

**JASPER
ASSOCIATION
of
Free Will
Baptists**

**1993
ANNUAL REPORT**

1994 SESSION

October 7

Cedrom Grove FWB Church

October 8

Guin First 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	12	1	1	77	30		1		200.00
Brilliant	Philip Miles	2		2	78	50		2		200.00
Calvary	Calvin Bevans	6		2	56	40		5		200.00
Cedrom Grove	John E. Warren	3			42	35	30	1		423.20
Free Water	Trellis L. Mayhall	2	8		155	75		2		200.00
Guin	Richard R. Cordell	17	8	15	636	440	165	3		200.00
Gum Springs	Billy Robbins	6		5	75	60				200.00
Hamilton	Phil Kimbrough	1	5	4	251	58	25	1		200.00
Liberty	Greg Rucker	1	1	4	150	85		1		200.00
Mt. Olive	Dennis Haygood	3	5	5	334	130		3		200.00
Mt. Pleasant	Ron Scott	4	4	2	166	32		1		200.00
New Liberty	James Bradley	4	4	3	237	87		2		240.00
Pocahontas	Johnny Bozeman	13			167	95	75	4		200.00
Red Bay	Tom Scott	9	2	7	290	205	75	1		260.00
Shady Grove	Hersheal Beard	1			90	44		1		300.00
Union Chapel	Donald Smith	8	3	4	124	39		1		200.00
Union Hill	Randall Tice	3	4		121	83	47	1		200.00
Winfield	Danny J. Williams	12	10	9	216	125	60	1		200.00

MINUTES
of the
One Hundred & Fifth
Annual Session
of the
JASPER
ASSOCIATION OF
FREE WILL BAPTISTS

When Convened at:
HAMILTON FWB CHURCH
And
MOUNT OLIVE FWB CHURCH
OCTOBER 1 & 2, 1993

ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY OF OFFICERS

MODERATOR:

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ASSISTANT MODERATOR:

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CLERK/TREASURER:

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

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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 - 1994

Trinity Free Will Baptist Camp Board: Rev. Danny J. Williams - 1994,
Bro. Bryan Silas - 1995, Rev. Dennis Haygood - 1996

Credentials Committee: Rev. Dennis Haygood - 1994, Rev. Thomas Scott
- 1995, Rev. Phil Kimbrough - 1996, Rev. Trellis Mayhall - 1997, Rev.
Richard Cordell - 1998

Missions Board: Rev. Johnny Bozeman - 1994, Rev. Richard Cordell -
1995, Rev. James Bradley - 1996, Rev. Phillip Miles - 1997, Bro. Bryan
Silas - 1998

Executive Board: Bro. Tim Barnes - 1994, Bro. O'Neal Funderburk - 1995,
Rev. Trellis Mayhall - 1996, Bro. Allen Brasseal - 1997, Rev. Danny J.
Williams - 1998.

General Board: Bethlehem 1994 - Bentley Crow; Brilliant 1995 - Phillip
Miles; Calvary 1994 - Calvin Bevans; Cedrom Grove 1994 - Tim Barnes,
Free Water 1995 - Trellis Mayhall; Guin First 1994 - Richard Cordell; Gum
Springs 1994 - Wyman Holcomb; Hamilton 1995 - Lowell Parker; Liberty
1995 - Billy Wisham; Mt. Olive 1994 - Lowell Franks; Mt. Pleasant 1995 -
Allen Brasseal; New Liberty 1994 - Ted Sands; Pocahontas 1995 - Jim
Hunter; Red Bay 195 - O'Neal Funderburk; Shady Grove 1994 - Hersheal
Beard; Union Chapel 1994 - David Scott Eads; Union Hill 1995 - Paul
Jaggers; Winfield 1994 - Danny J. Williams

Nominating Committee: Allen Brasseal - 1994, Tim Barnes - 1995, Billy
Wisham - 1996, Lowell Parker - 1997, James Bradley - 1998.

THE FIRST QUARTERLY MEETING

The First Quarterly Meeting of the Jasper Association of Free Will Baptists met at the Winfield Free Will Baptist Church, Winfield, Alabama on 23 January 1993.

Service opened with singing "Here Am I, Send Me" directed by Bro. Mark Walker from the Red Bay FWB Church. Prayer by O'Neal Funderburk of the Red Bay FWB Church.

Welcome given by Host Pastor Rev. Danny J. Williams of Winfield FWB Church.

BUSINESS - Bro. Letus Atkinson, Clerk/Treasurer of Jasper Assn. stated that seventeen of the eighteen churches reported by letter. Moderator Rev. Tom Scott recognized and seated the delegates and voting body. Rev. Scott announced the 17th Annual Mid-South FWB Pastors and Workers Conference, to be held at Eastside FWB Church, Dothan, AL 8-10 February 1993.

Message by Rev. Roy Thomas, General Director, Home Missions Department using Matthew Chapter 14 Verses 34-36.

Message by Rev. Fred Hersey, Foreign Missionary to Japan, spoke using Proverbs Chapter 14 Verse 25 sharing with the congregation some of his salvation experiences in Japan.

Message by Rev. Russell Johnson, Home Missionary to Cheyenne, WY using Nehemiah Chapter 13 Verses 7-31. Subject: Remember Me, O my God, for Good".

Message by Rev. Joel Nason, Home Missionary to New Durham, NH using Ezekiel Chapter 1 through 28 and Chapter 2 Verses 1-10 "Observation of the Call of Ezekiel".

Song "Victory in Jesus" directed by Bro. Mark Walker.

Message by Rev. Ken Eagleton, Sr., Foreign Missionary to Brazil using II Corinthians Chapter 5 Verses 10-14, "Why We Ought to be Concerned About Missions".

Message by Rev. Fred Jones, Home Missionary to Mexico using Matthew Chapter 16 Verses 24-28 "The Call to Service and Sacrifice".

BUSINESS - Rev. Richard Cordell gave report of the annual walk-a-thon to be held 3 April 1993 at Trinity FWB Youth Camp starting at 9:00 a.m. All funds collected will go to Alabama Missions

Credential Committee met and recommended that Rev. Ron Scott be accepted into this association, with the body approving by voice vote.

Rev. Dennis Haygood announced the dates of Youth Camp. The Junior Camp will be held 21-25 of June 1993. The Teen camp will be 28 June through 2 July 1993. He also mentioned an area recruitment banquet for the FWB Bible College to be held 22 February 1993 at the Travel Inn. All area pastors and wives, along with junior and senior students and their parents are invited to attend.

Song (solo) by Bro. Mark Walker "My House Is Full, But My Fields Are Empty".

Message by Rev. Larry Reynolds, Home Missionary, Chandler, AZ using Acts Chapter 1 Verse 11 "This Same Jesus".

Message Rev. Fred Warner, Director of Missionary Church Relationship Foreign Missions Department using Acts Chapter 13 Verses 14-16 "The Synagogue on the Sabbath Day". He also mentioned that 25 April 1993 would be World Mission offering Sunday for Free Will Baptist churches everywhere.

Rev. David Potete, Home Missionary to Chicago, IL spoke using Romans Chapter 12, Verses 1 and 2 and Nehemiah Chapter 11, verse 1 "Sending Out Others".

Rev. Danny J. Williams was recognized, who then gave directions for lunch being served. Closing prayer given by Rev. William E. Atkinson.

Lunch and Adjournment at 12:00 Hours

SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING

The Second Quarterly Meeting of the Jasper Association of Free Will Baptists met at the Calvary FWB Church, Route # 1, Carbon Hill, Alabama on 20 March 1993.

Service opened with singing "Jesus, Jesus, How I Trust Thee" directed by Rev. William E. Atkinson, followed by prayer by Rev. W. A. Roberts. The congregation then sang "Standing on the Promises" directed by Rev. William E. Atkinson, who also volunteered to moderate while our moderator was finding his way to this church from Red Bay, AL.

Welcome was given by Rev. W. A. Roberts, member of the host church in the absence of Host Pastor Rev. Calvin Bevans who was sick and not able to be in attendance.

Message by Rev. John Warren, Pastor, Cedrom Grove FWB Church, who used II Corinthians Chapter 11, Verses 13-15 and Verses 22-33, then Chapter 12, Verses 7-10; also various verses from Psalms. Subject: "Complaining About Our Circumstances".

Song directed by Rev. William E. Atkinson "How Firm A Foundation".

BUSINESS - Moderator recognized Clerk who gave report of letters received for this quarterly meeting; 17 of 18 with Union Chapel being the only church not to report by letter. Clerk then made the body aware of vacancy on the Credentials Committee (Rev. Fred Hawkins, who recently moved to Tennessee). Rev. Trellis Mayhall was elected by the body to serve on this committee term to expire in 1997. Moderator then recognized Rev. James Bradley, Children's Home Trustee of this association who gave an outstanding report on its functions and their needs (which are many). The report was received as information by the body.

Break at 10:30

Service began after break with the congregation singing "At The Cross", directed by Rev. William E. Atkinson followed by prayer by Rev. Trellis Mayhall. The congregation then sang "Love Lifted Me", directed by Rev. William E. Atkinson. A special song "Precious Memories", was sung by Loretta Terry from Carbon Hill, AL. Another special song, "The Old Rugged Cross", was sung by Rev. William (Widdy) Atkins, Mrs. Bently Crow, Mrs. Angie Haney all from Bethlehem FWB Church, Route 1, Brilliant, AL. Another special song, "Thank You Lord", was sung by William Clark, Sheila Cler and Rita Hall, all from Calvary FWB Church.

Message by Rev. Ron Scott, Pastor Mt. Pleasant FWB Church, Route 2, Guin, AL, who used Matthew Chapter 9, Verses 14-17. Subject: "Letting Jesus Direct Our Service". The congregation then sang "I'll Be Satisfied" directed by Rev. William E. Atkinson. Offering was then received which totaled \$40.20. Rev. Danny J. Williams announced Jasper Youth Camp dates (all associations) Primaries June 8-10; Jasper Association only Juniors June 21-25, 1993 and Teen 28 June - 2 July 1993. Moderator recognized Rev. W. A. Roberts who gave instructions on procedures for meal with closing prayer directed by Rev. William (Widdy) Atkins.

Adjourned at 1200 hours.

THIRD QUARTERLY MEETING

The Third Quarterly Meeting of the Jasper Association of Free Will Baptists met at the Brilliant FWB Church, Brilliant, AL 35548 on 26 June 1993.

Service opened by congregation singing "A Beautiful Life" directed by Bro. Blane Doss who directed all congregational singing during this meeting. Opening prayer was by Bro. Herman Fields.

Welcome was given by Host Pastor, Rev. Phillip Miles, who gave a hearty welcome to all present.

A special song was given by Rev. William E. Atkinson "The Great Judgement Morning".

Message by Rev. Calvin Bevans, pastor, Calvary FWB Church, who used Colossians Chapter 3, Verses 1-4. Subject: "There is Something Lacking".

Business and Reports - Bro. Letus Atkinson, Clerk/Treasurer, reported 17 of 18 churches reported by letter for this meeting (Hamilton FWB Church did not report). 1993 annual yearbook from the national association was made available to all churches as was the minutes for 1992 of this association to those churches who had not gotten their copies. The moderator had all deacons, pastors and delegates to stand who were then seated as voting delegates for this session.

Bro. Letus Atkinson reminded all present of the Nominating Committee meeting to be held 3 August 1993 at the Hamilton FWB Church at 7:00 p.m. He then reminded all present of the General Board meeting to be held Monday night, 9 August 1993 at 7:00 p.m. at the Winfield FWB Church.

There was no old business to be conducted. Rev. Dennis Haygood, Pastor of Mt. Olive FWB Church, recommended the reading of General Board members to the congregation. Moderator Rev. Tom Scott then asked Rev. Haygood to read the General Board list. Moderator then suggested to all present to consider having a Christmas banquet some time in December to be acted on at a later date if desired.

Rev. Danny J. Williams gave a report on Junior Camp which had a total of 71 campers with 14 first-time decisions being made during camp. Rev. Williams mentioned two improvements at the camp, these being a new ice machine for the kitchen and a new water slide. Rev. Williams encouraged all churches of this association to support Teen Camp 28 June through 2 July 1993. Rev. Williams mentioned two special days at Trinity Youth Camp: Ladies Day 6 July and Mens Day 7 July. Rev. Williams, who is pastor of Winfield FWB Church exhorted all churches of this association to support Trinity Youth Camp.

A special song was sung by Bro. Mickey Bozeman of the Free Water FWB Church "Once Is Enough".

The moderator mentioned that the Credentials Committee met with Rev. Donald Smith who had answered the call to pastor Union Chapel FWB Church. The committee, after re-examining Rev. Donald Smith, recommended that Rev. Smith be ordained by his home church, New Liberty Free Will Baptist Church.

Message by Rev. Trellis Mayhall, pastor of Free Water FWB Church who used II Timothy Chapter 1, Verse 12. Subject: "Convictions That Really Matter".

The moderator, Rev. Tom Scott, suggested the congregation offer the hand of fellowship and encouragement to Rev. Donald Smith, new pastor of Union Chapel FWB Church. All present extended a hand of encouragement and support to Rev. Smith.

Closing prayer was by the host pastor, Rev. Phillip Miles.

Adjournment at 12:00.

THE ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Jasper Association of Free Will Baptists met at the Hamilton FWB Church 1 October 1993. Bro. Mark Walker led the congregation in singing "Joy Unspeakable", followed by prayer by Rev. James Bradley. The welcome was given by Hugh Mac Winsett, deacon of the host church. Moderator, Rev. Tom Scott, then appointed the following committees: Appreciation - Sister Nancy Mayhall, Rev. Phillip Miles, Bro. Letus Atkinson. Obituary - Rev. James Bradley, Bro. Hugh Mac Winsett, Rev. Phil Kimbrough. Finance - Bro. Lowell Parker, Bro. Trellis Mayhall, Bro. John Warren. Delegates were seated at this time.

A song "Praise The Lord" was directed by Bro. Mark Walker followed by

Scripture reading and prayer by Rev. W. A. Roberts of Calvary FWB Church who used I John, Chapter 1.

BUSINESS SESSION - General Board report was given by Bro. Letus Atkinson, all items were passed by this body. Credentials Committee Report was given by Rev. Richard Cordell and approved by the body. Treasurers Report and Finance Report were given by Bro. Letus Atkinson. Both were approved by the body. Ladies Auxiliary Report was given by Sister Paulette Scott, which was accepted by the body. Mission Conference Report was given by Rev. Richard Cordell, which was accepted by the Body.

Children's Home Report was given by Rev. James Bradley, which was accepted by the body. Christian Education Report was given by Rev. Danny J. Williams which was accepted by the Body.

Trinity Youth Camp Report was given by Rev. Dennis Haywood which was accepted by the body. Report was given on up-coming Pastors' Retreat by Rev. Danny J. Williams to be held 18-19-20 November 1993 with Rev. John Gibbs as guest speaker.

The congregation was led in singing "Wonderful Grace of Jesus" by Bro. Mark Walker. The message was preached by Rev. Phillip Miles, pastor of Brilliant FWB Church entitled "Sin Causes Fear". He used the following scriptures: Genesis Chapter 3, Verses 6-10; Hebrews Chapter 10, Verses 22-27; Daniel Chapter 5, Verses 1-7; Revelation Chapter 15, Verse 4.

The moderator invited Host Pastor Rev. Phil Kimbrough to give instructions as to eating procedures after which he gave thanks for the session and the meal to follow.

Lunch and adjournment at 12:00.

SECOND DAY OF ANNUAL MEETING

The second day of the annual meeting of the Jasper Association met at Mount Olive FWB Church, RR 2, Guin, AL on 2 October 1993. Session was opened by the congregation singing "Praise Him, Praise Him" and "Jesus Saves" led by Bro. Danny Franks, deacon of host church. Prayer was by Rev. Hersheal Beard, Pastor of Shady Grove FWB Church, RR 5, Russellville, AL.

Welcome was given by the Host Pastor, Rev. Dennis Haygood, followed by item of business "Gideon's Report" which was given by Bro. Bryan Silas, after which the congregation was led in song "Just Over In the Glory Land" directed by Bro. Danny Franks.

Message by Rev. Tim Trimble, Pastor Alabaster FWB Church, Alabaster, AL "Why Laborers Are Few" who used Matthew Chapter 9, Verses 34-38 then I Corinthians Chapter 3, Verses 1-23.

Message by Rev. Dennis Haygood, Pastor Mount Olive FWB Church, RR 2, Guin, AL "Come Out For God" who used Exodus Chapter 3, Verses 1-5.

Business Item - The Credentials Committee Report was given by Rev. Richard Cordell which recommended that Rev. William (Widdy) Atkins credentials be ratified from the State Line Association to the Jasper Association. After this is done, Bethlehem FWB Church will provide a letter of request to the Jasper Association for Rev. Atkins to join this body. This report was approved and accepted by the body.

Message by Rev. Tim Trimble, Pastor Alabaster FWB Church, Alabaster, AL "Enduring the Christian Life" who used Hebrews Chapter 12, Verses 1-3.

The moderator called for the host pastor, Rev. Dennis Haygood, to give directions and instructions for lunch and then give thanks for the session and lunch.

Lunch and adjournment.

GENERAL BOARD REPORT

The General Board of the Jasper Association of Free Will Baptists met at the Winfield FWB Church, Monday night 9 August 1993, with the following churches represented:

Calvary FWB Church - Rev. Calvin Bevans and Rev. W. A. Roberts

Free Water - Rev. Trellis Mayhall

Hamilton - Bro. Lowell Parker

Mt. Olive - Rev. Dennis Haygood and Clerk/Treasurer Letus Atkinson

New Liberty - Rev. James Bradley and Bro. Ted Sands

Red Bay - Rev. Tom Scott and Bro. O'Neal Funderburk

Union Chapel - Rev. Donald A. Smith

Winfield - Rev. Danny J. Williams

Mt. Pleasant - Bro. Allen Brasseal

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Rev. Tom Scott, followed by prayer by Bro. O'Neal Funderburk. 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 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 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 1994 be held: 22 January at Free Water FWB Church; 19 March at New Liberty FWB Church; 25 June at Pocahontas FWB Church; 7 October at Cedrom Grove FWB Church; 8 October at Guin First FWB Church.

(6) That the fee for all meetings remain at \$50 per church.

(7) That the Jasper Association give \$200 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: Allen Brasseal - 1994; Tim Barnes - 1994; Billy Wisham - 1996; Lowell Parker - 1997; and James Bradley - 1998.

(10) We recommend to the association to give \$500.00 to the Children's Home building program.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT

The Credentials Committee met during the first day of the annual session, 1 October 1993, at Hamilton FWB Church and upon examining annual letters from member churches, noted the following things omitted from churches' letters:

1. General Board members name not listed on letters from the following churches: Bethlehem, Brilliant and Cedrom Grove.

2. Churches should list all ministers in their church so that a card of good standing can be issued by this body.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Cordell, Chairman; Phil Kimbrough, Trellis Mayhall, Dennis Haygood

The Credentials Committee met during the second day of the annual session, 2 October 1993 at Mount Olive FWB Church and we make the following recommendation: that Rev. William (Widdy) Atkins' credentials be ratified from the State Line Association to the Jasper Association. After this is done, Bethlehem FWB Church can then provide a letter or request to the Jasper Association for Rev. Atkins to join this association.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Cordell, Chairman; Phil Kimbrough, Trellis Mayhall, Dennis Haygood

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The Nominating Committee of the Jasper Association of FWB met at the Hamilton FWB Church, Hamilton, AL Tuesday night August 3, 1993 with the

following members in attendance:

Rev. James Bradley - New Liberty FWB Church

Bro. Lowell Parker - Hamilton FWB Church

Bro. Letus Atkinson - Mt. Oliver FWB Church (Clerk/Treasurer, Jasper Assn. FWB)

The following recommendations are made to our general board of the Jasper Association of FWB for its consideration:

Moderator: Rev. Tom Scott

Asst. Moderator: Rev. Dennis Haygood

Clerk/Treasurer: Bro. Letus Atkinson

Asst. Clerk/Treasurer: Bro. Bryan Silas

State General Board Member: Bro. Tom Scott or current moderator

Children's Home Trustee: Rev. James Bradley (to expire 1994)

Trinity FWB Camp Board: Rev. Dennis Haygood (to expire 1996)

Credentials Committee: Rev. Richard Cordell (to expire 1998)

Missions Board: Bro. Bryan Silas (to expire 1998)

Executive Board: Rev. Trellis Mayhall (to expire 1996) and Rev. Danny J. Williams (to expire 1998).

Nominating Committee: Rev. James Bradley (to expire 1998)

Members not in attendance: Bro. Allen Brasseal, Mt. Pleasant FWB Church; Bro. Tim Barnes, Cedrom Grove FWB Church; Bro. Billy Wisham, Liberty FWB Church.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. James Bradley, Bro. Lowell Parker, Bro. Letus Atkinson Clerk/
Treasurer

ORDAINED MINISTERS

William E. Atkinson, RR # 1, Box 1197, Guin, AL 35563 205-468-2022

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, Carbon Hill, AL 35549 205-924-4940

Charles E. Fowler, RR # 5, Box 194, Fayette, AL 35555 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

Trellis Mayhall, RR # 2, Box 295, Guin, AL 35563 205-468-2089

Phillip Miles, RR # 3, Box 210-BD, Winfield, AL 35594 205-487-3621
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W. A. Roberts, RR # 2, Box 185, Carbon Hill, AL 35549
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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
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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
205-689-4453
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
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Shady Grove: Rose Mary Beard, Rt. 5, Box 407-B, Russellville, AL 35653
Union Chapel: Nelda Turner, Rt. 4, Box 458, Winfield, AL 35594
205-487-4826

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
Guin First: Jerry Stephens, Bobby Glasgow
Gum Springs: Carrol 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 Jaggars, 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 check book, treasurer's report and bank statement dated 31 August 1993, and find them to be in order and commend the clerk/treasurer for an excellent job of accounting for the association's funds.

Respectfully submitted:

Bro. Lowell Parker, Rev. Trellis Mayhall, Rev. John Warren

OBITUARY COMMITTEE REPORT FOR 1992-93 REPORTING YEAR

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:

Bethlehem: None

Brilliant: None

Calvary: Edith Dozier

Cedrom Grove: None

Free Water: Allie Green, Essie Stowe, Artis Pugh, Mrs. Buddy Dykes

First FWB Guin: Ganus Butler, Cliff Kennedy

Gum Springs: None

Hamilton: W. E. McKinley, Iva Townley, Grace Johnson

Liberty: Mary Dean Bozeman

Mt. Olive: Steve Nelson, Emit Burleson, Edith Johnson, Pat McDaniel, Elmon Berryhill, Doyle Berryhill.

Mt. Pleasant: O. D. Westbrooks

New Liberty: Belvie Moore, Woodie Chandler

Pocahontas: Zora Nelson, Curt Hunter

Red Bay: Lola Keeton

Shady Grove: Gary Welch

Union Chapel: None

Union Hill: David Holbrook, Zena Anglin, A. C. Cochran, Inez Lolly Bendix

Winfield: Louise Baccus, James L. Trimm

Respectfully submitted:

James J. Bradley, Hugh M. Winsett, Phil Kimbrough

APPRECIATION COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Appreciation Committee for the annual meeting of the Jasper Association of Free Will Baptists, 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 Hamilton FWB Church and Mount Olive FWB Church. Thank you for your time and efforts to make this a time a spiritual blessing for all.

Respectfully submitted:

Nancy Mayhall, Phillip Miles, Letus Atkinson

JASPER ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT

1 October 92 - 31 Aug 93

BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD \$728.11

RECEIPTS

23 Oct 92	Annual dues from mbr. churches	\$900.00
	Extra minutes (New Liberty Church)	40.00
	Retired Ministers	
	((\$100.00 by Shady Grove Church, \$88.21 by Cedrom Grove Church)	188.21
	Host churches for annual sessions (sent by Red Bay Church)	20.00
	Offerings	143.42
19 Nov 92	Donation by Bryan Silas (returned salary for asst. clerk/treasurer)	85.00
1 Jan 93	Retired ministers (Cedrom Grove FWB Church)	42.18
	Quarterly Dues for 10 churches	500.00
28 Jan 93	Quarterly Dues for 7 churches	350.00
	Host church of quarterly meeting (sent by Red Bay Church)	10.00
	Offering	160.00
23 Mar 93	Quarterly dues from member churches	850.00
	Offering during quarterly meeting	40.20
	Minutes (Red Bay Church)	10.00
	Host church of quarterly meeting (sent by Red Bay Church)	10.00
	Retired ministers (sent by Cedrom Grove Church)	44.88
8 Jul 93	Quarterly dues from member churches	850.00
	Host church quarterly meeting (sent by Red Bay Church)	10.00
	Retired ministers (sent by Cedrom Grove Church)	47.93
TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR REPORTING PERIOD		\$4029.93

EXPENDITURES

CHECK NO.

2 Oct 92	Letus Atkinson (Clk/Treasurer duties)	\$200.00	128
	Tom Scott (Moderator duties)	65.00	129
	Dennis Haygood (Asst. Moderator duties)	20.00	130
	Bryan Silas (Asst. Clk/Treasurer duties)	85.00	131
	Rev. J. D. Norris (Guest speaker annual session)	200.00	132
23 Oct 92	U. S. Postal Service (stamps)	29.00	133
	Alabama State Assn. (Member dues 18 churches)	540.00	134
1 Nov 92	Rev. William E. Atkinson (1/2 Retired Ministers Fund)	163.18	135
	Rev. O. Z. Johnson (1/2 Retired Ministers Fund)	163.19	136
	New Liberty FWB Church (Hosting quarterly meeting)	10.00	137
	Sent by Red Bay Church		
	Liberty FWB Church (Hosting 1 day annual session)	10.00	138
	Sent by Red Bay Church		
	Union Hill FWB Church (Hosting 1 day annual session)	10.00	139
	Sent by Red Bay Church		

15 Jan 93	U. S. Postal Service (Stamps)	29.00	140
28 Jan 93	Foreign Mission Dept. Nat'l. FWB	53.40	141
	Home Missions Dept Nat'l. FWB	106.02	142
	Winfield FWB Church		
	(Hosting qtr. mtg. sent by Red Bay Church)	\$10.00	143
11 Mar 93	Thumb Print, Sulligent, AL (Printing of minutes)	468.00	144
20 Mar 93	Pastors & Workers Conf.		
	(Donation voted by body of assn.)	200.00	145
	Calvary FWB Church		
	(Hosting qtr. mtg. Sent by Red Bay Church)	10.00	146
14 May 93	CE Board Jasper Assn.		
	(Debt of CE Board voted by body of assn. to pay)	800.00	147
23 Jul 93	Brilliant FWB Church		
	(Hosting qtr. mtg. sent by Red Bay Church)	10.00	148
	U. S. Postal Service (Stamps)	29.00	149

TOTAL EXPENDITURES DURING PERIOD **\$2,209.79**

BALANCE IN BANK 31 AUGUST 1993 **\$1,820.14**

Letus Atkinson, Clerk/Treasurer, Jasper Assn. FWB

JASPER ASSOCIATION OF FWB YOUTH CAMP BOARD 1993 SESSION

Held at Trinity FWB Youth Camp

JUNIORS: June 21 - 25 TEENS: June 28 - July 2

BEGINNING BALANCE (6/22/92) **512.06**

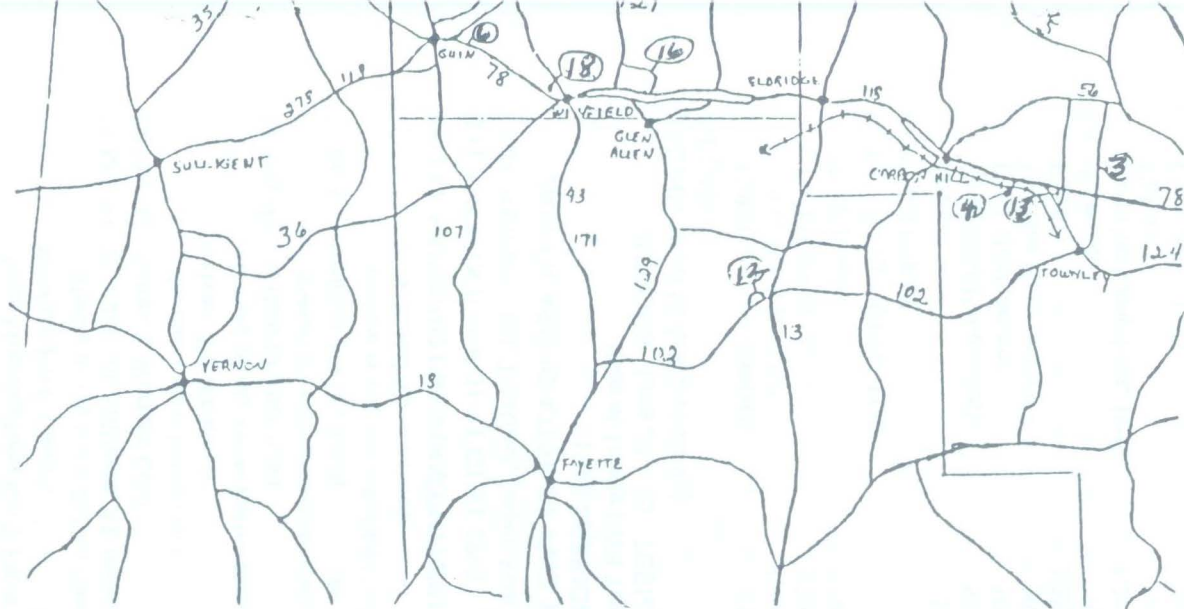
INCOME

Gifts from Association	800.00	
Junior Week Receipts	3,205.00	
Teen Week Receipts	<u>3,790.00</u>	
Total Income	7,795.00	<u>7,795.00</u>

TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR **8,307.06**

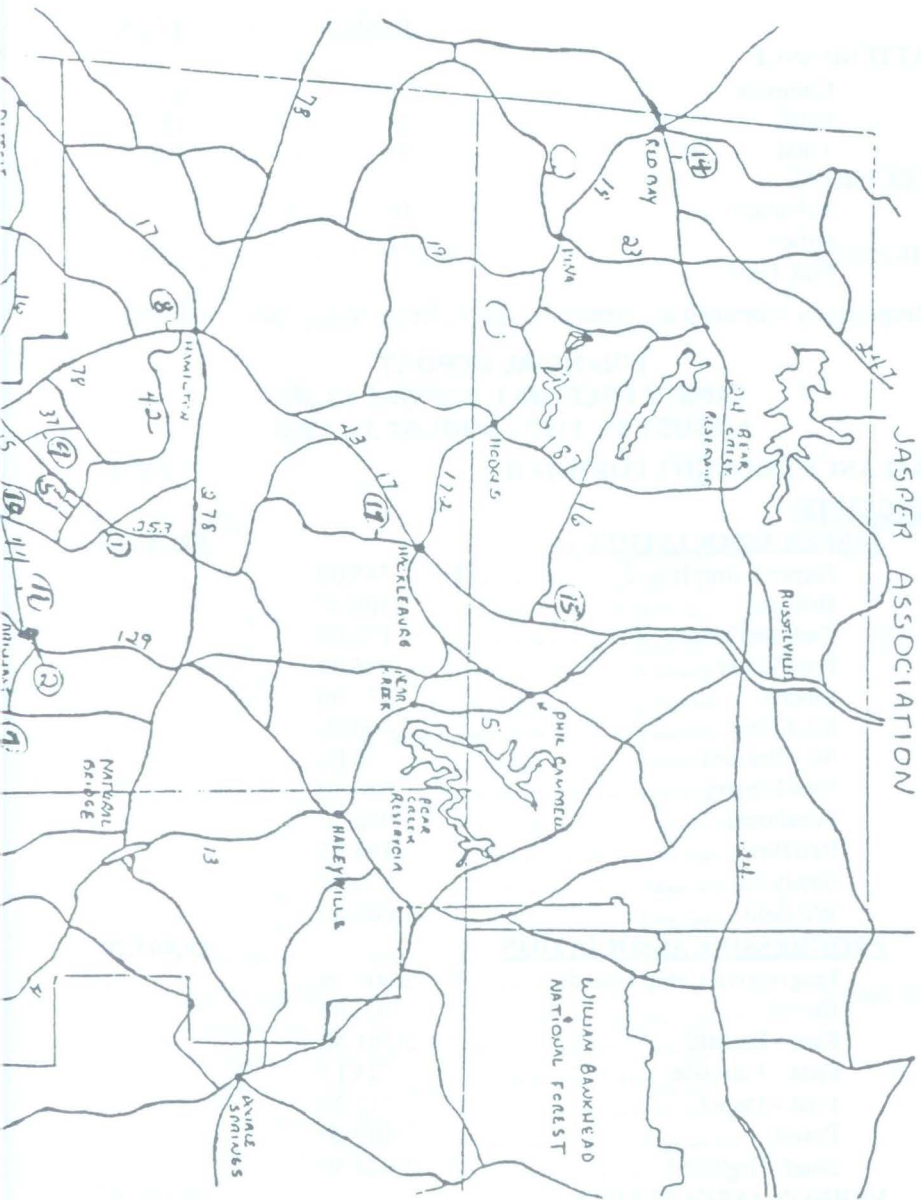
EXPENDITURES

Postage	18.29
Evangelist Honorariums	550.00
Cook Honorariums	300.00
Director Honorariums	200.00
Food	2,227.87
Activities	61.84
Past Due Camp Fees, 1992	1,285.00
Checks	61.86
Camp Fees, 1993	700.00
Lifeguards	320.00
Paper/Insurance	965.00
Water Slide	745.00



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| (1) Bethlehem FWB | (10) Mt. Olive FWB |
| (2) Brilliant FWB | (11) Mt. Pleasant FWB |
| (3) Calvary FWB | (12) New Liberty FWB |
| (4) Cedrom Grove FWB | (13) Pocahontas FWB |
| (5) Free Water FWB | (14) Red Bay FWB |
| (6) Guin FWB | (15) Shady Grove FWB |
| (7) Gum Springs FWB | (16) Union Chapel FWB |
| (8) Hamilton FWB | (17) Union Hill FWB |
| (9) Liberty FWB | (18) Winfield FWB |

JASPER ASSOCIATION



Total Expenditures	7,434.86	<u>7,434.86</u>
BALANCE ON HAND (9/1/93)		872.20
	<u>JUNIOR</u>	<u>TEEN</u>
ATTENDANCE		
Campers	71	92
Staff	14	16
Total	85	108
DECISIONS		
Salvation	14	7
Other	31	67
Full Time	-	15

Respectfully submitted by: Dennis Haygood, Bryan Silas, Danny Williams

FINANCIAL REPORT
TRINITY FREE WILL BAPTIST CAMP
AUGUST 31, 1992 - AUGUST 31, 1993

BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD **\$1,887.07**

RECEIPTS:

JASPER ASSOCIATION

\$7,783.19

Jasper Camp Board	\$ 745.00
Brilliant	305.46
Cedrom Grove	179.02
Free Water	295.00
Liberty	775.00
Mt. Olive	1,440.00
Mt. Pleasant	50.00
New Liberty	300.00
Pocahontas	920.00
Red Bay	894.33
Shady Grove	830.38
Winfield	1,049.00

PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION

\$9,463.29

Progressive Camp Board	\$ 2,000.00
Bethel	100.00
First - Fayette	5,261.58
First - Florence	245.13
First - Jasper	712.08
Praise	100.00
South Highland	1,044.50

VERNON ASSOCIATION

\$7,370.29

Vernon Association	\$ 871.00
Belk	669.74

Cooper	80.56	
First - Vernon	800.53	
Freewill Chapel	41.29	
Mt. Harmony	325.00	
Mt. Willing	500.00	
New Center Point	480.17	
Piney Grove	1,725.00	
Springfield	225.00	
Sulligent	1,000.00	
Union Chapel	275.00	
<u>OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS</u>		\$5,025.41
First - Ethelsville \$	62.00	
First - Pearl, MS	2,500.0	
First - Amory, MS	283.41	
Forestdale	50.00	
Gateway	50.00	
Individuals	1,990.00	
Insurance Refund	100.00	
<u>RENTAL</u>		\$10,163.00
Jasper \$	3,720.00	
Progressive	2,380.00	
Vernon	1,840.00	
Calvary	644.00	
Fayette	418.00	
Gray's Chapel	225.00	
Liberty Christian Academy	139.00	
Martin Retreat	200.00	
Mt. Harmony	110.00	
Mt. Olive	20.00	
Pocahontas	80.00	
Red Bay	75.00	
Slide Fee	194.00	
Tuscaloosa Christian	568.00	
<u>CONCESSIONS</u>		\$4,986.75
Jasper Camp \$	1,473.40	
Progressive Camp	1,552.05	
Vernon Camp (Retreats)	1,580.40	
Tuscaloosa Christian	231.55	
Water Slide Days	109.35	
Martin Retreat	40.00	
<u>CITIZEN'S BANK LOAN</u>		\$15,000.00
TOTAL TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR		\$61,689.00

EXPENDITURES:

Alexander's Heating & Cooling .. \$	2,375.00
Board Expense, etc.	421.17
Camp supper	721.61
Concessions	2,259.93
Electric	5,842.57
Gas	680.18
Ice Machine	2,114.10
Insurance	3,442.00
Life Guards	1,020.00
Loan Payment	9,863.56
Paper products	1,978.19
Pool	893.09
Postage	153.00
Promotion	276.12
Repair and upkeep	1,881.71
Telephone	1,030.43
Water	911.85
Water Slide	24,194.72
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>\$60,059.23</u>

BALANCE IN BANK AS OF SEPTEMBER 1, 1993

\$1,629.77

Secretary/Treasurer: Dennis Haygood
Route 2, Box 376
Guin, Alabama 35563

THE JASPER DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY ANNUAL REPORT TO THE JASPER ASSOCIATION APRIL 1, 1992 - MARCH 1993

The Jasper District Woman's Auxiliary consists of three local auxiliaries. They are: Liberty, Red Bay and Free Water. Winfield belonged to the Jasper District, but did not report at our last conference. We are praying that they will decide to continue in our fellowship next year. Our present enrollment is 49, a gain of 5.

We support all of the Free Will Baptist Ministries. The local auxiliaries sent a total of \$1,156.75 through the Jasper District treasurer during this reporting period. Of this, \$521 was given to Home Missions, \$295.26 was given to Foreign Missions and \$329.50 was sent to the WNAC as dues and Co-Laborer & Emphasis Offerings for the expense of our National Woman's Auxiliary Conference Office. the WNAC office has only these offerings plus any sales profit they might collect on which to operate. May I beg you here to support the

WNAC. To do so, you will also support the Jasper District Auxiliary and the Alabama State Auxiliary.

The Jasper District Auxiliary also sent over \$300 in non-cash gifts to the Children's Home and over \$125 in non-cash gifts to the Missionary Provision Closet in Nashville. Besides this, the local auxiliaries have various projects of their own. Also, one local auxiliary gives \$120 per year to the FWBBC through the check book system. So, in all the Jasper District Auxiliary contributes a substantial amount of money to different FWB ministries which wouldn't be given otherwise. Then, also, the local auxiliaries support their churches, pastors and neighborhoods. Together, we can make a difference!

The 1992 Jasper District Fall Fellowship met last October with the Free Water Ladies. After the delicious meal we met upstairs for a very special speaker to speak to us ladies, Sis. Icie Mae Fredrix. It was such a blessing. The 1993 Fall Fellowship will meet with the Red Bay Ladies on October 11 and the special speaker will be Sis. Linda Bowling. All ladies are invited and it begins at 7 p.m.

The JDWA held their annual conference at Liberty last March 6. After a GREAT breakfast which the Liberty Auxiliary served, the short conference convened and we enjoyed Sis. June Wilkerson speak on giving. During the conference the 1993-1995 officers were elected. They are: president, Linda Silas; vice-president, Barbara Lolly; secretary/treasurer, Paulette Scott; Mission Action chair Linda Self; Mission Prayer chair, Angie Jones; Mission Study Leatrice Overton and Field Worker, Joyce Bozeman.

The 1994 Jasper District Auxiliary Conference will be held next March 5, 1994 at Free Water. The 1994 Fall Fellowship will be held in October 1994 at Liberty. The Alabama State Woman's Auxiliary Conference will be held at the Springfield FWB Church located out from Vernon in the Vernon District on May 7, 1994. The 1993 Mission's Banquet will be held November 12, 1993 at Max's Cafeteria located on the south side of Highway 78 in Forestdale. No tickets are required and you will be served cafeteria style. The special speaker will be Dr. Mary Wischart, executive secretary of WNAC. the theme will be "The Pearl of Great Price". All ladies and gentlemen are invited and encouraged to attend.

The WNAC puts out the Co-Laborer Magazine and if you do not receive it but would like to, send \$5.75 to WNAC Co-Laborer, P. O. Box 5002, Antioch, TN 37011-5002 for an annual subscription; or \$5.00 each for over 5 going to the same address. You would enjoy this magazine written by FWB women for FWB women.

If I can ever help you, feel free to call on me. Thank you and God bless each of you as you labor for Christ.

Yours in Christ
Paulette Scott

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 principal 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 affected 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 this body, shall become members.

SECTION II. A local church that wishes to become a member of this Association must adopt the National Treatise 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 whom 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 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 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. Children's Home Trustee. This person shall represent the Jasper Association on the Children's 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 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. Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee shall consist of five (5) members, elected for a period of five years, with the senior member in point of service replaced each year. It shall be the 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 the first day of each annual meeting and second day of each annual meeting 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 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 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 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 of 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 a 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

1. 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 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. 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.

