JASPER ASSOCIATION of Free Will Baptist

2007 ANNUAL REPORT

2008 SESSION

4 October 2008 Hamilton FWB Church

CHURCH	PASTOR	Members Added	Members Dismissed	Members Baptised	Present Membership	Sunday School Enrollment	CTS Enrollment	Ordained Ministers	Licensed Ministers	Associational Funds
Bethlehem	William L. Atkins	4	1	0			0	1	0	\$276
Brilliant	Heath Yielding						0			92
Free Water	Benny McKinney	4	4	0	148	30	0	2	0	276
Hamilton	Tommy Franks	39	2	17		120	0	2	0	276
Liberty	James L. Carrington	4	3	1	74	54	0	2	0	276
Mt. Olive	Michael Beckon	6	3	0	337	90	0	4	0	276
Mt. Pleasant	Jamie Jeffreys	1	0	0		35	0	1	0	276
New Liberty	Darren Pollard	13	2	2	128	90	0	1	0	276
Red Bay	Mark McCraney	17	9	9	449	265	0	1	0	276
Union Chapel	Donald Smith		1					1	0	276
Union Hill	Michael Frederick	1	4	5		65	30	2	0	276
Winfield	Danny J. Williams	7	1	12	291			5	1	276
	TOTALS	96	30	46	1427	749	30	22	1	\$3,128

MINUTES

One Hundred & Nineteenth
Annual Session

Of the

JASPER ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

WHEN CONVENED AT

NEW LIBERTY FWB CHURCH OCTOBER 6, 2007

ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY OF OFFICERS

		TERM EXPIRES
MODERATOR	Rev. Jerry Williams 180 Silverleaf Road Winfield, Al. 35594 (205)487-6069	2008
ASST. MODERATOR	Rev. Mark McCraney P.O. Box 457 Red Bay, Al 35582 (256) 356-9220	2008
CLERK	Bro. Hugh M. Winsett P.O.Box 1258 Hamilton, Al. 35570 (205)921-4265 hugh019@centurytel.net	2008
ASST. CLERK	Bro. Letus Atkinson 321 Old Cooper Creek Road Guin, Al. 35563 (205)468-2437	2008 d

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

State Board Member	Rev. Jerry Williams	2008
Children's Home Trustee	Bro. Ted Sands	2008
Trinity FWB Camp Board	Rev. Danny Williams	2008
	Rev. Mike Beckon	2009
	Bro. Bryan Silas	2010
Credentials Committee	Rev. Mike Beckon	2008
	Rev. Bennie McKinney	2009
	Rev. Darren Pollard	2010
	Rev. Danny J. Williams	2011
	Rev. Mark McCraney	2012
Missions Board	Bro. Kip Madison	2008
	Rev. Donald A. Smith	2009
	Bro. Harold Crowe	2010
	Rev. James Carrington	2011
	Bro. Ernest Harris	2012

Executive Committee	Rev. Bennie McKinney	2008
	Rev. Mike Beckon	2009
	Bro. Wayne Atkins	2010
	Rev. Donald A. Smith	2011
	Rev. Jamie Jeffreys	2012
Nominating Committee	Bro. O'Neal Funderburk	2008
	Bro. Allen Brasseal	2009
	Bro. Ted Sands	2010
	Bro. Billy Wisham	2011
	Bro. Fray Stone	2012
Finance Committee	Rev. Freddie Miles	2008
	Rev. William L. Atkins	2009
	Rev. Darren Pollard	2010

General Board

ALL PASTORS ARE MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL BOARD

Church	Representative	Term Expires
Bethlehem	Bently Crowe	2009
Brilliant	None Listed	2008
Free Water	Bro. Harold Crowe	2009
Hamilton	Bro. Fray Stone	2008
Liberty	Bro. Billy Wisham	2008
Mt. Olive	Bro. Letus Atkinson	2008
Mt. Pleasant	Bro. Allen Brasseal	2009
New Liberty	Bro. Ted Sands	2009
Red Bay	Bro. O'Neal Funderburk	2009
Union Chapel	Bro. Wayne Atkins	2009
Union Hill	None Listed	2009
Winfield	Bro. Roger Rye	2008

JASPER ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILLBAPTIST

District Meeting, January 27, 2007 Red Bay Free Will Baptist Church

The session opened at 9:10 AM with Bro. Jeremy Robinson directing the congregation in #371 in the *Rejoice Hymnal* "Send the Light." Bro. Donald Smith then led in prayer. The host pastor, Bro. Mark McCraney welcomed everyone to the Red Bay Church and gave instructions about their facilities. He then brought the devotion using I Kings 19:1-4 for his text. Bro. McCraney brought a very inspiring message from this text.

The moderator, Bro. Jerry Williams then called the association to order. The clerk, Bro. Hugh M. Winsett gave the roll call of delegates. M/S/C by the standing delegates to seat these delegates for this session.

The moderator then ask for any visitors to stand. No visitors were present.

MISSIONARY SPEAKERS

Bro. Rick Cash - Alabama State Promotional Director was the first speaker. He gave the Promotional Office Report and the Acts 1:8 report. He used III John for his thought. He thanked everyone for their support of the Acts 1:8 program. The budget for the year was \$575,000. The actual giving was only \$544,000 about \$31,000 less than the budget. He again thanked everyone for their support of missions.

Bro. Stephen Kimbrell - Missionary to York, Pennsylvania gave a report on the work to be started in York. He asked for prayer for them and the work.

Bro. Chad Kivette - Missionary to Grand Junction, Colorado introduced three (3) men from the Church who gave their testimony and told about their church. This is the only Free Will Baptist Church in the area. Bro. Chad told many interesting facts about the area and about their church. He requests prayer for them and the work in Grand Junction.

Break at 10:15 AM. Bro. Benny McKinney led in prayer, asking the blessing on the food.

The Association reconvened at 10:45 AM with Bro. Jeremy Robinson leading the congregation in #38 in the *Rejoice Hymnal*, "Isn't He Wonderful." The missionary speakers continued after the song.

Bro. Jamie Lancaster - Missionary to Uruguay gave a very interesting report on their work. He asked everyone to pray for more workers. He also thanked everyone for their support, both financial and prayer support.

Bro. Tim Osborne - Home missionary to Memphis, TN said there was only three (3) Free Will Baptist Churches in an eighty mile radius of Memphis. He also said that Memphis was #1 in the nation in violent crime. He asked that everyone pray for his family and their work in Memphis.

Bro. Mark Riggs - Missionary to Spain expressed thanks from the Basque people for everyone's support of missions. He used Isaiah 9 for his text and also thanked everyone for their support.

Bro. Tim Riggs - Home missionary to Mobile, AL used I Timothy 1:12 for his thoughts. He shared his heart for a work in Mobile. He encouraged everyone to support the work both with their prayers and financial support.

Bro. Danny Williams - Director of the Mission's Conference spoke next. He stated that seventy-seven (77) Alabama Free Will Baptist Churches participated in the Missions Conference, with nine (9) out of the twelve (12) Jasper Association churches participating. He also explained about the quarter folders for the Southpark Church in Huntsville. He also explained about the WMO (World Mission's Offering). The goal for the WMO in 2007 is \$500,000. The WMO month is April.

An offering was received next with a ladies trio from the host church singing "Available". The ladies did an exceptional job with this song.

Bro. Dave Franks - Retired missionary to Brazil was recognized next. Bro. Dave gave a prayer request for one of the families in Brazil which was having a tough time. He also stated that the work in Brazil would celebrate fifty years this year.

The Jasper Association adjourned with the Moderator, Rev. Jerry Williams, led the congregation in prayer and also asking the blessing on the food.

Jasper Association of Free Will Baptist <u>District Meeting, June 9, 2007</u> Union Hill Free Will Baptist Church

The session was opened at 9:00 A.M. with the host pastor, Bro. Michael Frederick directing the congregation in #78 in the *Church Hymnal* "When He Put A Little Sunshine In". Bro. Jamie Jeffreys led in prayer.

The moderator, Bro. Jerry Williams then recognized Bro. Michael Frederick for the welcome and the devotion. He gave directions about their facilities. He used Eph. 6:9 for his devotional text. He talked about the church being unified. He encouraged the churches to get busy doing what they were here to do. He made many good points using the text.

The moderator then called the session to order at 9:20 AM. The clerk, Bro. Hugh M. Winsett then gave the roll call of delegates for the session. The standing delegates then voted to seat these delegates for this session.

Reports

Bro. Rick Cash - Alabama State Promotional Office gave both the Promotional Office report and the Acts 1:8 report. Bro. Cash talked about all the works under the Acts 1:8 program. He gave many interesting reports about the camps and the mission works. Bro. Cash then introduced Bro. Mark Thomas, Missionary to Pueblo, Co. Bro. Thomas gave a report on his missions work in Pueblo supplying many interesting facts about the area.

Historical Commission - Bro. Dave Franks, Sr. talked about what the Historical Commission was doing in preparation for the State Meeting in November. He requested information about the oldest Free Will Baptist Church in Alabama and any other information about Free Will Baptist. Bro. Franks encouraged everyone to attend the State Association meeting in November in Dothan, AL.

Children's Home-Bro. Ted Sands, Trustee of the home gave the report. He stated that they currently had nineteen (19) children at the home. They had one (1) student to graduate and a new one came in. Bro. Sands encouraged everyone to support the home with their prayers and their finances.

Trinity Youth Camp - No Report.

The host church then presented the special music.

The first message for the day was brought by Bro. Tommy Franks, Pastor of the Hamilton Free Will Baptist Church. He used I Peter, 4:12-19 for his thought of "Keeping Focused On God." Bro. Franks brought a very inspiring message from this text.

Break with Bro. Mike Beckon dismissing in prayer and also asking the blessing on the food.

The session reconvened at 9:45 AM with the Hymn "Land of Perfect Day." Prayer was led by Bro. James Carrington.

Reports Continue

Credentials Committee Report - Report was given by Bro. Mike Beckon. The Credenital Committee recommended that Bro. Doug Swann be accepted into the association pending a letter of good standing from the Bear Creek Association. M/S/C to accept this recommendation.

Missions Board Report - was presented by Bro. Donald Smith. He explained this years summer project which is the Mobile Land Fund. He encouraged everyone to attend the fundraiser singing at the Winfield FWB Church on August 11, 2007 at 7:00 PM.

The Host church presented the special music. Bro. Jamie Jeffreys, pastor of the Mt. Pleasant FWB Church brought the second message of the day. Bro Jeffreys used Isaiah 55:2 for his text. He brought a very good message from this text.

The moderator than asked for announcements with many announcements being made. He also gave a time for testimonies since there was extra time. After several testimonies, the moderator then entertained a Motion to adjourn. M/S/C to adjourn. Bro. Dave Franks closed the session in prayer and asked the blessing on the food.

Jasper Association of Free Will Baptist Annual Meeting, October 6, 2007 New Liberty Free Will Baptist Church

The session opened at 9:00 AM with Bro. Ray Selman leading the group in singing "I'm Going That Way" with Mrs. Angie Smith at the piano. Bro. Bennie McKinney led the opening prayer. Bro. Selman then led the congregation in singing "When We All Get To Heaven."

Bro. Jerry Williams, Moderator, brought the moderator's message next using John 6:28 for his text. He made many good comments using this text.

Bro. Darren Pollard, host pastor was introduced for the welcome and devotion. He welcomed everyone and gave instructions about their facilities and then brought the devotion using Mark 2:1-12 as his text. The title of his devotion was "When We Come Into His House." Bro. Pollard delivered a very inspiring devotion from the text

The moderator, Bro. Jerry Williams, called the association to order at 9:30 AM. The clerk, Bro. Hugh M. Winsett, read the roll call of delegates. The standing delegates voted to seat delegates for this session.

Appointment of Committees

Resolution & Appreciations Committee - The moderator appointed Sis. Bonnie Williams, Sis. Mary Pollard & Sis. Maxine Stone to this committee.

Obituary Committee - Sis. Susan McCarley, Sis. Linda Silas, & Bro. William Norris were appointed by the moderator to this committee.

Reports

Alabama State Promotional Office & Acts 1:8- Bro. Rick Cash gave both of these reports. He thanked everyone for their support of the Acts 1:8 program. In the State Promotional Office report he encouraged everyone to attend the State Associational meeting Nov. 7-9 at the Northport FWB Church. M/S/C to accept these reports as information.

Children's Home Report-Bro. Allen Austin, Director of the home gave the report. They currently care for 23 children ranging in ages from 6-18 years of age. He has had to turn away six (6) children lately. He thanked everyone for their support.

Trinity Youth Camp - Bro. Ashley Culp gave the youth camp report. Bro. Culp thanked the association for their support this year. He stated they served 2,089 campers with 79 salvation decisions. He gave many interesting reports from the camps held this year.

General Board Partial Report - The General Board of the Jasper Association met at the Winfield Free Will Baptist Church on Monday, August 13, 2007 at 7:00 PM for the Annual Meeting.

Rev. Jerry Williams, moderator, presided over the meeting.

The following items of business was disposed of:

Item #1 - Meeting Sites for 2008

January 26, 2008 - Liberty Free Will Baptist Church June 14, 2008 - Mt. Olive Free Will Baptist Church October 4, 2008 - Hamilton Free Will Baptist Church M/S/C to recommend these sites to the Association.

Item #2 - Associational Officers

The Nominating Committees recommendations for Associational Officers for 2008 was presented next.

Office/Board	Present	Recommendation	Term Expires
Trinity FWB Camp Bd.	Bro. Bryan Silas	Bro. Bryan Silas	2010
Mission's Board	Bro. Ernest Harris	Bro. Ernest Harris	2012
Credentials Committee	Rev. Mark McCraney	Rev. Mark McCraney	2012
Executive Committee	Rev. Jamie Jeffreys	Rev. Jamie Jeffreys	2012
Nominating Committee	Bro. Fray Stone	Bro. Fray Stone	2012
Finance Committee	Rev. Darren Pollard	Rev. Darren Pollard	2010

M/S/C to recommend these officers to the association.

With all business disposed of, M/S/C to adjourn the meeting. Respectively Submitted.

The General Board of the Jasper Association.

M/S/C to accept these meeting sites and the list of officers by the delegates.

The Proposed Budget for 2007-2008 was presented next. M/S/C to accept the proposed budget.

Mission's Board Report - Bro. Donald Smith gave the report on the summer project of the Mobile Land Fund. The Jasper Association raised over \$3,000. He encouraged everyone who had not participated to help with the project since they still had time. M/S/C to accept this report.

Break at 10:00 AM. Bro. Jerry Williams led in prayer asking the blessing on the food.

The session reconvened at 10:30 AM with Bro. Selman leading the congregation in singing "Getting Ready To Leave This World."

Resolution & Appreciation Committee Report - Was read by Sis. Bonnie Williams.

Resolution & Appreciation Committee Report October 6, 2007

We, the Resolution and Appreciation Committee of the Jasper Association, wish to express our thanks to the following churches for their excellent hospitality and meals provided while hosting the meetings of the Jasper Association in 2007. Those churches are as follows: Red Bay FWB Church, Union Hill FWB Church, and New Liberty FWB Church. Thank you for inviting us into your church for the meetings this year. May God richly bless you for your efforts.

Respectfully Submitted Bonnie Williams Mary Pollard Maxine Stone M/S/C to accept this report.

Obituary Committee Report October 6, 2007

We, the Obituary Committee of The Jasper Association of Free Will Baptist are saddened to report that the Lord has called from among us the following:

Bethlehem	Louise Connor
Free Water	Wendell Burleson
	Natha D. Crowe
	Ruth Franks
	Callie Franks
Mt. Pleasant	Bobbie Jean Kimbrell
	James Olith Erwin
Mt. Olive	Coy Johnson
	Ollie Reeves
New Liberty	Vernon Selman
	Jessie Ann Smith
Red Bay	James Evetts
	Charles Hall
	O. C. Keeton

Union Chapel Union Hill

Winfield

Tommy Williams Nolan Raburn I I Frederick

Billy Lovett

Respectfully & Prayerfully Submitted Susan McCarley

Linda Silas

William Norris

The report was read by Susan McCarley. After a moment of silence, Bro. Letus Atkinson led in prayer.

Finance Committee Report - Read by Bro. William Atkins. After reviewing the records and reports of the Associational clerk, we find the financial records to be in order.

Signed

William Atkins

Darren Pollard

Freddie Miles

Credentials Committee Report - Given by Bro. Darren Pollard. The Credentials Committee recommend that Bro. Allen Austin be accepted into the Jasper Association from the Coastal Association. M/S/C to accept Bro. Austin.

Bro. Rick Cash was then recognized again. He asked everyone for help with any old associational minutes or church history for the historical committee.

Bro. Ray Selman led the congregation in another hymn. The offering was then received. The special music by Bro. Darren Pollard who sang "The Family of God."

Bro. Allen Austin from the Children's Home in Eldridge was then recognized as the special speaker for the day. He used Prov. 22:6 for his text. He brought a very inspiring message about the home and raising children. He led in prayer to close his message.

Delegates to the State Association - The moderator then asked for volunteers to be delegates to the state meeting. The following will be delegates to the meeting:

Bro. Jeremy Robinson

Sis. Bonnie Williams

Bro. Roger Rye

M/S/C to add others who may be at the meeting to be delegates.

The moderator then ask for announcements.

M/S/C to adjourn.

Bro. Tommy Franks led in prayer asking the blessing on the food.

Nominating Committee Report

The Nominating Committee of the Jasper Association met on Tuesday night, August 7, 2007 at 7:00 PM at the Hamilton Free Will Baptist Church for their annual meeting. The following members were present: Bro. Billy Wisham, Bro. Ted Sands, Bro. Fray Stone, Bro. Jerry Williams, Moderator, and Hugh Winsett, Clerk. The following is a list of the Office/Board positions to be filled and the recommendation of the nominating committee.

Office/Board	Present	Recommendation	Term Expires
Trinity Camp Bd.	Bro. Bryan Silas	Bro. Bryan Silas	2010
Credentials Committee	Rev. Mark MCraney	Rev. Mark McCraney	2012
Missions Board	Bro. Ernest Harris	Bro. Ernest Harris	2012
Executive Committee	Rev. Jamie Jeffreys	Rev. Jamie Jeffreys	2012
Nominating Committee	Bro. Fray Stone	Bro. Fray Stone	2012
Finance Committee	Rev. Darren Pollard	Rev. Darren Pollard	2010

Respectfully Submitted
Jasper Association Nominating Committee
Hugh M. Winsett, Clerk/Treasurer

JASPER ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS CHURCHDIRECTORY

Bethlehem Free Will Baptist Church Pastor: Rev. William L. Atkins

528 County Hwy 54 10229 County Hwy 42

Guin, Al. 35563 Guin, Al. 35563 Phone: None Listed (205)468-2423

Clerk: Mrs. Angie Crow Deacons: Roy Crow

528 County Hwy 54 Mike Tittle Guin, Al. 35563 Allen Atkins (205)468-2121 Bentley Crow

Brilliant Free Will Baptist Church Pastor: Rev. Heath Yielding

P.O. Box 246 (205)712-4653

Brilliant, Al. 35548 Phone: None Listed

Clerk: Mrs. Nancy Webster Deacons: Blaine Doss

276 Regal St., Apt. 1E Bob Linley Winfield, Al. 35594 Bill Linley

(205)487-8102

Free Water Free Will Baptist Church

12272 County Hwy. 42

Guin, Al. 35563

Phone: (205)468-2089

Clerk: Mrs. Janie Miller

8864 State Hwy. 253

Guin, Al. 35563 (205)468-3641 Pastor: Rev. Benny McKinney

12272 County Hwy. 42

Guin, Al. 35563 (205)468-2089

Deacons: Douglas Emerson

Harold Crowe

Burgess "Joe" Taylor

Hamilton Free Will Baptist Church

1132 Military St. South

Hamilton, Al. 35570

Phone: (205)921-4428

Clerk: Mrs. Dottie Stidham

2075 Co. Hwy. 122 Hamilton, Al. 35570

(205)921-7675

Pastor: Rev. Tommy Franks

1126 Military St. S. Hamilton, Al. 35570

(205)921-4428

Deacons: Fray Stone

Lowell Parker Hugh M. Winsett

Olen Rye Rex McCarley James Stidham

Liberty Free Will Baptist Church

2061 County Hwy. 45

Guin, Al. 35563 Phone: (205)468-3522

Clerk: Mrs. Bryan Silas

2088 County Hwy. 45

Guin, Al. 35563 (205)468-2734 Pastor: Rev. James Carrington

2061 County Hwy. 43 Guin, Al. 35563

(205)468-3262

Deacons: Billy Norris

Mt. Olive Free Will Baptist Church

6909 State Hwy, 253 Guin, Al. 35563

(205)468-2325

Clerk: Mrs. Ann Barnes

8663 State Hwy. 253 Guin, Al. 35563 (205) 468-8001 Pastor: Rev. Mike Beckon

6909 State Hwy. 253

Guin, Al. 35563 (205)468-8169

Deacons: Danny Franks

Lowell Franks Milton Rhudy Frank Pugh Danny Green Mt. Pleasant Free Will Baptist Church

5072 State Hwy. 44 Guin, Al. 35563

Phone: None Listed

Clerk: Mrs. Reba May

5072 State Hwy. 44 Guin, Al. 35563 (205)468-2863 Pastor: Rev. Jamie Jeffreys

122 Woods Creek Rd. Hamilton, Al. 35570

(205)921-7668

Deacons: Terry O. May

New Liberty Free Will Baptist Church

456 New Liberty Road Bankston, Al. 35542 Phone: (205) 689-4102

Clerk: Mrs. Angie Smith

12450 Hwy. 13 North Bankston, Al. 35542 (205)689-4453 Pastor: Rev. Darren Pollard

456 New Liberty Road Bankston, Al. 35542

(205)689-4102

Deacons: Ted Sands

Ray Selman Kip Madison Daniel Smith Vick Selman Charles R. Odom

Red Bay Free Will Baptist Church

P. O. Box 457 Red Bay, Al. 35582 (256)356-9220

Clerk: Mrs. Agnes J. White

821 Hwy. 124 Red Bay, Al. 35582 (256) 356-4307 Pastor: Rev. Mark McCraney

P.O.Box 457 Red Bay, Al. 35582 (256) 356-2289

Deacons: Ross White

Bobby Forsythe Ralph Purser Robert Newell Raymon Blackburn Elmer Lee Self Mike Jones

Union Chapel Free Will Baptist Church

P.O. Box 1021 Winfield, Al. 35594 Phone: None Listed

Clerk: Mrs. Mary Ann Wiginton

4716 Co. Hwy. 47 Brilliant, Al. 35548 (205) 487-8790 Pastor: Rev. Donald A. Smith

1321 Arthur Smith Road Bankston, Al. 35542 (205)689-4845

Deacons: Wayne Atkins

Union Hill Free Will Baptist Church Pastor: Rev. Michael Frederick

28180 State Hwy. 253

Hackleburg, Al. 35564

Phone: None Listed

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Hackleburg, Al. 35564

(205) 935-5197

Clerk: Mrs. Donna McKinney Deacons: J. D. Jones

7710 State Hwy. 172 Donald McKinney
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(205)468-3057(Camp)

 Rev. Roger Bennett
 Rev. Dave Franks, Sr.

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 405 Eagles Circle

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 Jasper, Al. 35504

 (205) 924-9917
 (205) 295-0135

 Rev. Freddie Miles
 Rev. Howard Simmons

 210 Reese Road
 171 County Hwy. 22

 Hamilton, Al. 35570
 Hamilton, Al. 35570

 (205)921-7983
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 Rev. William Norris
 Rev. Jerry Williams

 9817 State Hwy. 253
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 Winfield, Al. 35594

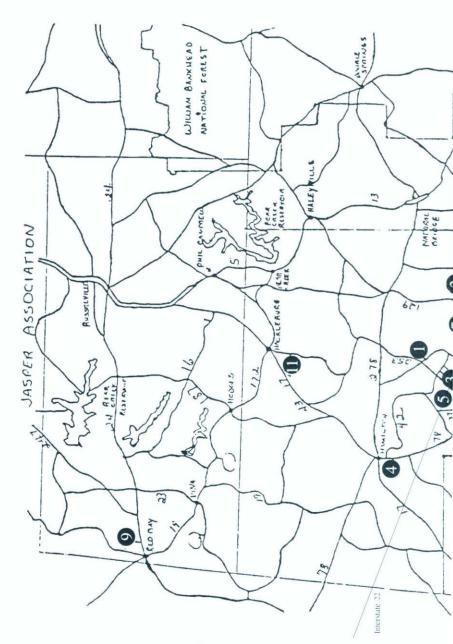
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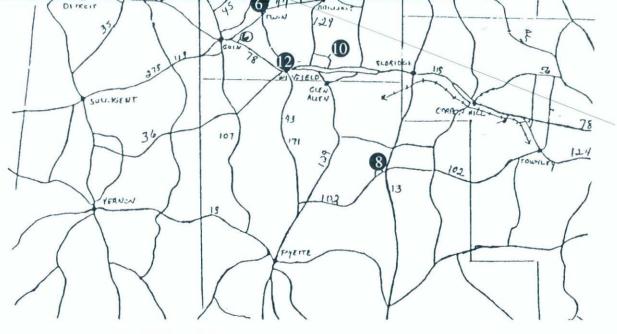
Rev. Doug Swann 1978 Co. Hwy. 90 Hamilton, Al. 35570 (205) 921-5245

Rev. Walter D. Jaggers 132 Co. Hwy. 112 Hackleburg, Al. 35564

Rev. Allen Austin P.O. Box 8 Eldridge, Al. 35554 (205) 924-4874 Rev. Dexter Guin 6545 Montarbor Dr. Colorado Springs, Co 80918 (719)228-8794

Rev. David Gilbert 3501 Brookside Road Brilliant, Al. 35548 (205)465-9484





- (1) BETHLEHEM FWB
- (2) BRILLIANT FWB (3) FREE WATER FWB
- (3) FREE WATER FWI
- (4) HAMILTON FWB (5) LIBERTY FWB
- (6) MT OLIVE FWB

- (7) MT. PLEASANT
- (8) NEW LIBERTY (9) RED BAY FWB
- (10) UNION CHAPEL
 - (11) UNION HILL FWB
 - (12) WINFIELD FWB

Jasper Association of Free Will Baptist Budget for 2007-2008

PROPOSED INCOME

FEES FROM 12 LOCAL CHURCHES	\$3,312.00
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OFFERINGS \$563.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS \$3,875.00

PROPOSED EXPENDITURES

MODERATOR	\$80.00
ASSISTANT MODERATOR	\$50.00
CLERK	\$225.00
ASSISTANT CLERK	\$50.00
GUEST SPEAKERS	\$250.00
TRINITY YOUTH CAMP	\$500.00
ALABAMA STATE PROMOTIONAL OFFICE	\$300.00
PASTORS AND WORKERS CONFERENCE	\$200.00
PRINTING OF ASSOCIATIONAL MINUTES	\$500.00
POSTAGE/MISCELLANEOUS	\$100.00
STATE/NATIONAL DUES	\$1,620.00

Total Expenditures \$3,875.00

Variance \$0.00

Hugh M. Winsett, Clerk/Treasurer

Jasper Association of Free Will Baptists Annual Treasurers Report Sept. 1, 2006-August 31, 2007

01-Sep-06		Beginning Balance	\$3,538.59	
RECEIPTS FOR REPORTING PERIOD				
02-Oct-06	D	ues from 12 Churches for Annual Sess	ion \$1,104.00	
02-Oct-06	0	ffering at Annual Session	\$167.87	
06-Feb-07	D	ues from 11 Churches at January Mee	ting \$1,015.00	
06-Feb-07	0	ffering at January Meeting	\$289.06	
06-Feb-07		etired Ministers Fund	\$300.00	
12-Jun-07	D	ues from 12 Churches at June Meeting	\$1,104.00	
12-Jun-07	0	ffering at June Meeting	\$155.00	
12-Jun-07	R	etired Ministers Fund	\$450.00	
12-Jun-07	1.	5 Extra Minutes - New Liberty	\$52.80	
31-Aug-07	Α	labama State Association		
	R	etired Ministers - New Liberty	\$500.00	
		TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$8,676.32	
EXPENDIT	URES	FOR REPORTING PERIOD		
13-Sep-06	138	US Postal Service - Postage	\$15.60	
29-Sep-06	139	Wal-Mart - Copy Paper	\$3.70	
30-Sep-06	140	Jerry Williams - Moderator	\$65.00	
30-Sep-06	181	James Carrington	\$55.00	
30-Sep-06	182	Hugh M. Winsett - Clerk	\$200.00	
30-Sep-06	183	Letus Atkinson	\$85.00	
30-Sep-06	184	Rev. Mickey Crane		
		Guest Speaker for Annual Session	\$250.00	
02-Oct-06	185	Rev. William E. Atkinson - Retired Minister	\$600.00	
06-Nov-06	186	Ala. State AssnDues for 12 Churches	\$1,620.00	
23-Jan-07	187	US Postal Service - Postage	\$15.60	
05-Feb-07	188	Thumb Print Inv. #23473-Printing of Minutes	\$510.52	
11-Jun-07	189	Ala. State Assn 2007 Budgeted Items	\$1,000.00	
11-Jun-07	190	Hugh M. Winsett-Clerk		
		Reimbursement for Postage	\$13.64	
		Total Expenditures	\$4,434.06	
		Balance	\$4,242.26	

Hugh M. Winsett, Clerk/Treasurer

CHURCHCOVENANT

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 selfdenial, 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; ICor. 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.

ITimothy 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; ICor. 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"

(ICor. 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

ARTICLEI NAME

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

ARTICLEII 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.

ARTICLEIII REPRESENTATION

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

ARTICLEIV 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 every two (2) years with the election coming on even years.

ARTICLEV BOARDS

SECTION I. General Board (a) Composition. The General Board shall be composed of the moderator, assistant moderator, clerk/treasurer, assistant clerk/ treasurer, the pastor 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. Childrens Home Trustee. This person shall represent the Jasper Association on the Childrens Home Board of Trustees. This member Shall serve a term of Two (2) Years and give a report to each annual session of the Jasper Association.

ARTICLEVI STANDINGCOMMITTEES

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. 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. Finance Committee. The Finance Committee shall consist of three

(3) members elected for a period of three years, with the senior member in point of service expiring each year. It shall be the responsibility of this committee to examine the financial report and bank statements of the Association, verify their accuracy, and report to the Association at the Annual Session.

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

ARTICLEVII MEETINGS

SECTION I. This Association shall meet annually on Saturday (Whole Day) before the first Sunday in October at places determined at the previous session; and shall not adjourn until all business is transacted. 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 two (2) other District Meetings during the Associational year. The meetings will be held in January and June.

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

ARTICLEVIII 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.

ARTICLEIX 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.

ARTICLEX AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be amended at any session of this association by twothirds vote of voting body present, provided proposed amendment is presented in writing, read, placed on the table during morning session, and acted upon during afternoon 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 that five (5) minutes at a time.
- 8. No person shall laugh or talk in a disturbing manner while discussion is going on.
- 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 session of this association by the two-thirds vote of body present, provided proposed amendment is presented in writing, read, placed on the table during morning session, and acted upon during afternoon session

GUIDELINES FOR RETIRED MINISTERS FUND

I. Qualifications

- A. The minister/missionary must be at least 65 years old or totally disabled.
- B. He must have served in the Jasper Association for at least 10 years as pastor of affiliated churches or in full time missionary work, sanctioned by the National Association of Free Will Baptist and meet all other qualifications.
- C. He must not be in the pastorate or missionary at the present.
- D. He must maintain membership in a local church affiliated with the Jasper Association.

II. Procedure for Participation

- A. The local church, of which the retired minister/missionary is a member, must make a <u>WRITTEN REQUEST</u> to the Jasper Association <u>ANNUALLY</u> recommending the minister/missionary and stating his qualifications to participate in the Jasper Association Retired Ministers Fund. No funds will be given any retired minister/missionary without this written request.
- B. Each retired minister/missionary, which meets the qualifications, will receive \$600 annually as the funds are available.

III. Funding of the Account

A. We recommend that each church in the Jasper Association send at least \$100 annually for the Retired Ministers Fund to provide funding for the account.

GUIDELINESFOR 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.
- Licensed ministers are expected to attend regular meeting of the Jasper Association and the Quarterly Meetings.

II.SUGGESTIONSFOR 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.SUGGESTEDSCHEDULEOFWORKLEADING 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

	e Free Will Baptist Church in Christ, ativine 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

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.



