

**JASPER
ASSOCIATION
of
FREE WILL
BAPTISTS**

**1987
ANNUAL REPORT**

1988 SESSION

October 7, Liberty FWB Church

October 8, New Liberty FWB Church

**MINUTES
of the
NINETY-NINTH ANNUAL
SESSION**

**of the
JASPER ASSOCIATION
OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS**

**When Convened at
Cedrom Grove Free Will Baptist Church
and
Union Hill Free Will Baptist Church**

OCTOBER 2 - 3, 1987

ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY OF OFFICERS

Moderator:

Rev. Fred Hawkins, Rt. 2, Winfield, AL 35594, 487-6548

Assistant Moderator:

Dennis Haygood, Rt. 2, Box 376, Guin, AL 35563, 468-2325

Clerk:

Buddy T. Henry, Rt. 2, Box 150, Guin, AL 35563, 468-3262

Assistant Clerk:

Bryan Silas, Rt. 2, Box 151, Guin, AL 35563, 468-2734

Treasurer:

Phil Bozeman, P.O. Box 457, Red Bay, AL 35582, 365-2425

BOARDS

State Board Member: Buddy T. Henry

Children's Home Board of Trustee: Donald Kivette

Christian Education Board: Vern Gunnels - 1988; Buddy T. Henry - 1989;

Carroll Jones - 1990; Walter Sloan - 1991; Richard Cordell - 1992.

Youth Camp Board: Donald Kivette - 1988; Dennis Haygood - 1989;

Carroll Jones - 1990.

Credentials Committee: Richard Cordell - 1988; Dennis Haygood - 1989;

Vern Gunnels - 1990; Calvin Bevans - 1991; Fred Hawkins - 1992.

Missions Board: Roger Houston - 1987; Bryan Silas - 1988; Donald

Kivette 1989; Richard Cordell - 1990; James Bradley - 1991

Executive Committee: John Warren, Hugh Mac Winsett, Allen Brasseal,

Carrol Jones, Paul Jagers.

General Board: Terms to expire in 1988

Bethlehem - Vance Pollard: Calvary - Herbert Boshell: Carbon Hill - Car-

roll Jones: Gum Springs - Wymon Holcomb: Lone Star - Bobby Thomp-

son: Mt. Olive - Letus Atkinson: New Liberty - James Bradley: Shady

Grove - Hershell Beard: Union Chapel - : Winfield - Duane Hughes.

Term to expire in 1989:

Brilliant - Phillip Miles: Cedrom Grove - John Warren: Free Water - Farrell

Pollard: Guin - Richard Cordell: Hamilton - Hugh Mac Winsett: Liberty

-Billy Wisham: Mt. Pleasant - Allen Brasseal: Pocahontas - Jim Hunter:

Red Bay - O'Neal Funderburg: Union Hill - Paul Jagers.

PROCEEDINGS

The Jasper Association of Free Will Baptist, held its first Quarterly meeting in 1987 at Red Bay FWB Church, January 24, 1987. The meeting was called to order by Moderator Bro. Billy Smith. Song led by Bro. Dennis Haygood, Prayer by Bro. Carroll Jones.

Bro. Phil Bozeman, host pastor, welcomed the Association. The church letters were read and Delegates were seated. Bro. Richard Cordell, chairman of the Credential Committee recommended that Bro. David Crowe be given a letter of good standing, to the Liberty FWB Association.

Special Singing was provided by the local church. The session was then turned over to Our Missionaries, each speaking about ten minutes, starting with Bros. Tommy Hughes, Jerry McClary, Bob Thomas, Lonnie Sparks, Jimmy Aldridge, Tom Hunt. After a short break Bro. Duane Hughes led in singing. Bros. Mike Criswell started back with the missionaries speaking, followed by Ron Moore, Norman McFall, Richard Hendrix, Fred Jones, Louie Nix.

Because of the resignation of Bro. Roger Houston from the C.E. Board, they nominated Bro. Joe Rager, he was elected to the board. We were dismissed by prayer led by Dr. Roger Bennett.

SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING

The Quarterly Meeting of Jasper Association met at Mt. Olive FWB Church, March 28, 1987. Bro. Dennis Haygood led the singing, Bro. Fred Hawkins led in prayer.

Moderator Billy Smith called the meeting to order and seated the standing delegates. Bro. Gurlie Roberts gave an inspiring devotion. Bro. Dennis Haygood welcomed the Association to Mt. Olive. Bro. Haygood led in another song. Bro. Billy Edwards brought the first message of the morning. Text Luke 14:15-24.

Bro. Dennis Haygood gave a report on the Youth Camp. After break Bro. Haygood opened the service with singing. Clerk read all church letters and delegates were seated.

Visitors were recognized; Rev. James E. Lathon, Rev. Edward Lipsy from New Hope Free Will Baptist Church in Beaverton, Bro. William Atkinson was present.

Treasurer gave his report, balance on hand \$273.67. Bro. Smith encouraged all churches to send money to the state for hosting the National Association.

Bro. Joe Rager gave a report about this year's Youth Camp and gave out applications to those present.

Motion to dismiss for the Worship service. Singing led by Bro. Haygood. Bro. Buddy T. Henry brought the second message, text Rev. 2:1-7.

THE THIRD QUARTERLY MEETING

The Quarterly Meeting was held at Calvary FWB Church, June 27, 1987. The session was opened by singing led by Duane Hughes. Bro. Fred Hawkins led in prayer.

Bro. William Norris brought the devotion, Psalms 40.

Pastor Calvin Bevans welcomed the quarterly meeting to Calvary FWB Church.

Moderator seated the standing delegates. Bro. Hughes led in singing before the first message. Bro. Vern Gunnels led in prayer. Bro. Joe Rager preached, Text Psalms 27:14; Luke 15:11-15.

Bros. Joe Rager and Carroll Jones gave a report on the Youth Camps. Total of 23 saved and many other decisions. Bro. Billy R. Smith encouraged each to help in repair of the camp.

After break singing led by Duane Hughes, Clerk read the church letters, and delegates were seated.

Bro. Dennis Haygood gave a financial report of the Youth Camp Board. Visitors were recognized, Bro. Johnny Sexton. Bro. Hughes led in singing. Sister Jackson brought the special singing. Bro. Karl Sexton preached the second message, text Heb. 6:1.

Altar prayer led by Bro. Buddy T. Henry. Dismissed by Bro. Carroll Jones.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE JASPER ASSOCIATION

The Jasper Association of Free Will Baptists met at the Cedrom Grove FWB Church, October 2, 1987. The meeting was opened by Moderator Bro. Bill Duncan, song "Victory In Jesus", prayer led by Deacon Smith of New Liberty. Another song was sung "Won't It Be Wonderful There".

Welcome by Pastor John Warren.

Devotion by Bro. Herbert Boshell, using Romans 12.

Bro. Richard Cordell told about Alabama Bible College and the Missionary Conference in January.

Hymn "Power In The Blood" led by Bro. Duane Hughes.

Message by Bro. Hughes Ellis, Matt. 16:13-18.

Business called to order by Moderator, Bro. Bill Duncan. Delegates were seated. Prayer led by Bro. Fred Hawkins.

Treasurer report given by Bro. Phil Bozeman, MS&C to accept the report.

Visitors were recognized. Break.

Hymn "Glory To His Name" was led by Bro. Duane Hughes.

Message by Bro. Levy Corey, Mark 10:13-16, Mark 1:32-41, If Thou Wilt".

Dismissed for lunch by Bro. Harold Pitts.

Afternoon session was called to order by singing.

Message by Bro. Gurlie Roberts, pastor of Gum Springs FWB Church.

The second day of the Annual Jasper Association was held at Union Hill FWB Church, on October 3, 1987. The service was opened by singing led by Duane Hughes, prayer led by Bro. Vern Gunnels. Duane Hughes led another song "Love Lifted Me".

Bro. Billy Edwards gave us a hardy welcome.

Bro. Wayne Overton gave devotion, John 11:30-44, "Removing Stones from Our Life".

Clerk read delegates for Saturday, they were seated.

The General Board Report was read and accepted item by item.

Sister Carol Kivette gave the Obituary Report, committee were Carol Kivette, and Joyce Henry.

Bro. Dennis Haygood gave the Northwest Al. FWB Youth Camp Report.

Bro. Richard Cordell gave report of Pastor's and Worker's Conference.

The next conference will be February 8-10, 1988 at Dothan FWB Church. Speakers will be Bro.'s Billy Bevan, Richard Adams, Connie Cariker, Dan Patrick, not confirmed Dr. Lee Robertson.

Bro. Richard Cordell gave a partial report of the Credential Committee.

After break the service was called back to order by singing led by Bro. Hugh Mac Winsett. "He Keeps Me Singing", "Victory In Jesus", "At The Cross".

Bro. Jack Ezell, Gideon Ministries, spoke to us. His text was Psa. 51:8.

An offering was received in the amount of \$200. with 1/2 going to Children's Home and the other 1/2 going to Gideon's Ministries.

The afternoon session was called to order by singing led by Bro. Richard Cordell.

The Clerk read the Appreciation Committee Report. MS&C.

Clerk read the Finance Committee Report. MS&C.

Bro. Cordell read final Credential Committee Report and it was accepted item by item.

The Nominating Committee Report was given.

A rising vote of Appreciation for the job that Bro. Bill Duncan has done moderating the Association.

Bro. Fred Hawkins was elected as the new moderator. He introduced Dr. Roger Bennett who brought the afternoon message, after singing led by Bro. Cordell, Dr. Bennett's text was Matt. 10:1-6.

Announcements were made.

Closed out by prayer led by Bro. James Bradley.

1988 QUARTERLY MEETINGS

January 23, 1988, Free Water FWB Church

March 26, 1988, Mt. Pleasant FWB Church

June 25, 1988, Lone Star FWB Church

ANNUAL MEETING PLACES 1988

October 7, 1988, Liberty FWB Church

October 8, 1988, New Liberty FWB Church

ORDAINED MINISTERS

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SEXTON, KARL - Guin, AL 35563
SLOAN, WALTER - Box 553, Guin, AL 35563
THOMPSON, BOBBY - Fulton, Mississippi
TUCKER, CLOVIS - Rt. 4, Winfield, AL 35594, 487-2564
WARREN, JOHN - Rt. 2, Carbon Hill, AL 35549, 924-9373
HOLCOMB, WISE - Rt. 2, Guin, AL 35563, 468-3910

CHURCH CLERKS

BETHLEHEM: Bentley Crow, Rt. 2, Box 285, Guin, AL 35563
BRILLIANT: Mrs. R.D. Dickinson, P.O. Box 343, Brilliant, AL 35548
CALVARY: Betty Bevans, 605 1/2 13th St., Jasper, AL 35501
CARBON HILL:
CEDROM GROVE: Helen Tittle, Rt. 2, Box 74, Carbon Hill, AL 35549
FREE WATER: Janie Miller, Rt. 2, Guin, AL 35563
GUIN: Wilma Palmer, Rt. 3, Box 32, Guin, AL 35563
GUM SPRINGS: Lola Prescott, Rt. 3, Winfield, AL 35594
HAMILTON: Barbara Burleson, Rt. 6, Box 231, Hamilton, AL 35570
LIBERTY: Mrs. Bryan Silas, Rt. 2, Box 151, Guin, AL 35563
LONE STAR: Bobby Spearman, Rt. 1, Tremont, MS 38876
MT. OLIVE: Clark Flippo, Rt. 1, Box 1149, Guin, AL 35563
MT. PLEASANT: Reba May, Rt. 2, Guin, AL 35563
NEW LIBERTY: Angie Smith, Rt. 1, Box 135, Bankston, AL 35542
POCAHONTAS: Shirley Sparks, Rt. 2, Carbon Hill, AL 35549
RED BAY: Linda Blackburn, Rt. 2, Box 821, Vina, AL 35593
SHADY GROVE: Rosa Mary Beard, Rt. 5, Box 407-B, Russellville, AL 35653
UNION CHAPEL: Jane Sayre, Rt. 3, Box 55, Winfield, AL 35594
UNION HILL: Lucille Anglin, Rt. 2, Hackleburg, AL 35564
WINFIELD: Linda Harrison, Rt. 4, Box 107, Winfield, AL 35594

OBITUARY REPORT

BRILLIANT: Cliff Beauchamp, Garvis Estes
CALVARY: Icie Harbin
CARBON HILL: Beatrice Williams
FREE WATER: Ida Wilson
GUIN: Orville Pugh, Joel Johnson
CEDROM GROVE: Mertie Bell Hulsey, James (Jimmy) Jackson, Alice T. Tittle
LIBERTY: Annie May Johnson, Alvin Lolley
LONE STAR: J.Q. Spearman, Claude Russell, J.W. Dew
MT. OLIVE: Alvin Norris
UNION CHAPEL: Annie Warren, Holley Warren
RED BAY: Effie Farris, Olto Farris
WINFIELD: Lee Moore, Arlie Webster, Brandy Easley, Francis Holliman

*Respectively Submitted,
Carol Kivette, Joyce Henry*

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

We the Finance Committee have examined the letters and financial reports and find them to be in order.

Respectively Submitted:

Bro. Paul Jagers, Rev. Donald Kivette, Rev. Dennis Haygood

DEACONS

BETHLEHEM: Roy Crow, Vance Pollard

BRILLIANT: Dewey Burleson, Blane Doss

CALVARY: Thomas Dozier, Willie Clements

CARBON HILL: Travis Pair

CEDROM GROVE: Angelo Boshell

FREE WATER: Clovis Tidwell, Hubbard Estes, Artis Pugh, Douglas Emerson

GUM SPRINGS: Van Westbrook

HAMILTON:

GUIN FIRST: Tony Berryhill, Gary Atkinson, Bill Smith, Bobby Glasgow,
Tommy Nix, Charles Knight, Ronald McDonald, Jerry Stephens

LIBERTY: Earlie Dickinson, Morgan Bozeman, Billy Norris, Don Wilson

LONE STAR: Bill Pitts, Kenneth Pounders, Bobby Spearman, Bobby Bostick

MT. OLIVE: Edgar Atkinson, Paul Wilson, Haig Wilson, Milton Rhudy

MT. PLEASANT: Alan Atkins, Terry May

NEW LIBERTY: Victor Smith, Aaron Wright, David Fowler, Sid Moore

POCAHONTAS: Jim Hunter, Elbert Nelson, Pete Stewart, Donald Sparks,
Gary Sparks, John D. Burkett

RED BAY: J.W. Purser, Ross White, Ralph Purser, Raymond Blackburn
Elmer Self, Marlin Saint, Robert Newell

SHADY GROVE: Clyde Freeman, Charles Nix

UNION CHAPEL: Alvin Henderson

UNION HILL: Paul Jagers, Leburn Hudson, Jerry Anglin, J.D. Jones,
Almon Raburn

WINFIELD: B.P. Atkinson, Lee Moore, Ira Baccus, Garlon Holliman,
Bill Overton

APPRECIATION COMMITTEE REPORT

The Jasper Association of FWB would like to express our sincere thanks to the Cedrom Grove and Union Hill Churches, for the gracious way you have hosted the Associational Meetings. The food was delicious and the fellowship was wonderful. May God richly bless each one who assisted in making these days successful.

Respectively Submitted:

Ruby Conway, Joy Parr, Ethel Sullins

GENERAL BOARD REPORT

The Board met September 15, 1987 at Winfield FWB Church. The meeting was called to order by Bro. Bill Duncan, Assistant Moderator, due to the leaving of Bro. Billy Smith.

The Board recommends the following:

(1) The following men to be elected to the General Board, their term to expire 1989. Cedrom Grove - John Warren; Free Water - Farrell Pollard; Guin - Richard Cordell; Hamilton - Hugh Mac Winsett; Liberty - Billy Wisham; Mt. Pleasant - Allen Brasseal; Pocahontas - Jim Hunter; Red Bay - O'Neal Funderburg; Union Hill - Paul Jagers; Brilliant - Phillip Miles. Also that a replacement for Union Chapel be elected.

(2) That the officers of the Association be paid as follows: Moderator - Sixty-five (65) dollars, Asst. Moderator - Twenty (20) dollars, Clerk - One Hundred (100) dollars, Asst. Clerk - Eighty five (85) dollars, treasurer - One Hundred (100) dollars.

(3) That each church send an offering to each annual meeting for the Retired Ministers and that each support this cause regularly.

(4) That the money for the retired ministers be divided equally between those who are retired at this time.

(5) That each church support regularly the causes of Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Children's Home, FWB Bible College, Southeastern FWB College, and Hillsdale FWB College.

(6) That each church give to the Youth Camp on a systematic basis.

(7) That the Quarterly Meetings be held at: January 23 - Free Water, March 26, - Mt. Pleasant, June 25 - Lone Star, The Annual Meeting Place to be decided at the Association.

(8) That we raise the Quarterly fee to \$25., The Annual to \$50.

(9) That there be some guide lines for retired ministers that the churches have in qualifying ministers, and that the Credential Committee be charged with drawing up these guidelines.

(10) That the churches order the number of Minutes of the Jasper Association. Send a request of the number with their annual letter and \$2. per minute, over 10 copies.

The Moderator appointed a nominating committee for 1987 and 1988 sessions, to bring the nominations of all officers and committees, this year to the Annual Meeting, next year to the General Board Meeting.

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

October 3, 1987

Motion and second that the following recommendations be presented to the Association for adoption, carried.

We recommend that we give Bro. Billy R. Smith a letter of recommendation to the Mt. Moriah Association.

We recommend that we ratify the Credenitals of Gary Bevan after examination. We recommend him into full fellowship with the Jasper Association.

We recommend that we give Good Springs FWB Church a letter of recommendation to the State Line Association.

We recommend that we give Bro. Dexter Guin a letter of recommendation to the Vernon Association.

We recommend to the Association, that a letter be sent to the Holy Springs FWB Church, Rt. 1, Box 183, Hackleburg, AL 35564. Stating the policy of the Jasper Association of FWB that we do not grant letters to churches, but rather to associations.

The Credential Committee recommends the following Guidelines for Retires Ministers to be eligible for support from the association:

(1) That the local church present in writing to the Jasper Association a recommendation of the Minister involved stating his qualifications for the support.

(2) The proposed minister must have served in the Jasper Association for at least a total of ten (10) years as pastor of affiliated churches.

(3) The proposed minister would be at least 65 years of age or totally disabled.

We recommend that we receive Bro. Randy Key into the Jasper Association from the Progressive Association. Bro. Key is the newly elected pastor of the Pocahontas Church.

The Credential Committee examined the letters from our churches and found them to be in order and the delegates be seated.

Richard Cordell - Chairman, Fred Hawkins

Dennis Haygood and Calvin Bevans

ANNUAL REPORT 10-5-86 to 10-2-87

BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD \$120.89

Received:

10- 6-86	Assoc. dues	\$1005.00
10- 6-86	Special offering	193.80
10-17-86	Late dues	30.00
1- 7-87	Donation (Wise Holcomb)	10.00
1-26-87	Assoc. dues & minutes	448.25
2-24-87	Late dues & minutes	67.50
4- 8-87	Assoc. dues & National	420.00
4- 8-87	Special offering	51.00
4-17-87	Late dues & National	45.00
7-14-87	Assoc. dues	315.00
		<u>\$2585.55</u>

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TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR \$2706.44

EXPENDITURES:

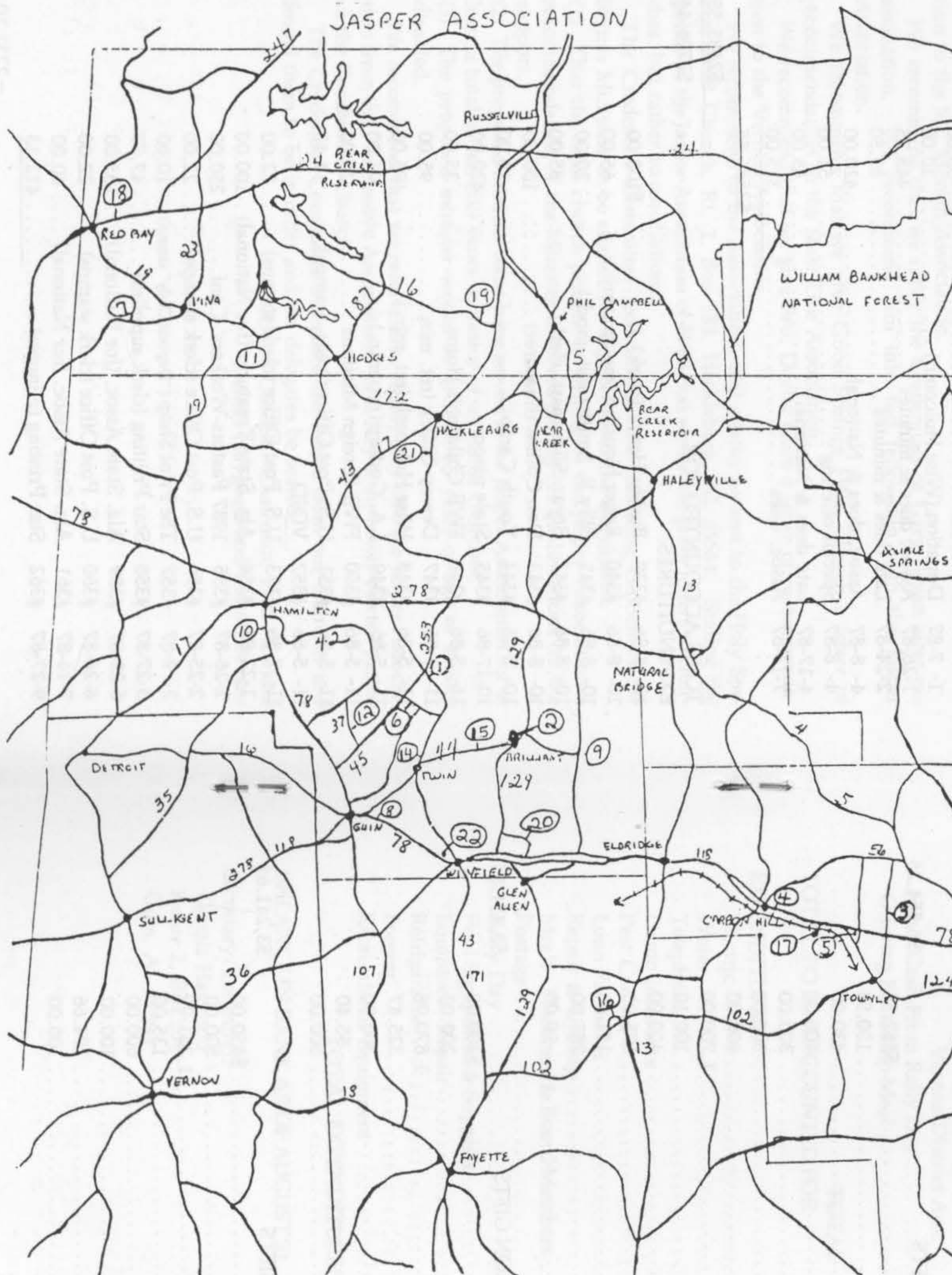
10- 8-86	#339	Buddy Henry (clerk)	\$100.00
10- 8-86	#340	Roger Houston (moderator)	65.00
10- 8-86	#341	Billy R. Smith (asst. mod.)	20.00
10- 8-86	#342	Bryan Silas (asst. clerk)	85.00
10- 8-86	#343	Don Collins (treasurer)	100.00
10- 8-86	#344	Youth Camp	10.00
10-17-86	#345	State assoc	420.00
11- 5-86	#346	FWB Children's Home	35.00
11- 5-86	#347	Dewey Colley (ret. min.)	95.00
11- 5-86	#348	Wise Holcomb (ret. min.)	95.00
11- 5-86	#349	J.A. Godsey (ret. min.)	95.00
11- 5-86	#350	FWB Foreign Missions	25.00
11- 5-86	#351	U.S. Post Office (treas. stamps)	4.40
11- 5-86	#352	VOID	
11- 7-86	#353	U.S. Post Office (clerk stamps)	22.00
1-22-87	#354	Ala. State Treaturer (for National)	100.00
1-26-87	#355	1987 Pastors-Workers' Conf.	250.00
2-25-87	#356	U.S. Post Office (clerk stamps)	22.00
3- 9-87	#357	The Print Shop ("Deposit Only" stamp)	10.60
3-27-87	#358	Star Printing (clerk supplies)	47.77
5-22-87	#359	Ala. State Assoc. (for National)	135.00
6-26-87	#360	U.S. Post Office (clerk stamps)	22.00
7-14-87	#361	Ala. State Assoc. (for National)	60.00
9-27-87	#362	Star Printing (minutes)	412.33

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BALANCE ON HAND, 10-2-87 \$ 475.34

Respectfully submitted,

Phil Bozeman, Treasurer



- (12) Liberty FWB
- (13) Lone Star FWB (not shown)
- (14) Mt. Olive FWB
- (15) Mt. Pleasant FWB
- (16) New Liberty FWB
- (17) Pocahontas FWB
- (18) Red Bay FWB
- (19) Shady Grove FWB
- (20) Union Chapel FWB
- (21) Union Hill FWB
- (22) Winfield FWB

FINANCIAL REPORT **Northwest Alabama Free Will Baptist Youth Camp** **September 1986 - August 1987**

BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD \$1,175.97

RECEIPTS:

JASPER ASSOCIATION GIFTS \$6,554.26

Brilliant	\$552.58
Carbon Hill	150.58
Cedrom Grove	430.00
Red Bay	400.00
Free Water	300.00
Guin	500.00
Liberty	400.00
Mt. Olive	1,700.00
Mt. Pleasant	100.10
New Liberty	400.00
Pocahontas	675.00
Shady Grove	151.00
Winfield	785.00
Jasper Association	10.00

PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION GIFTS \$3,451.85

Cordova	\$200.00
Dovertown	200.00
Fayette	1,870.98
Pleasant Grove	325.47
South Highland	300.00
Townley	55.40
Progressive Association	500.00

VERNON ASSOCIATION GIFTS \$3,241.65

Belk	\$450.00
Decatur	500.00
Sulligent	1,251.99
Piney Grove	135.00
Springfield	600.00
Mt. Willing	100.00
Vernon C.E. Board	104.66
Vernon Association	100.00

OTHER \$2,481.06

Camp Fees: Jasper Association	\$600.00
Progressive Association	600.00
Vernon Association	600.00
East Alabama Association	400.00
Alabama State Woman's Aux.	60.00
Vernon District Aux.	50.00

Misc. Cash From Rally Day

Offering For Camp Meal

TOTAL	\$16,904.79
TOTAL TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR	\$16,904.79

EXPENDITURES:

Electric	\$2,128.95
Water	350.87
Telephone	582.46
Camp Insurance	3,524.41
Pest Control	75.00
Loan Payments	4,083.59
Repair & Upkeep	2,695.22
Meals - Preachers & Board Members	404.91
Postage	33.00
Rally Day	97.20
Pool Equipment & Supplies	1,083.61
Equipment Repair	210.15
Refrigerator	737.23
Freezer	477.00
Recreational Equipment	372.10

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$16,855.70

BALANCE IN BANK AS OF AUGUST 31, 1987 \$49.09

Secretary/Treasurer:

Dennis Haygood
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Guin, AL 35563

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 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

1. The Bible. The Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by inspiration of God, and are our infallible rule of faith and practice.

II Timothy 3:16-17 and II Peter 1:18-21

2. God. There is one living and true God, revealed in nature as the Creator, Preserver, and Righteous Governor of the universe; and in the Scriptures as Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; yet as one God, infinitely wise and good, whom all intelligent creatures are supremely to love, adore, and obey.

Deut. 6:4; Gen. 1:1; Neh. 9:6; Ps. 47:7; Ex. 34:14

3. Christ. Christ is God manifest in the flesh; in His divine nature truly God, in His human nature truly man. The mediator between God and man, once crucified, He is now risen and glorified, and is our ever present Saviour and Lord.

John 1:14; Hebrews 4:15

4. The Holy Spirit. The Scriptures assign to the Holy Spirit all the attributes of God.

Heb. 9:14; Ps. 139:7-10; Luke 1:35; I Cor. 2:10,11

5. The Government of God. God exercises a wise and benevolent providence over all beings and all things by maintaining the constitution and laws of nature. He also performs special acts, not otherwise provided for, as the highest welfare of men requires.

Acts 17:28; Ephesians 1:11

6. The sinfulness of Man. Man was Created innocent, but by disobedience fell into a state of sin and condemnation. His prosperity, therefore, inherits a fallen nature of such tendencies that all who come to years of accountability, sin and become guilty before God.

Genesis 2:7; Psalms 51:5; Ephesians 2:3

7. The Work of Christ. The Son of God by His incarnation life, sufferings, death and resurrection effected for all a redemption from sin that is full and free, and is the ground of salvation by faith.

John 3:16

8. The Terms of Salvation. The conditions of salvation are: (1) Repentance of sincere sorrow for sin and hearty renunciation of it. (2) Faith or the unreserved committal of one's self to Christ as Saviour and Lord with purpose to love and obey Him in all things. In the exercise of saving faith, the soul is renewed by the Holy Spirit, freed from the dominion of sin, and becomes a child of God. (3) Continuance in faith and obedience until death.

Luke 13:5; Ephesians 2:8; II Peter 1:4-10

9. Election. God determined from the beginning to save all who should comply with the conditions of Salvation. Hence by faith in Christ men become His elect.

John 3:16

10. Freedom of Will. The human will is free and self-controlled, having power to yield to the influence of the truth and the Spirit, or to resist them and perish.

Deut. 30:19; John 5:40

11. Salvation Free. God desires the salvation of all, the Gospel invites all, the Holy Spirit strives with all, and whosoever will may come and take of the water of life freely.

I Timothy 2:4; II Peter 3:9; Rev. 22:17

12. Perseverance. All believers in Christ, who through grace persevere in holiness to the end of life, have promise of eternal salvation.

Rev. 8:38-39; II Peter 1:10

13. Gospel Ordinances. Baptism, or the immersion of believers in water, and the Lord's Supper, are ordinances to be perpetuated under the Gospel. Feet Washing, an ordinance teaching humility, is of universal obligation, and is to be ministered to all true believers.

Matthew 28:19; I Cor. 11:23-26; St. John 13:4-17

14. Tithing. God commanded tithes and offerings in the Old Testament; Jesus Christ endorsed it in the Gospel [Matthew 23:23], and the apostle Paul said, "Upon the first day of the week let everyone of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him" [I Cor. 16:2a.]

15. The Christian Sabbath. The divine law requires that one day in seven be set apart from secular employments and amusements, for rest, worship, holy works, and activities, and for personal communion with God.

Genesis 2:3; Luke 24:1-6; Acts 20:7

16. Resurrection, Judgement and Final Retribution. The Scriptures teach the resurrection of all men at the last day. They that have done good will come forth to the resurrection of life, and they that have done evil unto the resurrection of damnation; then the wicked will "go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

John 5:28-29; Acts 17:31; II Cor. 5:10

CONSTITUTION OF THE JASPER ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

ARTICLE I NAME

This body shall be known as the Jasper Association of Free Will Baptists of Alabama.

ARTICLE II MEMBERSHIP

SECTION I. The membership of the Jasper Association shall consist of all churches that, upon the approval of this body, shall become members.

SECTION II. A local church that wishes to become a member of this Association must adopt the National Treaties and make formal written request. A two-thirds vote of the delegates present must be recorded for acceptance into this Association.

ARTICLE III REPRESENTATION

Each church holding membership in this Association shall be entitled to three (3) delegates. Ordained ministers and deacons who are in good standing with this Association and members of the General Board shall be standing delegates.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS

The officers of the Jasper Association shall be a moderator, an assistant moderator, a clerk, an assistant clerk, and a treasurer each of whom shall be elected at the close of the annual session.

ARTICLE V BOARDS

SECTION I. General Board (a) Composition. The General Board shall be composed of the moderator, assistant moderator, clerk, assistant clerk, treasurer, and one member from each local church that is a part of this body. Each member from a local church shall serve a two year term with one-half of the members being elected each year. (b) Executive committee. An Executive Committee shall consist of the moderator, assistant moderator, clerk, treasurer and five (5) members from the General Board. These five members shall be elected annually by the General Board. This committee shall function as the General Board when said Board is not in session. (c) Duties. The General Board shall formulate all items of general business during the annual session of the Association, as well as other responsibilities so delegated by the body. When this Association is not in session, this Board shall have power to act as the body.

SECTION II. Board of Christian Education. The Board of Christian Education shall consist of five (5) members. Each member shall serve for a five (5) year term with one term expiring each year.

SECTION III. Board of Directors of the North West Alabama Free Will Baptist Youth Camp. This Association shall be represented to the Board of Directors of the North West Alabama Free Will Baptist Youth Camp by three (3) members. Each member shall serve a term of three (3) years with one term expiring each year.

SECTION IV. Mission Board. The Mission Board shall consist of five (5) members. Each member shall serve for a five (5) year term with one term expiring each year. The Mission Board's responsibilities will be to help set up mission conferences and to promote Foreign and Home Missions in the Jasper Association.

ARTICLE VI STANDING COMMITTEES

SECTION I. Credentials Committee. The Credentials Committee shall consist of five (5) 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 and other associations, as well as, all ministerial reports. This committee shall also examine all ministers who become a part of this body whether 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 should be presented first to this committee. Business matters handled by this committee may be referred to the Association or to the General Board.

SECTION II. The moderator of this Association shall be an ex-officio member of all boards and committees.

ARTICLE VII MEETINGS

SECTION I. This Association shall meet annually on Friday and Saturday before the first Sunday in October at places determined at the previous session; and shall not adjourn finally until all business is transacted.

SECTION II. The associational year shall end on August 31st and all letters to the Association should be mailed to the clerk no later than the third (3rd) Sunday in September of each year.

SECTION III. There shall be three (3) quarterly meetings during each associational year. The annual meeting of the Association shall take the place of the fourth (4th) quarterly meeting.

SECTION IV. The officers of the Jasper Association shall serve as the officers of the Quarterly Meeting.

ARTICLE VIII ORDINATION OF MINISTERS AND DEACONS

SECTION I. 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. (The church should contact the Credentials Committee for a copy of "Guidelines for Licensed Ministers"). If, after a period of one (1) full year, he has been called to an approved work such as pastor, assistant pastor, youth minister, full-time evangelism, or missionary work, he may then be examined by the responsible ones of this body to determine his worthiness for ordination. The local church, of which he is a member, must be able to show proof of his worthiness as to his character, doctrine, ability, sincerity, and desire. If, after having been examined, he then be found worthy, he shall be ordained by this Association. All ordinations to the ministry must be approved at the annual session or at a quarterly meeting of the Jasper Association.

If, after the period of one (1) full year has expired, the licensee has not been called to an approved work, his license may then be renewed each year or until he has been called to an approved work. No one may be ordained who has not been called to an approved work.

SECTION II. Candidates for ordination to the ministry shall present their request for ordination to the Credentials Committee, (using forms prepared and approved by this body), at least by the time of the last regular meeting prior to the ordination date requested.

SECTION III. Preachers coming to us from other Free Will Baptist Associations shall present their requests for membership to the Credentials Committee at any quarterly meeting or annual session and said requests may be acted upon at that session.

SECTION IV. Preachers coming to us from other denominations shall present their requests to the Credentials Committee at any quarterly meeting or annual session. Such requests shall be acted upon at the time of the following regular meeting be it quarterly meeting or annual session.

SECTION V. All ministers are required to report yearly to the Credentials Committee of this body by presenting their cards to the Associational Clerk. Such report shall be for year beginning September 1st and ending August 31st, and shall be due at the annual session in October. Any minister who fails to comply shall not be issued a card of good standing.

SECTION VI. Each church shall have the right to select and ordain all deacons who serve in such church. The ordaining council shall consist of two ordained ministers and at least one deacon, or one ordained minister and at least two deacons.

ARTICLE IX DISCIPLINE

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 or from the National Treatise. Whenever conditions warrant it, this Association shall have power to withdraw fellowship from any local church.

SECTION II. Any church being dealt with because of a disciplinary problem shall represent to the quarterly meeting and annual session by letter and fees, but shall not have the right to vote by delegates, standing or otherwise, until the matter is settled. Exception: Any minister who is a member of such church but is ministering to another church that is in good standing with the Association shall not be so penalized.

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.

SECTION IV. No minister whose conduct is being questioned by this Association shall have the right to vote in either the quarterly meeting or annual session.

SECTION V. The pastor who preaches the word of God, ministers to the needs of the members, and exercises general leadership within the congregation is expected to unite with the local church if he is not a member when called . . . "When the minister becomes pastor to a given local church, it is his responsibility to obtain good standing in the association of which that church is a member if he is not already in good standing therein." (A Treatise of the Faith and Practices of the Original Free Will Baptists, 1973, 50 A; Page 59B.)

SECTION VI. No church shall accept as members those who have not been baptized by an ordained minister.

ARTICLE X AMENDMENTS

This Constitution 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 acted upon the following day.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. This Association shall be called to order by the moderator and presided over by officers elected at the previous annual 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 moderator nor more than five (5) minutes at a time.
8. No person shall laugh or talk in a disturbing manner while discussion is going on.
9. No delegate shall absent himself from the association without leave of the moderator.
10. Any minister absent from the annual session of this association for two years in succession shall be dropped from the roll of ministers. Exception: Full-time evangelists or Missionaries serving in other states or countries, students who are attending college, those serving in the armed forces.
11. These 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 acted upon the following day.

GUIDELINES FOR LICENSED MINISTERS IN THE JASPER ASSOCIATION

I. RULES PERTAINING TO THE LICENSED MINISTER

A. Qualifications for the Licensee

1. He must be a member of a church which belongs to the Jasper Association.
2. He must give evidence to his church that he is divinely called to preach, whereupon the local church is authorized to examine him for license. This examination should include the areas of the candidate's life, doctrine, reputation, and his convictions and abilities regarding the work of the ministry. His present and prospective educational qualifications should also be considered. Upon completion of such an examination, the local church shall determine whether or not to grant license. The ministerial license shall be valid for a period of one year but is renewable annually.
3. He must have his license renewed annually by said church and kept in force until ordination.

B. The Activities of the Licensee

1. According to the general practices of Free Will Baptists, a licensed minister is urged to afford himself of every opportunity to preach the word. He is free to exercise all the privileges and responsibilities of an ordained minister with the exception of officiating at the observances of the ordinances and weddings.
2. The licensee should consider the period between his receiving license and being ordained as a time of study and training in preparation for his calling.

C. His Relationship to the Association

1. The clerk of the church should report the names of licensed ministers to the clerk of the Association who will forward a copy of these guidelines to each licensee.
2. Licensed ministers are expected to attend regular meetings of the Jasper Association and the Quarterly Meetings.

II. SUGGESTIONS FOR PREPARATION FOR ORDINATION

- A. Attend Free Will Baptist Colleges or Bible Institutes if possible.
- B. Seek the counsel of experienced pastors.
- C. Make as thorough a study as possible of the following:
 1. The Holy Bible
 2. Free Will Baptist Doctrine
 3. Systematic Theology
 4. Homiletics
 5. Pastoral Theology and Church Administration
 6. Evangelism
 7. Church History (especially FWB history)

III. A SUGGESTED SCHEDULE OF WORK LEADING TO ORDINATION

A. As soon as licensee feels that he is qualified to become a candidate for ordination, he should request a list of study questions from the Credentials Committee of the Association. We would strongly encourage him to proceed with his examination before entertaining a definite call to a church.

B. At least two months before the Credentials Committee meets, he should secure the examination. He should make five copies of the completed examination (one for each member of the Committee), and send them to the Credentials Committee no later than two months before its meeting.

C. The candidate is required to pass an oral examination administered by the Committee.

D. The Committee will report to the candidate on whether he passed or what areas he may need additional study in.

E. When the approved candidate has passed the examination, the Committee will recommend his ordination to the Association. This recommendation will be made only after the candidate has been licensed for one full year. It is recommended that the candidate have definite prospects of a church pastorate or another form of Christian service that would justify his being ordained.

FORM OF CHURCH CONFERENCE

We, the Free Will Baptist Church in Christ, at _____
after divine service by Rev. _____ met in conference.

1. Opened doors of church for reception of members.
2. Called for reading of minutes of last conference.
3. Called for peace and fellowship of the church.
4. General business.
5. 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.

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