

**JASPER
ASSOCIATION
of
Free Will
Baptists**

**1992
ANNUAL REPORT**

1993 SESSION

October 1

Hamilton FWB Church

October 2

Mt. Olive FWB Church

CHURCH	PASTOR	Members Received	Members Dismissed	Members Baptised	Present Membership	Sunday School Enrollment	CTS Enrollment	Ordained Ministers	Licensed Ministers	Associational Funds
Bethlehem	William Atkins	1	11	1	64	30		1		125.00
Brilliant	Phillip Miles	3	21	3	50	50		1		125.00
Calvary	Calvin Bevans	20			50	35		5		75.00
Cedrom Grove	John E. Warren			3	37	36		1		163.16
Free Water	Trellis L. Mayhall	4	3		161	85	65	1		125.00
Guin	Richard R. Cordell	24	47	17	633	540	225	3		125.00
Gum Springs	Billy Robbins				75	60				125.00
Hamilton	Phil Kimbrough	10	7	3	250	100	30	2		125.00
Liberty	Greg Rucker	3		3	150	75		3		125.00
Mt. Olive	Dennis Haygood	2	7		334	130		3		125.00
Mt. Pleasant	Ron Scott		1		166	40		2		125.00
New Liberty	James Bradley	10	3	9	239	93		2	1	194.00
Pocahontas	Johnny Bozeman	3	8		149	70	50	2		125.00
Red Bay	Tom Scott	18	3	5	265	205	75	1		175.00
Shady Grove	Hershel Beard	3			85	45		1		225.00
Union Chapel	Clovis Tucker	18		12	62	37		1		125.00
Union Hill	Randall Tice	8			122	88		1		125.00
Winfield	Danny J. Williams	14	9	3	135	99	40	2		339.15

MINUTES
of the
One Hundred & Fourth
Annual Session

of the
JASPER
ASSOCIATION OF
FREE WILL BAPTISTS

When Convened at:

LIBERTY FWB CHURCH

And

UNION HILL FWB CHURCH
OCTOBER 2 & 3 , 1992

ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY OF OFFICERS

MODERATOR:

Rev. Tom Scott, P.O. Box 457, Red Bay, AL 35582, 205-356-2425

ASSISTANT MODERATOR:

Rev. Dennis Haygood, RR # 2, Box 376, Guin, AL 35563, 205-468-2325

CLERK/TREASURER:

Bro. Letus Atkinson, RR # 2, Box 369, Guin, AL 35563, 205-468-2437

ASSISTANT CLERK/TREASURER:

Bro. Bryan Silas, RR # 2, Box 149-S, Guin, AL 35563, 205-468-2734

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

State Board Member: Rev. Tom Scott

Children's Home Trustee: Rev. James Bradley - 1993

Trinity Free Will Baptist Camp Board: Rev. Dennis Haygood - 1993,

Rev. Danny J. Williams - 1994; Bro. Bryan Silas - 1995

Credentials Committee: Rev. Richard Cordell - 1993; Rev. Dennis Haygood - 1994; Rev. Thomas Scott - 1995; Rev. Phil Kimbrough - 1996; Vacant - 1997

Missions Board: Bro. Bryan Silas - 1993; Rev. Johnny Bozeman - 1994; Rev. Richard Cordell - 1995; Rev. James Bradley - 1996; Rev. Phillip Miles - 1997

Executive Board: Bro. Billy Wisham - 1993; Bro. Tim Barnes - 1994; Bro. O'Neal Funderburk - 1995; Vacant - 1996; Bro. Allen Brasseal - 1997

General Board: Bethlehem 1994 - Vacant; Brilliant 1993 - Phillip Miles; Calvary 1994 - Calvin Bevans; Cedrom Grove 1994 - Tim Barnes; Free Water 1993 - Farrell Pollard; Guin 1994 - Richard Cordell; Gum Springs 1994 - Wyman Holcomb; Hamilton 1993 - Lowell Parker; Liberty 1993 - Billy Wisham; Mt. Olive 1994 - Lowell Franks; Mt. Pleasant 1993 - Allen Brasseal; New Liberty 1994 - Ted Sands; Pocahontas 1993 - Jim Hunter; Red Bay 1993 - O'Neal Funderburk; Shady Grove 1994 - Hershel Beard; Union Chapel 1994 - David Scott Eads; Union Hill 1993 - Paul Jagers; Winfield 1994 - Danny J. Williams

Nominating Committee: James Bradley 1993; Allen Brasseal 1994; Tim Barnes 1995; Billy Wisham 1996; Lowell Parker 1997.

THE QUARTERLY MEETINGS

The Jasper Association of Free Will Baptist met in the first Quarterly Meeting of 1992 with the Free Will Baptist Church at Free Water, Route # 2 Guin, AL on January 1992.

Service opened with songs "Standing on the Promises: and "Send The Light" with Bro. Mark Walker directing. Prayer by Rev. Don Sexton.

Welcome was given by Rev. Trellis Mayhall pastor of host Church. Voting body was recognized by Moderator and seated. Rev. Don Sexton representing Foreign Missions Department, Nashville FWB College brought message for II Corinthians Chapter 12, Verse 6 through 10 "The Sufficiency of His Grace".

Message by Rev. Larry Reynolds, Home Missionary to Arizona, with many Quotations from the Bible, "The Love of God". Message by Rev. Steve Lytle, Foreign Missionary to Panama, from Mark Chapter 10, Verse 45, "Christ came to Minister". Message by Rev. Fred Jones, Home Missionary to Mexico, from Acts Chapter 4, Verse 1-4, "Mission of the Local Church".

Message by Bro Paul Robinson, Foreign Missionary to Uruguay, South America from Mark Chapter 16, Verse 19 through 20, "The Plan of God has not changed". Message by Rev. David Potete, Home Missionary to Chicago, ILL., who shared his burden for this calling with special request for prayer by All for Land and Building to meet in. Message by Rev. Cliff Donoho, Home Missionary to Iowa, from Joshua Chapter 1, verse 9, "God is with thee". Rev. Donoho then sang "You Aint Seen Nothing yet".

Short break which was followed by song led by Bro. Duane Hughes, "Praise Him". Message by Rev. Dave Franks Jr. Foreign Missionary to Uruguay, South America, from Revelation Chapter 5, Verse 114 "Who is Worthy?". Rev. Carlie Lloyd and Family who are Home Missionaries to Madison, Wisconsin, shared his burden for this call and then sang "My House is Full" and "I Belong to Jesus" with his Wife and four children participating, congregation gave them a rousing round of applause after this performance. Message by Rev. Jimmy Aldridge, representing Foreign Missions from National Office in Nashville, TN, "Seeing the Worlds Need for the Gospel".

Message by Rev. Tom Hughes, Foreign Missionary to Brazil, South America from Romans Chapter 10, Verse 13 and 14, "Those Who Have Not Heard the Gospel". Message by Rev. Roy Thomas representing the Home Mission Dept. National Office, Nashville, TN, from Mark Chapter 10, verse 20 "Being Sure God is With the Sent Person".

Prayer by Rev. Dennis Haygood on Offering to be given to Missions, and Gods blessing of the meal to follow. Rev. Trellis Mayhall then came forward to give directions and instructions for orderly procedure of the meal. Standing vote of thanks was then given to Free Water Church for hosting this meeting.

Lunch and Adjournment.

THE SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING

The Jasper Association of Free Will Baptist met in the Second Quarterly Meeting of 1992 with the Brilliant FWB Church, Brilliant, AL, on March 21, 1992.

Services opened by song, "Living By Faith" directed by Bro. Duane Hughes followed by Prayer by Bro. Oneal Funderburk of the Red Bay FWB Church.

Welcome was given by Phillip Miles pastor of host Church. Delegates and voting body recognized and seated by Moderator. Devotion was given by Rev. Johnny Bozeman of Pocahontas FWB Church, Rt # 1, Carbon Hill, AL who used various quotations from the Bible, Subject: "Christ The Solid Rock".

Business session was opened by election of Rev. Dennis Haygood to CE Board to serve remainder of 1992 of Rev. Carol Jones who resigned from this position. Report given by Rev. Richard Cordell on Youth Camp dates for this year being 8-12 and 15-19 June 1992. First date is for Juniors and second is for Teens, with Rev. Dennis Haygood as Camp Director both dates. Rev. Cordell urged churches to better participation in Youth Camps and all other Church related activities. Rev. Dennis Haygood pleaded for more good workers to help during Youth Camp dates. He then gave report on Youth Camp Finances with special thank to this Association for its response to Financial needs of the Camp. He said member associations and their churches needs to respond to project of Air Conditioning and Heating of Building at Youth Camp (\$3 Thousand to be raised by each member association). Credential Committee Report which met during this session with the following action; Upon examination of Rev. Johnny Bozeman, we found him doctrinally and morally sound and recommend he be received into the Jasper Association in full fellowship. Since Brother Bozeman's credentials were originally issued by the Missionary Baptist (38 years ago), we will issue him Free Will Baptist credentials from our association. His former credentials will be ratified. Rev. Richard Cordell, Chairman, Rev. Tom Scott, Rev. Phil Kimbrough, Rev. Fred Hawkins, Rev. Dennis Haygood Members.

Short break which was followed by special song by Tammy Bailey "I Can't Even Walk Without You Holding My Hand". Songs "Heavens Jubilee" and "I Never Shall Forget The Day" directed by Bro Duane Hughes. Message by Rev. Fred Hawkins, Matthew Chapter 4, verse 18 and 19 and Chapter 28 verses 18 through 20, Subject: "Discipleship". Special songs by Bro. Mark Walker "My Sins and Gone" and "Take My Hand". Message by Rev. James Pauley, Pastor Faith FWB Church, Kannapolis, N.C., text taken from Deut. Chapter 6, verses 4-12 and chapter 8, verse 14, Subject: "Lest We Forget God". Prayer by Rev. Tom Scott with instrumental song played "In The Shadow of The Cross". Rev. Johnny Bozeman and Family was given right hand of fellowship and Rev. Hawkins right hand of parting from this association by all present at this session.

Rev. Phillip Miles, Pastor of host Church gave instructions of Lunch procedures and prayer closing prayer of this session and blessed to food.

Lunch and Adjournment.

THE THIRD QUARTERLY MEETING

The Jasper Association of Free Will Baptist met in the Third Quarterly Meeting of 1992 with the New Liberty Free Will Baptist Church, Rt # 1, Box 104, Bankston, AL on 27th June, 1992.

Service opened by song "The Glory Land Way" led by Deacon John Madison of the New Liberty Church, followed by Prayer by Rev. Trellis Mayhall, Pastor of Free Water FWB Church.

Welcome given by host Pastor, Rev. James Bradley of New Liberty FWB Church, who gave a very warm welcome to everyone present. Devotion was given by Pastor Billy Edward of Mt. Pleasant FWB Church, using Hebrews chapter 2, verse 7, Winning Souls For Jesus Christ.

Moderator recognized Rev. Jimmy Aldredge from Foreign Missionary Office from our National Association who gave their thanks for all who helped with the Advance Celebration program.

Business session began by the Moderator recognizing the Delegates, the Deacons, the Pastors and Ministers of Jasper Association as the voting body of this session. Calvary Free Will Baptist Church was given a warm welcome for re-uniting with the Jasper Association. The Moderator made the Association aware of the fact of the Carbon Hill FWB Church has left the Jasper Association of Free Will Baptists to become Independent Baptist. Rev. Richard Cordell gave the credential committee Report. The Committee recommended the acceptance of Brother Danny J. Williams into the Jasper Association provided his former association sends this association a letter of good standing on his behalf. Rev. Cordell also made this body aware of the acceptance of the Calvary Free Will Baptist Church to re-unite with this association. He also recognized the fact that Rev. Calvin Bevans was to be received back into our association in good standing.

Break, which was followed by Message by Rev. Morrison Fuller, former Missionary to Ecuador, South America. Brother Fuller gave an interesting report on his background, his calling into the Ministry, and his experience on the mission field in Ecuador.

Congregational singing which was followed by Message by Rev. Danny J. Williams, Pastor of Winfield FWB Church. His message taken from II Kings Chapter 4, verse 8 on "How To Be A Holy Man of God". Closing Prayer led by Deacon John Madison of New Liberty FWB Church followed by Pastor James Bradley of New Liberty FWB Church who gave instructions for the meal to follow.

Lunch and Adjournment.

THE ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Jasper Association met October 2, 1992, at the Liberty FWB Church. Bro Mark Walker led congregation in singing "I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me" followed by prayer by Rev. Kimbrough, Pastor Hamilton, FWB Church. Bro. Mark Walker led congregation in singing "Whosoever Meaneth Me".

Welcome was given by Rev. Greg Rucker, Pastor of Host Church, Liberty FWB Church. Moderator appointed the following committees: Finance -Rev. Greg Rucker, Bro. Allen Brasseal, Rev. Phil Kimbrough. Appreciation - Rev. John Warren, Rev. Charles Fowler, Bro. Paul Jaggars. Obituary - Rev. Calvin Bevan, Rev. W. A. Roberts, Bro. Lowell Parker. Delegates were seated at this time.

Scripture reading with prayer was given by Bro. Letus Atkinson who used 1 Corinthians chapter 10, verse 31 "Doing Things For God's Honor & Glory".

Congregation was led in singing of songs while the above appointed committees were in session: "Jesus Loves Even Me", "Heaven Came Down", "Faith Is The Victory", "Jesus Hold My Hand", "How Great Thou Art", "I Am Thine O Lord", Bro Mark Walker of the Red Bay FWB Church directed this singing and as always did a super job.

BUSINESS SESSION - General Board Report was given by Bro. Letus Atkinson, all items of this report was passed by body except Item number 11 which had 2 changes to Constitution which required tabling until session was completed. Credentials Committee Report was given by Rev. Richard Cordell and approved by Body. Treasurers Report and Finance Committee Report given by Rev. Greg Rucker which was approved by Body. Mission Conference Report given by Rev. Dennis Haygood which was accepted by Body. Gideons Report not given due to no representative being present at session. Christian Education Report given by Rev. Richard Cordell which was approved by Body. Youth Camp Board Report given by Rev. Dennis Haygood which was approved by Body. Appreciation Committee Report given by Rev. John Warren and approved by Body. Obituary Report was given by Bro. Letus Atkinson for Rev. Calvin Bevan which was approved by Body. Nominating Committee Report given by Bro. Letus Atkinson which was approved by Body. Moderator appointed a Committee to review and make necessary changes to minutes which have been approved previously, this Committee consists of: Rev. Dennis Haygood, Rev. Phil Kimbrough and Bro. Letus Atkinson.

Congregation was led in singing "Living By Faith" and "I Love You Lord" by Bro. Mark Walker of the Red Bay FWB Church. Tammy Bailey sang Special entitled "Learning to Lean". Bro. Mark Walker sang Special entitled "The Blood Will Never Lose It's Power".

Message brought by Moderator Rev. Tom Scott who read from Philipians Chapter 3 verse 1 through 7 and Galatians Chapter 6, verse 14. Subject of

Message "The Cross". Message ended at 12:05, followed by brief Business Session to deal with Item number 11 of General Board Report, both changes in Item number 11 passed by Body.

Lunch and Adjournment at 12:15.

SECOND DAY

The second day of the Annual Meeting of the Jasper Association met at Union Hill FWB Church, Rt # 2, Hackleburg, AL 35564, on October 3, 1992.

Session opened by Song "I Will Sing The Wondrous Story" led by Bro. Mark Walker from the Red Bay FWB Church followed by Prayer by Rev. William (Widdy) Atkins.

Welcome given by Host Pastor Rev. Randall Tice of the Union Hill FBC Church. Delegates were recognized and seated by Moderator. Congregation singing led by Bro. Mark Walker "An Old Account Was Settled" and "Are You Washed In The Blood?".

Message brought by Guest Speaker, Rev. J. D. Norris of First FWB Church Florence, AL who read from Psalms chapter 85, verse 6, Subject of Message was "Revive Us Again".

Break at 10:05

Congregation was led in song "Old Time Power" by Bro. Mark Walker followed by Special Johnny Bozeman "Wish You Were Here".

Message brought by Rev. Greg Rucker, Pastor of Liberty FWB Church, Rt # 2, Guin, AL 35563 who read from 1 Peter chapter 5, verse 5 and 6. Subject of Message was "The Christians Crowning Virtue".

Congregation was led by Bro. Mark Walker in signing "Heavens Jubilee" Bro. Mark Walker then sang Special entitled "He's Alive".

Message brought by Rev. J.D. Norris of First FWB Church, Florence, AL who read from John chapter 20, verse 21, Subject of Message "Realizing Christians Are Sent Ones" followed by Altar Call with almost everyone present responding. Bro. Mark Walker then sang Special "I Will Serve Thee".

Moderator called for Host Pastor Rev. Randall Tice to give directions and instructions on feeding of Lunch and then to give Thanks for the Food.

Lunch and Adjournment.

GENERAL BOARD REPORT

The General Board of the Jasper Association of Free Will Baptists met at the Winfield FWB Church, Thursday Night 13 August 1992, with the following Churches represented:

CALVARY FWB CHURCH - Rev. Calvin Bevans and Rev. W. A. Roberts

MOUNT OLIVE FWB CHURCH - Rev. Dennis Haygood and Letus Atkinson

MOUNT PLEASANT FWB CHURCH - Allen Brasseal

NEW LIBERTY FWB CHURCH - Ted Sands

RED BAY FWB CHURCH - Rev. Tom Scott and O'Neal Funderburk

The meeting was called to order by Assistant Moderator, Rev. Dennis Haygood with 6 members present. Prayer was led by Rev. Calvin Bevans. Rev. Tom Scott and O'Neal Funderburk joined meeting in progress and Rev. Scott assumed his post as moderator of this session. The following items were acted on by the General Board and recommended to the Jasper Association for its approval or disapproval:

(1) REPEAT That the Officers of the Association be paid as follows; Moderator, Sixty Five dollars; Assistant Moderator, Twenty dollars; Clerk/Treasurer, Two Hundred dollars; Assistant Clerk/Treasurer, Eighty Five dollars.

(2) REPEAT That each Church send an offering to each Annual Meeting for the Retired Ministers and that each Church support this cause regularly. All funds received for this cause to be divided equally between those who are certified as eligible immediately after our Annual Meeting.

(3) REPEAT That each Church support regularly the causes of Foreign and Home Missions, Children's Home, Free Will Baptist Bible College, Southeastern Free Will Baptist Bible College, and Hillsdale Free Will Baptist Bible College.

(4) REPEAT That each Church give to the Trinity Free Will Baptist Youth Camp on a systematic basis.

(5) That the Quarterly Meetings for 1993 be held: January 23 at Winfield Free Will Baptist Church, March 20 at Calvary Free Will Baptist Church, June 26 at

(6) That the Quarterly fee be increased to \$50.00 per Church, the Annual fee remain at \$50.00 per Church. (Increase of Quarterly fee to be on the first Quarterly meeting in 1993).

(7) That the Jasper Association give \$200.00 to the Pastors and Workers conference (If Funds are available).

(8) We recommend the Nominating Committee's Report.

(9) The General Board elected the Nominating Committee: James Bradley -93, Allen Brasseal -94, Tim Barnes -95, Billy Wisham -96, and Lowell Parker -97.

(10) We recommend that our Moderator also be our representative on State General Board.

(11) We recommend a Constitutional change of Article V BOARDS SECTION II. Board of Christian Education be deleted in its entirety and its duties and responsibilities to be assumed by our 3 members of the Board of Directors of the North West Alabama Free Will Baptist Youth Camp.

If passed, Article V BOARDS will now read: SECTION I. General Board. SECTION II. Board of Directors of the North West Alabama Free Will Baptist Youth Camp. SECTION III. Mission Board.

We recommend a Constitutional change of Article VII MEETINGS SECTION I. Last line of Section I as reads TUESDAY to be changed to MONDAY.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT

The Credentials Committee had a special called meeting, September 25, at the First Free Will Baptist Church of Guin. Members present were, Chairman Richard Cordell, Tom Scott, Dennis Heygood, and Phil Kimbrough. The Committee has four recommendations to make:

(1) Having read the questionnaire for Minister's Ordination, and examining Bro. Donald Smith, from the New Liberty Free Will Baptist Church. We recommend that he be ordained to the Gospel Ministry and added to the Jasper Association list of Ordained Ministers.

(2) Having examined the questionnaire from Bro. Danny Williams, Pastor of the Winfield Free Will Baptist Church. We recommend that his credentials be ratified from the North East Association of Columbus, Mississippi to the Jasper Association of Alabama.

(3) Having examined the letters from the churches of the Jasper Association, we recommend they be accepted as representing the status of the local churches.

(4) Ministers coming to the Jasper Association from other Free Will Baptist Associations, please meet with the Credential Committee during the lunch hour.

Respectfully Submitted, Chairman: Richard Cordell, Tom Scott, Dennis Haygood, Phil Kimbrough, Fred Hawkins

4 August 1992

Hamilton, AL

The Nominating Committee of the Jasper Association of Free Will Baptist, met at the Hamilton, FWB Church, Tuesday night 4 August 1992 at Seven P.M. with the following personnel present:

James Bradley, Allen Brasseal, Letus Atkinson (Clerk/Treasurer and recorder of this meeting)

We do make the following nominations for the General Boards consideration and for action by annual association meeting.

Moderator: Rev. Tom Scott

Assistant Moderator: Rev. Dennis Haygood

Clerk/Treasurer: Letus Atkinson

Assistant Clerk/Treasurer: Bryan Silas

Trinity Youth Camp Board Member to replace Carrol Jones: Rev. Danny J. Williams

Missions Board Member to replace Randy Key: Rev. Johnny Bozeman

We recommend absolving the Retirement Board of Retired Ministers as in its current existence, as this board only delays eligible certified retired ministers from getting their pennies.

Respectfully submitted for the General Boards consideration.

James Bradley, Allen Brasseal, Letus Atkinson

ORDAINED MINISTERS

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Hershel Beard, RR # 5, Box 407-B, Russellville, AL 35653 205-332-5675
Calvin Bevans, 605 1/2 13th Street, Jasper, AL 35501 205-221-7748
James Bradley, RR # 1, Box 104, Bankston, AL 35542 205-685-4102
Johnny Bozeman, RR # 1, Box Carbon Hill, AL 35549 205-924-4940
Charles E. Fowler, RR # 5, Box 194, Fayette, AL 3555 205-932-6589
Dave Franks, Foreign Missionary to South America
Walter Harbin Sr., P.O. Box 283, Oakman, AL 35579 205-622-3584
Fred Hawkins, Current address unknown
Dennis Haygood, RR # 2, Box 376, Guin, AL 35563 205-468-2325
O. Z. Johnson, RR # 4, Box 531, Hamilton, AL 35570 205-921-7082
Trenton Johnson, RR # 2, Carbon Hill, AL 35549 205-924-9218
Phil Kimbrough, RR # 6, Box 11, Hamilton, AL 35570 205-921-4428
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Phillip Miles, RR # 3, Box 210-BD Winfield, AL 35594 205-487-3621
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Greg Rucker, RR # 2, Box 150, Guin, AL 35563 205-468-3262
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Tom Scott, P.O. Box 457, Red Bay, AL 35582 205-356-2425
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John Warren, RR # 2, Box 67, Carbon Hill, AL 35549 205-924-9373
Danny J. Williams, RR # 2, 557-A, Winfield, AL 35594 205-487-6992

LICENSED MINISTER

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CHURCH CLERKS

Bethlehem: Angie Rickles Rt. 1, Box 1041, Brilliant, AL 35548
205-468-2855

Brilliant: Mrs. Willene Flippo P.O. Box 56, Brilliant, AL 35548
205-465-2855

Cedrom Grove: Helen Tittle, Rt. 2, Box 74, Carbon Hill, AL 35549
205-924-9373

Calvary: Mrs. Elsie M. Hendrix Rt. 2, Box 291-C, Carbon Hill, AL 35549
205-924-8438

Free Water: Janie Miller, Rt. 2, Guin, AL 35563

Guin: Wilma Palmer, Rt. 3, Box 32, Guin, AL 35563 205-468-3660

Gum Springs: Lola Prescott, Rt. 3, Winfield, AL 35594 205-465-9461

Hamilton: Barbara Burleson, Rt. 6, Box 231, Hamilton, AL 35570
205-921-4395

Liberty: Mrs. Bryan Silas, Rt. 2, Box 151, Guin, AL 35563 205-468-2734

Mt. Olive: Clark Flippo, Rt. 1, Box 1149, Guin, AL 35563 205-468-3689

Mt. Pleasant: Reba May, Rt. 2, Box 394, Guin, AL 35563 205-468-2863

New Liberty: Angie Smith, Rt. 1, Box 135, Bankston, AL 35542
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Pocahontas: Bernice Atkins, Rt. 1, Box 88, Carbon Hill, AL 35549
205-924-9978

Red Bay: Mrs. Linda Blackburn, Rt. 2, Box 82-D, Vina, AL 35593
205-356-9723

Shady Grove: Rose Mary Beard, Rt. 5, Box 407-B, Russellville, AL 35653

Union Chapel: Mr. Lonnie Tucker Rt. 3, Box 22-B, Winfield, AL 35594
205-287-6560

Union Hill: Lucille Anglin, Rt. 2, Box 179, Hackleburg, AL 35564
205-935-3795

Winfield: Wayne Overton, Rt. 2, Box 194, Winfield, AL 35594
205-487-3330

DEACONS

Bethlehem: Roy Crow, Mike Tittle, J. P. Franks

Brilliant: Rayburn Huguley, R. D. Dickinson, Kermit Cagle, Blane Doss

Cedrom Grove: none

Free Water: Harold Crow, Douglas Emerson, Hubbard Estes, Joe Taylor,
Clovis Tidwell

Guin First: Jerry Stephens, Bobby Glasgow

Gum Springs: Carroll Markham

Hamilton: Lowell Parker, Dewell Emerson, Hugh Mac Winsett, Fray Stone

Liberty: Earlie Dickinson, Morgan Bozeman, V. Don Wilson, Billy Norris

Mt. Olive: Edgar Atkinson, Lowell Franks, Milton Rhudy, Haig Wilson, Paul Wilson

Mt. Pleasant: Terry May

New Liberty: Victor Smith, Sid Moore, David Fowler, KIp Madison, Ted Sands, Ray Selman, Donald Smith

Pocahontas: Pete Stewart, Jim Hunter, Elbert Nelson, Gary Sparks, Donald Sparks, John Burkett

Red Bay: Oliver Mink, Ross White, Willard Purser, Robert Newell, Ralph Purser, Raymond Blackburn, Elmer Self

Shady Grove: Clyde Freeman, Charles Nix

Union Chapel: Alvin Henderson, Wayne Atkins, Aye Burgess, John C. White

Union Hill: Paul Jaggers, Jerry Anglin, J. D. Jones, Leburn Hudson Winfield, B. P. Atkinson, Carl Ray Atkinson, Ira Baccus, Garlon Holliman, Bill Overton.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

We the Finance Committee have examined the Bank Book, Treasurers Report, and Bank Statement dated 31 August 1992 and find them to be in order and commend him for an excellent job of accounting of the Association's funds.

Respectfully submitted: Rev. Greg Rucker, Bro. Allen Brasseal, Rev. Phil Kimbrough.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE REPORT

We the Obituary Committee for the Annual Meeting of the Jasper Association of FWB, wish to give the following report: We wish to report that God has seen fit to call from our ranks the following:

Brilliant: W. T. Vintson, Mrs. Leo Franklin

Free Water: Clovis Tidwell, Kelly Lawrence, Harold Hudson

Guin: Preston C. Johnson

Gum Springs: Theola Harbin, Hattie Holcomb

Hamilton: Mrs. Madie May, Rev. Jim Godsey

Mt. Olive: Jethro Markham, Pat McDaniel

Mt. Pleasant: Ozell Flippo, Wilma Westbrooks

New Liberty: Burville Fowler, Pearl Killingsworth, Edward Flynn

Shady Grove: Flossie Ann Nix, Estella Jane Wade, Randus Ponders

Red Bay: Linda Davis

Union Hill: Neal Rayburn, Willie Reed, Mary Ann Yealding

Winfield: Emma Heath, Albert Reese

Respectfully Submitted: Rev. Calvin Bevans, Rev. W. A. Roberts, Bro. Lowell Parker.

APPRECIATION COMMITTEE REPORT

We the Appreciation Committee for the Annual Meeting of the Jasper Association of Free Will Baptist, wishes to give the following report: In appreciation for the use of their facilities and for the outstanding meals, we extend our heartfelt gratitude to Liberty FWB Church and Union Hill FWB Church. Thank you for your time and efforts to make this a time of spiritual blessing for all.

Respectfully submitted: Rev. John E. Warren, Rev. Charles Fowler,
Bro. Paul Jagers.

TRINITY YOUTH CAMP JASPER ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

TEEN WEEK - JUNE 15-19, 1992

JUNIOR WEEK - JUNE 8-12, 1992

BALANCE ON HAND (7/30/91) \$ (465.83)

INCOME: REGISTRATION & CAMP FEES

Teen Week - 25 Campers

Junior Week - 41 Campers

Total Income from registration & camp fees 2,597.00

Gifts from Association 5.00

BALANCE ON HAND 2,631.17

EXPENDITURES:

Camp Fee (Teen Week) 36 campers/workers insurance

@ \$1.00 per camper 36.00

350.00 Camp Fee/150.00 Lifeguard Fee 500.00

25 Campers @ \$3.00 paper fee 75.00

Camp Fee (Junior Week) 51 campers/workers insurance

@ \$1.00 per camper 51.00

350.00 Camp Fee/150.00 Lifeguard Fee 500.00

41 Campers @ \$3.00 paper fee 123.00

Food (Teen & Junior Week) 1,101.10

Cook (Teen & Junior Week/Nancy Berryhill) 300.00

Evangelist J. D. Norris (Teen Week/Honorarium) 250.00

Evangelist Donnie Hussey (Junior Week/Honorarium) 200.00

Director Dennis Haygood (Teen & Junior Week) 200.00

BALANCE ON HAND 2,631.17

EXPENDITURES 3,386.10

BALANCE ON HAND (6/22/92) \$ (754.93)

PRESENTED BY: Rev. Dennis Haygood, Rev. Tom Scott, Rev. Greg
Rucker, Brother Bryan Silas, Dr. Richard R. Cordell, Chairman

JASPER ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS
ANNUAL TREASURERS REPORT
5 Oct. 91 - 31 Aug. 92

BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD\$1300.44

RECEIPTS

7 Oct. 91	Annual Dues fr Member Churches	\$900.00
	Extra Minutes	50.00
	Host Churches Annual Sessions	30.00
	Alabama State Assn.	10.00
	Walk-A-Thon Funds (Winfield Church)	214.15
	Retired Ministers (Sent in by Shady Grove Church)	100.00
	Offerings	177.24
27 Nov. 91	Cedrom Grove FWB for Retired Ministers	38.16
	Cedrom Grove FWB for Extra Minutes	4.00
	New Liberty FWB Walk-A-Thon	19.00
25 Jan. 92	Offering Quarterly Meeting	220.93
	Dues fr Churches @ \$25.00 per Church 15 Churches rptg.....	375.00
	Host Church of Qtr Meeting (Sent by Red Bay Church)	10.00
6 Mar. 92	Late Dues fr Hamilton & Winfield Churches @ 25.00	50.00
25 Mar. 92	Offering Quarterly Meeting	92.65
	Quarterly Dues	400.00
	Host Church of Qtr Meeting (Sent by Red Bay Church)	10.00
27 Jun. 92	Offering Quarterly Meeting	57.00
	Quarterly Dues @ \$25.00 per Church 18 Churches rptg .	450.00
	Host Church of Quarterly Meeting (Sent by Red Bay Church)	10.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR REPORTING PERIOD		\$4,518.57

EXPENDITURES

CHECK NO.

22 Aug. 91	Trinity Youth Camp (By New Liberty FWB)	\$300.00	108
3 Oct. 91	Tom Scott (Moderator)	65.00	109
	Rev. Dennis Haygood (Asst. Moderator)	20.00	110
	Bro. Letus Atkinson (Clerk/Treasurer)	200.00	111
	Bro. Bryan Silas (Asst. Clerk)	85.00	112
5 Oct. 91	Rev. Fred Warner	200.00	113
11 Oct. 91	AL FWB Board of Missions (Walk-A-Thon funds sent by Winfield FWB)	214.15	114
11 Oct. 91	Rev. William E. Atkinson (1/3 Retired Ministers Fund)	239.84	115
	Rev. O. Z. Johnson (1/3 Retired Ministers Fund)	239.85	116
	Rev. J. A. Godsey (1/3 Retired Ministers Fund)	239.85	117
17 Oct. 91	Al State Assn of FWB	540.00	118
17 Oct. 91	CE Board of Jasper Assn FWB (Voted by Body Annual Session \$500.00)	400.00	119

	U. S. Postal Service (Stamps)	29.00	120
8 Feb. 92	Home Missions Dept. Ntl FWB	110.46	121
	Foreign Missions Dept. Ntl FWB	110.47	122
26 Mar. 92	Star Printing Company, Hamilton, AL	642.17	123
26 Mar. 92	Brilliant FWB Church (Sent by Red Bay Church)	10.00	124
16 Apr. 92	1st Baptist Church Winfield (Labels & Envelopes) ...	15.67	125
2 May 92	Jasper Assn CE Board	100.00	126
2 May 92	U. S. Postal Service (Stamps)	29.99	127
TOTAL EXPENDITURE DURING PERIOD		\$3,790.46	
BALANCE IN BANK 31 AUGUST 1992		\$728.11	

Letus AtkinsonClerk/Treasurer Jasper Assn FWB

FINANCIAL REPORT TRINITY FREE WILL BAPTIST CAMP AUGUST 31, 1991 - AUGUST 31, 1992

BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD **\$4,026.90**

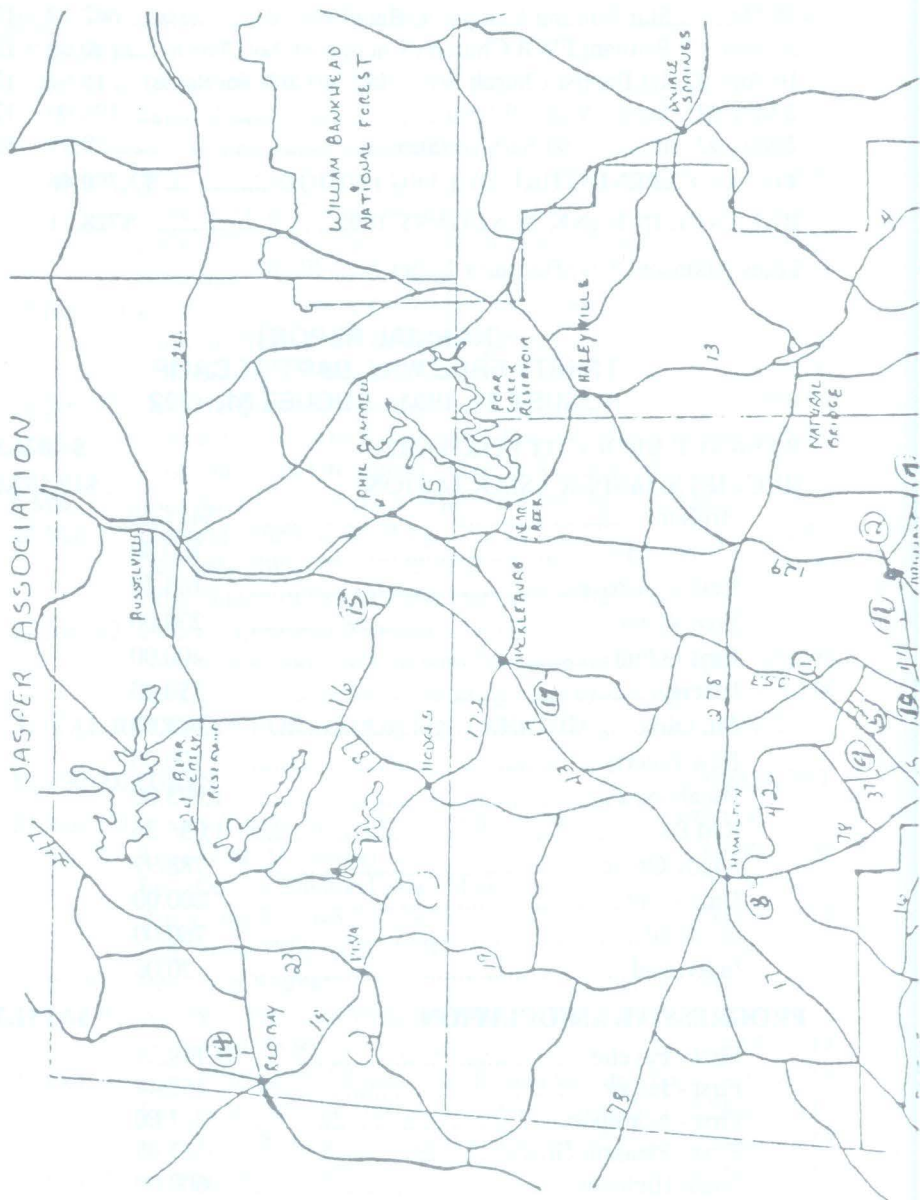
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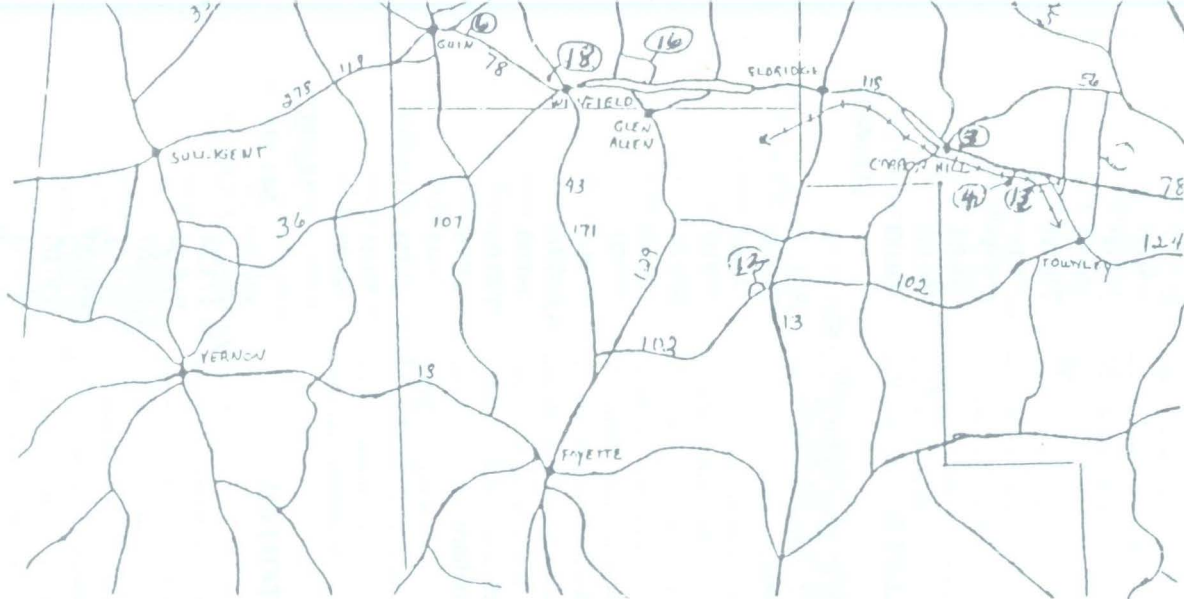
Brilliant	\$444.00
Carbon Hill	100.00
Cedrom Grove	144.29
Free Water	230.00
First - Guin	400.00
Liberty	750.00
Mt. Olive	2,625.00
New Liberty	700.00
Pocahontas	1,995.00
Red Bay	1,036.26
Shady Grove	788.97
Union Hill	200.00
Winfield	760.00
Individual	20.00

PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION **\$4,151.73**

First - Fayette	\$1,749.21
First - Jasper	452.44
First - Northport	227.00
First - Pleasant Grove	23.08
South Highland	600.00
Sulphur Springs	100.00
Progressive Youth Camp (Water Slide)	1,000.00

JASPER ASSOCIATION





- (1) Bethlehem FWB
- (2) Brilliant FWB
- (3) Carbon Hill FWB
- (4) Cedrom Grove FWB
- (5) Free Water FWB
- (6) Guin FWB
- (7) Gum Springs FWB
- (8) Hamilton FWB
- (9) Liberty FWB

- (10) Mt. Olive FWB
- (11) Mt. Pleasant
- (12) New Liberty FWB
- (13) Pocahontas FWB
- (14) Red Bay FWB
- (15) Shady Grove FWB
- (16) Union Chapel FWB
- (17) Union Hill FWB
- (18) Winfield FWB

VERNON ASSOCIATION**\$6,396.96**

Belk	\$599.11
Cooper	176.16
First - Vernon	1,198.58
Freewill Chapel	879.11
Love Joy	100.00
Mt. Harmony	275.00
Mt. Willing	250.00
New Centerpoint	726.00
Piney Grove	1,100.00
Springfield	675.00
Taylor Springs	38.00
Union Chapel	300.00
Vernon Association	80.00

OTHER**\$11,666.87**

CAMP FEES: Progressive Association	\$2,145.00
Vernon Association	1,954.55
Jasper Association (1991)	1,280.00
Red Bay Retreat	45.00
Martin Reunion	200.00
Calvary Bapt. Retreat	673.00
Free Water Retreat	60.00
Spring Retreat	260.00
Back to School Retreat	75.00
Concessions	4,606.40
Refund on Steaks	60.00
Southeastern Offering	150.00
Alabama Woman's Auxiliary	21.75
Central FWB	55.92
First FWB - Amory	20.00
First - Ethelsville	10.25
Individuals	50.00

CITIZEN'S BANK LOAN**\$8,000.00****TOTAL TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR****\$44,435.98****EXPENDITURES:**

Electric	\$4,173.24
Water	918.64
Telephone	1,186.67
Gas	289.21
Camp Insurance	2,956.00
Pest Control	150.00
Appreciation Supper	687.53
Board Meetings, etc	353.49
Postage	106.00

Check Charge	37.99	
Repair & Upkeep	2,473.18	
Paper Products	2,145.54	
Loan Payment	5,373.01	
Mobile Home	500.00	
Lifeguard	980.00	
Central Heat & Air	14,420.00	
Concessions	3,250.17	
Southeastern FWB College - Designated Gift	150.00	
Pool	928.43	
Promotion	220.25	
Water Slide	1,249.26	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		\$42,548.91
BALANCE IN BANK AS OF SEPTEMBER 1, 1992		\$1,887.07

**CENTRAL HEAT & AIR FOR DORMS
DESIGNATED GIFTS**

JASPER ASSOCIATION		\$4,658.00
Brilliant	\$159.00	
Free Water	30.00	
First - Guin	400.00	
Liberty	525.00	
Mt. Olive	1,425.00	
New Liberty	700.00	
Pocahontas	928.00	
Red Bay	100.00	
Shady Grove	171.00	
Union Hill	200.00	
Individual	20.00	
PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION		\$1,266.45
First - Fayette	134.45	
First - Jasper	205.00	
First - Northport	227.00	
South Highland	600.00	
Sulphur Springs	100.00	
VERNON ASSOCIATION		\$2,335.41
Belk	\$150.00	
First - Vernon	420.00	
Freewill Chapel	649.41	
Mt. Willing	250.00	
New Centerpoint	248.00	
Piney Grove	500.00	
Taylor Springs	38.00	
Vernon Association	80.00	

OTHER**\$70.92**

Alabama State Woman's Auxiliary	\$10.00
Central FWB Church	55.92
First - Amory	5.00

TOTAL**\$8,330.78**

Secretary/Treasurer:

Dennis Haygood

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THE JASPER DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY REPORT

The Jasper District Woman's Auxiliary consists of three auxiliaries at the present time. They are Red Bay, Liberty and Winfield. Free Water plans to join us soon, I understand. Its a pity that we do not have many of our other churches join us.

But, having only 3 to 4 auxiliaries does not prevent us from having great fellowship among ourselves. Also, I'm proud to report that for the auxiliary year, March 1991 - March 1992 our Jasper District gave \$1,400 through the Jasper District Treasurer. Of this amount, \$747 went to various home mission projects and Missionary accounts. Also we gave \$414 to Foreign Mission projects and Missionary accounts. We also support the WNAC Office. Last year we gave \$182 to help our National Office Operate. This year we will have helped even more toward the WNAC Office. We also give gifts to the Missionary Provision Closet. Then we carry gifts to the Children's Home and to the many local projects which each auxiliary is involved in.

We have an annual convention day the first Saturday in March. Last year this was held with the precious ladies in Winfield FWB Auxiliary. Our speaker was Bro. Dave Franks, Jr.

Also, we have a Fall Fellowship each October and this was held with the Red Bay Ladies. Sis. Aletha Morrison was our guest speaker. She was reared on the mission field of Equador where her parents were missionaries for over 30 years, serving with the Missionary Christian Alliance Church. We also have a lot of good skits, devotions, and just very good programs. Any lady missing these meetings misses a lot of good blessings.

For the 1992-93 auxiliary year we will meet at the Liberty FWB Church. The Liberty Ladies will be serving breakfast at this meeting at 8:45 A.M. The date is First Saturday in March, March 6th. Our guest speaker will be June Wilkinson. I trust we will have a meeting with the Lord blessing our hearts and drawing us even closer together.

The theme for 1991-92 was "Teacher of Good Things". I pray that each of us can truly be teachers of good things, blazing out a clear part for our children to follow. If I can ever be of any help to you, let me know. My phone number is 205-356-2425.

God Bless Each of You,

Paulette Scott, Sec./Treas.

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 Savior 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 man. The mediator between God and man, once crucified, He is now risen and glorified, and is our ever present Savior 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 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 Savior 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 BAPTIST

ARTICLE I NAME

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

ARTICLE II MEMBERSHIP

SECTION I. The membership of the Jasper Association shall consist of all churches that, upon the approval of his 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/Treasurer, and assistant Clerk/Treasurer, each of who shall be elected at the Annual Session.

ARTICLE V BOARDS

SECTION I. General Board (a) Composition. The General Board shall be composed of the moderator, assistant moderator, clerk/treasurer, 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 themembers 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 Directors of the Trinity Free Will Baptist Camp. The Jasper Association shall be represented to the Board of Directors of the Trinity 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 III. 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.

SECTION IV. State Board Member. The Jasper Association Moderator shall represent this Association to the General Board of the Alabama State Association. In his absence, the Assistant Moderator will serve as his proxy.

SECTION V. Childrens Home Trustee. This person shall represent the Jasper Association on the Childrens Home Board of Trustees. This member to be elected each year and give report during each Annual Session of this 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 the 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 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. Nominating Committee. Shall consists of Five (5) members, elected for period of Five years, with the senior member in point of service expiring each year. It shall be responsibility of this Committee to make nominations for Associational Officers and submit such nominations to the General Board.

SECTION III. 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. All business possible to be conducted on first day of each annual meeting and second day of each annual meeting be used for Worship, Preaching and any business as required to be conducted. Nominating Committee to meet annually on first Tuesday night of August at seven p.m. at Hamilton FWB Church and General Board to meet annually on second Monday Night of August at seven p.m. at Winfield FWB Church.

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 at the fourth (4th) quarterly meeting.

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

ARTICLE VIII 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 request for membership to the Credentials Committee at any quarterly meeting or any quarterly meeting or annual session and said request 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 request shall be acted upon at the time of the following regular meeting be it quarterly meeting or annual session.

SECTION V. All ministers having been previously approved by this Association, shall receive a Card of good standing annually upon receipt of Church Letter listing all approved ministers of that Church.

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 Baptist, 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 session of this association by two-thirds vote of voting body present, provided proposed amendment is presented in writing, read, placed on the table, and acted upon during later session.

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 a 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 the other states or countries, students who are attending college, those serving in the armed forces.
11. These Rules or Decorum may be amended at any annual session of this association by the 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 RETIRED MINISTERS TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR SUPPORT FROM JASPER ASSOCIATION

1. That the local church present in writing to the association a recommendation of the minister involved, stating his qualifications for 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 sixty-five (65) years of age or totally disabled.

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 Baptist, 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 meeting 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. 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. However, no one may be ordained who has not been called to an approved work. (See ARTICLE VIII SECTION I).
- 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. The candidate should have definite prospects of a church pastorate or another approved work 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 DISMISSAL
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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