Angelo Boshell, J. E. Tittle, Charles Parr
 EDGAR'S CHAPEL - Marshall Raper, Terry Raper, Noah Crane, J. D. Faulkner, F. J. Edgar, Ray Edgar
 FREE WATERS - Wilburn Sexton, Artis Pugh, W. M. Wilson, Pearce Miller, Clovis Tidwell
 GOOD SPRINGS - Barney Pounders, M. M. Warren, Leeman Humphres, Edward Holland
 GUIN - Bill Smith, Jerry Flippo, Frank Cutts, Ronald McDonald, Austin Pugh, Larry White
 GUM SPRINGS - Maxwell Gibbs, Johnny Moore, Claburn White, Alfred White
 HACKLEBURG - Ester Gunnin, Sam Lacey, Burl Lolley, Charles Nix
 HAMILTON - Lowell Parker, Dewell Emmerson, Don Collins
 HOLLY SPRINGS - Clayton Burgett, Louis Burgett, Ranzy Baty
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 LONE STAR - Claude Russell, Bill Pitts, Kenneth Pounders, Bobby Bostick
 MT. JOY - H. H. Ragurn, Silas Roberts, Bill Brown, Randall Tice, Nolen Raburn
 MT. OLIVE - Paul Wilson, Lowell Franks, Milton Rhudy, A. G. May, H. L. Franks
 MT. PLEASANT - F. A. Aldridge, Vester Lawrence, Ray Weeks

NEW LIBERTY - David Fowler, Victor Smith, Aaron Wright, Birvil Smith, Sid Moore, Aaron Whitson, Coy Aldridge
 NEW OAK GROVE - Amos Martin, Johnnie Knight, H. G. Montgomery, Lonnie McDaniel
 PARRISH - Henry Thompson, Howard Romine, Homer Goodwin
 POCAHONTAS - Curt Griffin, Jim Hunter, Joe Hunter, E. P. Cheatwood, Elbert Nelson
 POPLAR LOG - Riley Fredrick, Ben Owens, Orbie Cook, Olen Lee, Fred Sullins
 RED BAY - Willard Purser, Ross White, Raymond Creekmore, Oliver Mink, J. R. Yeilding, Carl Tharp
 SHADY GROVE - Charles Swinney, Clyde Freeman, Wayne Mayfield, O. V. Nix
 SPRING HILL - Billy Gilbert, Cecil Kennedy
 UNION CHAPEL - O.D. Eads, Jimmy Eads, Arthur Holliman, Lonzo Goodwin, Tommie Williams, Marvin Eads
 UNION HILL - L. D. Clement, Leburn Hudson, Louis Lacey
 WINFIELD - Lee Moore, Garlon Holliman, B. P. Atkinson Jr. Ira B Baccus, Bill Overton

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CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God, by faith in Christ, and adopted the Word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this solemn covenant.

We promise, by His grace, to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid all appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity of the world, from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages, and to "provide things honest in the sight of all men."

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of the Scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship; and by self-denial, faith, and good works endeavor to "grow in grace and the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship, and the observance of the ordinances of the Gospel; nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor, and all its benevolent work.

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness, and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to "keep the unity of the Spirit" in the bonds of peace. To be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and as far as we are able, promote the success of the church and of the Gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principle sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme; counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society, constantly praying and toiling that the Kingdom of God may come, and His will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprises, and the support

of missions, the success of Sunday Schools, and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of the world. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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 ability 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 immersion 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. II: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 bound hand and foot and cast into outer darkness. The wicked are given 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 Treaties 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 of 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 minutes. 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

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

5. General Business

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

Rev., Moderator

Rev., Moderator

Bro., Clerk

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.