

Minutes
Of The
**JOHN - THOMAS
YEARLY MEETING**

Of
Freewill Baptist

VA.-W.VA.-KY.-OHIO-IND.

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TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 1972

Total in treasury 1972	\$1252.22
Expenses for 1972	950.21
Clerk: \$50.00	
Minutes: \$900.21	
Total: \$950.21	
Total in treasury, September 1973	302.01
Received in letters, September 1973:	
New Durm Conference	128.75
Letcher County	320.50
Pike County	353.75
Hamilton County	100.00
Dickenson County	575.00
Engraving	22.00
Total in Treasury 1973	\$1802.01

The John-Thomas Yearly Meeting will convene with the Hylton Chapel Church, Shelby Gap, Kentucky, in 1974, unless called together by the Moderator. Traveling from the south, turn left from Route 23, at Elkhorn City and then north to south turn right.

MINUTES FOR THE YEAR 1973

Dickenson County	1050
Mr. Clinton Lamber, Clintwood, Virginia 24228	
Letcher County	550
Mr. Edwin Johnson, Route 2, Box 29, Jenkins, Kentucky 41537	
Pike County	450
Rev. Bobby Varney, Box 21, Route 2, Pinsonfork, Kentucky 41543	
Hamilton County	300
Rev. David L. Phillips, 340 Arch Street, Lawrenceburg, Indiana 47027	
New Durm Conference	300
Mrs. Loella Napier, Box 372, Honaker, Virginia 24260	
Total	2650

CHILDREN'S HOME OFFERINGS
DICKENSON FREEWILL BAPTIST CONFERENCE

Name of Church	July 1972	Oct. 1972	Jan. 1973	April 1973	Total
Anna Dale	0	0	0	0	0
Castlewood	0	0	0	0	0
Clinchco	34.30	35.11	39.32	33.92	142.65
Counts Chapel	38.07	26.23	19.93	50.00	134.23
Davis Chapel	0	0	0	0	0
Duncan Gap	0	0	0	0	0
Dyer's Chapel	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	120.00
Ferbie Chapel	25.00	25.00	25.00	20.00	95.00
Flemingtown	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50	10.00
Fremont	25.00	17.00	21.00	32.00	95.00
Frying Pan	13.50	0	5.00	0	18.50
Georges Fork	10.00	0	0	0	10.00
Hill Ridge	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	40.00
Honey Camp	0	0	0	10.00	10.00
Hubbard Chapel	0	0	0	0	0
Lick Fork	100.00	100.00	90.00	90.00	380.00
Manassas	20.00	0	20.00	0	40.00
Martin's Chapel	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	32.00
McCoy's Chapel	10.00	10.00	10.00	12.00	42.00
Meade's Chapel	60.00	60.00	50.00	60.00	230.00
Mill Creek	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	100.00
Middle Branch	47.11	54.00	50.00	65.00	216.11
Mill's Chapel	78.58	55.75	39.24	31.10	204.67
Peuther Chapel	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	100.00
Phillips' Chapel	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	40.00
Pine Creek	20.00	22.00	24.00	16.00	82.00
Pine Groove	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	40.00
Pyle's Memorial	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	80.00
Rachel Chapel	13.20	10.00	16.00	7.00	46.20
Rugby	32.33	0	25.80	29.25	87.38
Splashdam	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	100.00
Straight Hollow	15.00	25.00	24.00	20.00	84.00
Tarpon	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	40.00
Valley View	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	120.00
Yates Chapel	20.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	50.00
Bearwallow	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	100.00
Lick Creek	0	0	8.00	0	8.00
Special Gift Flemingtown					118.32
Special Gift Clinchco					50.00
TOTAL	\$792.59	\$680.59	\$707.79	\$716.77	\$3,066.06

-Mrs. C. E. Reedy, Treasurer

CHURCHES OF FREEWILL BAPTIST CONFERENCE

CHURCH	PASTORS	DEACONS	MEMB.	S.S.
Castlewood	Howard Renolds	Sam Helbert	23	28
Clinchco	C. E. Reedy	Newton Bailey Garland Mullins Ramond McCarty Johnny Forish	130	39
Counts Chapel	Carl Rose Everett Smith	Kermit Green Darrel Green Garman Edwards	106	
Davis Chapel	Jim Lee Meade	Estel Hale	77	26
Duncan Gap	Quinton Kieth Tommy Large	Thomas Mullins Elmer Mullins Cecil Mullins	27	54
Dyers Chapel	Joe Johnson B. M. Moore	Sam Sutherland Tim Counts Bill Hale	135	68
Ferbie Chapel	Roy Vanover Edison Boggs	James Sawyers	52	65
Flemingtown	Joe Johnson B. M. Moore	Eruie Putton	99	30
Freemont	Everett Smith Goble Rose	Hershel Mullins Harry Carty	33	
Frying Pan	Hie A. Mullins	Bob Rasnick Holt Rice Gene Hay	28	
George's Fork	Goble Rose Hasting Ward	Walton Beverly Herbert Mullins	41	31
Hill Ridge	Carter Boyd Wythe Saylers	Earet Rose Ranel Withrow		
Honey Camp	Maruim Killen Josh Rose	Charles Rose David Mullins Larry Mullins	32	31
Hubbard Chapel	Charles Baker Gerald Mullins	Fred Lane Roy Hubbard Webster Hubbard	41	42
Lick Fork	Derwood Yates Carter Boyd Connie Browning	Edgar Edwards Tollie Robinson Robert Stanley Albert Large	99	60
Martin Chapel	Joe Johnson	Otis Vanover Basil Rasnick Beecher Long	106	79
Mendes Chapel	James Rose	Claude Markland Covey Kiser	61	59
McCoy Chapel	Harless Lane J. L. Meade	Slimp McCoy	35	40
Middle Branch	Joe Johnson C. E. Reedy	George Lambert Simon Sutherland	103	
Mill Creek	J. T. Hartsock	Charles Lambert Ray Edwards	55	

Mills Chapel	Paul Fields	Roy Patrick	90	60
Peuther Chapel	C. E. Reedy	Therman Sproles		
	Paul Fields	Claude Carty	104	90
Phillips Chapel	Howard Reynolds	Francis Mullins		
		James Barnes	52	64
		Robert Culbertson		
Pine Creek	Ayers Kennedy	Authur Saylers		
	Bill Mack Mullins	E. E. Mullins	99	20
Pine Grave	Jim Lee Meade	Carrol Dotson		
	Quinton Kieth	Cecil Kiser	83	60
Pyles Memorial	Gene Vanover	Arnold Gouge		
		Everett Mullins	56	56
Rachel Chapel	E. M. Rose	Edward Mullins		
		Rufus Kieth	78	37
		Voda Blevins		
Rugby	Ted Mullins	Howard Marshal		
	E. M. Rose	Eckel Mullins	127	75
	Ted Mullins	Emory Dingus		
Splashdam	Lonso Edwards	Emory Hammons	56	52
		Jim Mullins		
		Bruce Sutherland		
Straight Hollow	Harry Whittaker	Finis Deskins	25	40
Tarpon	Carter Boyd	Joe Potter	59	43
	Wythe Saylers	Ralph Dingus		
Valley View	Derwood Yates	Fred Roberts	87	96
	Asia Hughes	Bunley Moore		
Yates Chapel	Wythe Saylers	Roy Bise	39	45
		John Yates		
Anna Dale	Noble Wright	Patterson Moffett	22	
Bearwallow	J. T. Hartsock			
	Wallace Sexton	Glenn Hale		
		Jimmy Hall		
		Auther Phillips	20	54
Lick Creek	Clayton Hay	Ray Fuller	27	25
	Gobble Rose			
Mannassas	Jerry Slimp	Raymond Crabtree	45	65
	Billy Smith			
TOTALS			2419	1674

OFFICERS

Kyle Hubbard, Honaker, Virginia Moderator
 Clyde Reedy, Clintwood, Virginia Assistant Moderator
 Everett W. Johnson, 316 S. State Street, Westerville, Ohio 43081 Clerk
 Oval W. Hillman, Route 1, Box 440, Clintwood, Virginia 24228 Treasurer

DELEGATES ATTENDING THE YEARLY MEETING

DICKENSON COUNTY

Noah B. Lambert
Willetta Salyer
Catherine Calo
Annette Hylton
Clercie Robinson
Ruby Dotson
Lula Kennedy
Mrs. Charles A. Long
Clarence Tolliver
Mr. and Mrs. Roger Vance
Mrs. Garland Mullins
Georgia Smith
Mattie Stanley
Merida Boggs
Greatheal Clay

Richard Salyer
Dorothy Austin
Cynthia Boggs
Virgie Wright
Dorothy Dotson
Mrs. Ida Marshall
Hattie Keith
Gaines Lambert
Henry E. Carty
Margie Mullins
Clarence Boyd
Wesley Edwards
Bessie Large
Flora Keith

Ellis Adkins
Ada McCoy
Lydia B. Davis
Harold Mullins
Maxie Sluss
Joyce Carroll
Mrs. Macel M. Phillips
Audrey Stanley
Pearl E. Bise
Estil Lee Moore
Muncie Mullins
Edith Boyd
Ruth Clay
Iris Jo Rakes
Norma Large

Deacons

Emory Hamon
Everett Mullins
Edgar Edwards
George Lambert
Robert E. Stanley

Elzie E. Mullins
Emory Dingus
Earet Rose
Charles E. Rose

Garland F. Mullins
Connie Browning
Arnold Gouge
Fred Lane

Ministers

Luther Taylor
Coy M. Cantrell
Enoch M. Rose
B. M. Moore
Marvin Killen

Emel Vanover
C. E. Reedy
E. W. Johnson
Gaylord Spriggs

Howard Reynolds
Derwood Yates
Alonzo Edwards
Carter Boyd

HAMILTON COUNTY

Ministers

Floyd R. Stewart

David Lee Phillips

NEW DURM CONFERENCE

Delegates

Ada Farmer
Loella Napier

Ruth Dye
Ellen L. Dye

Deacons

Leonard Dye

Brady Farmer

Ministers

Harley Dye

Allen Stevens

Mose Napier, Licentiate

PIKE COUNTY CONFERENCE

Delegates

Buncie Bryant
Suda Slone
Gerelene Martin

Brenda Antell
G. C. Dye

Dessie Morgan
Mrs. Fannie Dye
Georgia Mullins

Deacons

Troy Bryant

Orville Hamilton

Jesse Casey

Ministers

Bennie F. Slone

Woodrow Mullins

LETCHER COUNTY

Delegates

Sarah Trinkle
Cora Able
Clarence Tolliver

Ruth Craft
Mary Shelby
Franklin Anderson

Charley H. Martin
Wesley Rose
Earsel Cantrell

Deacons

Hobart Pannel
Jack Whitaker

Glenn E. Rose

Milford Craft
Clayton Swindall

Ministers

Herbert G. Rowlett
Albert Dingus
Ersel McPeck

Lawrence Shelby
Sherman Whitaker

Homer Lee Mullins
Ezra Johnson

VISITING MINISTERS

Paul J. Kettermen, 3606 West End Ave., Nashville, Tenn., representing Freewill Baptist College, Cumberland Association, Tennessee.

Johnny R. Burgess, 9810 Luscombe Lane, Richmond, Virginia, Tidewater Association.

Hobart Addington, Wise, Va., Southwest Virginia Association.

Fred Greene, 318 Kentucky Ave., Norton, Virginia.

Walter H. Glover, Lebanon, Va., Route 3, Clinch River Quarterly Meeting.

Rev. Howard Campbell, Rt. 4, Bristol, Tennessee, John Wheeler Association.

Rev. Roy Thomas, Nashville, Tennessee, National Home Missions.

Rev. Arthur Rhymer, Rt. 3, Bristol, Tennessee, John Wheeler Association.

ORDAINING COUNCILS

Dickenson County

Joe Johnson, Chairman	Route 4, Coeburn, Va. 24230
Wyth Salyer	Route 2, Coeburn, Va. 24230
E. M. Rose	Route 2, Coeburn, Va. 24230

Hamilton County

Don Howard, Chairman 5320 Werk Road, Cincinnati, Ohio
Douglas Quicksall Route 1, Lawrenceburg, Ind.
Frank Tyree

Pike County

Robey Kendrick, Chairman Belfry, Kentucky
Curtis Wellman Hardy, Kentucky
Junior Harrington

Letcher County

Herman Bates, Chairman Jenkins, Kentucky
Lawrence Shelby Jenkins, Kentucky
Vardney Bolling Jenkins, Kentucky

New Durm Conference

Harley Dye, Chairman Swords Creek, Virginia
Kyle Hubbard Honaker, Virginia
Edward Perkins Oakwood, Virginia

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES

Dickenson County

N. B. Lambert, Chairman Nora, Virginia
O. T. Smith Route 2, Coeburn, Virginia
Oakley Mullins Route 2, Coeburn, Virginia
Earet Rose Clintwood, Virginia
Everett Mullins Pound, Virginia
Charles Lambert, Treas. of Quarterly Meeting Coeburn, Virginia
Everett Mullins, Treas. of Emergency Fund Coeburn, Virginia
Mrs. C. E. Reedy, Treas. of Childrens Home Fund Clintwood, Virginia

Letcher County

Vardney Bolling, Chairman Payne Gap, Kentucky
Lonnie Mullins
Albert Dingus Jenkins, Kentucky

Hamilton Conference

Floyd Stewart, Chairman Box 238, Stewart Road, Milan, Ind.
David Phillips 340 Arch Street, Lawrenceburg, Ind.
Clyde Tyree 25 Maple Street, Tiffin, Ohio

New Durm Conference

Leonard Dye, Chairman Honaker, Virginia
Cleve Dye Swords Creek, Virginia
Frazier Hale Honaker, Virginia
Jesse Shell Oakwood, Virginia
Brady Farmer Venia, Virginia
Elbert Rasnake Honaker, Virginia
John Ray Raven, Virginia
Bura Dye Drill, Virginia

INTRODUCTION

The service opened with congregational singing. Special singing was given by the Rose Trio, Brother Floyd Stewart, Brother Earet Rose and The Cany Creek Trio. Brother Derwood Yates, pastor of the Lick Fork Church, brought the morning message, reading from Isaiah 52:7 and also from Romans 10:10-15. Prayer was conducted by Brother Alva Dingus. This was a wonderful message, and then was wonderful Spirit abounded among the brothers and sisters.

The meeting was dismissed with prayer and blessings on food by Brother Clyde Reedy.

PROCEEDINGS

The fifty-first session of the John-Thomas Yearly Meeting convened with the Lick Fork Freewill Baptist Church, Coeburn, Virginia, September 7-8, 1973 at 1:30 P.M.

The service was opened with singing. The clerk having charge of the meeting, read a lesson from John 21:1-11. Prayer was conducted by Brother Allen Stevens. The clerk continued by declaring the meeting open for such legal business that may come before it. The first item was enrolling of delegates, ministers, visiting ministers, deacons and corresponding messengers. This was done by cards. With this completed, the next item was the electing of a moderator. By a regular move and seconded, Brother Kyle Hubbard was elected to serve as moderator. The moderator was given power by the congregation to appoint such committees as needed to assist in the work. The moderator proceeded by electing a clerk and treasurer. By a regular move and second, Everett Johnson was elected as clerk and Brother Oval Hillman was elected as treasurer.

Brother Clyde Reedy was appointed assistant moderator. Committees were appointed as follow: Pulpit Committee—Brother Fred Lane, Chairman; Ellis Adkins; and Wesley Edwards; Auditing Committee—Brother E. M. Rose, Chairman; Allen Stevens; and Garland Mullins.

Brother Paul J. Kettermann, representing the Freewill Baptist College in Nashville, Tennessee, gave an interesting talk on the growth and progress of the college and the work that was being done by the Freewill Baptist Denomination. There is yet a great work to be done to get the gospel to our people.

By a regular move and second, Brother Kettermann's talk was accepted by the Yearly Meeting. Motion was made and carried to adjourn until 9:30 A.M. Saturday.

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE 2:30 P.M.

Brother Howard Reynolds was chosen for this hour of service by the committee. Brother Reynolds read Matthew 3, using the 17th verse for his text—"This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." By request Sister Dona Mullins led in prayer. This too was a wonderful message.

FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE 7:30 P.M.

The committee appointed Brother Albert Dingus to bring the evening message. Prayer was conducted by Brother Floyd Stewart. Brother Dingus read from Titus 2:11-15 and also from Hebrews 9:27, using this for a text. Singing for this service was by the Christian Faith Quartet from the Lick Fork Church.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION 9:30 A.M.

The moderator opened the meeting by reading Hebrews 10:23-26. Prayer was then conducted by Brother B. M. Moore. Delegates, deacons, ministers, visiting ministers and corresponding messengers were enrolled. Singing was by the Camp Creek Trio and Bristol Quartet.

The moderator called for reports and such business to be taken care of. The auditing committee reported that the books were in order. The executive committee made the following report concerning the request of the Clinch River Quarterly Meeting asking for admission into the John-Thomas Yearly Meeting. The report was as follows: Brother Benny Slone made a motion that the moderator appoint a committee to question the Clinch River Quarterly meeting and bring their report to the 1974 Yearly Meeting.

Signed: N. B. Lambert, Chairman

A letter of correspondence from the Southwest Virginia Association of Freewill Baptist was read as follows:

Greetings:

To the John-Thomas Yearly Meeting of Freewill Baptists while in regular session at the Lick Fork Freewill Baptist Church in September, 1973.

We have chosen as messengers, Rev. Hobart Addington and Rev. I. T. Stallard, whom we pray may sit with in your Godly work.

Our standing is as follows:

Number of Churches	32
Number of Sunday Schools	32
Number of Youth Leagues	19
Ordained Ministers	62
Membership	1656
Membership	1926
Membership	582
Licentates	3

The next session of the Southwest Virginia Association of Freewill Baptist will be Saturday before the third Sunday in May, 1974, at the Glamorgan Chapel in Wise, Virginia, at 9 A.M. Please send us a large delegation.

Greetings:

To the John-Thomas Yearly Meeting while in regular session with the Lick Fork Freewill Baptist Church, September 7-8, 1973. We the Dickenson County Conference of Greewill Baptist met on Friday before the fourth Sunday, July 1973, with the Rugby Church. Brother Joe Johnson, Moderator; Brother B. M. Moore, Assistant Moderator; Clinton Lambert, Lloyd Hillman and Alva Lee Fleming, Clerks; Charles Lambert, Q. M. Treasurer; Everett Mullins, E. M. Treasurer; Mrs. C. E. Reedy, Orphan Home Treasurer; and N. B. Lambert, O. T. Smith, Oakely Mullins, Earet Rose, and Everett Mullins, Executive Committee were elected.

Our conference voted to buy 1050 minutes this year.

Our statistics are as follow:

Number of Churches	37
Church Membership	2419
Number of Sunday Schools	31
Membership in Sunday Schools	1674
Ordained Ministers	73
Enrollment of Woman's Auxiliaries	3

The following are delegates to the Association:

Anna Dale—Noble Wright.

Bearwallow—Nettie Halloway, Magdelene Dishman, Ellen Hale, Cora Hale, and Charolette Phillips.

Castlewood—Katherine Sexton, Newton Bailey, and Trula Jessee.

Clinchco—Brother and Sister Munsey Mullins, Brother and Sister Garland Mullins, Brother Jim Thomas and Sister Dorothy Dotson.

Counts—Brother Alfred Greene, Sister Joan Collis, and Sister Lucille Greene.

Davis—Brother Robert Stair, Sister Prince Dotson, and Sister Margaret Stair.

Duncan Gap—Donnie Joe Mullins, John Carter.

Dyers Chapel—Sister Palma Deloach, Nettie Hale, Kathleen Kiesling, and Eistille Moore.

Ferbie Chapel—Sisters Anette Hylton, Rebecca Hylton and Ada McCoy.

Flemingtown—Poly Vanover, Ethel Sluss, and Mammie Wright.

Fremont—Brother Gary Smith, E. M. Phipps, Timmis Carty, and Jimmy Smith.

Frying Pan—Gene Hay, Mark Mullins, Esther Rasnick, and Rose Powers.

Georges Fork—Brother and Sister Jess Browning, Brother and Sister James Yates, Zettie O'Quinn, and Dean Crabtree.

Hill Ridge—Ruth Ann Taylor, Clarence Boyd, Sharon Boyd, Brother and Sister Palmer Sweeney, and Wanda Stanley.

Honey Camp—Willetta, Richard, Joel, Fritz, and Ricky Salyers, Easter and David Mullins.

Hubbard Chapel—Garland McCarthy.

Lick Creek—Ival Hay, Debbie Hay, Brother Ira Hay and Ruby Hay.

Lick Fork—Sisters Norma Large, Audrey Stanley, Clercie Robinson, Karen Mullins, Bessie Large, Mattie Stanley, Rugy Dotson, and Brother Hassell Mullins.

Manassas Church—Betty Slemp and Lois Barber.

Martin Chapel—Coetta Long, Gilmer Martin, and Gay Martin.

Meades Chapel—Brother and Sister Lloyd Rose, and Sister Viola Meade.

McCoy Chapel—Hodger McCoy, Hazel McCoy, Carson McCoy, Minnie McCoy, John Whitlow, and Normal Whitlow.

Middle Branch—Brother Gaines Lambert, Sister Helen Nash, Dorothy Austin and Catherine Calo.

Mill Creek—Brother and Sister Ellis Adkins, Wesley Edwards, Sister Zella Lambert.

Mills Chapel—Marie Hileman, Earnest Sexton, Bannie Sexton, Pauline Richard, and Lillian Jessee.

Peuther Chapel—Brothers Henry Carty, Grethel Clay, Sisters Ruth Clay, Mary Yates, and Pearl Bise.

Phillips Chapel—Sisters Mildred Long, Adeline Phillips, Ida Marshall, Linda Salyers, and Lorraone Holbrook.

Pine Grove—Arnold Gouge, Anna Lee Culbertson, Hazel Kennedy, Orlena Hamilton.

Pine Creek—Brothers Roy Moore, Monroe Beverley, Guy Mullins, Jess Davis, Sisters Louise Beverley, Buelah Moore, and Lelia Mullins.

Pyles Memorial—Goldin Vanover, Lillian Vanover.

Rachels Chapel—Mae Marshall, Ruby Stanley, Iretta Salyers, Dale Blevins, and Quanita Blevins.

Rugsby Chapel—Brothers Harold Mullins, Cowan Blevins, Sisters Lula Kennedy, Nita Ratliff, George Smith.

Splash Dam—Zone Counts, Rhonda Counts, Virgie Wright, Reva Mullins, and Maxie Sluss.

Strait Hollow—Fred Erwin and Glenn Castle.

Tarpon Church—Linda Sykes, Gilvie Dingus, Roger Vance, Joyce Carroll, and Elma Artrip.

Valley View—Brothers Dugan Vanover, Fred Raines, Tolby Mooney, Sisters Mae Vanover, Sarah Raines, Flora Keith, Agnes Mooney, Tennessee Kendrick, Janice Hughes, and Iris Jo Rakes.

Yates Church—Brothers Frank Stanley, Lillian Hay, Mildred Mullins, Sister Agnes Bise, Brother and Sister Merdia Boggs.

Done by order of the Dickenson County Conference while in regular session with the Rugsby Freewill Baptist Church, July 22-23, 1973.

Moderator Joe Johnson, Clerk Ordained

LETCHER COUNTY CONFERENCE

Greetings to the John Thomas Association:

The Letcher County Conference of Freewill Baptist convened with the Alleghaney Church on Saturday, August 25, 1973.

The conference opened by Brother Ezra Johnson leading the singing, "I will not be a stranger." The scripture reading was Luke 14:23-33. Prayer was conducted by Brother Cletus Garrett.

The following delegates were enrolled:

Ersel Cantrell	Hassel Cable	Nell Anderson
Mr. and Mrs. Arvid Ratliff	Luemmie Johnson	Alpha Taylor
Alberta Elkins	Thomas Roark	Dollie Evanoff
Delorse Mullins	Rodney Compton	Garnett Mullins
Polly Ann Cooke	Chester Hogg	Lonnie Mullins
Bulah Webb	Westly Rose	Cora Able
Ruth Craft	Jim Wright	Mary Shelby
Sarrah Trinkle	Glenn Rose	Nellie J. Miller
Deane Fields	Newton Damron	Debbie Short
Spicie McPeck	Delorse Williams	Buma Blevins
Stella Hampton	Tommie England	Martha Williams
Ethel Little	Clarence Tolliver	Lee Bryant
Brenda Smallwood	Lawrence England	Cora Muncy
Janie Sexton	W. M. Smallwood	Leona Hughes
Cora Cable	Hester Banks	Virginia Tackett

The Conference report is as follows:

Church Fund	\$316.55
Home Mission	\$115.00
Orphan Home	\$140.00
Don Sexton	\$ 60.00
Foreign Mission	\$ 15.00
TOTAL	\$646.55
Conference Donation	\$ 88.82
Donation Cannelton Church	\$100.00
TOTAL IN TREASURY	\$835.37
Number of Ministers	60
Number of Churches	20
Membership	1282

The brothers made a motion to adjourn until our next Conference at Virgie, Kentucky beginning on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in November 1973.

Clyde Damron, Moderator
Jonah Wright, Assistant Moderator
Edwin Johnson, Clerk
Henry Whitt, Assistant Clerk

PIKE COUNTY CONFERENCE

The Pike County Conference of Freewill Baptist convened with the Owsley Church in Oweley, Kentucky.

Membership	1415
Sunday School	757
Number of Ministers	53

List of Delegates from the Pike County Conference

Name	Address	Church
Jesse Casey	Pinsonfork, Kentucky	Octavia
G. C. Dye	Forest Hills, Kentucky	Leckieville
Monis Ratliff	Virgie, Kentucky	Caney Creek
Christaline Ratliff	Virgie, Kentucky	Caney Creek
Buncie Bryant	Robinson Creek, Kentucky	Caney Creek
Gerelene Martin	Bypro, Kentucky	Caney Creek
Georgie Mullins	Pikeville, Kentucky	Caney Creek
Dessie Morgan	Pikeville, Kentucky	Caney Creek
Orville Hamilton	Virgie, Kentucky	Caney Creek
Sarah Hamilton	Virgie, Kentucky	Caney Creek
Perry Antell	Virgie, Kentucky	Caney Creek
Brenda Antell	Virgie, Kentucky	Caney Creek
Curtiss Branham	Zebulon, Kentucky	Grassy

Churches of Pike County Conference, Their Pastors and Their Addresses

CHURCH	PASTOR
Octavia	William G. King McAndrews, Kentucky
Huddy	Robey Kendrick McAndrews, Kentucky
Leckiville	O. H. Greer Belfry, Kentucky
Turkey Creek	Sonny Hatfield Inez, Kentucky

Meat House	Edgar West McViegh, Kentucky
Edo	Benny F. Slone Meta, Kentucky
Grassy	Curtiss Wellman Hardy, Kentucky
Owsley, Kentucky	Bennie F. Slone Meta, Kentucky
Island Creek	Luther Boyd Island Creek, Kentucky
Greasy Creek	Jimmie Skeens Route 3, Box 274 Pikeville, Kentucky
Caney Creek	Woodrow Mullins Route 2, Pikeville, Kentucky
Faith Fellowship Chapel	Ray Williams Pikeville, Kentucky
Toler's Creek	Reffer Justice Shelbianna, Kentucky
Unity	Wilson Justice Pikeville, Kentucky
Gethesmane	Junior Harrington Melvindale, Michigan
Community	Ronnie Kendrick Canton, Ohio
Bluespring	John C. Hatfield Ransom, Kentucky
Mount Zion	Ernest P. Murphy Hatfield, Kentucky

HAMILTON COUNTY CONFERENCE

To the John-Thomas Association of Freewill Baptists when convened with the Lick Fork Church at Clintwood, Virginia, 1973.

We sent as delegates, our beloved brethren: Floyd Stewart and David Phillips whom we pray you to receive to sit with you in your deliberations.

By order of the Southwest Virginia Association of Freewill Baptist while in regular session with the Dungannon Church, May 19, 1973.

Moderator: Rev. Ralph Flanary
Clerk: Rev. William Maness
Assistant Clerk: Sharon Maness

By regular move and seconded, this letter was received by the Yearly Meeting and the following brethren volunteered as delegates to the Southwest Virginia Association—Ezra Johnson, Homer Barrett, Albert Dingus, and Milford Craft.

Letters as follows were from the Quarterly Meetings of the John-Thomas Yearly Meeting: Dickenson County, Letcher County, Pike County, Hamilton County, and New Durm Conference.

NEW DURM CONFERENCE

To the John-Thomas Yearly Meeting when convened with the Lick Fork Church, Coeburn, Virginia, September 7-8, 1973.

We, the New Durm Conference, convened with the Drill Chapel Church, August 10-11, 1973. Brother Kyle Hubbard was elected moderator and Loella Napier as clerk. Delegates were Brady and Ada Farmer, Loella Napier, and Emmie Stevens.

Our standing is:

Churches	11
Membership	515
Valuation of Church Property	\$118,000.00

By order of New Durm Conference while in session with the Drill Chapel Church, August 10-11, 1973.

Moderator: Rev. Kyle Hubbard
Clerk: Loella Napier

Clerk was granted the power to accept the Letcher County's letter, which was sent by mail, and to do the same for the minutes.

By a regular move and seconded, the letters were accepted. A motion was carried.

Brother Roy Thomas, field worker for Home Mission out of Nashville, Tennessee, gave a very interesting talk on missions. He stressed the need for more workers in the vineyard and named a few of our states that didn't have any Freewill Baptist Churches. Are we redeeming the time that God has given us? Let us be up and about our Father's business. By a regular move and seconded, Brother Thomas's talk was received. We thank God for the work that Brother and Sister Thomas are doing and may God continue to bless them.

With this finishing the work of the Yearly Meeting, it was adjourned until Friday before the second Sunday in September 1974. It will then convene with the Hylton Chapel Church, Shelby Gap, Kentucky, unless called together by the moderator.

The John-Thomas Yearly Meeting thanks the people in Clintwood, Virginia for their kindness shown and extended to the people who attended the Yearly Meeting. We also thank the ladies that prepared such delicious food and for all the visiting brothers and sisters who came to be with us.

FRIDAY MORNING SERVICE 11:00 A.M.

Brother Paul Ketterman and Brother Ezra Johnson were chosen for this hour. Brother Ketterman read from Galatians 6:14-18 and also Exodus 21:1-6. His text came from Galatians 6:17, "for I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus". This was an outstanding message brought by our brethern with Brother Johnson concluding the message. A great challenge went forth with this message to each one there. Are you bearing the marks of the Lord Jesus?

Brother and Sister Roy Thomas opened this service with singing. Prayer was conducted by Brother Clinton Lambert. Brother Harley Dye dismissed for lunch.

SATURDAY EVENING SESSION 1:30 P.M.

Congregational singing and singing by the Bristol Trio opened the session. The moderator read Job 37:5-14. Prayer was conducted by Sister Ellen Dye.

The Ministers Conference was organized by the clerk. By a regular move and seconded the same moderator and clerk were retained. The moderator called for letters from the Quarterly Meetings Ministers Conference. Those who responded are as follow: Dickenson County, Pike County, New Durm County, Hamilton, County and Letcher County. They sent their letters by mail. The clerk was given power to receive the letters and word them for the minutes. The letters were read as follow: Pike County, Letcher County, Dickenson County, New Durm Conference, and Hamilton County.

NEW DURM MINISTERS CONFERENCE

New Durm Ministers Conference met and voted to retain the same moderator and clerk for the conference. The ministers present were: Allen Stevens, Howard Bostic, Harley Dye, Edward Perkins, Leonard Farmer, Kyle Hubbard, and David Perkins. The move was made and seconded not to give good standing cards to any minister not reporting in person or by letter for a period of two years. The motion was carried and accepted. A motion was made by Brother Howard Bostic and seconded by Brother Leonard Farmer to retain the same ordaining council. The motion was carried. The Ordaining Council is Brother Harley Dye, Brother Edward Hubbard, and Brother Kyle Hubbard. The meeting was adjourned until August 1974.

Those receiving good standing cards were:

Harley Dye	Jerry Rasnake	James Hutchinson
Truel Brown	Carl Noel	James Lambert
John Massie	Austin Fields	Clarence Miller
Earnest Crabtree	Howard Bostic	Eugene Miller
Edward Dye	Clyde Lambert	Willie Compton
Russel Miller	Kyle Hubbard	Martin Ball
Claude Rose	Edward Perkins	Gonian Kelly
Allen Stevens	Leonard Farmer	Everette Rasnake
Curtis Hubbard		

HAMILTON COUNTY MINISTERS CONFERENCE

To the John-Thomas Yearly Meeting when convened with Lick Fork Freewill Baptist Church, Coeburn, Virginia, September 7-8, 1973.

We, the Ministers Conference, met on August 11, 1973 for our business meeting. Ministers attending were Rev. Floyd Stewart, Rev. David Phillips, Rev. Boyce Franks, Rev. Frank Tyree, and Rev. Clyde Tyree.

Brother Clyde Tyree asked for his letter that he might unite with another Association. He was granted his request. Our seventeen ministers in good standing are:

Floyd R. Stewart
David Phillips
Vestal Hutson
Boyce Franks
Robert McQuire
Arlo Smith

Roy Johnson
Herman Young
Jay M. Davidson
Don Howard
David R. Hutson
Douglas Quicksall

Jeff Carol
Emory Smith
Frank Tyree
Robert Matney
L. D. Mahan

By the order of the Hamilton County Conference while in regular session with the Adams Twp. Freewill Baptist Church, August 11, 1973.

Moderator: Boyce Franks and Floyd R. Stewart
Clerk: David Phillips

The work of the Ministers Conference was adjourned until Saturday before the second Sunday in September 1974, unless called together by the moderator. It will then convene with the Hylton's Freewill Baptist Church, Shelby Gap, Kentucky.

DICKENSON COUNTY MINISTERS CONFERENCE

The Dickenson County Ministers Conference met and convened at Rugby on Thursday night, July 19, 1973, 7:30 P.M.

The Conference was opened with a song led by Brother Enoch Rose. Prayer was conducted by Brother Wyth Salyers.

The clerk called the roll of the ministers and deacons and read the minutes of the last ministers conference.

A motion was made to elect Brother Enoch Rose as moderator. The motion was carried. The meeting was opened for business by moderator.

A motion by Brother J. T. Hartsock and seconded by Brother Clyde Reedy to give the ministers who attended the Thursday night Ministers Conference credit on their attendance record. A motion was carried.

A motion was made to accept the Thursday night Ministers Conference in July as the Yearly Ministers Conference instead of having it on Saturday as in the past. A motion was carried.

A motion was made by Brother J. T. Hartsock and seconded by Brother Noble Wright to retain the present clerk and ordaining council. The clerk is Roy C. Vanover. The ordaining council is Joe Johnson, Wyth Salyers, and E. M. Rose. A motion was carried.

The moderator ordered that the ministers were to have their complete addresses recorded in the minutes.

The meeting was closed for business.

Brother Clyde Reedy gave a good talk on the eighteenth and nineteenth art. of faith. A motion was made to have Brother Reedy to continue this discussion at the October Ministers Conference. A motion was carried.

There were twenty-two ministers and fifteen deacons present for this meeting. The visiting ministers were: Brother Kenneth Merdith and Brother Edison Boggs. The meeting adjourned until October 25, 1973.

The ministers addresses are:

Boyd Carter
Route 1
Clintwood, Virginia 24228 Hill Ridge

Baker, Charlie
Route 2
Pound, Virginia 24279 Hubbard Chapel

Barrett, Homer
Route 1
Clincho, Virginia 24226 Counts Chapel

Carico, Alden
Route 2, Box 129
Gallipolos, Ohio 45631 Pine Creek

Cook, Emory
Box 321
Dante, Virginia 24237 Phillips Chapel

Dingus Alvie
Route 1
Clintwood, Virginia 24228 Hill Ridge

Dixon, Bill
Route 1, Box 17C
Castlewood, Virginia 24224 Mills Chapel

Dotson, Earl
R 995 5th Avenue
Mansfield, Ohio 44905 Rachels Chapel

Edwards, Alonzo
Route 1, Box 84
Clintwood, Virginia 24228 Hill Ridge

Ellis, Carl
Nora, Virginia 24272 McCoy Chapel

Fields, Paul
Box 306
McClure, Virginia 24269 Peuthers Chapel

Hughes, Asa
Clintwood, Virginia 24228 Valley View

Hayes Clayton
Route 1
Clintwood, Virginia 24228 Yates Chapel

Hale, Estel
Route 2
Coeburn, Virginia 24230 Davis Chapel

Hobbs, James
71011 Central Avenue
Elizabethton, Tennessee 37643 Rugsby

Hale, William E.
Route 1
Castlewood, Virginia 24224 Castlewood

Hartsock, J. T.
Route 1
Castlewood, Virginia 24224 Phillips Chapel

Johnson, Ersel
Route 3
Clintwood, Virginia 24228 Pine Creek

Johnson, Everett W.
316 S. State Street
Westerville, Ohio 43081

Johnson, Joe
Route 4
Coeburn, Virginia 24230 Middle Branch

Keith, Rufus
Route 2
Coeburn, Virginia 24230 Rachels Chapel

Keith, Quinton
Coeburn, Virginia 24230 Rachels Chapel

Kennedy, Ayers
Clintwood, Virginia 24228 Rachels Chapel

Killen, Marvin
Route 2
Coeburn, Virginia 24230 Pine Creek

Kiser, James C.
Route 2, Box 87B
Grundy, Virginia 24416 Dyers Chapel

Large, Tommy
Wise, Virginia 24293 Duncan Gap

Lane, Harless
Route 2
Coeburn, Virginia 24230

Lane, Garcie
Route 2
Coeburn, Virginia 24230

Lampkin, Emmit
Route 2
Meadowview, Virginia 24361 Castlewood

McFall, S. M.
Route 2
Clintwood, Virginia 24228 Valley View

Meade, Jim Lee
Route 4, Box 174
Coeburn, Virginia 24230 Meade Chapel

Miles, Charlie
Route 1
Clintwood, Virginia 24228 Tarpon

McKinney, Vester
Route 1, Box 203
Clincho, Virginia 24226 Counts Chapel

Mullins, Bill Mark
Box 271
Clintwood, Virginia 24228 Rachels Chapel

Mullins, Cecil
Box 22
Sophia, W. Virginia 25921 Splash Dam

Mullins, Guy
Route 1
Clincho, Virginia 24226 Dyers Chapel

Mullins, Harold D.
951 Jamaica Drive
Marion, Ohio 43302 Frying Pan

Mullins, Hie
Route 2
Clintwood, Virginia 24228 Fleming Town

Mullins, Mack
Route 2
Coeburn, Virginia 24230 Duncan Gap

Mullins, Ted
Route 2
Coeburn, Virginia 24230 Rachels Chapel

Mullins, Robert
Route 2, Box 180
Pound, Virginia 24279 Anna Dale

Mullins, Remire
Box 271
Clintwood, Virginia 24228 Rachels Chapel

Moore, B. M.
Route 1, Box 179
Nora, Virginia 24272 Dyers Chapel

Osborne, Gerald
Wise, Virginia 24293 Duncan Gap

Reynolds, Howard
Box 67
Sowards Creek, Virginia 24649 Castlewood

Reedy, C. E.
Route 1, Box 52
Clintwood, Virginia 24228 Peuthers Chapel

Rose, Carl
Route 1
Clincho, Virginia 24226 Counts Chapel

Rose, Early
McClure, Virginia 24269 Dyers Chapel

Rose, E. M.
Route 2
Coeburn, Virginia 24230 Rugby

Rose, Maston
Route 2
Coeburn, Virginia 24230 Rugby

Rose, Goble
Route 1
Clincho, Virginia 24226 Counts Chapel

Rose, Josh
Route 2
Clintwood, Virginia 24228 Honey Camp

Rowlett, Hubert
Route 2
Coeburn, Virginia 24230 Rugby

Salyers, Wythe
Route 2
Coeburn, Virginia 24230 Rachels Chapel

Salyer, Robert
Castlewood, Virginia 24224 Mills Chapel

Shortt, James D.
Route 1
Pound, Virginia 24279 Pyles Memorial

Smith, Billy
136 Evans Street
Manassas Park, Virginia 22110 Burk

Smith, Everett
Route 1
Clincho, Virginia 24226 Fremont

Slemp, Jerry
8715 Linton Hall Road
Bristow, Virginia 22013 Burk

Spriggs, Gaylord
1313 Valley Drive
Bristol, Tennessee 37620 Splash Dam

Stapleton, Richard
16 5th Street
Norton, Virginia 24273 Duncan Gap

Sexton, Wallace
Dante, Virginia 24237

Taylor, Fred
Wise, Virginia 24293 Tarpon

Taylor, Luther
Route 2
Pound, Virginia 24279

Tompkins, Alex
Route 2, Box 31
Pound, Virginia 24279 Fleming Town

Vanover, Emory
Route 2
Pound, Virginia 24279 Georges Fork

Vanover, Emil
Gen. Delivery
Clintwood, Virginia 24228 Valley View

Vanover, Roy O.
P. O. Box 382
Pound, Virginia 24279 Pyles Memorial

Ward Hasting
Route 1
St. Paul, Virginia 24283 Meade Chapel

Whitaker, Harry
Box 361
Dante, Virginia 24237 Straight Hollow

Wright, Luke
14514 El Rio Court
Woodbridge, Virginia 22191 Anna Dale

Wright, Noble
5746 Backlick Road, Apt. T4
Springfield, Virginia 22150 Anna Dale

Yates, Derwood
Route 2, Box 299
Coeburn, Virginia 24230 Rachels Chapel

LETCHER COUNTY MINISTERS CONFERENCE AT ALLEGHANEE CHURCH AUGUST 25, 1973

The Ministers Conference was opened by prayer. The following ministers were present:

Albert Dingus
Bill Crawford
Homer Lee Mullins
Sherman Whitaker
Jonah Wright
Robert Hampton

Lawrence Shelby
Vardney Bolling
Deane Fields
Herman Bates, Jr.
Ezra Johnson
Clyde Damron

D. C. Hughes
Edmond Maggard
John Akers
Leon Boden
Lester Able

Brother Ezra Johnson made a motion for Brother Clyde Damron to serve as moderator of the Ministers Conference. This was seconded by the members present.

Brother Clyde Damron appointed Brother Homer Lee Mullins as assistant moderator of the Ministers Conference.

Brother Lester Able made a motion to adjourn and Brother Clyde Damron seconded this motion.

SIGNED BY:

Albert Dingus, Moderator

Edwin Johnson, Clerk

Henry Whitt, Assistant Clerk

Ministers in good standing are:

Alleghaney Church—Roy Sykes, Hellier, Kentucky and Paul Grayson Hopson (pastor).

Bolling Fork Church—Estle Mullins (pastor), Elkhorn City, Kentucky; Geogre Coleman, Route 2, Box 902, Pikeville, Kentucky; and Robert Parson, Shelbyvana, Kentucky.

Big Creek Church—Cash Eversoll, Route 1, Box 249, Hazard, Kentucky.

Burdine Church—Albert Dingus (pastor), Jenkins, Kentucky; Pat Whitaker, Jenkins, Kentucky; James Mahan, Burdine, Kentucky; Arnold Kelly; Sherman Whitaker, Jenkins, Kentucky; David Shook, Jenkins, Kentucky; Rodney Vickers, Burdine, Kentucky; and Bobby Wayne Elkins, Jenkins, Kentucky.

Cloverlick Church—Richard McFarladn, Eolia, Kentucky; Clarence Hall, Cumberland, Kentucky; and Frank Dixon, Cumberland, Kentucky.

Dunham Church—Charles Gallion, Jenkins, Kentucky and Lloyd Addington, Pound, Virginia.

Dorton Church—Eddie Rose (pastor), Dorton, Kentucky; Cecil Mullins, Jenkins, Kentucky; and Caley Holbrook.

Franks Creek Church—Alonzo Fields, Cumberland, Kentucky; Johnny Claire, Cumberland, Kentucky; and Frank Dixon, Cumberland, Kentucky.

Happy Church—Paul Wooten, Scuddy, Kentucky; Jasper Earls, Vicco, Kentucky; William Aldridge, 4275 S. 7th Street, Mitchell, Indiana; Cleatus Garrett, Route 2, Box 102, Hawesville, Kentucky; and John Akers, Scuddy, Kentucky.

Hemphill Church—Ralph Proffitt (pastor); Glenn Miller, Jackhorn, Kentucky; Arnold Noles, Neon, Kentucky; Larry R. Jones, Box 174, Fleming, Kentucky; and Earl Breeding, Seco, Kentucky.

Hylton Chapel—Homer Lee Mullins (pastor), Shelby Gap, Kentucky; Edmond C. Maggard, Jonancy, Kentucky; and Clyde Damron, Shelby Gap, Kentucky.

Haymond Church—D. C. Hughes (pastor), Box 62, Fleming, Kentucky.

Kings Creek Church—Vardney Bolling (pastor).

Marshalls Branch Church—Johnny Stoffer (pastor), Route 2, Jenkins, Kentucky.

Moors Chapel Church—Clyde Huff (pastor), McRoberts, Kentucky; Robert Anderson, McRoberts, Kentucky; David I. Brewer, McRoberts, Kentucky; Elonzo Caldwell, McRoberts, Kentucky; and Hargus Brewer, Route 2, Box 408, North Wilksboro, North Carolina.

Neon Church—Darwin Mullins (pastor), Deane, Kentucky; C. O. Caudill, Dunham, Kentucky; Gordon Fields, 317 Dayton Oxford Road, Carlisle, Ohio; George Adams, Jr., Ermine, Kentucky; and Tommie Pike, Jenkins, Kentucky.

Payne Gap Church—Herman Bates, Jr., Payne Gap, Kentucky; Ezra Johnson, Jenkins, Kentucky; Ersell McPeck, Payne Gap, Kentucky; Vardney Bolling, Payne Gap, Kentucky; Jonah Wright, Payne Gap, Kentucky; and Bill Crawford, Pound, Virginia.

Pine Chapel Church—Caleb Holbrook, Dorton, Kentucky; Percy Elkins, Jenkins, Kentucky; George Lester Able, Jenkins, Kentucky; Lawrence Shelby, Jenkins, Kentucky; Loyd Pike; and Andy Timblin, Jenkins, Kentucky.

Seco Church—Woodrow Phillips, Seco, Kentucky.

Virgie Church—Fred Coleman, Route 2, Box 831, Pikeville, Kentucky; Leon Boden,

Route 4, Robinson Creek, Kentucky; and Robert S. Hampton, Box 135, Robinson Creek, Kentucky.
 Whitesburgh Church—Ira Harvey (pastor), Day, Kentucky; Tensley Stamper, McRoberts, Kentucky; and Corbett Overbee, Hazard, Kentucky.

PIKE COUNTY MINISTERS CONFERENCE

The ministers of Pike County Quarterly Conference met and convened at the Huddy Freewill Baptist Church on Friday night, August 24, 1973, with Rev. Jake Shaad taking charge of devotional service. After singing two songs, we were led in prayer by Rev. William G. King.

Rev. Jake Shaad read Ecc. 3 for a scripture. The moderator called the conference to order for the electing of a moderator. A motion was made, seconded and carried that Rev. John C. Hatfield be elected moderator for one year. The moderator was given power to appoint an assistant. Rev. Jimmie Skeens was appointed assistant moderator.

The moderator called the roll of the ministers. The fifteen who were present were:

Robert Varney	Jake Shaad	William G. King
Robey Kendrick	Jimmie Skeens	Curtiss Wellman
Sonny Hatfield	Horner Adkins	Garland Ray
Albert Damron	O. H. Greer	Woodrow Mullins
Phillip Hackney	Junior Harrington	Edgar West

Eight ministers reported by letter:

Lawrence Ball	Mike Carter	Richard Hughes
Gerrie Reynolds	Charles E. Stevenson	Mickey Maynard
Luther Boyd	R. F. Hatfield	

The new credential cards were issued. We, the Ministers Conference of Pike County, recommended to the Quarterly Meeting that all business received by the business committee in writing be brought before the conference for a vote on each item.

A motion was made and carried that we prepare a letter to the John-Thomas Association. The names of four ministers were dropped from our list until they return and make it satisfactory for not attending the conference. The names were Reffer Justice, George Bickford, Ray Williams, and Ervin Bently.

With no further business, a motion was made and carried to adjourn until our next meeting, the last Friday in February at the Grassy Freewill Baptist Church.

Rev. Garland Ray dismissed the meeting.

John Calvin Hatfield, Moderator
 Robert Varney, Clerk

The ministers in good standing with Pike County Conference are:

Octavia Church—Phillip Hackney, Turkey Creek, Kentucky; Robert Varney, Route 2, Box 21, Pinsonfork, Kentucky; O. H. Greer, Belfry, Kentucky; William G. King, McAndrews, Kentucky; Onis Varney, 254 Jewett Street, Elgin, Illinois; Noah Chapman, Huddy, Kentucky; Lawrence Ball, Switzer, W. Virginia; Edgar West, McViegh, Kentucky; Dennis Hinkle, McHenry, Illinois; Gerrie Reynolds, McAndrews, Kentucky; and Dencil May, Lenore, W. Virginia.
 Bluespring Church—John T. Oliver, Ransom, Kentucky; John Calvin Hatfield, Ransom, Kentucky; and R. F. Hatfield, Ransom, Kentucky.
 Owsley Church—Benny F. Slone, Meta, Kentucky; Wilson Justice, Pikeville,

Kentucky; Dock Hunt, Owsley, Kentucky; Junior Harrington, Melvindale, Michigan; and Homer Adkins, Owsley, Kentucky.

Faith Fellowship Chapel—Ray Williams, Pikeville, Kentucky.

Edo Church—Garland Varney, Kimper, Kentucky; Sonny Hatfield, Inez, Kentucky; and Miles Casey, Phelps, Kentucky.

Grassy Church—Williard Smith, Jr., Zebulon, Kentucky; Herbert Goff, Zebulon, Kentucky; and Perry Kendrick, Pikeville, Kentucky.

Mt. Zion Church—Ernest P. Murphy, Hatfield, Kentucky; Willard Ray, Hatfield, Kentucky; and William Akers, Sidney, Kentucky.

Unity Church—Emmett McPeck, Grundy, Virginia; George Bickford, Rockhouse, Kentucky; and Ervin Bently, Rockhouse, Kentucky.

Island Creek Church—Frank Rich, Pikeville, Kentucky; Luther Boyd, Island Creek, Kentucky; and Everett Mullins, Island Creek, Kentucky.

Greasy Creek Church—Reffer Justice, Shelbianna, Kentucky; Jimmy Skeens, Route 3, Box 274, Pikeville, Kentucky; Buford Thacker, Shelbianna, Kentucky; and Eugene Ellison, Detroit, Michigan.

Huddy Church—Robey Kendrick, McAndrews, Kentucky; Jake Shaad, Cinderalla, W. Virginia; Curtiss Wellman, Hardy, Kentucky; and Joe Hackney, Belfry, Kentucky.

Turkey Creek Church—Johnny Cline, Turkey Creek, Kentucky; Mike Carter, Turkey Creek, Kentucky; and Richard Hughes, Turkey Creek, Kentucky.

Caney Creek Church—Woodrow Mullins, Route 2, Pikeville, Kentucky; Albert Damron, Route 2, Pikeville, Kentucky; and Garland Ray, Virgie, Kentucky.

Community Church—Ronnie Kendrick, Canton, Ohio and Mickey Maynard, Canton, Ohio.

Leckievie Church—Walker Smith, Goody, Kentucky.

Gethesmane Church—Charles E. Stevenson, Melvindale, Michigan.

SATURDAY EVENING SERVICE 2:30 P.M.

Special singing was brought by the following: Brother Earet Rose—"The Prince of My Peace" and "The Great High Mountain"; Sister Nell Robinson and Johnny Burgess—"I'll See Somebody I Know"; Brother and Sister Roy Thomas from Nashville, Tennessee—"That Little Church Back Home"; and Brother and Sister Rose—"Turn Back". Prayer was conducted by Brother Earet Rose. After prayer, Brother Derwood Yates sang "The Two Robes". Brother Hobart Addington read I Corinthians 13, using the 13th verse for his text. He brought a wonderful message. The meeting was dismissed by Brother Enoch Rose.

SATURDAY NIGHT SERVICE 7:30 P.M.

Songs sung by the Lick Fork choir were "What Glory T'will Be" and "They Tell Me of A River". The Christian Faith Quartet sung "I Won't Have To Worry Any More" and "A Reunion on the Other Side". Brother Hampton Osborne sang "The Lights of Home". The preaching was brought by Brother Sherman Whitaker and Brother Johnny Burgess. The lesson came from Ephesians 6 and the text was "The Plan of Salvation". These were wonderful messages. The meeting was dismissed by Brother Tollie Robinson.

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE 11:00 A.M.

Singing was brought by the Lick Fork choir, Bertsy Stanley Family Singers and the Christian Faith Quartet.

Prayer was conducted by Brother Bertsey Stanley. Preaching was brought by Brother Carter Boyd, Brother Mack Mullins, and Brother Johnny Burgess. The lesson came from Phillipians 2. The meeting was dismissed by Brother Carter Boyd.

MINISTER'S REPORT

JASPER EARLS

Vicco, Kentucky 41773

Sermons	15
Revivals	1
Conversions Witnessed	15
Number Baptized	12
Prayer Services	1
Amount Received	\$15.00

EDMON C. MAGGARD

Janancy, Kentucky 41538

Sermons	33
Conversions Witnessed	10
Burials Attended	4
Memorials	2
Prayer Services	25

IRA HARVY

Whitesburg, Kentucky

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	31
Revivals	2
Conversions Witnessed	4
Number Baptized	5
Prayer Services	38

W. M. CRAWFORD

Pound, Virginia

Sermons	75
Revivals	1
Conversions Witnessed	35
Burials Attended	7
Memorials	6
Churches Organized	1

CLETES GARRETT

Route 2

Hawesville, Kentucky

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	150
Revivals	1
Conversions Witnessed	40
Number Baptized	35
Memorials	2
Prayer Services	52
Couples Married	4

PAUL WOOTON

Star Route 1, Box 7

Scuddy, Kentucky

Sermons	85
Revivals	4
Conversions Witnessed	10
Number Baptized	8
Burials Attended	5
Memorials	1
Prayer Services	50

CORBETT OVERBEE

Hazard, Kentucky

Sermons	60
Revivals	2
Conversions Witnessed	2
Number Baptized	2

JOHN LEE CLAIR

Whitesburg, Kentucky

Churches Pastored	1
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Sermons	80
Revivals	2
Number Baptized	3
Burials Attended	7
Memorials	2
Prayer Services	50
Churches Organized	1
S. S. Organized	1
Couples Married	1

EZRA JOHNSON
Box 286
Jenkins Kentucky 41537

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	50
Conversions Witnessed	10
Burials Attended	6
Memorials	2
Prayer Services	32
Amount Received	\$60.00

WILLIAM C. ALDRIDGE
427 S. 7th Street
Mitchell, Indiana

Churches Pastored	1
Conversions Witnessed	12
Number Baptized	6
Burials Attended	4
Couples Married	1

CASH EVERSOLE
Hazard, Kentucky

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	60
Revivals	1
Conversions Witnessed	2
Number Baptized	2
Burials Attended	1
Prayer Services	40

CURTISS HUBBARD
Swords Creek, Virginia

Sermons	118
Revivals	4
Conversions Witnessed	40
Number Baptized	19
Burials Attended	3
Memorials	2

Prayer Services	52
Amount Received	\$14.73

C. R. MILLER
Route 2
Lebanon, Virginia

Sermons	75
Revivals	2
Conversions Witnessed	39
Number Baptized	34
Burials Attended	2
Memorials	4
Couples Married	1
Amount Received	\$95.00

EDWARD DYE
Box 304
Oakwood, Virginia

Churches Pastored	2
Revivals	1
Conversions Witnessed	2
Burials Attended	2
Amount Received	\$22.00

HOWARD BOSTIC
Swords Creek, Virginia

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	75
Revivals	4
Conversions Witnessed	6
Number Baptized	6
Burials Attended	12
Prayer Services	5
Amount Received	\$450.00

JERRY RASNAKE
Honaker, Virginia

Sermons	52
Revivals	2
Conversions Witnessed	32
Number Baptized	17
Memorials	3

ALLEN STEVENS
Star Route, Box 55
Richlands, Virginia

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	41

Revivals	1
Conversions Witnessed	4
Number Baptized	2
Burials Attended	39
Radio Program	9
Amount Received	\$250.00

EARNEST CRABTREE
 Honaker, Virginia

Sermons	55
Revivals	4
Conversions Witnessed	10
Number Baptized	4
Burials Attended	2
Memorials	3
Amount Received	\$80.00

HARLEY DYE
 Swords Creek, Virginia

Churches Pastored	2
Sermons	70
Conversions Witnessed	6
Number Baptized	5
Burials Attended	12
Couples Married	14
Amount Received	\$350.00

EUGENE MILLER
 Honaker, Virginia

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	80
Revivals	5
Conversions Witnessed	30
Number Baptized	25
Burials Attended	1
Memorials	3
Prayer Services	15

CLARENCE MILLER
 Swords Creek, Virginia

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	50
Conversions Witnessed	1
Memorials	3

EDWARD PERKINS
 Box 73
 Oakwood, Virginia

Churches Pastored	1
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LEONARD E. FARMER
 Route 2
 Honaker, Virginia

Churches Pastored	2
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TRUEL BROWN
 Swords Creek, Virginia

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	175
Revivals	2
Conversions Witnessed	10
Number Baptized	20
Burials Attended	17
Memorials	4
Prayer Services	25
Amount Received	\$250.00

ALBERT DINGUS
 Box 748
 Jenkins, Kentucky

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	40
Burials Attended	13
Memorials	3
Prayer Services	40
Couples Married	2

JOHN MASSIE
 Honaker, Virginia

Churches Pastored	2
Revivals	5
Conversions Witnessed	20
Number Baptized	17
Burials Attended	4
Memorials	2
Couples Married	14
Amount Received	\$263.20

FLOYD R. STEWART
 R. R. 1
 Milan, Indiana 47031

Churches Pastored	1
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Sermons	105
Revivals	2
Conversions Witnessed	15
Number Baptized	12
Burials Attended	2
Memorials	1
Couples Married	8

J. M. DAVIDSON
Route 3, Box 493
Brookville, Indiana 47012

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	60
Conversions Witnessed	2
Number Baptized	2
Couples Married	1

VESTAL HUTSON
3783 Elenezer Road
Cincinnati, Ohio

Sermons	32
Revivals	2
Conversions Witnessed	29
Number Baptized	21
Burials Attended	1
Prayer Services	10
Couples Married	1

FRANK TYREE

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	130
Revivals	1
Conversions Witnessed	6
Number Baptized	8
Prayer Services	52

DAVID PHILLIPS
340 Arch Street
Lawrenceburg, Indiana

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	52
Prayer Services	30

DOUGLAS QUICKSALL
Route 2
Lawrenceburg, Indiana

Sermons	45
Conversions Witnessed	3
Number Baptized	4
Burials Attended	3
Prayer Services	32
Couples Married	1
Amount Received	\$5.00

ARLO SMITH
Route 1, Box 50
Sunman, Indiana

Churches Pastored	1
Burials Attended	2
Couples Married	1

CORBETT OVERBEE
Highland Heights, Apt. 17
Hazard, Kentucky

Sermons	23
Revivals	1
Number Baptized	1

DON HOWARD

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	80
Conversions Witnessed	20
Number Baptized	17
Burials Attended	4
Prayer Services	52
Couples Married	3

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Sermons	45
Revivals	1
Conversions Witnessed	3

OBITUARY OF REV. JESSIE MOSLEY



Rev. Jessie Mosley, age 60, of McAndrews, Kentucky was a minister of the Freewill Baptist Church for thirty years and was known as "the country preacher". He died on July 17, 1973.

He was a disabled miner and has served as pastor of various churches during the three decades of his ministry.

He was a native of McDowell County, West Virginia and was born April 20, 1913, a son of Clabe and Pricy Coleman Mosley, of Huddy Kentucky. Surviving in addition to his parents are his wife, Mrs. Dorthy Blackburn Mosley; four daughters, Mrs. Bill Blackburn of McAndrews, Kentucky, Mrs. Bill Daughtery of Sunbury, Ohio; Mrs. Edward Guden of Johnston, Ohio; and Mrs. James Mabe of Reynoldsburg, Ohio. Gary Randall, the only son is at the home. He is also survived by three brothers and one sister.

Funeral services were held at the Belfry Freewill Baptist Church with Curtiss Wellman, John C. Hatfield, and Buddy Kendrick officiating. Burial was in the Mountain View Memory Gardens at Huddy, Kentucky.

OBITUARY OF REV. LEONARD WEST



Rev. Leonard West, 84, of McAndrews, Kentucky died October 21, 1972, following a long illness. He was born April 7, 1888 in Pike County, a son of the late Amos and Nancy Phillips West.

He was a retired miner and a member of the Octavia Freewill Baptist Church. He had been a minister for about thirty years.

In addition to his wife, Louvena Mae, he is survived by seven daughters, five sons, thirty-nine grandchildren, twenty great-grandchildren, and three sisters.

Funeral services were held at the Belfry Freewill Baptist Church with Rev. William G. King and Buddy Kendrick in charge. Burial followed in the Mountain View Memory Gardens at Huddy, Kentucky.

He is sadly missed by his family and a host of brothers and sisters in Christ. We feel our loss is his eternal gain.

OBITUARY OF GEORGE KENDRICK



In memory of our dear loving husband and father who passed from this life August 4, 1973 at the age of 50. Born February 22, 1923, he was the son of Adam and Rosa Kendrick. He was married to the former Tennessee Phipps, who survives him.

George served as deacon of Valley View Freewill Baptist Church for five years and was a member of Clintwood Masconic Lodge.

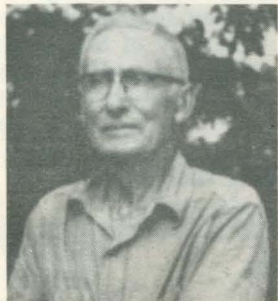
In addition to his wife, he is survived by four sons: Roy Allen of Salem, Va.; Robert Joseph of Roanoke, Va.; Charles Merrell and Ronald George at home; three

daughters: Mrs. Carolyn Sue Riggle of Grand Rapids, Mi.; Patricia June and Tammy Lynn at home. He also is survived by four grandchildren, four sisters and five brothers.

We feel our loss is heavens gain and he is resting from his labor and waiting that great resurrection day.

Written by: Wife and Children

OBITUARY OF CLEOPHAS S. LANE



Cleophas was born January 30, 1888 and departed this life Aug. 28th 1972. He was the son of Brownlow and Elizabeth Mullins Lane of Lick Fork, Virginia.

He was married to Alice Reedy September 25, 1912 and they born the following children: Mrs. Genola Edwards, Clintwood, Va.; Mrs. Leola Markland, Morristown, Tennessee; and Mrs. Cleo Kennedy, Coeburn, Virginia.

He was a kind and gentle person and was loved by all who knew him. He is badly missed in his community and in the church and most of all his presence in and about

the home.

A true Christian for many years, Cleophas belonged to the Yates Chapel Church.

He is survived by his widow, three daughters, eleven grandchildren, fourteen great-grandchildren, one great-great-grandchild, three brothers—Cedric, Bramble and Walker, and two sisters—Mrs. Bessie Hawkins and Mrs. Celeste Powers.

Sleep on dear Dad take your long deserved rest. You are gone from this life but never forgotten. I think of you so much. We feel our loss is Heaven's gain.

Written by your daughter that loved you so much.

Genola

OBITUARY OF JAMES K. PERKINS



James Kelly Perkins, 82, of Swords Creek, Virginia died January 23, 1972. A life long resident of Swords Creek, he was a son of the late Joseph H. and Kathern Dye Perkins. He was a retired miner, a farmer, and a member of the Freewill Baptist Church.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Alta Keen Perkins; three daughters—Mrs. Estell Perkins, Oakwood, Va., Mrs. Rosezettia Conlon, Cleveland, Ohio, and Mrs. Fayrene Plaster, Honaker, Va.; eight sons—Paul, Asby, Robert, Linkous, Vernie, Swain and Hermon Perkins all of Swords Creek and Mason Perkins of Honaker, Va.; two

sisters—Mrs. Mandy Miller and Mrs. Tiny Miller both of Swords Creek, forty-three grandchildren; and seventeen great-grandchildren.

Our loss is Heaven's gain.

OBITUARY OF MRS. SENDY HAMILTON



Mrs. Sendy Hamilton, 56, of Virgie, Kentucky, died October 19, 1970. Born in Pike County, she was the daughter of Mrs. Sarah Martin Branham and the late Russel Branham. She was the wife of Orville Hamilton and a member of the Caney Creek Freewill Baptist Church for several years.

Survivors include her husband, two sons—Kenneth E. Hamilton of Pikeville and Wendell Hamilton of Jonancy, Kentucky; a stepson—Polmerine Hamilton of Elkhorn City, Kentucky; three daughters—Mrs. Brenda Antell of Virgie, Miss Yvonne and Enagile Hamilton both of home; a stepdaughter—Mrs. Opal Wolford of South Williamson, Kentucky; nine brothers; three grandchildren; and four step-children.

Funeral services were conducted from the Caney Creek Freewill Baptist Church on Wednesday, October 21, 1970.

She leaves a host of friends and loved ones to mourn her passing. She was faithful as a loving wife, mother, and a wonderful Christian. We feel her passing is our loss but her eternal gain.

She is sadly missed by her family and many brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus and a host of friends and relatives.

OBITUARY OF ULVIE JUSTICE



It is with a sad heart and loving memories that I write this obituary of my loving and kind husband, Ulvie Justice of Kimper, Kentucky. He passed away September 6, 1972 at home after a long illness.

He was miner and was born in Pike County a son of Lando Justice and Leeia Slone Justice. He was 56 years of age and was a member of the Edo Freewill Baptist Church and proved himself to be faithful to the church.

He leaves to mourn his loss three daughters, two brothers, and six sisters.

Funeral services were held at the Edo Freewill Baptist Church with Willie Daughtery, Estill Mullins and Homer Adkins officiating. Burial was in the Justice Cemetary at Kimper, Kentucky.

I'll always miss him here on earth, but I'm looking forward to the time when we will meet over in God's beautiful heaven where we will never have to part anymore. We traveled to church together many years, and I know he is waiting for me over there. All of God's people pray for me.

Kelsie Stiltner Justice

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 omit the great duty of prayer for ourselves and others; that by divine assistance we will endeavor to bring up 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 Freewill 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 a liberty, out of the number of regularly ordained ministers, to choose a pastor who shall preside over them. We recommend that the church elect their pastor by secret ballot, and this annually.

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 way. 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 or 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 the 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 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 mover 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.

E. A. REEDY
S. M. McFALL
D. L. SMITH
ARTHUR CASTELL
J. C. RASNAKE
W. R. STALLARD

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 organized 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 twenty-five cents (25¢) 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; I 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 in 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 impress 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.

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.

YEARLY MEETING SCHEDULE

The Yearly Meetings will be held in the Quarterly Conferences as listed below, beginning on Friday before the second Sunday in September, at 11 A.M. as year listed:

Dickenson	1973
Letcher	1974
New Durm	1975
Pike	1976
Dickenson	1977
Hamilton	1978
Letcher	1979
Pike	1980
New Durm	1981
Dickenson	1982
Letcher	1983
Pike	1984

The Quarterly Conference to get the Yearly Meeting the next year, will please report in its letter to the Yearly Meeting the previous year which of its churches the Yearly Meeting will be held with. We can have the meeting place printed in the minutes.

