

Minutes

of the

**JOHN-THOMAS
ASSOCIATION**

of

Freewill Baptists

STATE OF VIRGINIA

FORTY - SECOND SESSION

Held With

Pewthers Chapel

Millard, Va.

September 11-13, 1964

TREASURER'S REPORT OF THE JOHN - THOMAS ASSOCIATION—1963-1964

Amount in Treasury September 1963.....	\$ 57.68
Received from Quarterly Conferences & engraving fee	450.04
Total in Treasury 1963.....	507.72
Disbursements:	
Clerk	20.00
Minutes & engraving.....	432.89
Donation to Lebanon F.W.B. Church (Daniel Beam)	50.00
Total disbursements.....	502.89
Balance in Treasury September 1964.....	4.83
Amount received September, 1964:	
New Durm Conference—Cash.....	\$ 36.00
Tri-State Conference—Cash.....	30.00
Dickenson County Conference—Check.....	212.80
Hamilton County Conference—Cash.....	15.30
Letcher County Conference—Cash.....	124.30
Pike County Conference—Check.....	128.20
Hamilton County Conference—Bal. from '63.....	4.00
Engraving	17.50
Total in Treasury September 1964.....	\$572.93

The statistics of the John-Thomas Association of Freewill Baptists are as follows:

Churches 97, Sunday Schools 64, Ministers 202, Church Membership 5466, S. S. Enrollment 2214.

MINUTES FOR THE YEAR 1964

Dickenson County Conference.....	825
Letcher County Conference.....	600
New Durm Conference.....	300
Tri-State Conference.....	200
Hamilton County Conference.....	100
Pike County Conference.....	300
Total	2350

Our next Association will convene with the Pine Chapel Church, Jenkins, Ky., on Friday before the second Sunday in September, 1965, unless called together by the moderator.

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BAPTIST ORPHAN'S HOME OFFERING

DICKENSON FREEWILL BAPTIST CONFERENCE

Name of Church	October	January	April	July	Total
Charlie's Chapel _____	\$	\$	\$	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00
Clinchco _____	36.78	41.72	30.00	38.75	147.25
Counts Chapel _____					
Davis Chapel _____	8.50	5.00	4.00	3.50	21.00
Duncan Gap _____					
Dyer's Chapel S. S. _____	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	120.00
Fergie Chapel _____	25.91	31.00	25.84	25.65	108.40
Flemingtown _____	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50	10.00
Fremont _____	8.00		16.00		24.00
Frying Pan _____		6.00			6.00
Georges Fork _____					
Hill Ridge _____	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	20.00
Honey Camp _____					
Hubbard Chapel _____					
Lick Fork S. S. _____	20.00	25.00	27.00	20.00	92.00
Martin Chapel _____	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	32.00
McCoy Chapel _____		2.25			2.25
Middle Branch _____	33.50	35.00	35.00	43.20	146.70
Mill Creek _____	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	100.00
Mills Chapel _____					
Peuther Chapel _____	24.25	10.00	25.00	25.00	84.25
Phillips Chapel _____	10.00	5.00	10.00	10.00	35.00
Pine Creek _____		3.00	12.00	15.00	30.00
Pine Grove _____	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	40.00
Pyles Memorial _____		40.00	20.00	20.00	80.00
Rachel Chapel S. S. _____	7.00	8.00	7.50	11.00	33.50
Rugby S. S. _____	11.58	13.70	46.97	10.00	82.25
Splashdam _____	28.83	4.85	7.24	4.01	44.93
Straight Hollow _____			10.00	12.00	22.00
Tarpon _____	15.17	2.36	9.23	6.32	33.08
Meads Chapel _____	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	120.00
Valley View _____	50.00	50.00	10.00	30.00	140.00
Yates Chapel S. S. _____		5.00	10.00		15.00
Castlewood _____	30.00		35.80	20.00	85.80
Special Offering _____		105.37			105.37
Ivan Reedy _____				5.00	5.00
Totals _____	\$420.02	\$503.75	\$472.09	\$431.93	\$1787.78

MRS. C. E. REEDY, *Treasurer*

Officers

Officers of the John-Thomas Association of Freewill Baptists who were elected for the year 1964-1965.

JOE JOHNSON	Moderator
CLYDE REEDY	Assistant Moderator
EVERETT JOHNSON, 92 E. Park St., Westerville, Ohio	Clerk
LESTER ABLE, Jenkins, Ky.	Treasurer

Ordaining Councils

LETCHER COUNTY CONFERENCE

CHARLES GALLION, <i>Chairman</i>	Jenkins, Ky.
CLYDE KELLY	Jenkins, Ky.
CLYDE HUFF	McRoberts, Ky.

NEW DURM CONFERENCE

HARLEY DYE, <i>Chairman</i>	Swords Creek, Va.
RALPH BOSTIC	Swords Creek, Va.
EDWARD PERKINS	Oakwood, Va.

DICKENSON COUNTY CONFERENCE

JOE JOHNSON, <i>Chairman</i>	Fremont, Va.
E. M. ROSE	Coeburn, Va.
EMORY VANOVER	Clintwood, Va.

HAMILTON COUNTY CONFERENCE

CINCINNATI, OHIO

VESTAL HUTSON, <i>Chairman</i>	Cincinnati, Ohio
L. D. MAHAN	716 Lytle Ave., Elsmere, Ky.
FLOYD R. STEWART	R.R. #1, Milan, Ind.

TRI-STATE CONFERENCE

CLAUDE CONN, <i>Chairman</i>	Kelsa, Va.
WILLE COMPTON	Grundy, Va.
EDWARD MAY	Kelsa, Va.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES

LETCHER COUNTY

CLYDE KELLY	Jenkins, Ky.
LESTER ABLE	Jenkins, Ky.
HERBERT WILLIAMS	Jenkins, Ky.

NEW DURM CONFERENCE

WALTER WHITED.....	Swords Creek, Va.
CLEVE DYE.....	Swords Creek, Va.
ELBERT RASNAKE.....	Swords Creek, Va.
FLOYD STEVENSON.....	Honaker, Va.
FRAZIER HALE.....	Drill, Va.

DICKENSON COUNTY CONFERENCE

EARET ROSE.....	Clintwood, Va.
N. B. LAMBERT.....	Nora, Va.
O. T. SMITH.....	Coeburn, Va.
WARREN SALYER.....	Rt. 3, Gate City, Va.
GEORGE BROWNING.....	Coeburn, Va.

HAMILTON COUNTY CONFERENCE

MARION STEWART.....	Cincinnati, Ohio
HENRY HUTSON	
DON HOWARD	

Introduction

Service opened with congregational singing. Bro. Clyde Reedy, pastor of Pewther Chapel Church, bringing the morning message. Bro. Wesley Edwards was requested for prayer. Bro. Reedy read for a lesson, a part of the 16th. chapter of Matthew, beginning with the 13th. verse and reading through and including the 19th. verse. Text, "I give unto you the Keys of the Kingdom." Bro. Isom concluded the service.

PROCEEDINGS

The forty-second session of the John-Thomas Association of Freewill Baptists convened with the Pewther Chapel Church, Millard, Va. Sept. 11-13, 1964.

Clerk having charge read for a lesson the 27th. Psalm. Prayer by Bro. Horton Davis concluded by Sister Ellen Dye.

Conference was declared open for such legal business that might come before it.

The first item was the enrolling of delegates, ministers, visiting ministers and corresponding messengers. They were as follows:

DELEGATES
NEW DURM CONFERENCE

Walter Whited, Brady Farmer, Bro. and Sister Harley Dye

DICKENSON COUNTY CONFERENCE

Bryan Stanley	Verna Patton
Munsey Mullins	Jim Chambers
Dortha Dotson	Vernon Dotson
J. R. Dotson	James Jenkins
Ida Marshall	Ada McCoy
Nell Dingus	Lorene McCarty
Gertie Baker	Cecil Kiser
Thurmon Sproles & Wife	Snodia Sutherland
Donna Cook	Leo Silcox
Flora Keith	Harold Mullins
Verda Yates	Merdia Boggs
Hassie Martin	Emory Dingus
Edna Jenkins	Kermit McCoy
Henry Carty	Ellis Adkins
Marie McCarty	Effie Farmer
Arnold Gouge	Bertha Stanley
Flora Reedy	

LETCHER COUNTY CONFERENCE

William Green	Bro. & Sister Clarence
Lincoln Pritchard	Tolliver
Sarah Jane Potter	Bonnie Pritchard
Warren Thompson	Cora Able

TRI-STATE CONFERENCE

Johnny Robinson	Jimmy Robinson
Sister J. M. Robinson	Martha Robinson

HAMILTON COUNTY CONFERENCE

Lula Stewart	Marion Stewart
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MINISTERS

LETCHER COUNTY CONFERENCE

C. W. Isom	Clyde Kelly
Lester Able	Everett Potter

TRI-STATE CONFERENCE

William C. Robinson	J. R. Robinson
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NEW DURM CONFERENCE

Harley Dye
David Beam

Ralph Bostic

HAMILTON COUNTY CONFERENCE

Floyd R. Stewart

DICKENSON COUNTY CONFERENCE

Clyde Reedy
J. T. Hartsock
Derwood Yates
Joe Johnson
Alonzo Edwards
Everett Johnson

B. M. Moore
James Short
Rufus Keith
Enoch Rose
Emory Vanover

VISITING MINISTERS

Orville O'Quinn	Box 286, Honaker, Va.
H. T. Davis	1119½ Phillips, Knoxville, Tenn.
Charles Duckett	Box 181, Manassas, Va.
Sonny Hatfield	Sprigg, W. Va.
John T. Oliver	Ransom, Ky.
Bobby Varney	Pinsonfork, Ky.
Bennie Slone	Meta, Ky.

CORRESPONDING MESSENGERS

Orville O'Quinn	Sandy Valley Association, Honaker, Va.
H. T. Davis	Western Quarterly Meeting, Knoxville. Tenn.

Next item of business was the electing of a moderator. By regular move and second Bro. Joe Johnson was elected to serve as moderator. The moderator was given power to appoint such committees as needed to help with the work.

Moderator appointed Bro. Clyde Reedy as Assistant Moderator. Moderator continued by electing clerk and treasurer. By regular move and second Everett Johnson was elected to serve as clerk and Lester Able to serve as treasurer.

Committees appointed:

Pulpit Committee:

J. H. Sutherland, Chairman; Ritter Lambert, Verna Patton.

Auditing Committee:

Munsey Mullins, Chairman; N. B. Lambert, Ben Kennedy.

Report from messengers that visited the Ky. State Association given by Bros. Lester Able, William Green and C. W. Isom. Their report was accepted by the Association. Letter of Correspondence was read from the Sandy Valley Association. This letter was also accepted by the Association.

The Sandy Valley Association will convene with Gent's Chapel, Rt. 2, Honaker, Va., on Friday before the 4th. Sunday in August, 1965, at 10:00 A.M.

Bro. Emory Vanover volunteered to go as a messenger from our Association.

Conference adjourned until 9:30 A.M. Saturday morning.

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE 3:00 P.M.

Bros. H. T. Davis and Harley Dye were appointed for the evening service. Prayer by Bro. Alonzo Edwards. Bro. Davis used for his text, "I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ for it is the Power of God unto Salvation." Bro. Dye concluded the service.

FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE 7:30 P.M.

Committee appointed Bros. Joe Johnson and Charles Duckett for this hour of service. Prayer by Bro. Albert Dingus. Bro. Duckett read the following lessons; John 14th. chapter, 1st. through the 6th. verse and 2nd. chapter of Revelation, 1st. through 8th. verse. Bro. Johnson concluded the service.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION 9:30 A.M.

Moderator being absent, Bro. Reedy having charge of the conference read for a lesson the 1st. Psalm. Prayer by Bro. Hartsock.

Assistant Moderator called conference to order and declared same open for such legal business that might come before it. The enrolling of delegates, ministers, visiting ministers and corresponding messengers was taken care of.

Assistant moderator called for the letters from the Quarterly Conferences. They responded as follows:

Dickenson County Conference, Tri-State Conference, Letcher County Conference, New Durm Conference and Hamilton County Conference.

They were read one at a time, and time was given for any discussion on each letter. After reading all letters they were voted on as a whole. Letters were accepted by the Association by regular move and second.

They are as follows:

DICKENSON COUNTY CONFERENCE

Greetings:

To the John Thomas Association while in regular session with the Pewthers Chapel Church, Sept. 11, 12, 13, 1964.

We the Dickenson County Conference met with the Martins Chapel Church, July 24, 25, 1964.

Bro. C. E. Reedy was elected as moderator; E. M. Rose Assistant Moderator; Clinton Lambert, Lloyd Hillman clerks. Charles Lambert treasurer Q.M. Fund; Everett Mullins treasurer Emergency Fund; Mrs. C. E. Reedy treasurer Orphan Home Fund.

Executive Committee: N. B. Lambert, chairman; O. T. Smith, Warren Sayler, Earet Rose, Everett Mullins.

The following are delegates to the association.

Charles Chapel—Hiram Cantrell, Nell Cantrell, Carrol Stanley.

Castlewood—Brenda Hale, Marlene Jessee, Hazel Reynolds.

Clinchco—Munsey Mullins, Ramond McCarty, Bertha Thomas, Larena McCarty, Bro. & Sis. Vernon Dotson.

Counts Chapel—Homer Barrett, Johnny Puckett, Clyde Perri-gan, Myrtle Barrett.

Davis Chapel—Hubert Hale, Emory Taylor, Br. & Sis. J. C. Dotson, Maude Davis, Manilla Davis.

Duncan Gap—John Keith, Huldia Keith, Everett Mullins.

Dyers Chapel—Jim Pruitt, Harold Mullins, Mack Rose, Elmer Robinson, Julia Robinson.

Ferbie Chapel—Gertie Baker, Kermit McCoy, Ada McCoy.

Flemingtown—Tivis Mullins, Isom Fleming, Ethel Sluss, An-soline Dutton.

Fremont—Bro. & Sis. Garland Reedy, Bro. & Sis. Autry Stanley, Margie Reedy.

Frying Pan—Holt Rice, Alta Rice, Ester Rasnick.

Georges Fork—Bro. & Sis. Jess Browning.

Hillridge—Bro. & Sis. Palmer Sweeney, Bro. & Sis. Ben Stanley.

Honey Camp—Maggie Rose, Fallie Rose, Frank Rose, Ramond Rose, Jim Rose.

Hubbard Chapel—Bro. & Sis. Audrie Strouth, Bro. & Sis. Barnie Collins, Bro. & Sis. Foster Bolling, Jr.

Lick Fork—Jett Dotson, Arvil Dotson, Margie Vanover, Draxie Trivett.

Martins Chapel—Bro. & Sis. James Jenkins, Hassie Martin, Theodore Hicks.

Meades Chapel—Bro. & Sis. Hasting Ward, Bro. & Sis. Clynis Stallard, Bea White.

McCoys—Ellen Deel, Bro. & Sis. Bennett Kilgore, Carol McCowan, Clarabelle McCoy.

Middle Branch—Leo Silcox, Bro. & Sis. James Chambers, Edna Lambert, Gaither Lambert, Snoda Sutherland, Ritter Lambert, Reba Johnson.

Millcreek—Bro. & Sis. Delmon Farmer, Ellis Adkins, Zella Lambert.

Mills Chapel—Bro. & Sis. Thermon Sproles, Bro. & Sis. Ernest Sexton.

Peuthers—Pearl Bise, Mary Yates, Effie Farmer, Flora Reedy, Henry Carty.

Phillips Chapel—Ida Marshall, Bro. & Sis. Mack Holbrook, Bro. & Sis. Arthur Sayler, Robert Culbertson.

Pine Creek—Bro. & Sis. Corbert Farmer, Bro. & Sis. Willie McGlothian, Willie Beverly.

Pine Grove—Bro. & Sis. Emitt Hamilton, Arnold Gouge, Cecil Kiser.

Pyles Memorial—John Riley, Kate Mullins.

Rachels Chapel—Verda Yates, Alta Mullins, Samantha Mullins.

Splashdam—Martin Kilgore, Ethel Puckett, Elma Musick, Laura Yates, Reeve Mullins.

Rugsby—E. J. Dingus, Emory Dingus, Nell Dingus, Georgia Smith, Susie Mosely.

Straight Hollow—Donna Cook, Luther Skeens.

Tarpon—Bro. & Sis. Joe Potter, Bro. & Sis. Walter Burchitt, Alta Taylor, Vesta Potter, Lucille McCown.

Valley View—Flora Kieth, Bertha Stanley, Cora Vanover, Mrs. Asia Hughes.

Yates—Meridia Boggs, Alta Boggs, Mary Puckett.

Our standing as follows:

Number of Churches..... 34

Membership	2128
Number of Sunday Schools.....	29
Membership	1599
Ordained Ministers	58

Done by order of the Dickenson County Conference while in regular session with the Martins Chapel Church July 24, 25, 1964.

C. E. Reedy, <i>Moderator</i>	Clinton Lambert, <i>Clerk</i>
E. M. Rose, <i>Asst. Moderator</i>	Lloyd Hillman, <i>Clerk</i>

HAMILTON COUNTY CONFERENCE

Greetings:

To the John Thomas Association of Freewill Baptist when convened with the Pewthers Chapel Church, Sept. 11, 12, 13, 1964.

We the Hamilton County Conference met with the Pipe Creek Freewill Baptist Church at Penntown, Indiana, on August 8, 1964. The conference opened by singing. A scripture lesson was read and prayer by all. The enrolling of delegates and ministers followed.

Bro. Floyd R. Stewart was Moderator and Bro. L. D. Mahan was Asst. Moderator. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The moderator appointed Bro. Don Howard for the Sunday school talk, and Bro. Eldon Hutson for the temperance talk. Both were made and accepted.

The Conference elected Bro. Don Howard on the Executive Committee, also Bro. Henry Hutson and Bro. Marion Stewart, Chairman.

The delegates were:

Celia Martin	Allie Eyrn
Florence Martin	Mamie Hutson
Betty Stewart	Catherine Lynn
Florence Andrews	Kathleen Hutson
Lois Howard	Mary L. Stewart
Levi Stewart	

Our standing:

Number of Churches.....	4
Number of Members.....	153
Number of Sunday Schools.....	4

Rev. Floyd Stewart, *Moderator*

Bro. Henry Hutson, *Clerk*

Our next conference will be held at the Hilltop Freewill Baptist Church, November 7, 8, 1964.

LETCHER COUNTY CONFERENCE

Greetings:

To the John Thomas Association while in regular session with the Pewthers Chapel Church, on Sept. 11, 12, 13, 1964.

We the Letcher County Conference of Freewill Baptist met with the Seco Church, at Seco, Ky., on August 22, 23, 1964.

Conference opened by singing. Prayer by Bro. Emory Van-over.

Clerk proceeded by enrolling the delegates and ministers. This being done, he asked for a Moderator. Bro. Clyde Huff was selected. A motion was made with a second that Moderator appoint all Committees. Ezra Johnson was chosen for Asst. Moderator.

Pulpit Committee:

Cora Able, C. W. Isom, Rethia Miles.

Sunday School Talk: Lester Able.

Temperance Talk: D. D. Moore.

Executive Committee: Albert Dingus.

Dickenson County reported by Letter, and was accepted as good. We had an oral report from Arnold Johnson, and accepted.

Delegates to Other Conferences:

Floyd Co.—Lester Able, Charles Gallion, Warren Tomkins, C. W. Isom.

Johnson Co.—Russell Boggs, Everett Potter, Bill Green.

Dickenson Co.—Bro. & Sis. Percy Elkins, Clyde Kelly.

Wise Co.—Lloyd Addington, Eddie Rose.

Pike Co.—Roy Sikes, Eddie Rose.

Hamilton Co.—Charles McKinley, Lee Roach.

Conference adjourned until 2 o'clock.

Bro. Arnold Johnson preached at eleven o'clock hour.

Afternoon Session: Conference reopened by singing. Prayer by Bro. Bob Sexton.

Motion was made and seconded that oldest member of Executive Committee step down, as we put a new one in each year. Passed. Clyde Kelly was to take the place of Bro. Luther Dingus.

The Fetter F.W.B. Church of Akron, Ohio united with the Letcher County Conference; also the Clinton Chapel Church of Sunman, Ind.

The Executive Committee agrees to send the next Quarterly Meeting to the Burdine Church at Burdine, Ky., which will convene on Saturday before the 4th. Sunday in November, 1964. They also agree for the Yearly Association to be at Pine Chapel Church in Jenkins, Ky., starting on Friday before the 2nd. Sunday in September, 1965, at 11:00 P.M.

This Conference moved and seconded that we order 600 minutes. We had 22 churches reported with 1243 members, and 21 Sunday Schools.

Clyde Huff, *Moderator*
Ezra Johnson,
Asst. Moderator

Everett Potter, *Clerk*
Eugene Adkins, *Asst. Clerk*

The delegates were:

Mae Blevins
Cora Ables
Sarah Holbrook
Russell Fleming
Stan Roberts
John Mints
Arnold Kelly, Jr.
George Williamson
Jessie Elkins
Berthy Tucker
Hobert Tucker
Eldred Hayse
Ivory Stallard
Sarah Nichols
William Green
Arlene Fleming
Russell Boggs
Grace Huff
Marybell Whitaker
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Collins
Mr. & Mrs. Ray Blevins
Jackie Sturgill

Dora Caudill
Booker Holbrook
Lincoln Pritchard
Bonnie Pritchard
Ralph Aldridge
Mary Shelby
Ivy Preston
Mr. & Mrs. Clarence Tolliver
Preston Hale
Eva King
Shirley Hale
Olga Holland
Oma Brown
Gladys Spencer
Beatrice Bates
Elmer Blair
Tony Spencer
Stella Brown
Ned Brown
Mr. & Mrs. Haskew Hayes
I. T. Stallard
Worley M. Nickel

Lee Roach
 Maxine Roach
 Curtis Isom
 Bob Sexton
 Gordon Blair
 Sarah Jane Potter
 Mary Simpkins

Allene Hall
 Bertha Belcher
 Clarence Eversole
 Mr. & Mrs. John Blevins
 Mr. & Mrs. Dwight Puckett
 Mr. & Mrs. Harlen Fleming

Visiting Ministers were:

Emory Vanover

Johnson J. Young
 Arnold Johnson

TRI-STATE CONFERENCE

Greetings:

To the John Thomas Association, while in regular session with the Pewthers Chapel Church, Sept. 11, 12, 13, 1964.

We the Tri-State Conference met with the Union Light Church August 29, 1964 and elected Bro. Henry Estept Moderator, Ernest Stiltner clerk. We have appointed delegates to attend the Association: Bro. William C. Robinson, Sis. Lilly Robinson, Bro. Jimmy Robinson, Bro. Johnny Robinson, Bro. Edward Elswick, Sis. Dorothy Elswick, Bro. Henry Estept, Bro. Dempsy Adkins.

Our standing as follows:

Number of Churches.....	7
Number of Members.....	300
Number of Sunday Schools.....	2
Number of Members.....	150
Number of Ordained Ministers.....	12
Number of Licentates.....	2

Done by order of the Tri-State Conference while in session with the Kelsa Chapel Church, August 29, 1964.

Henry Estept, *Moderator*
 Flay Dotson, *Asst. Moderator*

Ernest H. Stiltner, *Clerk*

NEW DURM CONFERENCE

We the New Durm Conference met with the Ephesus Church on the 8, 9, 10, of August and organized by electing Harley Dye as moderator, Howard Bostic Asst. Moderator and Ruby Compton as clerk.

The following delegates were from their respective churches:

Mt. View—Aubrey & Ruby Compton, Ezra Johnson.

Mt. Zion—Leonard & Ruth Dye, Frazier & Eula Hale, Carl & Mary Wallace.

Clinch View—Elbert Rasnake, Atla Rasnake, Mary Stevens, Earnest Crabtree.

Guiding Light—Bert Diamond, Lainia Diamond.

Fullers Chapel Church—Rosa Ray, Lawrence Ray, Walter Whited.

Drills Chapel—B. E. Dye, Junior Rasnake, Marzella Rasnake.

Ephesus—Mary Russ, Ellen Dye, Cleve Dye, Ella Dye.

Tunnel Hill—Paul Hess.

East Lebanon—David Beam, Christine Beam.

Valley View—Johnny Wallace, Mary Honaker, Hazel Dye, Eurma Boyd.

Fletchers Ridge—Finas Farmer, Ada Farmer, Brady Farmer.

Our standing is as follows:

Number of Churches.....	11
Number of Members Approx.	360
Number of Ministers.....	15
Number of Sunday Schools.....	8

Harley Dye, *Moderator*
Howard Bostic, *Asst. Mod.*

Ruby Compton, *Clerk*

PIKE COUNTY CONFERENCE

Greetings:

To the John Thomas Association of Freewill Baptist, when convened with the Pewthers Chapel at Millard, Virginia, Sept. 11, 12, 13, 1964.

We send as delegates our beloved brethern, the Revs. Bobbie Varney, John T. Oliver, Bennie Slone, James Potter, Frank Rich, Jack Bartley and Sonnie Hatfield, whom we pray you to sit with you in your Godly deliberations.

Statistics: State of Religion, Good; members received past three months, 25; Baptized, 19; Dismissed, 4; Died, 1; Total membership, 1282. Condition of prayer meeting, Good; condi-

tion of Sunday School, Good; Average number of pupils, 465; number of officers, 21; number of teachers, 34.

Ministers belonging to our Conference are: 46 Ordained Ministers and 3 Licensed Ministers.

We have 19 Churches in the Conference.

We are asking admission into the John Thomas Association. If any question, we would welcome investigating committee to examine our Conference.

Done by order of Pike County Conference assembled this 13th. day of June, 1964.

Rev. Bobbie Varney, *Moderator* Walter E. Morints, *Clerk*
Rt. 2, Box 21, Pinsonfork, Ky.

After the above letters had been accepted, the auditing committee reported the books were found to be in order.

Association adjourned until 2:00 P.M.

SATURDAY MORNING SERVICE 11:00 A.M.

Committee appointed Bros. Bobby Varney and Alonzo Edwards for this hour. Prayer by Bro. Daniel Beam. Bro. Varney used for a text the 31st. verse of the 27th. chapter of Acts. "Except these abide in the ship, ye cannot be saved."

SATURDAY EVENING SESSION 2:00 P.M.

Congregational singing. Assistant moderator read for a lesson the 5th. chapter of 1st. Peter. Prayer by Bro. Derwood Yates.

Assistant moderator called for any unfinished business. Report of the executive committee was read. It was as follows:

"The combined executive boards have agreed to recommend to this Association that we accept the Pike County Conference into the John Thomas Association.

All information needed by our clerk will be furnished by them.

Combined Executive Boards:

N. B. Lambert
Lester Able
J. R. Robinson
O. T. Smith
Warren Salyer
A. B. Farmer

Floyd R. Stewart
Clyde Kelly
William C. Robinson
Earet Rose
Walter Whited

By regular move and second it was voted to receive the Pike County Conference into the John Thomas Association. Congregational singing and the right hand of fellowship was given.

Mrs. Ray Turnage gave an interesting talk concerning the children's home at Greeneville, Tenn. The progress they have made in the past few years has been wonderful and much more can yet be done with the help of the churches and even individuals contributing as God has blessed you. Are you doing anything to help care for the little ones? Have your churches and Sunday schools to set aside a fund to be sent to this home either monthly or quarterly and God will richly bless you.

Any church wishing to have Vacation Bible Schools or work with Home Missions please get in touch with Miss Rudene Kennedy, Rt. #1, Box 522, Norton, Va. Phone 682W. Virginia State Home Mission of F.W.B.

This finishing the work of the Association, by move and second it was adjourned until Friday before the second Sunday in September, 1965, at 11:00 A.M., when it will convene with the Pine Chapel Church, Jenkins, Ky., unless called together by the moderator.

Clerk organized the Ministers Conference by retaining Bro. Clyde Reedy as moderator. Moderator taking charge proceeded by electing Everett Johnson as clerk.

Moderator continued by calling for letters from the different ministers conference. They responded as follows:

Dickenson County, New Durm, Letcher County, Tri-State and Hamilton County.

The letters were read and accepted. They were as follows:

NEW DURM MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

We the New Durm Ministers' Conference of Freewill Baptist met with Ephesus Church. We organized by electing Harley Dye as moderator, Ruby Compton Clerk. There were 10 Ministers present, 5 absent, their names were called and each was voted on and their characters passed as good, they were as follows: Daniel Beam, Harley Dye, Howard Bostic, Ralph Bostic, Edward Perkins, Kyle Hubbard, Truel Brown, Edward Dye, Russell Miller, Leonard Farmer. Ministers died, none. Ordaining Council, Harley Dye, Edward Perkins, and Ralph Bostic. Done by order of the New Durm Conference while in regular session with Ephesus Church, August, 1964.
Rev. Harley Dye, *Moderator*
Rev. Howard Bostic, *Asst. Moderator*
Ruby Compton, *Clerk*

TRI-STATE MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

Greetings:

To the John Thomas Association of Freewill Baptists, when convened with the Pewthers Chapel Church, Millard, Va., September 11-13, 1964.

We, the Tri-State Conference met with the Kelsa Chapel Church and organized the Ministers Conference by electing Bro. Henry Estept Moderator, and Ernest Stiltner, clerk. We had eleven (11) ministers of the conference present with reports. They were voted on and accepted. Bro. Dempsey Adkins who was dropped from the ministers conference last year, has been approved and is in good standing with the conference.

We have 3 ordained ministers that were not present, Bros. George Harding of Cincinnati, Ohio; Alfred Flanning of Yeager, West Va.; and Edward Maye of Kelsa, Va. Their reports were passed on and accepted. We have 2 licentates.

The ordaining council are: Claude Conn, Kelsa, Va.; Willie Compton, Grundy, Va.; Edward Maye, Kelsa, Va.

Done by order of the Tri-State Conference while in regular session with the Kelsa Chapel Church, Kelsa, Va., August 29, 1964.

Henry Estept, Paw Paw, Ky., *Moderator*

Ernest Stiltner, Box 283, Grundy, Va., *Clerk*

DICKENSON COUNTY MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

Greetings:

To the John Thomas Association while in regular session with Pewthers Chapel Church Sept. 11, 12, 13, 1964.

We the Dickenson County Ministers' Conference met with the Martins Chapel Church, July 24, 25, 1964.

Bro. C. E. Reedy was elected as Moderator, Clinton Lambert and Lloyd Hillman as clerks.

Moderator called Conference to order for business. The following were elected to serve on the ordaining council for the next year: Bros. Joe Johnson, Emory Vanover, E. M. Rose.

Ordaining Council ordained Bros. Derwood Yates, Lewis Allen Hill to preach the Gospel.

The following are members of our Conference and in good standing:

S. P. Davis, Alvie Dingus, Asia Hughes, Everett Johnson, Quinton Kieth, Rit Large, Hie A. Mullins, Lee Mullins, Ted Mullins, C. E. Reedy, E. M. Rose, Maston Rose, Josh Rose, Goble Rose, Troy Robinson, Fred Taylor, Emory Vanover, Ivan Reedy, James Wright, Luke Wright, Noble Wright, Marion Belcher, Everett Smith, Joe Johnson, B. M. Moore, Rufus Kieth, Bertsie Stanley, Earl Slimp, Jr., James Short, Charlie Miles, Henry Hammons, Ersel Johnson, Robert Sayler, Bill Dixon, Lonzo Edwards, Estal Hale, Marvin Killen, M. C. Mullins, Otis Crabtree, Cecil Colley, Vaughn Dotson, Tommy Large, Luther Taylor, Emory Cook, J. T. Hartsock, Homer Barrett, Milburn Edwards, Frank Colley, James Hobbs, Hiram Cantrell, Earl Dotson, Wythe Sayler, Howard Reynolds, C. P. Lane, Jim Lee Meade, Edward Hale, Derwood Yates and Lewis Allen Hill.

Done by order of the Dickenson County Ministers' Conference while in regular session with the Martins Chapel Church, July 25, 1964.

E. M. Rose, *Moderator*

Clinton Lambert,

Lloyd Hillman,

Clerks

LETCHER COUNTY MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

Greetings:

To the John Thomas Association of Freewill Baptist while in session with the Pewthers Chapel Church, Sept. 11, 12, and 13th., 1964.

We the Letcher County Conference met with Seco Church at Seco, Ky. on August 22nd. and 23rd., 1964.

We organized the Ministers' Conference by retaining the same Moderator and same Clerk we had in our regular Conference.

There was a move with a second that we have a closed door Conference. First item of business: Bro. Lloyd Pike presented a letter requesting a letter of recommendation to go to another church, and his request was granted.

We had a motion with a second, that we drop Maxwell Hughes from our list according to his request. Motion granted.

Bro. Clyde Huff was elected as a member of the ordaining Council to serve for three years, and Bro. Ezra Johnson was to drop out.

A motion was made and accepted that we notify Bro. L. D. Mahan to come into our next Conference and give reasons why he has not made things right, that he promised the ordaining council he would do, concerning things that happened in the Payne Gap Church some time ago.

All other ministers were examined and found good.

Ordained ministers:

Albert Dingus, C. W. Isom, D. D. Moore, J. P. Banks, L. D. Mahan, Erschel McPeck, Ezra Johnson, Everett Potter, Clyde Huff, Jimmy Seals, Edward H. Hall, George Lester Ables, John Vanover, John Akers, Hilt Taylor, Johnny Stoffer, Lonny P. Hale, Leo Goode, Darwin Mullins, Hargis Brewer, C. O. Caudill, Dallas Kelly, Eugene Adkins, Eddie Rose, Clyde Kelly, James Wheeler, Percey Elkins, Cletis Garrett, Arnold Kelly, Herman Bates, Edmond Maggard, Harold Miles, Alonzo Fields, Charles Gallion, Tommy Pike, George Adams, Jr., Robert Bowman, Lawrence Shelby, Arlo Smith, Herbert Adams, Charles P. Randolph, Paul Wooton, Charles McKinley, Donald Cooper, Jonah Shoop, Andrew Duff, Wilson Hall, Glenn Miller, Roy Sikes, Morris Dotson, Bill Crawford, Pat Whitaker, Tinsley Stamper, James Mahan, William Aldridge, Roscoe Brumitt, Jasper Earles, Dexter Pitts, Lloyd Addington, Ernest Pack, Warren Tompkins.

Done by order of the Letcher County Ministers' Conference while in Session with the Seco Church at Seco, Ky., on August 22nd., 1964.

Bro. Clyde Huff, *Moderator*

Bro. Ezra Johnson, *Asst. Moderator*

Bro. Everett Potter, *Clerk*

Bro. Eugene Adkins, *Asst. Clerk*

HAMILTON COUNTY MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

Ministers' Conference organized by electing Bro. L. D. Mahan moderator and Bro. Floyd R. Stewart, Asst. Moderator and Vestal Hutson as clerk. Elected on Ordaining Council were Vestal Hutson, L. D. Mahan and Floyd R. Stewart. Bro. Don Howard was ordained.

Ministers voted on to receive good standing cards were:

Present—Floyd R. Stewart, Milan, Ind.; L. D. Mahan, Cincinnati, Ohio; Vestal Hutson, Cincinnati, Ohio; Eldon Hutson, Cincinnati, Ohio; Eligah Scarber, Morrishill, Ind.; Don Howard, Cincinnati, Ohio. Absent—David Crouse, James Richtor, Roy Johnson.

Ministers dismissed according to by-laws of Ministers' Conference:

Fred Siebers, Article 3; Costo Ellis, Article 5; Freddie Jamell, Article 5; Jessie James, Article 5.

Done by order of the Hamilton County Ministers' Conference while in regular session with the Pipe Creek Freewill Baptist Church at Penntown, Indiana, August 8, 1964.

Rev. L. D. Mahan, *Moderator*

Rev. Vestal Hutson, *Clerk*

Ministers' Conference adjourned until Saturday before the second Sunday in September, 1965 when it will convene with the Pine Chapel Church, Jenkins, Ky. unless called together by the Moderator.

SATURDAY EVENING SERVICE 3:30 P.M.

Committee appointed Bro. Clyde Kelly for this hour of service. Prayer by Bro. Floyd Stewart.

(The Association takes this means of thanking the people in and around Millard, Va., for their kindness shown to and extended to the people of this Association.)

The John Thomas Association of Freewill Baptists will convene with the Pine Chapel Church, Jenkins, Va., on Friday before the second Sunday in September, 1965, unless called together by the moderator.

Minister s Report

July 1963 — July 1964

J. R. ROBINSON

Rt. #2, Abingdon, Va.

Sermons	Unknown
Revivals	1
Conversions Witnessed	Few
Prayer Services	Unknown

WILLIAM C. ROBINSON

P. O. Box 47, Vansant, Va.

Churches pastored, Asst.	1
Sermons	35
Revivals	1
Conversions Witnessed	7
Burials Attended	1
Prayer Services	6
Amount Received	\$26.00

WILLIE COMPTON

Grundy, Va.

Churches pastored	1
Sermons	100
Revivals	2
Conversions Witnessed	2
Baptized	2
Burials Attended	5
Prayer Services	25
Couples Married	10
Amount Received	\$50.00

DEMPSY ADKINS

Elkhorn City, Ky.

Churches pastored	1
Sermons	46
Conversions Witnessed	3
Baptized	3
Burials Attended	5
Memorials	7
Prayer Services	16
Amount Received	\$10.00

MILES H. HURLEY

Argo, Ky.

Sermons	75
Conversions Witnessed	25
Burials Attended	3
Memorials	5
Prayer Services	10

DANIEL BEAM

Box 752, Lebanon, Va.

Churches pastored	1
Sermons	50
Revivals	1

Conversions Witnessed	4
Baptized	5

ESTELL MULLINS

Rt. #1, Box 108, Elkhorn City, Ky.

Churches pastored	1
Sermons	96
Conversions Witnessed	Few
Burials Attended	Several
Memorials	7
Prayer Services	48

CLAUDE CONN

Kelsa, Va.

Churches pastored	2
Sermons	100
Conversions Witnessed	3
Baptized	3
Burials Attended	22
Memorials	3

FLOYD DOTSON

Kelsey, Va.

Sermons	80
Revivals	1
Conversions Witnessed	5
Baptized	5
Burials Attended	2
Memorials	3
Prayer Services	20

BRITT JACKSON

Hurley, Va.

Churches pastored	1
Sermons	Unknown
Revivals	2
Burials Attended	8
Memorials	3

HENRY ESTEP

Hurley, Va.

Churches pastored	1
Sermons	40
Revivals	1
Conversions Witnessed	2
Baptized	2
Burials Attended	6
Memorials	1
Prayer Services	10

LEONARD E. FARMER

Rt. #2, Honaker, Va.

Churches pastored	2
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Sermons	55
Baptized	7
Burials Attended	1
Memorials	3

EDWARD PERKINS

Box 73, Oakwood, Va.

Churches pastored	2
Sermons	Unknown
Revivals	1
Baptized	1
Burials Attended	2
Memorials	2
Prayer Services	Unknown
Amount Received	Unknown

RALPH E. BOSTIC

Swords Creek, Va.

Churches pastored	2
Sermons	125
Revivals	2
Conversions Witnessed	10
Baptized	6
Memorials	2
Prayer Services	50
Amount Received	\$75.00

C. R. MILLER

Rt. #2, Lebanon, Va.

Sermons	Unknown
Conversions Witnessed	4
Burials Attended	6
Memorials	11
Churches Organized	1

TRUEL BROWN

Swords Creek, Va.

Churches pastored	1
Sermons	130
Revivals	2
Conversions Witnessed	14
Baptized	1
Burials Attended	4
Memorials	4
Prayer Services	5
Amount Received	\$50.00

HARLEY DYE

Swords Creek, Va.

Churches pastored	1
Sermons	75
Revivals Helped In	2
Conversions Witnessed	5
Burials Attended	12
Memorials	1
Couples Married	5
Amount Received	\$340.00

LONNIE P. HALE

Kenton, Va.

Churches pastored	1
Sermons	75
Conversions Witnessed	4
Baptized	4
Burials Attended	1

WILLIAM ALDRIDGE

Hoppy, Ky.

Sermons	100
Revivals	1
Conversions Witnessed	8
Baptized	5
Burials Attended	5
Prayer Services	44

ALBERT DINGUS

Jenkins, Va.

Churches pastored	1
Sermons	50
Revivals	1
Conversions Witnessed	8
Burials Attended	10
Memorials	4
Prayer Services, approx.	40
Couples Married	1
Amount Received	\$170.00

HOWARD BOSTIC

Rt. 1, Box 23, Swords Creek, Va.

Churches pastored	2
Sermons	175
Revivals	4
Conversions Witnessed	12
Baptized	6
Burials Attended	7
Memorials	Unknown
Prayer Services	Unknown
Amount Received	\$150.00

ELDON HUTSON

2625 Cook St., Cincinnati, Ohio

Churches pastored	1
Sermons	40
Revivals	2
Conversions Witnessed	3
Baptized	3
Prayer Services	40

VESTAL HUTSON

1994 Baltimore Ave.,
Cincinnati, Ohio

Churches pastored	1
Sermons	52
Revivals	1
Conversions Witnessed	5
Baptized	1
Prayer Services	52
Churches Organized	1
S. S. Organized	1
Couples Married	2

ELIGAH W. SCARBER
Morres Hill, Ind.

Churches pastored	1
Sermons	42
Revivals	1
Conversions Witnessed	3
Burials Attended	3
Couples Married	3

FLOYD R. STEWART
RR #1, Milan, Ind.

Churches pastored	1
Sermons	90
Revivals	1
Conversions Witnessed	3
Baptized	3
Burials Attended	1
Couples Married	5

CHARLES P. RANDOLPH
1188 N. Main St., Akron, Ohio

Churches pastored	1
Sermons	50
Conversions Witnessed	3
Baptized	2
Burials Attended	1
Prayer Services	20
Couples Married	1
Amount Received	\$10.00

DARWIN MULLINS
Deane, Ky.

Churches pastored	1
Sermons	75
Conversions Witnessed	5
Baptized	3
Burials Attended	10
Memorials	2
Prayer Services	40
Couples Married	3

ROY SYKES
Lookout, Ky.

Churches pastored	1
Sermons, approx.	80
Conversions Witnessed	1
Baptized	1
Burials Attended	6
Memorials	4
Prayer Services, approx.	25

EUGENE ADKINS
Jenkins, Ky.

Churches pastored	3
Sermons	80
Revivals	3
Conversions Witnessed	20
Baptized	11
Burials Attended	5

Memorials	2
S. S. Organized	1
Couples Married	2
Amount Received	\$120.00

TENSLEY STAMPER
Neon, Ky.

Churches pastored	1
Sermons	80
Revivals	3
Conversions Witnessed	25
Baptized	20
Burials Attended	30
Prayer Services	200

LLOYD ADDINGTON
Rt. 1, Jenkins, Ky.

Churches pastored	1
Sermons	60
Conversions Witnessed	4
Burials Attended	1
Memorials	1
Prayer Services	5
Amount Received	\$5.00

ARNOLD KELLY
1906 Brady Lake, Ohio

Sermons	45
Conversions Witnessed	6
Baptized	3
Prayer Services	50

CHARLES McKINLEY
R.R. #1, Milan, Ind.

Churches pastored	1
Sermons	70
Revivals	1
Conversions Witnessed	8
Baptized	3
Burials Attended	3
Prayer Services	50
Churches Organized	1
S. S. Organized	1
Couples Married	3
Amount Received	\$10.00

JIMMIE SEALS
Jackhorn, Ky., Box 64

Churches pastored	1
Sermons	75
Conversions Witnessed	5
Baptized	5
Burials Attended	12
Prayer Services	40
Couples Married	10

DALLAS KELLY
Jenkins, Ky., Box 542

Churches pastored	1
Sermons, approx.	85
Revivals	1
Conversions Witnessed	Several

Baptized	Several
Burials Attended	Several
Memorials	3
Prayer Services	50

Burials Attended	6
Memorials	6
Prayer Services	50
Couples Married	5
Amount Received	\$65.00

EVERETT POTTER

Payne Gap, Ky.

Sermons, approx.	90
Conversions Witnessed	3
Memorials	3
Prayer Services	30

HERMAN BATES, JR.

Box 503, Jenkins, Ky.

Churches pastored	1
Sermons	50
Baptized	1
Burials Attended	2
Memorials	1
Prayer Services	35
Couples Married	1
Amount Received	\$50.00

CHARLES GALLION

Jenkins, Ky.

Sermons	80
Revivals	1
Conversions Witnessed	8
Baptized	8
Burials Attended	10
Prayer Services	30

DEXTER PITTS

Jeff, Ky.

Sermons, approx.	50
Revivals	2
Conversions Witnessed	10
Burials Attended	2
Prayer Services	25

CLYDE KELLY

Jenkins, Ky.

Churches pastored	1
Sermons	No record kept
Revivals	3
Memorials	4
Conversions Witnessed	No Record
Baptized	No record
Burials Attended	No record
Prayer Services	No record
Amount Received	\$780.00

EZRA JOHNSON

Box 286, Jenkins, Ky.

Churches pastored	1
Sermons	67
Conversions Witnessed	10
Baptized	8

PAUL WOOTEN

Sceddy, Ky.

Churches pastored	1
Sermons	75
Revivals	1
Conversions Witnessed	11
Baptized	4
Burials Attended	3
Prayer Services	90

ERNEST PACK

1186 Goodyear Lane, Suffield, Ohio

Sermons	6
Conversions Witnessed	3
Baptized	2

DONALD COOPER

1831 Emerson Ave.,

Cincinnati, Ohio

Churches pastored	1
Sermons	70
Revivals	1
Conversions Witnessed	14
Baptized	3
Burials Attended	2
Amount Received	\$13.25

L. D. MAHAN

716 Lytle Ave., Elsmere, Ky.

Churches pastored	1
Sermons	140
Conversions Witnessed	3
Baptized	3
Burials Attended	1
Prayer Services	28
Couples Married	2
Amount Received	\$120.00

BILL CRAWFORD

Box 393, Pound, Va.

Sermons	4
Conversions Witnessed	12
Baptized	1
Burials Attended	6
Prayer Services	1

LEO GOOD

Stanley, Va.

Churches pastored	1
Sermons	25
Conversions Witnessed	4

OBITUARIES



ROY PRATER

In sad memory, I write an obituary of our brother, Roy Prater, who was born Aug. 6, 1918, and deceased this life Aug. 22, 1964, making his stay here on this earth 46 years and 16 days. He was the son of James L. and Tennessee Prater, who preceded him in death. He was a veteran of World War II. He was joined in Holy matrimony to Mabel Belcher. To this union was born one daughter and three sons. He leaves to mourn his death: a wife, one daughter, three sons, three sisters, two brothers, and a host of friends. He confessed the hope in Christ, and lived a good life. We believe that our earthly loss is Heaven's gain.

Written by Henry Estep

Brother-in-Christ

GREEN DOTSON

With a sad heart we will write the obituary of our loving Father, Green Dotson, born on April 17, 1895. He died on December 26, 1963, making his stay on earth 68 years, 7 months, 26 days. He leaves to mourn his loss, his wife, 9 children, 44 grandchildren, 2 sisters, 3 brothers and a host of friends. He joined the Freewill Baptist Church and was baptized about 30 years ago. He was loved by all who knew him. We feel our loss is Heaven's gain. He lived a true and faithful life until Jesus called him.

Sleep on dear Dad and
take your rest, we know
that Jesus always knows best

Written by the Family

BELLE HILL

Obituary of Belle Hill. She was the daughter of Elder Elias Rose and Maryann Rose, born Feb. 22, 1875. Departed this life Jan. 10, 1964, making her stay on earth 88 years, 10 months and 19 days. She was united in marriage to Joe Hill on Jan. 15, 1890 and to this union was born eleven children, of which three preceded her in death. She was also preceded in death by her husband. She joined the Primitive Baptist Church in the year of 1931 and was a faithful member. She was a kind Mother and she lived the life she professed. She leaves to mourn her loss, one brother, Stonewall Rose; eight children, four boys and four girls: Seth Hill of Garden City, Mich.; Abb Hill, Bristol, Tenn.; Arlin Hill, Clincho, Va.; William C. Hill, Nan J. Hill, Amirco Withrow, all of Clintwood, Va.; Malil Oney, Norwalk, Ohio; Stella Hill, Publis, Ohio; and thirty-nine grandchildren. We feel that mother is resting from her suffering and our loss is Heaven's gain.

Written by the family

Ranel Withrow, Son-in-law

JOHN MEADE

It is with much sorrow that we write the obituary of our Father, John Meade. He was born October 13, 1884 and died April 30, 1964. He would have been 80 years old on his next birthday. He was married August 6, 1914 and to this union was born 5 boys and 5 girls. One son preceded him in death. He leaves to mourn: Roy, Johnson City, Tenn.; Lexie, Kingsport; Garcie, Bristol; J. C., Woodbridge, Va.; Mrs. Roy Baker, Pound, Va.; Mrs. Lester Robinson and Mrs. Goffery Hylton, Woodbridge, Va.; Mrs. Paul Parris, Kingsport; and Mrs. Tommy Coxe, Orlando, Fla; 20 grandchildren; 4 great grandchildren; one brother, Glen Burnie, Md.; two half-brothers and many friends and relatives. He had been a member of the Freewill Baptist Church for many years and lived a faithful life until the Lord called him home. He had enjoyed good health until recent months and we are so glad that he wasn't forced to endure a long illness. He set good examples before his children and his neighbors. He will surely be missed by us and the church and the community. He had been very lonely since Mother passed away 15 months ago, and we know they are now together this day in Paradise.

Written by his children

DALMER LEE ADKINS



With a sad heart, but loving memory, I write the obituary of Dalmer Lee Adkins, who was born Sept. 22, 1957 and deceased this life Aug. 26, 1964, making his stay on earth 6 years, 11 months and 4 days.

He was the son of Earnest and Phyllis Adkins, and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Adkins. He goes to join his brother and sister, who have already preceded him in death. He leaves to mourn his death: his parents, a sister, a brother, grandparents, and a host of friends

Sleep on little Darling, and take your rest,
God called you from us to be with the blest.

May we meet on the other shore
Where there we'll part no more.

We feel our loss is Heaven's gain.

Written by Henry Estep

PLES ENGLAND



In loving memory I write of my dear Father who deceased this life March 29, 1963, making his stay on earth 67 years, 5 months. He was the son of George and Mary Coleman England, who preceded him in death many years ago. He was married to Ellen Estep about 45 years ago and she had been dead for 12 years prior to his death. To this union were born 13 children and one adopted child.

One son and one daughter died several years ago leaving 11 children to mourn his loss. We know that earth's loss is Heaven's gain. He had 3 brothers, 4 sisters, 30 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild to mourn for him.

Sleep on dear Dad and have your rest. I hope some day to see you and Mother again in a better home where we will never have to stand by your bed and see you die any more.

He was a member of the Union Light Freewill Baptist Church for the past 10 or 12 years. He confessed a hope in

Christ and I believe he did the best he knew.
Written by his daughter
Mrs. Majorie England May

SOPHIE BALL ROSE



Sophie Ball Rose was born November 1, 1907. She was one of ten children, the daughter of Allen and Rachel Ball. She united with the Freewill Baptist Church when she was 16 years old. She married Lundy Rose in 1927. She was baptized with her husband in 1945. She was very sick for about ten months and she bore her sickness with patience. She was loving and kind, and was loved by all who knew her. Her husband was faithful and did all he could for her.

She leaves five sisters: Margaret Ball, Martha Blevins, Rosa Harris, Mary Johnson, Nettie Newberry; three brothers: David, Allen and Luther Ball; a loving husband and a host of relatives and friends to mourn her loss.

Sleep on dear sister and take your rest
God called you home, he thought it best
We know you're happy in your new home
You've left us here to weep and mourn.

Verse by Mary and Nettie

BENTON MILLER



Born Feb. 28, 1906, departed this life on May 30, 1963, age 57 years, 3 months and 2 days.

He was married to Ella Ward Miller 34 years, one month and 6 days. To this union were two foster children, Evelyn Miller Cook and Tommy Miller whom he loved dearly.

He became a Christian on Feb. 28, 1932, and was faithful to his Christian duty. He was called in to the ministry on June 10, 1943. Preached his first sermon on June 13, 1943. His text was on repentance and who

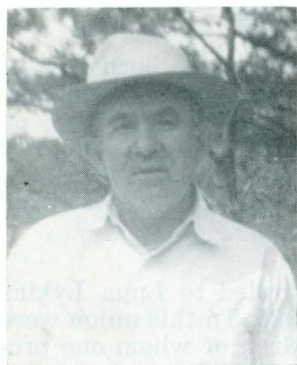
so ever will, found in 14th Chapter of St. Luke.

He was a Freewill Baptist minister for 20 years, and was an outstanding one. He stood for the right in everything.

He was a loving husband and was loved by most everyone who knew him.

He leaves a host of friends and relatives to mourn his loss. I feel he is at rest.

LEE HILL

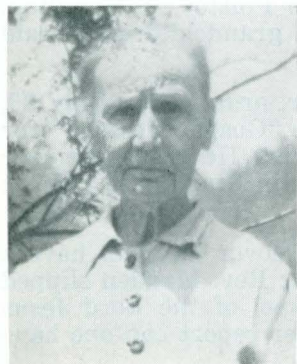


Born Nov. 10, 1890, deceased this life April 22, 1964. Making his stay on earth 73 years, 5 months and 12 days. Leaving to mourn his loss: his wife, Gusta May; 6 boys, Ralph, Ray, Harold, Darrell and Carroll, and Herman, deceased; 4 girls, Pauline, Maggie, Lillian and Merrell Sue; one sister, Pheba Stanley; 15 grandchildren; also a host of friends and relatives. Lee was converted and baptized in 1949. He lived a faithful Christian life being a member of the Freewill Baptist Church. He will be missed

greatly in the home, church and community, but was feel our loss is Heaven's gain.

By Eck Mullins

MRS. MARTHA JOHNSON



Born 1881 and died November 3, 1963 at the age of 83.

She was born and raised in Dickenson County, the daughter of Jacob Lambert and Mrs. Sally Sutherland Lambert.

She was converted in 1952 and was a loyal member of Middle Branch Freewill Baptist Church.

She is survived by two sons, Gobel and Rev. Joe Johnson; four daughters, Mrs. Cora Mann, Mrs. Pearl Neece, Mrs. Edna Austin and Mrs. Rachel McKinney; six sisters

Mrs. Nannie Powers, Mrs. Alice Hartley, Mrs. Jane Silcox, Mrs. Eura Counts, Ada Lambert, Mrs. Lillian Counts; two brothers, Marvin and Letcher Lambert; 47 grandchildren and 118 great grandchildren.

Mother, rest in peace, take your rest. God called you away because he knew what was best. You can't come back to us, but we surely can come to you.

Written by a granddaughter, Reba

REV. ROBERT MADDEN



Robert Madden was born August 6, 1906, and departed this life January 6, 1964, making his stay on earth 57 years and 5 months. He died in Bethesda Hospital in Cincinnati, Ohio. He was the son of Silas and Barbara Madden.

He was married to Luna Lykins December 3, 1925. To this union were born four children of whom one preceded him in death. The youngest son, Donald, was killed in Korea.

Rev. Madden is survived by his Mother; his wife, Luna; a son, James Howard, Harrison, Ohio; two daughters, Mrs. Wilma Jean Anderson of Amelia, Ohio; Mrs. Alice Foister of Hamilton, Ohio; nine grandchildren and two step grandchildren, Gerald and Everett Rice.

He was a Freewill Baptist Minister, ordained on May 26, 1946 at McRoberts, Ky. He carried the "Gospel Message" for nearly 18 years and won many to Christ. He was a member of Main Street Freewill Baptist Church in Cincinnati, Ohio at the time of his death.

I Timothy 3:7 states in part; "Moreover he must have a good report—" The last report was that Rev. Madden slipped beyond the veil PREACHING the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ from his hospital bed. No greater report can one have to the glory of God!

“His Lord said unto him, Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: ENTER THOU INTO THE JOY OF THY LORD.”

“But now he is dead, wherefore should I fast? Can I bring him back again? I SHALL GO TO HIM, but he shall not return to me.”

Luna Madden

CHURCH COVENANT

Having been brought, as we believe, by the divine grace to accept the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour and Preserver, we do now solemnly and joyfully covenant and agree, by God's help, to walk in brotherly love.

We, therefore, enter into covenant as members of this church and as Christians, that we will watch over each other in love, sharing together each other's joys and sorrows; that we will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together, nor quit the great duty of prayer for ourselves and others; that by divine assistance we will endeavor to bring to those under our care in the nurture and admonition of the Lord; that in all things we will strive to exemplify our profession by a corresponding practice, to abstain from all sinful conformity to the world, to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements and exemplary in all our deportment; that we will abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage; that we will sustain the worship, ordinance, discipline and doctrine of the church; that we will contribute cheerfully, according to our ability, to the support of the ministry, the expense of the church, the relief of the poor and the general spread of the Gospel.

In keeping this solemn Covenant may we ever enjoy the blessings and presence of the great Head of the Church.

THE ORGANIZATION OF A CHURCH

1. When any number of believers desire to be organized into a Free-will Baptist Church, they are examined by one or more regular Freewill Baptist ministers in reference to their Christian character, doctrine and ability to sustain a church. If the examination is satisfactory the applicants are organized into the church as follows: The Bible is presented as the only rule of faith and practice. The Church Covenant shall be adopted. A prayer of consecration offered. The hand of fellowship is given. Then officers are elected.

2. There shall be male members enough to fill the public offices in the church, in order that a regular discipline may be kept up.

3. After being thus constituted they shall be at liberty, out of the number of regularly ordained ministers, to choose a pastor who shall preside over them.

MEETINGS OF THE CHURCH

The times of celebrating the Lord's Supper, washing feet, and of business meetings are arranged by each local church to suit its own convenience.

Each church is required to observe the ordinance. Foot washing follows the Lord's Supper.

Conference or business meetings are opened and closed with suitable devotional exercises. The pastor acts as moderator of the business meetings of the church. In the absence of the pastor the church may meet when necessary and attend to ordinary business; but no member is excluded in the absence of the pastor.

RECEPTION OF MEMBERS

Any person who gives evidence of a change of heart, professes faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, and has been immersed by a proper administrator, church covenant read, explained and accepted, is received into membership by a vote of the church.

From other churches, immersed persons are received by letter. No one against whom any valid objection is made is received to membership. When any member objects to the reception of an applicant, the matter is deferred until the church can ascertain the nature of the objection. If,

in the opinion of the church, the objection is not a valid one, the applicant may be received. Excluded members are received again only when they confess their errors and give evidence of repentance. Persons excluded from other churches are not received, unless it be made evident that they were excluded upon unjustifiable grounds. The hand of fellowship is extended to all who are received into the membership of the church.

DISMISSION OF MEMBERS

Only members in good standing are dismissed from the church, and this for no other reason than to unite with some other church. Such members receive letters of honorable dismission and commendation, but are under the watch care of the same church until they are received into some other. A withdrawal without such letter of commendation is equivalent to excommunication, and treated as such by the church.

OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES

The officers of a church are a Board of Trustees, Clerk, Treasurer, Deacons and Deaconesses, Finance Committee, and Pastor.

Board of Trustees—The duty of the trustees shall be to hold title to all property, either in fee or gift, and to maintain all rights to same, to convey said property in the discretion of a four-fifth majority of those present at a regular quarterly meeting, being announced at said church three months prior to said meeting.

Clerk—It is the duty of the clerk to keep a church book and in it record the Church Covenant, the names of the members, and all the proceedings of the church, in the exercise of its doctrine and management of its temporal affairs. He also signs all the letters and other communications made, by authority of the church.

Treasurer—The treasurer shall be entrusted with the funds of the church, and it shall be his duty to keep a regular account of all the money received, and from whom, and make a report of the same annually to the church or oftener if necessary, which funds shall be drawn on the treasury only by the order of the church.

Deacons—The deacons are elected for life or during good behavior. They should be men distinguished among their brethren for piety and benevolence. Before entering upon the duties of their office they are ordained by the pastor or other regular minister, ordination consisting of charge, laying on of hands and prayer. It is their duty to serve at the Lord's table, to distribute of the bounty of the church among its needy members, to visit the sick, to assist the pastor in promoting order in attendance upon the church, and to conduct religious meetings in the absence of the pastor.

Deaconesses—They assist the deacons and the finance committee, in visiting the sick, in collecting funds and distributing among the needy members, and enforcing proper discipline among female members.

Finance Committee—These have the general management of the finances of the church, subject to the church's control.

Pastor—Each church elects its own pastor out of the regular ordained ministers upon such terms as may be agreed upon between the parties themselves. It is the pastor's duty faithfully to preach the Word, to have the general superintendence of the church, to be himself an example to the flock, to visit the members, especially the sick, as he has the opportunity, and to do all within his power to promote the religious interest of the church which he serves, and to advance the cause of Christ among men.

THE MINISTRY

1. No member of our connection shall be at liberty to take upon himself the public ministry of the Word, unless he feels divinely called,

and make report of the same to the church to which he belongs, and if the church shall be satisfied with his qualifications, and call of such person, then she may grant said person the liberty to exercise his gifts by exhortation for twelve months.

2. If they prove satisfactory to the church, they shall be recommended to the Quarterly Meeting, if satisfactory to same, may license said applicants or recommend them to the Ordaining Council, and shall be ordained if proven satisfactory to the Council.

3. The Ordaining Council must be appointed by the Yearly Meeting. Three ordained ministers from each Quarterly Meeting shall serve for a period of twelve months. Any three may transact the business of examining the applicants for ordination.

4. When a minister of another denomination wishes to unite with the Freewill Baptist Church, he must first join this church. Then the proceedings are the same as with licentiates; which is as follows:

When he feels Divinely called he is given a license by Pastor of the Church to which he belongs. Then he is free to exercise his gift by exhortation for a period of twelve months. If proven satisfactory he is recommended to the Quarterly Meeting by said Church. Then from the Quarterly Meeting to the Ordaining Council. If proven satisfactory then he is ordained, otherwise he is granted a new license to exhort for twelve months more.

5. Any minister leaving the Freewill Baptist Church and desiring to be reinstated shall be dealt with as though they had never belonged to the church.

6. If a minister becomes disorderly, or preaches a doctrine contrary to the Freewill Baptist faith, the minister may at once be called to question by the church offended. They must be given a fair and impartial trial, by evidence mainly by the Freewill Baptist members; if the charges shall be sustained, they shall be dealt with as follows:

The churches have the exclusive right to deal with the ministers under their care.

If the charges are against a licentiate, it must be reported to the Quarterly Meeting, and their decision shall be final.

7. Any ordained minister of the Freewill Baptists may serve the church in the absence of the pastor, in every Gospel order required of him by the church.

BY-LAWS OF MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

1. There shall be a Ministers' Conference held annually in connection with the Yearly Meeting.

2. The object of the Ministerial Conference is to discuss points of doctrine and examine the Christian character of the ministers.

3. All ministers in the John Thomas Yearly Meetings are requested to attach themselves to the Ministers' Conference and must be governed by the rules and regulations of the Ministers' Conference.

4. All ministers belonging to the Conference are required to report themselves to the Conference annually, either in person or by letter or both.

5. Any ministers failing to report for a period of two years, either in person or by letter, or both, shall automatically exclude himself from the Conference.

6. All ministers moving to another Yearly Meeting shall take a letter of dismission and commendation so that they may properly unite themselves to the Yearly Meetings where they move.

ORGANIZATION OF QUARTERLY MEETING

Two or more churches wishing to organize a Quarterly Meeting shall appoint three delegates for that purpose and request of an adjoining Quarterly Meeting a council of not less than five members and one ordained minister which will meet with the delegates and proceed:

1. To examine the delegates respecting the Christian character and doctrines of their respective churches, and the reason for such an organization as desired.

2. The right hand of fellowship and consecrating prayer.

3. The election of a moderator, clerk, and treasurer, and then proceed with such business as may come before it.

4. Delegates are elected to some Yearly Meeting or Association of the Freewill Baptists, and instructed for membership in one body.

BY-LAWS

1. No conference shall be held with less than three ordained ministers and four delegates belonging to the Yearly Meeting.

2. At the opening of each conference, the clerk's books shall be presented and the proceedings of last conference read.

3. This conference may at each regular meeting elect as many boards or standing committees as may be necessary in carrying out its benevolent purposes. These shall keep a record of their proceedings and make a report at each quarterly meeting of the conference.

4. The conference may extend to visiting brethren all the privileges of the body, save that of voting.

5. If any member, in the judgment of the conference, shall show anger in his discussion on any subject, he shall forfeit his seat in that conference.

6. No member of the general conference shall be at liberty to withdraw without leave of the the moderator.

7. The conference shall always adjourn by vote.

8. There shall annually be a committee of finance chosen to settle with the treasurer and report to conference.

9. Conference shall always open and adjourn by prayer and praise of God.

10. Any motion must be made by one member, seconded by another and afterwards stated by the moderator, before it is debated. A motion shall be reduced to writing by the move or at the demand of any one member.

11. All resolutions shall be submitted in writing.

12. A motion or resolution may be withdrawn at any time before a decision or amendment by the conference.

13. Any motion or resolution containing more than one distinct proposition shall be divided, provided the call for a division be sustained by the majority.

14. When a member speaks or offers a motion he should rise and respectfully address the moderator, confine himself to the question under consideration, avoid all personalities or unkind or disrespectful language.

15. When two or more members rise to speak at the same time the moderator shall decide who is entitled to the floor.

16. When a member is speaking no one shall interrupt him except to call him to order, ask leave to explain or to make explanation. The one allowed to explain shall confine himself strictly to an actual misunderstanding or language which may need explanation.

17. No member shall speak more than twice, or longer than five minutes at each time on any question without leave of the moderator, which leave shall be granted without debate.

18. All committees may be named by the moderator, by request of the conference.

19. The member first named on a committee shall be its chairman to call the committees together, but after it is convened the committee may elect its own chairman and secretary.

20. Voting shall be done by standing up when a vote is close, or when it becomes necessary to count the affirmative and negative, and in special cases by ballot.

21. The moderator, in case of a tie, may cast the deciding vote.

22. All members should vote on one side or the other, unless excused by the moderator.

23. No motion, discussion or other business shall be admitted while the vote is being taken.

24. The minutes of the conference shall be signed by the moderator and the clerk.

25. Each Quarterly Meeting shall ask its respective churches to deal with its members when necessary, according to Matthew 18:15, 17.

26. After members accept the Bible as their rule of faith and practice, then the right hand of fellowship shall be given, which is the door into the church.

27. If the minority of a Quarterly Meeting be grieved over the ruling of the majority, they have the right to appeal to the Yearly Meeting, and its decision shall be final.

28. No minister shall have a vote in the conference unless he is a member in good standing with his church and conference.

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YEARLY MEETING CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

We, the members of the Freewill Baptist Church, in order to form a more perfect union and promote Christ's kingdom, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the John Thomas Yearly Meeting.

Article 1. This Yearly Meeting shall be called the John-Thomas Yearly Meeting, and shall be composed of such regularly organized and well disciplined Freewill Baptist Quarterly Meetings, conveniently located, as may embody themselves under the Constitution.

Article 2. The Conference of this Yearly Meeting shall be composed of ministers and delegates who are members of the Quarterly meetings, each Quarterly Meeting being entitled to three delegates from each church.

Article 3. The officers of this Yearly Meeting shall be a clerk, treasurer, and moderator, and shall be chosen at every session of the Yearly Meeting, with such assistant as may be found necessary.

Article 4. Any well orgnized and well regulated Freewill Baptist Quarterly Meeting, composed of such churches as conform to the usages and adopt the doctrines of the Freewill Baptist denominations, as published in the minutes of the John-Thomas Yearly Meeting, and are in favor of the benevolent enterprises of the denomination, may at any time, on application, by vote of this Yearly Meeting, become a member thereof.

Article 5. This Yearly Meeting shall have the power to discipline the Quarterly Meetings of which it is composed, and to exclude them for disorderly work if their labor proves unsuccessful.

Article 6. The session of this Yearly Meeting shall convene on Friday before the second Sunday in September at 11:00 A. M. at which time it shall be the duty of the Quarterly Meetings of which the Yearly Meeting is composed to represent themselves by delegates, and report their standing, prospects and statistics by letter; at which time the Yearly Meeting shall act on such questions and topics as may be referred to it by its respective Quarterly Meetings, and transact such other business not repugnant to this Constitution, nor the usages of the denomination, as in its judgment may promote the cause of Christ and the interest of the churches and Quarterly Meetings within the limits of the Yearly Meeting.

Article 7. The Yearly Meeting shall have power to adopt any regulation or by-laws, not inconsistent with the Constitution, which may be deemed essential to the further regulations of its sessions.

Article 8. This Conference shall not recognize any minister or delegate unless they comply with the constitution and by-laws thereof.

Article 9. Each Quarterly Meeting shall send to the Yearly Meeting, with their annual letters, funds equal to ten cents (10c) per member in said Quarterly Meeting; said funds to be used in meeting expenses of the Yearly Meeting.

Article 10. The Constitution may be altered or amended by a vote of four-fifths of the ministers and delegates present at any session, notice of such intended alterations having been given and recorded at the next previous session.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe that there is but one living, true and eternal God the Father, of whom are all things from everlasting to everlasting, glorious and immutable in all His attributes. 1 Cor. 8:6; Isa. 40:28.

2. We believe that there is one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom all things, the only begotten Son of God, born of the Virgin Mary, whom God freely sent into this world, because of the great love wherewith He loved the world; and Christ as freely gave Himself a ransom for all, tasting death for every man; who was buried and rose again the third day, and ascended into heaven, from whence we look for him the second time in the clouds of heaven at the last day to judge both the quick and dead.—1 Tim 2:5, 6; Heb. 2:9; St. John 3:16; Rev. 1:17; Acts 24:15, 1 John 2:2.

3. We believe that there is one Holy Ghost, the precious gift of the Father, through his dear Son, unto the World, who quickeneth and draweth sinners home to God.—St. John 16:7, 8; Acts 2:2; Eph. 2:1; Eph. 4:4-6.

4. We believe in the beginning God made man upright, and placed him in a state of glory without the least mixture of misery, from which he voluntarily, by transgression fell, and by means brought on himself a miserable and moral state subject to death.—Gen. 2:17; 3:19.

5. We believe that God is not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance and the knowledge of truth, that they might be saved; for which end Christ hath commanded the Gospel to be preached among all nations and to every creature.—Mark 16:15; Luke 24:27; John 3:15-17; 1 Tim. 2:4.

6. We believe that no man shall suffer in hell for want of a Christ who died for Him, but as the Scripture has said for denying the Lord that brought them; because they believed not in the name of the only begotten Son of God. Unbelief, therefore, being the cause why the just and the righteous God of Heaven will condemn the children of men, it follows against all argument that all men, at one time or other, are found in such capacity as that through the grace of God they may be eternally saved.—Acts 17:30; Mark 6:6; Heb. 3:10; John 5:1, 10.

7. We believe that all people reaching the years of accountability

must be born again. Then by trusting His promise and keeping His commandments until the end of life, we shall be saved.—II Tim. 4:7.

8. We believe the whole Scriptures are infallibly true and that they are the only rules of faith and practice.—II Tim. 3:16, 17.

9. We believe in the doctrine of General Provision made of God in Christ, for the benefit of all mankind, who repent and believe the gospel.—Luke 14:16-20; Matt. 28:19, 20; Luke 13:3, 5; Acts 3:19; Mark 1:15.

10. We believe that sinners are drawn to God the Father of the Holy Ghost, through Christ His Son, and that the Holy Ghost offers His divine aid to all the human family; so as they all might be happy, would they give place to His divine teachings; whereas, such who do not receive the divine impressive of His Spirit, shall, at a future day, own their condemnation just and change themselves with their own damnation, for willfully rejecting the offers of sovereign grace.—Matt. 11:17; St. John 6:45, 65; Ps. 1:1; Tit. 2:11, 12; Jer. 12:29.

11. We believe that men, not considered simply as men, but ungodly men, were of old ordained to condemnation, considered such who turn the grace of God into them, and therefore, shall bring upon themselves swift destruction; but we observe that they, and such the Apostle saith because they receive not the love of the truth, that they might be saved, therefore, the indignation and wrath of God is upon every soul of man that doeth evil, living and dying therein; for there is no respect of persons with God.—Jude 1:14; II Peter 2:1; II Thesa. 2:11; Rom. 2:10-21.

12. We believe that all children dying in infancy, having not actually transgressed against the law of God, in their own persons, are only subject to the first death, which was brought on them by the fall of the first Adam, and that none of them dying in that state shall suffer punishment in hell by the guilt of Adam's sin, for "of such is the kingdom of God."—I Cor. 15:22; Matt. 18:2-5; Mark 9:36, 37; Matt. 19:14.

13. We believe that good works are the fruits of saving faith, and that in the use of the means of grace, and not out of the use of those means, eternal life is promised to men.—Rev. 22:14, 15; Isa. 1:19, 20; Matt. 7:8; Jer. 6:16; Luke 13:34, 35.

14. We believe that no man has any warrant in the Holy Scriptures for justification before God through his own works, power or ability, which he has in and of himself, only as he by grace is made able to come to God through Jesus Christ; believing the righteousness of Jesus Christ to be imputed to all believers for their eternal acceptance with God.—Rom. 4:24; Acts 8:20, 21.

15. We believe that all things are foreseen in the wisdom of God, so that God knoweth whatsoever can or cannot come to pass upon all supposed conditions; yet not as having decreed any person to everlasting life, out of respect of mere choice further that He hath appointed the godly unto life, and the ungodly, who die in sin, unto death.—Heb. 4:13; Prov. 8:22-31; Matt. 25:31-46.

16. We believe as teaching Gospel ordinances, in believers' baptism, laying on of hands, receiving of the sacrament in bread and wine, washing the saints' feet, anointing the sick with oil in the name of the Lord, fasting, prayer, singing the praise of God, and the public ministry of the Word, with every institution of the Lord we shall find in the New Testament.—Mark 16:15-16; Acts 8:17; Acts 19:6; Luke 22:19, 20; John 13:5-7; Jas. 5:14.

17. We believe the Gospel mode of baptism is by immersion, and that believers are the only subjects for baptism.—Matt. 3:16; Mark 1:9, 10; Acts 2:38, 39; Rom. 6:4; Col. 2:12.

18. We believe in a general resurrection of the dead and a final judgment at the last day.—John 5:28; 29; II Cor. 5:10.

19. We believe the happiness of the righteous is eternal and the torments of the wicked are endless.—Matt. 25:46.

The schedule for the Associations and the year is as follows:
Friday before the 2nd Sunday in
September at 11:00 A.M.

Letcher County Conference.....1965
Dickenson County Conference 1966
Tri-State Conference.....1967
Dickenson County Conference 1968
Letcher County Conference.....1969
New Durm Conference.....1970
Dickenson County Conference 1971
Letcher County Conference.....1972
Hamilton County Conference.....1973
Letcher County Conference.....1974
New Durm Conference.....1975
Dickenson County Conference 1976
Letcher County Conference.....1977
Dickenson County Conference 1978
New Durm Conference.....1979
Dickenson County Conference 1980
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