

Minutes

Of The

JOHN - THOMAS
YEARLY MEETING

Of

Freewill Baptist

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

FIFTY-THIRD SESSION

Held With

Mt. Zion Freewill Baptist Church

HONAKER, VIRGINIA

September 12-13, 1975

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 1974-1975

In treasury September, 1974	\$2,092.71
Expenditures 1974 — (Printing and Mailing Minutes)	1,358.02
Clerk	50.00
Check Book for Treasurer	6.55
Total Paid out	1,414.57
In Treasury September 1975	\$ 678.14
Rec'd in 1975:	
Dickenson County	670.00
Pike County	367.75
Letcher County	385.25
Hamilton County	50.00
New Durm Conference	112.00
Mid-Ohio Conference (Donation)	50.00
Engraving for minutes	89.00
Total Rec'd.	\$1,724.00
Total in treasury 1975	2,402.14

The John-Thomas Yearly Meeting will convene with the Owsley F.W.B. Church of Owsley, Ky. off Rt. 23 between Prestonsburg, Ky. and Pikeville, Ky. If traveling North from Pikeville, Ky. turn right at the swing bridge, if from Prestonburg South turn left at the swinging bridge. There will be signs posted for your convenience.

MINUTES FOR THE YEAR 1975

Dickenson County	1200
Oval W. Hillman, Rt. 1, Box 440, Clintwood, Va. 24228	
Pike County	500
Rev. Bobby Varney, Box 21, Rt. 2, Pinsonfork, Ky. 41543	
New Durm Conference	250
Mrs. Loella Napier, Box 372, Honaker, Va. 24260	
Letcher County	650
Edwin Johnson, Rt. 2, Box 29, Jenkins, Ky. 41537	
Hamilton County	200
Jay M. Davidson, Rt. 3, Box 493, Brookville, Ind. 47012	
Mid-Ohio Conference	50
Randolph Gregory, Rt. 2, Box 2245, Bucyrus, Ohio 44820	
Total Minutes	2850

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**CHILDREN'S HOME OFFERINGS —
DICKENSON FREEWILL BAPTIST CONFERENCE**

MRS. C. E. REEDY TREASURER

Name of Church	1974 July	1974 October	1975 January	1975 April	Total
Annadale	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Bearwallow	0	0	0	0	0
Castlewood	10.00	0	20.00	0	30.00
Clinchco	35.67	34.00	34.42	35.14	139.23
Counts Chapel	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	120.00
Davis Chapel	0	0	0	0	0
Denvers Chapel	25.00	0	0	25.00	50.00
Duncan Gap	0	0	0	0	0
Dyer's Chapel	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	120.00
Ferbie Chapel	25.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	85.00
Flemingtown	2.50	2.50	25.00	27.50	57.50
Fremont	55.00	35.00	44.50	50.60	185.10
Frying Pan	5.00	3.00	5.00	0	13.00
Georges Fork	10.00	0	10.00	23.50	43.50
Hill Ridge	10.00	10.00	15.00	15.00	50.00
Honey Camp	20.00	50.00	0	50.00	120.00
Hubbard Chapel	0	0	0	0	0
Lick Creek	5.00	0	15.00	0	20.00
Lick Fork	115.00	115.00	165.00	115.00	510.00
Light House	12.00	12.00	12.00	15.00	51.00
Martin's Chapel	12.00	10.00	10.00	12.00	44.00
Meade's Chapel	60.00	60.00	70.00	60.00	250.00
Mill Creek	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	100.00
Middle Branch	53.50	67.25	40.00	64.25	225.00
Mill's Chapel	90.18	51.97	46.06	91.72	279.93
Peuther Chaple	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	100.00
Phillips' Chapel	10.00	10.00	10.00	25.00	55.00
Pine Creek	27.00	17.00	22.00	21.00	87.00
Pine Crest	0	5.00	0	5.00	10.00
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	23.00	25.00	38.49	25.00	111.49
Rugby	32.55	29.73	58.23	33.76	154.27
Splashdam	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	100.00
Straight Hollow	20.00	25.00	36.00	31.00	112.00
Tarpon	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	40.00
Valley View	30.00	30.00	30.00	80.00	170.00
Yates Chapel	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	40.00
Special donation to the F. W. Baptist Home					186.34
Total	\$873.40	\$797.45	\$911.70	\$1,010.47	\$3,780.26

CHURCHES OF DICKENSON COUNTY CONFERENCE

CHURCH	PASTORS	DEACONS	Memb.	S.S.
Annadale	Noble Wright Jimmy Ventro	Francis Moffet	31	
Bearwallow	J. T. Hartsock	Jimmy Hall Arthur Phillips	21	54
Clinchco	Goble Rose Carl Rose	Garland Mullins Johny Forish Raymond McCarthy	125	33
Counts Chapel	Carl Rose	Kemit Green Darrell Green Garman Edwards	118	
Davis Chapel	Quinton Keith Jim Lee Meade	Estel Hale Thomas Mullins	48	25
Denver Chapel	J. E. Slemph Billy Smith		58	72
Duncan Gap	Tommy Large	Cecil Mullins Elmer W. Mullins	28	60
Dyers Chapel	Joe Johnson	Sam Sutherland Bill Hale Tivis Counts	130	50
Ferbie Chapel	Roy C. Vanover	Hurley Collins	48	65
Flemingtown	B. M. Moore	Leonard Sluss Ervie Dutton Farley Moore	93	30
Fremont	Everett Smith Goble Rose	Harry Carty Hershel Mullins	29	
Frying Pan	Hie A. Mullins	Holt Rice Robert L. Rasnake Gene Hay	33	
George's Fork	Hasting Ward Harless Lane	Herbert Mullins Walton Beverely	53	18
Gladly Fork	I. T. Stallard	Bruce Pilkerton Lonie Sturgill David Moore	69	40
Hill Ridge	Wythe Salyers	Earet Rose Ranel Withrow	61	36
Honey Camp	Josh Rose Ayers Kennedy	David Mullins Larry Mullins Charles Rose	20	21
Hubbard Chapel	Charles Baker Earl Slimp, Jr.	Fred Lane Webster Hubbard	51	32
Lick Creek	Goble Rose Everett Smith	Ray Fuller Clyde Hay	28	18
Lick Fork	Carter Boyd	Edgar Edwards Connie Browning Robert Stanley Tollie Robinson Albert Large Otis Vanover	82	70
Light House	Bill Dixon Wallace Sexton	Slimp McCoy Emory McCoy Jr. Lee Weldon Bland	52	38

Martin Chapel	Joe Johnson	Theodore Hicks Becher Long James Jenkins	99	107
Meades Chapel	Glenn Ritchie	Covey Kiser Claude Markland	54	48
Middle Branch	Vester McKinney, Jr. Joe Johnson	George Lambert Simon Sutherland	101	
Mill Creek	J. T. Hartsock	Charles Lambert Ray Edwards	51	
Mills Chapel	Bill Dixon Paul Fields	Ray Patrick Gene Flannary	99	60
Peuther Chapel	Joe Gleen Sluss Paul Fields	Claude Carty Francis Mullins Lynn Vanover Henry Sutherland	80	80
Phillips Chapel	Joe Johnson Howard Reynolds	James Barnes Robert Culbertson Arthur Salyers C. A. Long	68	96
Pine Creek	Ersel Johnson Wyth Salyers	Carol Dotson Elsie Mullins	111	43
Pine Crest	Clayton Hayes B. M. Moore	Kipling Yates Paul Huff Andrew Bengé	32	20
Pine Grove	Jim Lee Meade Quinton Keith	Cecil Kiser Arnold Gouge	82	58
Pyles Memorial	Lester Hampton	Everett Mullins Worley Mullins	92	69
Rachel Chapel	E. M. Rose Ted Mullins	Rufus Kieth Vodie Blevins Howard Marshall	76	37
Rugby	E. M. Rose Ted Mullins	Emory Dingus Eckel Mullins	13	75
Splashdam	Lonzo Edwards	Jim Mullins Sane Counts Emory Hammons Andrew Mullins Bruce Sutherland Mack Fink Jackie Owen	98	81
Straight Hollow	Harry Whitaker	Fines Deskins	32	40
Tarpon	Carter Boyd	Joe Potter Ralph Dingus	74	35
Valley View	Asa Hughes Derwood Yates	Sam Anderson Burley Moore Wesley Edwards	125	96
Yates Chapel	Wyth Salyers	Delbert Boggs John Yates Roy Bise	54	57
Totals			2671	1689

DELEGATES ATTENDING THE YEARLY MEETING

DICKENSON COUNTY

Dorothy Dotson	Janice Collins	Ada McCoy	Cynthia Boggs
Emma Smith	Kermit D. Wallace	Georgia Hill	A. C. Hill
Betty Hillman	Loretta Salyer	Ellen Cantrell	Ernestine Hibbitts
Catherine Calo	Buelah Johnson	Herbert Kiser	Ivel Hay
Debbie Hay	Rose Powers	Virginia Turner	Beulah Hibbitts
Lillian Hay	Patsy Murphy	June Kilgore	Nadine Belcher
Carrie Mullins	Joseph C. Mullins	Beverly Wallace	Steve Wallace
Tessie Wallace	Ellis Adkins	Ann Bartley	Harlis Yates
Bill Willis	Eva Gay Patton	Mildred Long	
Denver Sutherland		Corina Sutherland	

Deacons

Hershell Mullins	Arnold Gouge	Earet Rose	Emory Hamon
George B. Lambert		Hurley Collins	

Ministers

B. M. Moore	Clayton Hay
Coy M. Cantrell	Joe Johnson
Roy C. Vanover	Derwood Yates
Enoch M. Rose	Everett W. Johnson

Licentates

Daniel Dickenson, Box 218, Castlewood, Va. 24224
Doyle L. Hobbs, Box 193, Castlewood, Va. 24224

PIKE COUNTY

Pauline Hackney	Gay Kendrick
Crystalene Ratliff	Sarah Hamilton
Orville Hamilton	Fannie Dye
G. C. Dye	Mildred Varney

Deacons

Monis Ratliff

Ministers

Joe Hackney, Jr.	Robert Varney
Phillip Bostic	Woodrow Mullins
Bennie F. Slone	Robie Kendrick

LETCHER COUNTY

Tom Trinkle	Sarah Trinkle
Enos Cornet	Kathleen Mullins
Geraldine Calhoun	Homer B. Johnson
Mary Lou Kelley	Mary Lou Kelly
George Ellis Adkins	

Deacons

Rhoda Sanders	Earl L. Smith
David Russell	Milford Craft
John H. Smith	

Ministers

Homer Lee Mullins	Albert Dingus
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NEW DURM CONFERENCE

Phylis Harris	Ellen L. Dye
Ruth Dye	Alice Farmer
Virgil Childress	Lois McGlothlin
Hattie Ray	Loella Napier

Hattie Hubbard
William Hubbard
Viola Whited

Ada Farmer
Mamie Bostic

Deacons

Frazier Hale
Leonard Dye
Thurman H. Hooker

Brady Farmer
Arnold Smith
Dewey Nuckels

Ministers

Allen Stevens
Leonard Farmer
Mose Napier
Truel Brown
Howard Bostic

Earnest Crabtree
Kyle Hubbard
Harley Dse
Russel F. Harris

HAMILTON COUNTY CONFERENCE

No delegates

No deacons

Ministers

Floyd R. Stewart

VISITORS

Bro. & Sister Randolph Gregory from Mid-Ohio Conference, Bucyrus, Ohio 44820

Bro. & Sister Boyce C. Franks from Mid-Ohio Conference, Mt. Gilead, Ohio

Bro. Hobart Addington (Minister) Southwest Virginia Association, Wise, Va.

Bro. & Sister Donald Sexton (Missionaries to France) Hixson, Tenn. 37343

Temporary Address Jan. 1976

Officers

Officers of the John-Thomas Yearly Meeting of Free Will Baptists that were elected for the year 1975-1976:

Joe Johnson, Rt. 4, Coeburn, Va. 24230 *Moderator*

Homer Lee Mullins, Ash Camp, Ky. *Assistant Moderator*

Everett W. Johnson, 316 S. State St., Westerville, Ohio 43081 *Clerk*

Oval W. Hillman, Rt. 1 Box 440, Clintwood, Va. *Treasurer*

Ordaining Councils

HAMILTON COUNTY

Douglas Quicksall, *Chairman* Jay M. Davidson James S. Bohley

LETCHER COUNTY

Herman Bates, *Chairman* Lawrence Shelby Vardney Bolling

PIKE COUNTY

Benny Slone, *Chairman* Robey Kendrick Curtis Wellman

DICKENSON COUNTY

Joe Johnson, *Chairman* Wyth Salyers Enoch M. Rose

NEW DURM CONFERENCE

Harley Dye, *Chairman* Edward Perkins Kyle Hubbard

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES

PIKE COUNTY

Rev. Bobby Varney, *Chairman* Robey Kendrick Benny Slone

DICKENSON COUNTY

N. B. Lambert, <i>Chairman</i>	O. T. Smith	Earet Rose
Vona Mullins, Q. M. Trea.	Everett Mullins	Ernest Sexton
Everett Mullins, Trea.		
Mrs. Ethel Puckett, Childrens Home, Trea.		

LETCHER COUNTY

Vardney Bolling, <i>Chairman</i>	Lonnie Mullins	Albert Dingus
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HAMILTON COUNTY

Floyd R. Stewart, <i>Chairman</i>	Douglas Quicksall	Jay M. Davidson
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NEW DURM CONFERENCE

Leonard Dye, <i>Chairman</i>	Brady Farmer	Cleve Dye	Jessie Shell
Elbert Rasnake	Frazier Hale	John Ray	Bura Dye

Introduction

Service opened with congregational singing. Bros. Enoch Rose and Mose Napier sang "I'm A Poor Wayfaring Pilgrim" which was a blessing to those that heard. Also Bro. Clayton Hay sang "Remind Me O' Lord" which also carried a great message. Bro. Russell Harris, pastor of Mt. Zion Church brought the morning message. He read from the 28th chapter of Matthew verses 18-20. Thought for the message, "The Great Commission." This was a great challenge. Dismissed with prayer and blessing on the food.

PROCEEDINGS

The fifty-third session of The John-Thomas Yearly Meeting convened with the Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist Church, Honaker, Va., September 12-13, 1975.

Meeting was opened with clerk, Everett Johnson reading from 1st John 2nd chapter verses 3 through 11. Prayer by Bro. Bobby Varney. Meeting was declared open to receive such legal business that might come before it. The first item was enrolling of delegates, deacons, ministers, visiting ministers and corresponding messengers. This was done by cards.

Clerk proceeded by electing a moderator. By move of Bro. Homer L. Mullins and second by Br. Derwood Yates. Bro. Joe Johnson was elected to serve as moderator. Motion carried. Moderator taking his place proceeded with the business. He was given power to appoint such committees as needed to assist him in the work. Bro. Homer L. Mullins was appointed as assistant moderator.

Next item was electing of clerk and treasurer. Bro. Howard Bostic made a motion that Everett Johnson serve as clerk. Second by Bro. Kyle Hubbard. Motion carried. By motion of Bro. Albert Dingus and second by Bro. Enoch Rose. Bro. Oval Hillman was elected to serve as treasurer. Motion carried.

Pulpit Committee:

Milford Craft, <i>Chairman</i>	Frazier Hale	G. C. Dye
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Auditing Committee:

B. M. Moore, <i>Chairman</i>	Kyle Hubbard	Leonard Farmer
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Bro. Don Sexton and wife Billie are home on furlough from their work in France and will be returning to France in January of 1976. Bro. Don gave a report of their work in France which was received by the Meeting. Bro. Albert Dingus making the move and Bro. G. C. Dye the second. Motion carried. Letter was read from the Mid-Ohio Conference requesting admis-

sion into the John-Thomas Yearly Meeting. Executive Board to act on their request. Bro. Enoch Rose made the move and Bro. Derwood Yates seconded the move to give letter to the Board. Motion carried. Motion made and seconded to table the request till Saturday morning, 9:30 A.M. Motion carried.

PREACHING SERVICE FRIDAY 2:30 P.M.

Committee reported that Bros. Don Sexton and Bobby Varney would bring the evening message. Bro. Don read from 2nd Timothy, 2nd chapter verses 1-16. Bro. Varney concluded the message reading from the 3rd chapter of Colossians. Prayers by Sister Ellen Dye. These were very soul stirring. A wonderful Spirit abounded in our midst.

PREACHING SERVICE FRIDAY NIGHT 7:30 P.M.

Bros. Leonard Farmer and Albert Dingus were chosen for this hour. Service opened with congregation singing "Standing on the Promises of God." Church gathered around altar for prayer led by Bro. Don Sexton. Had some special singing. Bro. Farmer opened service reading Matthew 28th chapter, 16-20th verse. Bro. Dingus concluded service. Dismissed with prayer by Bro. Bobby Varney.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION 9:30 A.M.

Singing by The West Dante Quartet. Moderator read for a lesson Matthew 13th chapter 24-30th verses. Prayer by Bro. Hobart Addington. Song by Bro. Homer E. Johnson. Moderator called for the work at hand. Auditing committee reported the books to be in order. Next the reading of the report from the executive committee which was as follows: "The Mid-Ohio letter of request was tabled until the next Yearly Meeting, 1976, because of improper Organization procedure. In the meantime the Yearly Meeting will send a committee to help them get properly organized, Saturday before 2nd Sunday in November at Adams Township Free Will Baptist Church at Green Springs, Ohio." The committee that was appointed: Bros. Bennie Slone, Pike Co.; Bobby Varney, Pike Co.; Allen Stevens, New Durm; Kyle Hubbard, New Durm; Everett Johnson, Dickenson Co.

A letter of correspondence from the Southwest Virginia Association of Freewill Baptist was read at this time. Bro. Kyle Hubbard made a motion to receive same. Seconded by Bro. Albert Dingus. Motion carried. We were glad to receive this letter and enjoyed very much having Bro. Hobert Addington with us. Send us a large delegation in September 1976.

Bros. Albert Dingus and Kyle Hubbard are corresponding messengers to the Southwest Virginia Association at Hoover Chapel, Keokee, Va. on Saturday before the 3rd Sunday in May, 1976.

Letters from the various Quarterly Conferences were called for. They responded as follows: Dickenson County; Letcher County; Pike County; Hamilton County and New Durm Conference.

These letters were read and voted on as a whole by regular move and second. Motion carried.

NEW DURM CONFERENCE

To the John-Thomas Yearly Meeting when convened with the Mt. Zion F.W.B. Church at Honaker, Va., September 12-13, 1975.

We, the New Durm Conference send the following as delegates to the Yearly Meeting:

Phylis Harris	Virgil Childress	Hattie Hubbard	Viola Whited
Ellen Dye	Lois McGlothlin	Ada Farmer	Ruth Dye
Hattie Ray	Mamie Bostic	William Hubbard	Alice Farmer
Loella Napier			

Statistics	
Churches	11
Membership	448
Ordained Ministers	29
Licensed Ministers	43
Deacons	26
Sunday Schools	9
Average Att.	40

Financial Report	
Evangelistic work	\$ 200.00
Building & repair	7164.00
Literature	280.94
Parking lot	2200.00
Spent for local causes	9564.86
Childrens Home	392.00
Total expenditures	\$9956.86
Kyle Hubbard, Moderator	
Loella Napier, Clerk	

HAMILTON COUNTY CONFERENCE

Greetings:

We, the Hamilton County Conference send Bro. Floyd Stewart to represent us in your Yearly Meeting. Our Statistics are as follows:

Statistics	
Churches	7
Membership	215
Ordained Ministers	19
Licensed Ministers	2
Deacons	24
Sunday Schools	7
Average Att.	200
Prayer Meeting Att.	100

Financial Report	
Evangelistic Work	\$ 140.00
Building & Repair	400.00
Total spent for local causes .	540.00
Foreign Missions	65.00
Home Missions	300.00
Orphanages	300.00
Total spent for outside causes	665.00
Total expenditures	1205.00
Value of Church property .	48,000.00
Amt. sent to Yearly Meeting	50.00

PIKE COUNTY CONFERENCE

Greetings to the John-Thomas Yearly Meeting

The Pike County Quarterly Conference of Freewill Baptist convened August, 1975. The delegates were enrolled:

Pauline Hackney Gay Kendrick
Orville Hamilton Fannie Dye

Crystalene Ratliff Sarah Hamilton
G. C. Dye Mildred Varney

Statistics	
Churches	18
Membership	1471
Ordained Ministers	51
Licensed Ministers	5
Ordained Deacons	59
Enrollment of Sunday	
Schools	850
Avg. Att. Sunday Schools	725
Women's Auxiliaries	
Enrollment	87
Average att. of Auxiliaries	75

Financial Report	
Pastor's salaries	\$ 1,000.00
Evangelistic Work	125.00
Building & Repair	32,499.38
Literature	1,000.00
Other	1,682.26
Total Spent for local	
causes	\$36,306.97
Outside causes:	
Foreign Missions	540.51
Home Missions	583.00
Orphanage	245.00

Mid-Week Avg. Att. 292

Spent for outside causes .	\$ 1,376.41
Total expenditures	37,683.38
Value of church property	\$474,000.00
Amt. for fees	367.75

LETCHER COUNTY CONFERENCE

To the John-Thomas Yearly Meeting.

Greetings:

The Letcher County Conference convened with the Payne Gap Church, Payne Gap, Ky. on Saturday August 23, 1975. Organized by electing Bro. Homer L. Mullins as Moderator. By vote of conference he was given power to appoint committees as needed to assist him. Bro. Ezra Johnson was appointed assistant Mod. Pulpit Committee, Bros. Ernest Blevins, Chair. Homer Johnson, Dave Russell. Executive Committee, Bros. Milford Craft, Chairman. Earl Smith, Eldred Hayes.

The following were visitors: Bros. Joe Johnson; I. T. Stallard; Hobart Addington; Minister and Bro. Earet Rose, Deacon.

Delegates to the Dickenson County Conference: Bros. Milford Craft; Albert Dingus; John C. DePrest; Clarence Tolliver and Ellis Adkins.

Delegates to the Wise County Conference: Bros. Milford Craft; Bill Crawford; Ezra Johnson; Monroe Kilgore and Ellis Adkins.

The Sunday School talk by Bro. Larry Jones. Temperance talk by Bro. Herman Bates, Jr. By regular move and second these talks were received. The committee reported that Bro. Joe Johnson would bring the 11 A.M. message. Bro. Paul Wooten the evening service and Bro. Tommie England and Dean Fields for night service. A \$50.00 love offering was given to Sister Sarah Phillips. The ordaining council recommended that Bro. Claude Miles wait 3 months for his ordination. Motion to adjourn until 1:30 P.M. was seconded and carried.

Bro. Ezra Johnson opened the conference at 1:30 P.M. by singing. Bro. Eldred Hayes led in prayer. The church letters were all read and received by regular move and second. Motion carried. Bolling Fork letter was tabled until next conference. A motion was made to adjourn until next session at the Seco Church at Seco, Ky. on Saturday before fourth Sunday in November 1975.

Conference Report

Church fund	\$ 392.25
Home Mission	100.00
Orphan Fund	165.00
Bro. Don Sexton	<u>98.00</u>

Total	755.75
Conference offerings	<u>91.77</u>

Total in treasury	<u>847.52</u>
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Church Report

Membership	1541
Ministers	73
Churches	20
Enrolled in Sunday Schools .	1327
Ladies Auxiliary members ..	130

Homer L. Mullins, Moderator
Ezra Johnson, Assistant Moderator
Edwin Johnson, Clerk
Henry Whitt, Assistant Clerk

DICKENSON COUNTY CONFERENCE

To the John-Thomas Yearly Meeting when convened with the Mt. Zion Church, at Honaker, Va. on September 12-13, 1975.

Greetings:

We, the Dickenson County Conference convened with the Ferby Chapel Church on Friday before the fourth Sunday in July 1975. Bro. Carter Boyd was elected to serve as Moderator. Clerks Bros. Lloyd Hillman, Oval Hillman and Alva Lee Fleming, Bro. Vona Mullins as Quarterly Meeting treasurer. Bro. Everett Mullins as, treasurer; Sister Ethel Puckett, Childrens Home, treasurer. Executive Committee: Bros. N. B. Lambert; Earet Rose; Everett Mullins; and Earnest Sexton. The Gladly Fork Church was received into our

conference. The McCoy Chapel Church name was changed to "Light House F.W.B." The Manassas F.W.B. church was changed to "Denver F.W.B."

Our statistics are as follows:

Churches	39
Church Membership	2671
Sunday Schools	33
Enrolled in Sunday School	1689
Ministers	92
Women's Auxiliaries	3

By order of the Dickenson County Conference while in regular session with the Ferby Chapel F.W.B. church, July 25-26, 1975.

Carter Boyd, Moderator

Lloyd Hillman, Oval Hillman and

Alva L. Fleming

This finishing the work of the Yearly Meeting it was in order for adjournment. Bro. Albert Dingus making the motion and Bro. B. M. Moore seconding the motion that this yearly meeting stand adjourned, unless called together by the Moderator, when it will convene with the Owsley F.W.B. Church, Meta, Ky. on Friday before the Second Sunday in September 1976 at 11 a.m.

SATURDAY MORNING SERVICE 11:00 A.M.

Bros. Hobart Addington and Homer L. Mullins were chosen for this hour. Prayer by Bro. B. M. Moore. Lesson was read from 2nd Timothy 2nd chapter the first 8 verses using for a text the thought in the 3rd verse. "Being a good soldier of Jesus Christ." This too was a wonderful message.

Dismissed with prayer and blessings on food.

SATURDAY EVENING SESSION 1:30 P.M.

Organization of the Ministers Conference was in order at this hour. Clerk being in charge read from 2nd Timothy 4th chapter, 1 through 8th verse. Prayer by Bro. Bobby Varney. Ministers conference was organized with a regular move and second, motion carried to retain same clerk and moderator.

By move of Bro. Allen Stevens to continue the printing of a resolution that was adopted in 1970. This move was seconded by Bro. Roy Vanover. Motion carried. The resolution reads as follows:

Resolution of Dickenson County Quarterly Meeting. To all pastors and churches, as recommended by the minister's conference in called session with the Yates Chapel Church, October 21, 1950.

1—That all Freewill Baptist using our church houses must hold a card of good standing with their conference or otherwise be in good standing with their Freewill Baptist Conference.

2—That Pastors, Deacons, and Trustees must approve all appointments of non Freewill Baptist Ministers.

3—All funeral services be excepted from these resolutions.

4—All church clerks are to be notified of these resolutions.

N. B. Lambert, Chair. of Executive Committee

C. E. Reedy, Moderator

W. R. Bise, Assistant Moderator

Clinton Lambert, Clerk

Letters from the minister's Conference were called for at this time. They were read and voted on as a whole. Bro. Albert Dingus made motion to receive the letters as read. Bro. Kyle Hubbard seconded the motion. Motion carried. Letters as follows:

MINUTES OF THE PIKE COUNTY MINISTERS CONFERENCE

Greetings To The John Thomas Association of Free Will Baptist:

The Ministers of Pike County met at the Belfry Free Will Baptist Church at Belfry, Kentucky on August 15, 1975 with the Rev. Homer Atkins taking charge of devotions. Prayer was led by Rev. Reffer Justice. Bro. Atkins read for a Scripture from the Second Book of Peter the 3rd Chapter.

The Rev. William G. King was elected Moderator. Bro. Homer Atkins was appointed Assistant Moderator.

The Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved as read. The Clerk was asked by Moderator to call the roll of all Ministers present and those reporting by letter.

Names of Ministers Present

Noah Chapman	Gerria Reynolds	Robert Varney	William G. King
Curtis Wellman	Robey Kendrick	Joe Hackney	Edgar West
Bennie F. Slone	Velon Burgess	Philip Hackney	Herbert Goff
Jimmie Skeens	Homer Atkins	Philip Bostic	Garland Varney
Buford Thacker	Thomas Carrol	Reffer Justice	Goble Thacker
Richard Hughes	Johnnie Cline	Bud Ross	Albert Damron
Edward Lee Adkins			

Reporting by Letter

Mike Carter Lawrence Ball Craig Barthelmas Wilson Justice

The following Brothers were dropped from the Conference for failing to attend for a period of two years. R. F. Hatfield, Onis Varney, Willard Ray, Ernest P. Murphy, Emmett McPeck, George Bickford, Walker Smith, Willard Smith, C. E. Stephenson and Robert Payne.

Rev. Edgar West made motion to let two of these Brothers continue to pastor their Church until our next Conference in February and then unless they make satisfaction with our Conference they no longer will be permitted to pastor any of our Churches. Motion carried.

A motion was made and carried that we prepare a letter to the John Thomas Association meeting with Mt. Zion Church at Honaker, Va. on the 12, 13 and 14 days of September, 1975.

Motion was made and carried that the Clerk notify the Brothers that were dropped of the action taken against them.

This bringing the business to a close a motion was made and carried to adjourn until the last Friday night in February when we meet at the Grassy Church 1976 at Zebulon, Kentucky.

William G. King, Moderator
Robert Varney, Clerk

Ministers in Good Standing of Pike County Quarterly Meeting

Names	Addresses	Church
John T. Oliver	Ransom, Ky.	Bluespring
Robert Varney	Pinsonfork, Ky.	Octavia
O. H. Greer	Belfry, Ky.	Octavia
William G. King	McAndrews, Ky.	Octavia
Edgar West	McVeigh, Ky.	Octavia
Noah Chapman	Anderson, Ind.	Octavia
Gerria Reynolds	McAndrews, Ky.	Octavia
Lawrence Ball	Switzer, W. Va.	Octavia
Dennis Hinkle	McHenry, Ill.	Octavia
Philip Hackney	Turkey Creek, Ky.	Octavia
Johnny Cline	Turkey Creek, Ky.	Turkey Creek
Richard Hughes	Turkey Creek, Ky.	Turkey Creek

Sonny Hatfield	Turkey Creek, Ky.	Turkey Creek
Mike Carter	Turkey Creek, Ky.	Turkey Creek
Bennie F. Slone	Kimper, Ky.	Owsley
John C. Hatfield	Ransom, Ky.	Bluespring
Robey Kendrick	Belfry, Ky.	Belfry
Joe Hackney	Belfry, Ky.	Belfry
Curtis Wellman	Hardy, Ky.	Belfry
Jack Shaad	Cinderella, W. Va.	Belfry
Garland Varney	Kimper, Ky.	Edo
Woodrow Mullins	Pikeville, Ky.	Caney Creek
Wilson Justice	Robinson Creek, Ky.	Unity
Reffer Justice	Greasey Creek, Ky.	Owsley
Miles Casey	Phelps, Ky.	Edo
Herbert Goff	Zebulon, Ky.	Grassy
Everett Mullins	Pikeville, Ky.	Island Creek
Perry Kendrick	Zebulon, Ky.	Grassy
Ronnie Kendrick	Canton, Ohio	Community
Albert Damron	Pikeville, Ky.	Virgie
Dock Hunt	Owsley, Ky.	Owsley
Mickey Maynard	Canton, Ohio	Community
Ray Williams	Pikeville, Ky.	Faith Chapel
William Akers	Sidney, Ky.	Mt. Zion
Luther Boyd	Pikeville, Ky.	Island Creek
Frank Rich	Pikeville, Ky.	Island Creek
Jimmie Skeens	Shelbianna, Ky.	Greasey Creek
Hmer Atkins	Owsley, Ky.	Owsley
Edward Lee Atkins	Owsley, Ky.	Owsley
Estil P. Akins	Owsley, Ky.	Owsley
Philip Bostie	Meta, Ky.	Edo
Buford Thacker	Shelbianna, Ky.	Toler Creek
Eugene Ellison	Owsley, Ky.	Owsley
Craig Barthlemas	Melvindale, Mich.	Gethseame
Thomas Carrol	Pikeville, Ky.	Island Creek
Bud Ross	South Williamson, Ky.	Turkey Creek
Goble Thacker	Shelbiana, Ky.	Greasey Creek
Velon Burgess	Owsleyk Ky.	Owsley
Dwight Buckley	Owsley, Ky.	Owsley
Simmie Adkins	Wyandotte, Mich.	Gethsemane
Barry Robinson	Pikeville, Ky.	Island Creek

HAMILTON COUNTY MINISTERS CONFERENCE

We, the Hamilton County Ministers Conference was organized by electing Bro. Douglas Quicksall as moderator and Rev. Jay M. Davidson as clerk. State of religion was reported as good.

Ordaining Council:

Rev. Douglas Quicksall, Chairman, Jay M. Davidson, James S. Bohley
Executive Committee:

Rev. Floyd R. Stewart, Chairman, Douglas Quicksall, Jay M. Davidson
Ministers to Receive good standing cards: Rev. L. D. Mahan, Rev. Floyd R. Stewart, Rev. Jay M. Davidson, Rev. David L. Phillips, Rev. Vestal Hutson, Rev. David R. Hutson, Rev. Boyce C. Franks, Rev. Douglas Quicksall, Rev. Robert Matney, Rev. Jeff Carrol, Rev. Arlo Smith Sr., Rev. Emory Smith, Rev. Frank Tyree, Rev. Hermon Young, Rev. James H. Bohley, Rev. Charles Sallie, Rev. Carl Noel, Rev. Fred Stewart, Rev. Rosco Burns.

By order of Hamilton County Conference while in session August 8, 1975.

Rev. Douglas Quicksall, Moderator
Rev. Jay M. Davidson, Clerk

LETCHER COUNTY MINISTERS CONFERENCE

The Letcher County Ministers Conference convened with the Payne Gap Church on, Friday evening at 7 p.m., August 22, 1975.

Brother Homer Lee Mullins Moderator.

Brother Ezra Johnson requesting to sing, God holds the future in his hand.

Brother Herman Bates Jr. leading the singing.

Scripture reading Psalms 24.

Prayer by all brothers at the altar.

The following Ministers were present:

Bill Crawford, Albert Dingus, Sherman Whitaker, Clyde Damron, Homer Lee Mullins, Ezra Johnson, Ira Harvey, Ersel McPeck, Windall Austin, Dean Fields, Arnold Noles, Larry Jones, D. C. Hughes, Jonah Wright, Tommy England, Eddie Rose, Frank Dixon, Estle Mullins, Joe Colly, Geo. W. Reynolds, Earl Breeding, Harlan Seals, Ralph Proffitt, Millard Bates, Robert Hampton, Albert Damron, Charles W. Mullins, Eugene Anderson, David Brewer, McCoy Tackett, Alonzo Caldwell, Johnny Clair, Paul Gibson, Paul Wooten, Edward Maggard, Joe Colly, John Deprest, Clayton Swindall, Andy Timblin, Lawrence Shelby, Herman Bates, Jr.

Brother Albert Dingus made a motion to retain the same Moderator and Clerk for another year.

A motion was made we suggest to the Yearly Meeting the following:
We Recommend that!

A minister must belong to a church in the John Thomas Yearly Meeting before we can give him a good standing card.

Brother John C. Deprest request to be a member of the ministers conference. We were glad to receive Brother Deprest.

A motion was made to receive Brother Deprest in the Ministers Conference. Motion carried.

Brother Ezra Johnson is to call Brother Cletus Garrett concerning his membership in one of the churches of Letcher County Conference.

One of the brothers made a motion to adjourn, this was seconded.

Homer Lee Mullins, Moderator
Edwin Johnson, Clerk

Ministers in Good Standing

Alleghanney Church

Roy Sykes, Hellier, Ky.

Roger Belcher, Hellier, Ky.

Richard Gibson, Ash Camp, Ky.

Bolling Fork Church

Estle Mullins, Elkhorn City, Ky.

Robert Parson, Shelbyanna, Ky.

Joe Colly, Elkhorn City, Ky.

Big Creek Church

Cash Eversole, Hazard, Ky.

Burdine Church

Albert Dingus, Jenkins, Ky.

Pat Whitaker, Jenkins, Ky.

Sherman Whitaker, Jenkins, Ky.

Bobby Wayne Elkins, Jenkins, Ky.

John C. Deprest, Jenkins, Ky.

Clover Lick Church

Clarence Hall, Cumberland, Ky.

Don McKnight, Clover Lick, Ky.

Dunham Church

Lloyd Addington, Pound, Va.

Dorton Church

Eddie Rose, Dorton, Ky.

Cecil Mullins, Jenkins, Ky.

Caleb Holbrook, Dorton, Ky.

McCoy Tackett, Myra, Ky.

George Reynolds, Dorton, Ky.

Happy Church

Paul Wooten, Scuddy, Ky.

Jasper Earls, Vicco, Ky.

John Acres, Scuddy, Ky.

Hemphill Church

Ralph Proffitt
Arnold Noles, Neon, Ky.
Earl Breeding, Seco, Ky.
Millard Bates, Whitesburg, Ky.
W. D. Fields, Jackhorn, Ky.

Hylton Chapel Church

Homer Lee Mullins, Ash Camp, Ky.
Edmond Maggard, Jonancy, Ky.
Clyde Damron, Shelby Gap, Ky.
Tommy England, Ash Camp, Ky.
Clayton Swindall, Shelby Gap, Ky.

Franks Creek Church

Frank Dixon

Dry Fork Church

Johnny Clair

Marshall's Branch Church

Johnny Stoffer, Jenkins, Ky.

Moore's Chapel Church

Clyde Huff, McRoberts, Ky.
David Brewer, McRoberts, Ky.
Elonzo Caldwell, McRoberts, jky.
Glenn Miller, Jackhorn, Ky.
Eugene Anderson, McRoberts, Ky.

Neon Church

Gordon Fields, Miamisburg, Ohio
George Adams, Jr., Ermine, Ky.
Darwin Mullins, Deane, Ky.

Payne Gap Church

Ezra Johnson, Jenkins, Ky.
Herman Bates, Jr., Payne Gap, Ky.
Ersell McPeck, Payne Gap, Ky.
Vardney Bolling, Payne Gap, Ky.
Bill Crawford, Pound, Va.
Jonah Wright, Jenkins, Ky.
Wayne Mullins, Pound, Va.

Pine Chapel Church

Percy Elkins, Jenkins, Ky.
George Lester Able, Jenkins, Ky.
Lawrence Shelby, Jenkins, Ky.
Charles Gallion, Jenkins, Ky.
Thomas D. Miller, Jenkins, Ky.

Seco Church

Andy Timblin, Jenkins, Ky.

Virgie Church

Fred Coleman, Pikeville, Ky.
Leon Boden, Pikeville, Ky.
Robert S. Hampton, Robinson Creek, Ky.

Whitesburg Church

Ira Harvey, Day, Ky.
Corbet Overbee, Hazard, Ky.

The Dickenson County Ministers Conference convened at Ferbie Chapel July 24, 1975 7:30 P.M.

Meeting called to order by clerk. Congregation sang, "I Want To Be A Worker For The Lord." Bro. Derwood Yates led us in prayer.

Bro. Carter Boyd was elected moderator of the ministers conference.

Minutes from last meeting were read and approved.

Those present registered, which were: 28 ministers, 8 deacons, 6 licentiates, 1 visiting minister, Paul Phillips and 1 visiting deacon, Johnny Wright, for a total of 43.

Bro. Derwood Yates preached a wonderful sermon on the ministry, to the pastors and ministers.

Motion made and approved for Bro. Wyth Salyers to continue discussion on the ministry in Oct.

Motion made and approved to retain present ordaining council, Joe Johnson, Wyth Salyers and E. M. Rose.

Motion made to retain present clerk, motion approved.

Dismissed with song led by Bro. Areat Rose "When I Shall Ride The Clouds" and had hand shake.

Carter Boyd, moderator
Roy C. Vanover, clerk

Baker, Charles

Rt. 2, Pound, Va. 24279 — Hubbard Chapel

Barrett, Homer

Rt. 1, Clinchco, Va. 24226 — Counts Chapel

Boyd, Carter
 Rt. 1, Clintwood, Va. 24228 — Hill Ridge
 Cantrell, Coy M.
 Rt. 3 Box 132, Clintwood, Va. 24228 — Hill Ridge
 Carico, Alden
 Rt. 3 Box 161, Gallipolis, Ohio 45631 — Pine Creek
 Castle, Glen R.
 Box 353, Dante, Va. 24237 — Straight Hollow
 Cook, Emory
 Box 321, Dante, Va. 24237 — Phillips Chapel
 Conley, Dallas
 9620 Maury Rd., Fairfax, Va. 22030 — Anna Dale
 Crabtree, Donald Dean
 Rt. 2 Box 210, Clintwood, Va. 24228 — Georges Fork
 Crabtree, Tennie B.
 370 Manassas Dr., Manassas, Va. 22110 — Denver Chapel
 Dingus, Alvie
 Rt. 1, Clintwood, Va. 24228 — Hill Ridge
 Dixon, Bill
 Rt. 1 Box 17C, Castlewood, Va. 24224 — Mills Chapel
 Dotson, Earl
 R 995 5th Ave., Mansfield, Ohio 44905 — Rachels Chapel
 Edwards, Alonzo
 Rt. 1 Box 258, Clintwood, Va. 24228 — Hill Ridge
 Ellis, Carl
 Nora, Va. 24272 — McCoy Chapel
 Fields, Paul
 Box 306, McClure, Va. 24269 — Peuther Chapel
 Fleming, Edward
 Box 725, Clintwood, Va. 24228 — Valley View
 Hale, Estol
 Rt. 2, Coeburn, Va. 24230 — Davis Chapel
 Hale, Glynn
 Dante, Va. 24237 — Bear Wallow
 Hale, William E.
 Rt. 1, Castlewood, Va. 24224 — Castlewood
 Hall, Franklin
 Rt. 2 Box 2'3, Clintwood, Va. 24228 — Pine Creek
 Hampton, Lester
 Rt. 1 Box 33, Pound, Va. 24279 — Pyles Memorial
 Hartsock, J. T.
 Rt. 1, Castlewood, Va. 24224 — Phillips Chapel
 Hay, Clayton
 Rt. 1, Clintwood, Va. 24228 — Yates Chapel
 Hobbs, James
 71011 Central Ave.,
 Elizabethton, Tenn. 37643 — Rugsby
 Hughes, Asa
 Clintwood, Va. 24228 — Valley View
 Johnson, Ersel
 Rt. 3, Clintwood, Va. 24228 — Pine Creek
 Johnson, Everett W.
 316 S. State St., Westerville, Ohio 43081
 Johnson, Joe
 Rt. 4 Box 223, Coeburn, Va. 24230 — Middle Branch
 Kiser, James C.
 Rt. 2 Box 87, Grundy, Va. 24416 — Dyers Chapel
 Keith, Rufus
 Rt. 2, Coeburn, Va. 24230 — Rachels Chapel
 Kellen, Marvin
 Rt. 2, Coeburn, Va. 24230 — Pine Creek
 Kennedy, Ayers
 Clintwood, Va. 24228 — Rachels Chapel
 Keith, Quinton
 Coeburn, Va. 24230 — Rachels Chapel
 Lampkin, Emmit
 Rt. 2, Meadowview, Va. 24361 — Castlewood
 Large, Tommy
 Wise, Va. 24293 — Duncan Gap
 Layne, Garcie B.
 7421 Garrison St., Manassas, Va. 22110
 Layne, Hollis
 Rt. 2, Coeburn, Va. 24230
 McFall, S.M.
 Rt. 2, Clintwood, Va. 24228 — Valley View

McKinney, Vester
 Rt. 1 Box 203, Clinchco, Va. 24226
 — Counts Chapel
 McKinney, Vester, Jr.
 Rt. 1 Box 184, Clinchco, Va. 24226
 — Counts Chapel
 Meade, Jim Lee
 Rt. 4 Box 174, Coeburn, Va. 24230
 — Meade Chapel
 Miles, Charlie
 Rt. 1, Clintwood, Va. 24228 —
 Tarpon
 Moore, B. M.
 Rt. 1 Box 179, Nora, Va. 24272 —
 Dyers Chapel
 Moore, Kermit
 P.O. Box A21, Pound, Va. 24279 —
 Pyles Memorial
 Mullins, Bill Mack
 Box 271, Clintwood, Va. 24228 —
 Rachels Chapel
 Mullins, Cecil
 Box 22, Sophia, W. Va. 25921 —
 Splash Dam
 Mullins, Donnie Joe
 Rt. 1 Box 153, Wise, Va. 24293 —
 Duncan Gap
 Mullins, Guy
 Rt 1, Clinchco, Va. 24226 — Dyers
 Chapel
 Mullins, Harold D.
 951 Jamaica Dr., Marion, Ohio
 43302 — Frying Pan
 Mullins, Hie
 Rt. 2, Clintwood, Va. 24228 —
 Fleming Town
 Mullins, Lee
 964 Van Atta Ave., Marion, Ohio
 43302 — Frying Pan
 Mullins, Mack
 Rt. 2, Coeburn, Va. 24230 — Dun-
 can Gap
 Mullins, Remire
 Box 271, Clintwood, Va. 24228 —
 Rachels Chapel
 Mullins, Robert
 Rt. 2 Box 180, Pound, Va. 24279 —
 Pyles Memorial
 Mullins, Ted
 Rt. 2, Coeburn, Va. 24230 —
 Rachels Chapel
 Osborne, Gerald
 Wise, Va. 24293 — Duncan Gap
 Reedy, E. E.
 Reynolds, Howard
 Box 67, Sowards Creek, Va. 24649
 — Castlewood
 Ritchie, Glen
 Rt. 1 Box 493A, Coeburn, Va.
 24230
 Roop, Stephen Roger
 Rt. 1, Marion, Va. 24354 — Den-
 ver Chapel
 Rose, Carl
 Rt. 1, Clinchco, Va. 24226 —
 Counts Chapel
 Rose, Early
 McClure, Va. 24269 — Dyers
 Chapel
 Rose, E. M.
 Rt. 2, Coeburn, Va. 24230 —
 Rugsby
 Rose, Goble
 Rt. 1, Clinchco, Va. 24226 —
 Counts Chapel
 Rose, Josh
 Rt. 2, Clintwood, Va. 24228 —
 Honey Camp
 Rose, Maston
 Rt. 2, Coeburn, Va. 24230 —
 Rugsby
 Rowlett, Hubert
 Rt. 2, Coeburn, Va. 24230 —
 Rugsby
 Salyer, Robert
 Castlewood, Va. 24224 — Mills
 Chapel
 Salyers, Wythe
 Rt. 2, Coeburn, Va. 24230 —
 Rachels Chapel
 Sexton, Wallace
 Dante, Va. 24237
 Shelton, H. S.
 Rt. 2 Box 93, Troutville, Va. 24175
 — Pine Crest
 Shortt, James D.
 P.O. Box 224, Pound, Va. 24279 —
 Pyles Memorial
 Slemp, Earl, Jr.
 Rt. 1, Wise, Va. 24293 — Hub-
 bards Chapel
 Slemp, Jerry
 8843 Leesburg Pike, Vienna, Va.
 22180 — Denver Chapel
 Sluss, Joe Gleen
 Rt. 1, Clintwood, Va. 24228 —
 Fleming Town
 Smith, Billy
 2321 Gallows Rd., Dunnloring,
 Va. — Denver Chapel

Smith, Everett
 Rt. 1, Clinchco, Va. 24226 — Fre-
 mont
 Spriggs, Gaylord
 1313 Valley Dr., Bristol, Tenn.
 37360 — Splash Dam
 Stapleton, Richard
 16 5th St., Norton, Va. 24273 —
 Duncan Gap
 Stallard, I. T.
 Rt. 1 Box 23, Pound, Va. 24279 —
 Gladly Fork
 Sturgill, Ulis
 Rt. 1 Box 104, Pound, Va. 24279 —
 Gladly Fork
 Taylor, Fred
 Wise, Va. 24293 — Fleming Town
 Tompkins, Alex
 Rt. 2 Box 31, Pound, Va. 24279 —
 Fleming Town
 Vanover, Emil
 Rt. 2 Box 304, Clintwood, Va.
 24228 — Valley View

Vanover, Roy C.
 P.O. Box 382, Pound, Va. 24279 —
 Pyles Memorial
 Ventro, Jimmy
 Quantico Triangle Tr. Court lot
 19, Quantico, Va. 22172
 Ward, Hasting
 Rt. 1, St. Paul, Va. 24283 — Meade
 Chapel
 Whitaker, Harry
 Box 361, Dante, Va. 24237 —
 Straight Hollow
 Wright, Luke
 14514 El Rio Court, Woodbridge,
 Va. 22191 — Ann Dale
 Wright, Noble
 5746 Backlick Rd. Apt. T4,
 Springfield, Va. 22150 — Ann
 Dale
 Yates, Derwood
 Rt. 2 Box 299, Coeburn, Va. 24230
 — Rachels Chapel

THE NEW DURM MINISTERS CONFERENCE

The following are to receive good standing cards from the New Durm Ministers Conference:

Rev. Harley Dye, Swords Creek,
 Va.
 Rev. Russell Harris, Venia, Va.
 Rev. Kyle Hubbard, Honaker, Va.
 Rev. Edward Perkins, Oakwood,
 Va.
 Rev. Leonard Farmer, Rt. 2 Box
 221, Honaker, Va.
 Rev. Russell Miller
 Rev. James Hutchinson
 Rev. James Lambert
 Rev. Charles Miller, Swords Creek,
 Va.
 Rev. Eugene Miller, Box 161,
 Swords Creek, Va.
 Rev. David Perkins, Box 108,
 Swords Creek, Va.
 Rev. Willie Compton, Council, Va.
 Rev. Carl Noel, Rt. 9, Mansfield,
 Ohio

Rev. Howard Bostic, Rt. Box 23,
 Swords Creek, Va.
 Rev. Truel Brown, Rt. 1 Box 295,
 Swords Creek, Va.
 Rev. Earnest Crabtree
 Rev. Edward Dye, Box 304, Oak-
 wood, Va.
 Rev. Gonian Kelley, Cleveland, Va.
 Rev. Austin Fields
 Rev. Everott Rasnake, Council, Va.
 Rev. Claude Rose
 Rev. Allen Stevens, Richlands, Va.
 Rev. Curtis Hubbard, Rt. 1 Box 20,
 Swords Creek, Va.
 Rev. Jerry Rasnake
 Rev. Mose Napier, Honaker, Va.
 Rev. Charlie Keen
 Rev. Kyle Hubbard, Moderator
 Loella Napier, Clerk

A motion was made by Everett Johnson that the Yearly Meeting give Bro. and Sister Don Sexton \$100.00 to help in their ministry in France. Seconded by Bro. Homer L. Mullins. Motion carried. This finishing the work of the Yearly Meeting Ministers Conference a move was made by Bro. Homer L. Mullins to adjourn seconded by Bro. Albert Dingus. Motion carried. Meeting stands adjourned unless called together by the moderator, when same will convene with the Owsley Church at Meta, Ky. on Friday

before the second Sunday in September 1976.

The Yearly Meeting wishes to thank all that made this meeting possible, for those that contributed and served the food in such a mannerly way, also for the homes that were opened to receive those that were staying over. May God in all His Richness Bless you and yours.

SATURDAY EVENING SERVICE 2:30 P.M.

Bro. Robey Kendrick brought the message. Reading from Hebrews, 13th chapter, the first 5 verses.

SATURDAY NIGHT SERVICE 7 P.M.

Singing by the "Gospel Way Quartet." Ministers bringing the message. Bros. Slagle Miller, Kyle Hubbard and Allen Stevens. Prayer by Bro. Guy Harris. Bro. Russell Harris read the 1st chapter of 1st Timothy verses 11-17. Text "Work while it is day." Dismissed with prayer by Bro. Hassell Hess.

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE 11:00 A.M.

Singing by "The Allen Steven Family." "The Mountain Memory Quartet." Scripture lesson the first chapter of Joel, 1st verse. Prayer by Bro. Allen Stevens. Bro. Russel Miller brought the message. Dismissed with prayer by Bro. Pearman Lester.

Ministers' Report
Hamilton County 1974

REV. JAY M. DAVIDSON
Rt. 3, Brookville, Ind.

Churches Pastored	1
No. Sermons	180
Revivals	1
Conversions Witnessed	20
No. Baptized	9
Couples Married	1

REV. DON HOWARD
5320 Werd Rd., Cincinnati, Ohio

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	125
Revivals	1
Conversions Witnessed	12
Baptized	6
Burials	5
Prayer Services	52

REV. ARLO SMITH, SR.
R. R. 1, Sunman, Ind.

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	100
Conversions Witnessed	5
No. Baptized	4
Burials Attended	1
Couples Married	3

DAVID R. HUTSON
3763 Ebenezer Rd., Cincinnati, Ohio

Sermons	50
Revivals	1
Conversions Witnessed	10

DOUGLAS QUICKSALL
Rt. #2, Lawrenceburg, Ind.

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	60
Conversions Witnessed	45
No. Baptized	18
Burials	1
Prayer Services	26
Couples Married	2
Am't Rec'd.	\$10.00

REV. BOYCE C. FRANKS
Rt, 2 Box 302, Mt. Gilead, Ohio

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	112
Revivals	3
Conversions Witnessed	8
Baptized	3
Burials	1
Memorials	1
Prayer Services	48
Couples Married	3
Am't Rec'd.	\$20.00

REV. JAMES S. BOHLEY
111 Walnut St., Harrison, Ohio

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	60
Couples Married	1

REV. FLOYD R. STEWART
8878 Harrison Pk., CKLEVES, Ohio
45002

Evangelist of Hamilton Co. Conference

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	125
Revivals	3
Conversions Witnessed	14
Baptized	6
Burials	4
Memorials	2
Prayer Services	30
Couples Married	4
Am't Rec'd.....	\$150.00

JAMES S. BOHLEY
8874 Harrison Ave., Harrison, Ohio

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	150
Revivals	1
Conversions Witnessed	18
Baptized	16
Churches Organized.....	1
Couples Married	1
Am't Rec'd.....	\$10.00

REV. JAY M. DAVIDSON
Rt. 3, Brookville, Ind.

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	60
Conversions Witnessed	1
Baptized	1
Burials	2

REV. DOUGLAS QUICKSALL
Rt. 2, Lawrenceburg, Ind.

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	108
Revivals	4
Conversions Witnessed	15
Baptized	8
Burials	3
Memorials	3
Prayer Services	50
Couples Married	4

REV. ALBERT DINGUS
Box 748, Jenkins, Ky.

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	40
Conversions Witnessed	15
Burials	10
Memorials.....	4

REV. JERRY SLEMP
8843 Leesburg, Vienna, Va.

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	100
Conversions Witnessed	50
Baptized	50
Burials	1
Prayer Services	50
Am't Rec'd.....	\$700.00

REV. GARCIE B. LANE
7412 Garrison Rd., Manassas, Va.

Sermons	53
Revivals	1
Conversions Witnessed	3
Baptized	1
Memorials.....	1
Prayer Services	6

REV. BILLY A. SMITH
Rt. 1 Box 15, Manassas, Va.

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	100
Revivals	2
Conversions Witnessed	52
Baptized	50
Memorials.....	1
Prayer Services	70
Am't Rec'd.....	\$400.00

REV. JOHN L. CLAIR
Whitesburg, Ky.

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	125
Revivals	4
Conversions Witnessed	20
Baptized	16
Burials	8
Prayer Services	52
Churches Organized.....	1
Sunday Schools Organized	1
Couples Married	1

REV. JASPER EARLS
Vicco, Ky.

Sermons	30
Revivals	2
Conversions Witnessed	3
Burials	2
Prayer Services	14

REV. HERMAN BATES, JR.
Box 503, Jenkins, Ky.

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	66
Revivals	1
Conversions Witnessed	3
Baptized	2
Burials	17
Memorials	1
Prayer Services	50
Couples Married	2
Am't Rec'd.	\$150.00

REV. MILLARD BATES, JR.
705 Maryland Dr., Whitesburg, Ky.

Churches Pastored	Asst. 1
Sermons	105
Conversions Witnessed	50
Baptized	20
Burials	6
Prayer Services	56

REV. RALPH PROFITT
Box 93, Fleming, Ky.

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	150
Conversions Witnessed	60
Baptized	40
Burials	25
Prayer Services	48
Couples Married	1

REV. CLETES GARRETT
Rt. 2 Box 495, Hawesville, Ky. 42348

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	120
Revivals	2
Conversions Witnessed	22
Baptized	22
Burials	4
Memorials	2
Prayer Services	50
Couples Married	2

REV. W. M. CRAWFORD
Box 393, Pound, Va.

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	12
Conversions Witnessed	10
Baptized	2
Burials	6
Memorials	2
Prayer Services	10

REV. PAUL WOOTEN
Star Rt. 1 Box 7, Scuddy, Ky.

Sermons	74
Revivals	4
Conversions Witnessed	11
Baptized	4
Prayer Services	34

REV. EZRA JOHNSON
Box 286, Jenkins, Ky. 41537

Sermons	47
Revivals	2
Conversions Witnessed	11
Burials	9
Prayer Services	16
Couples Married	1
Am't Rec'd.	\$5.00

REV. ARNOLD NOLES
Neon, Ky.

Sermons	80
Conversions Witnessed	70
Baptized	2
Burials	6
Prayer Services	9
Am't Rec'd.	\$40.00

REV. CASH EVERSOLE
Rt. 1 Box 249, Hazard, Ky.

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	50
Revivals	2
Conversions Witnessed	5
Baptized	3
Burials	1
Prayer Services	15
Couples Married	1

REV. EDWARD PERKINS
Box 73, Oakwood, Va.

Churches Pastored	1
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REV. IRA HARVEY

Day Run St., Whitesburgh, Ky.

Churches Pastored	1
Burials	2
Prayer Services	37

REV. ALLEN STEVENS

St. Rt. Box 55, RKICHLANDS, Va.

Sermons	24
Revivals	3
Conversions Witnessed	6
Baptized	4
Burials	9
Prayer Services	12
Memorials	2
Am't Rec'd.	\$300.00

REV. GONIAN KELLEY

R. F. D., Cleveland, Va.

Sermons	48
Burials	1
Memorials	4
Am't Rec'd.	\$177.00

REV. WILLIE COMPTON

Council, Va.

Revivals	2
Burials	6
Memorials	2

REV. EDWARD DYE

Oakwood, Va.

Churches Pastored	2
Sermons	56
Revivals	1
Conversions Witnessed	3
Baptized	3
Burials	1
Am't Rec'd.	\$96.25

REV. HARLEY DYE

Swords Creek, Va.

Churches Pastored	2
Sermons	34
Conversions Witnessed	6
Baptized	5
Burials	5
Memorials	1
Couples Married	14
Am't Rec'd.	\$406.00

REV. LEONARD FARMER

Rt. 2, Honaker, Va.

Churches Pastored	1
Baptized	5
Burials	2
Am't Rec'd.	\$196.25

CLAUDE ROSE

Honaker, Va.

Conversions Witnessed	2
Burials	2
Memorials	1

REV. DAVID A. PERKINS

P.O. Box 108, Swords Creek, Va.

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	60
Revivals	2
Conversions Witnessed	3
Baptized	3
Memorials	3
Prayer Meetings	25

REV. EUGENE MILLER

Swords Creek, Va.

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	66
Revivals	2
Conversions Witnessed	3
Baptized	1
Memorials	4
Prayer Services	6

REV. CARL A. NOEL

P.O. Box 746, Galion, Ohio 44833

Sermons	70
Revivals	4
Conversions Witnessed	8
Burials	2
Prayer Services	20

REV. TRUEL BROWN

Rt. 1, Swords Creek, Va.

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	125
Revivals	2
Baptized	5
Burials	24
Prayer Services	20

REV. EARNEST CRABTREE

Honaker, Va.

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	90
Revivals	2
Conversions Witnessed	12
Baptized	8
Burials	2
Memorials	4

REV. RUSSELL F. HARRIS

Venia, Va.

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	65
Baptized	2
Conversions Witnessed	7
Am't Rec'd.	\$50.00

REV. HOWARD BOSTIC

Rt. 1 Box 23, Swords Creek, Va. 24649

Churches Pastored	1
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Sermons	86
Revivals	4
Conversions Witnessed	15
Baptized	15
Burials	17
Am't Rec'd.	\$400.00

REV. CURTIS HUBBARD

Swords Creek, Va.

Sermons	112
Revivals	4
Conversions Witnessed	14
Memorials	3
Prayer Services	30

REV. CLARENCE MILLER

Rt. 1, Swords Creek, Va. 24649

Churches Pastored	1
Sermons	60
Conversions Witnessed	3
Memorials	3
Prayer Services	10

OBITUARY

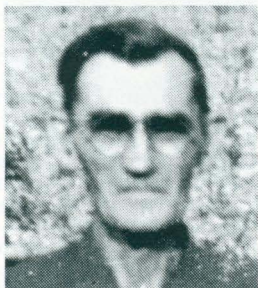
OBITUARY OF LONZO MURPHY

It is with a sad and lonely heart that we will try to write an obituary of our beloved Father, Lonzo Murphy. He was born May 16, 1904 in Buchanan County, Virginia. He was the son of Victoria and Boyd Murphy. He departed this life November 8, 1974, making his stay here on earth 70 years, 5 months, and 23 days. He was married to Vida Mae Childress in 1936 and to this union was born six children, four sons and two daughters. Two sons, John and Franklin preceeded him in death. His children are as follows: Harold Murphy, Detroit, Michigan; Bob Murphy, Detroit, Michigan and two daughters, Alice Doty, Yorba, Linda, California and Helen Clevinger, Lincoln Park, Michigan. He also has one sister, Ada Willis, Haysi, Virginia and two brothers Estel Murphy, Welch, West Virginia and Earl Murphy, Welch, West Virginia and four grandchildren. His mother preceeded him in death in 1951. With the help of his mother he provided and kept us together. He was a retired miner. He was preceeded in death by his Mother, Father, one sister, Leanzie and two brothers, Hobert and Marce. Marce was his twin-brother.

He joined the Freewill Baptist Church in 1954. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends. He was kind and good hearted to everyone and especially children. We can say that he loved his children and his children loved him. But the good Lord loved him better and took him from us and he is sleeping with Mother in peace we believe. We can't call him back but we can go where he and mother are if we believe in the Lord. Thanks to God we believe our loss is his heavenly gain. So Father and Mother sleep on and we hope to meet you on that bright and shiny morning.

Written by The Children

OBITUARY OF GEORGE WALDEN (DOCH) NUCHELS



George was born September 7, 1884 and departed this life June 19, 1975 making his stay here on earth 90 years, 9 months and 11 days. He united with the Free Will Baptist Church at Fletchers Ridge 1928 and lived faithful until death. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Clerice Ray Nuchels, and 3 daughters and 1 son also preceded him in death. Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Cara McFadden Nuchels, seven daughters, Mrs. Fannie Fletcher, Mrs. Ada Farmer, Mrs. Edna Childres, all of Rowe, Virginia, Mrs. Gladys Hess of Venia, Virginia, Mrs. Juanita Farmer or Vansant, Mississippi, Marie Nuchels of Manassas, Virginia, Mrs. Alliee Farmer of Honaker, Virginia. Six sons also surviving, Dewey Nuchels, Lebanon, Virginia, Howard Nuchels, Manassas, Virginia, Arthur Nuchels, Davenport, Virginia, Ellis Nuchels, Roanoke, Virginia, Narvin and James Edward Nuchels both of Vansant, Virginia. 64 grandchildren and 66 great grandchildren. Also surviving are two sisters, Dara Stevens, Honaker, Virginia and Tilda Smith, Cleveland, Virginia.

He was a loving Father and is missed by all who know him. We believe our loss is Heavens Gain.

OBITUARY OF HUBBARD JOHNSON



Hubbard Johnson, son of Mrs. Canzada Stevens Johnson and the late Elias Ishamel Johnson. He was born October 10, 1914 at Combs Ridge section of Council, Virginia. Deceased May 5, 1975 at Combs Ridge, Virginia.

He was married to Rachel Wise, May 3, 1941. To this union was born five children. Roscoe and Patricia Gail preceded him in death.

Survivors are his Mother, Mrs. Canzada Johnson, his widow Rachel Wise Johnson, one daughter, Mrs. Sheila Stumpp, two sons, Larry and Ronald Johnson, all of Council, Virginia. Also one sister and nine brothers and seven grandchildren.

He professed faith in Christ several years ago and was a member of the Mountain View Freewill Baptist Church of Combs Ridge.

OBITUARY OF MARY FANNY CHURCH



Sister Mary Fanny Church, 84, of Stone, Kentucky died at the Ikeville Methodist Hospital on June 14, 1975, following a lingering illness.

Sister Church was born November 10, 1890 at Pikeville, Kentucky. She was a daughter of the late Bud and Nancy Morris Gannon. She was married to Floyd Church who preceded her in death.

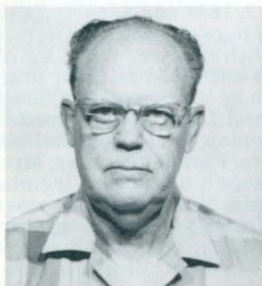
She was a member of the Octavia Freewill Baptist Church, McAndrews, Kentucky. She had served the Lord for approximately 38 years.

Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. Rushie Thacker, Mrs. Sadie Stitlner and Mrs. Grace Burns all of Stone, Kentucky. Three sons Tommy Church of McAndrews, Kentucky, William Church of Kalamazoo, Michigan and Junior Church of DeGraff, Ohio. Two sisters and

four brothers, thirty nine grandchildren and thirty great grandchildren.
Sister Church will be missed by all of her children and by the church where she was faithful to attend. Our home will not be the same without her since she is gone.

Written by Mrs. Rushie Thacker and Family

OBITUARY OF WILLIE WILLIS FANNIN



In memory of Willie Willis Fannin, born June 8, 1903 — Place of birth, Newfoundland, Kentucky. He entered into rest February 22, 1975. His life on earth was 71 years, 8 months and 14 days.

The son of the late William P. Fannin and Elizabeth Dickerson Fannin. Willie was a retired barber as of 1970. He was a member of the Octavia Freewill Baptist Church of Pinsonfork, Kentucky. He accepted the Lord Jesus Christ in his heart May the 22, 1949 and was buried with Christ in Baptism May the 29th, 1949. Partial Military Funeral Services were held from the Seventh Day Adventist Church. 29 Palms with Elder Anderson and Pastor Kevin Rockwell of Austin, Minn. Open bible church. Grandson by marriage. Granddaughter Linda Rockwell sang Sweet, Sweet, Spirit and He looked beyond my fault

and saw my need. Place of interment was Twentynine Palms Cemetery, California. He was married to Lola Maxie Varney Fannin, November 4, 1922. Survivors include his wife of 52 years, 3 months and 18 days. Four daughters — Mrs. Alice Vyvyan Nuzum of Ottumwa, Iowa, Mrs. Jacqueline Lucille Jeffers of 29 Palms, California, Mrs. Dawn Karamaneh Maynard of Norwalk, Iowa, Mrs. Lola Maxine Miller of Ankeny, Iowa. Seven grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren. Two brothers — Arnold Fannin of Huntington, West Virginia, Estel Fannin of Sandy Hook, Kentucky. Two sisters — Mrs. Ollie Johnson, Ashland, Kentucky, Mrs. Elizabeth Elem of Wrigley, Kentucky.

Willis is sadly missed by his wife and children. Many brothers and sisters is Christ. Also many friends. God and his word gives us assurance that he is resting in the love of God.

OBITUARY OF REBECCA (KEENE) CHARLES



She was born December 16, 1880 in Pike County. She departed this life July 27, 1974. She was better known to everyone as "Mamaw". She was the daughter of the late Dave Keene and Thersia Charles Keene. Her husband Butler died in 1955.

She left behind two sons, Cary Charles, and Herbert Charles, four daughters, Mary Charles, Lulu Maynard, Minerva Charles and Juanita Endicott, one sister, Alpha Stiltner of West Virginia, 26 grandchildren, and 46 great-grand children.

She was a member of the Grassy Freewill Baptist Church for many years. She was well known and loved and sadly missed by everyone.

The Family

OBITUARY OF RUSSELL DAVIS

Russell Davis, 67 years old of Hellier, Kentucky died December 13, 1974 at Pikeville Methodist Hospital.

He was born February 19, 1907 in Lawrence County. He was the son of Stant and Pricy Childers Davis. He was a member of the Alleghany Freewill Baptist Church for twenty years and a deacon for eighteen years. He is survived by his wife Catherine Davis, three sons, Russell Thomas of Florida, Otis of Lookout, Kentucky and Claudius of Columbus, Ohio, a sister, Mrs. Minnie Patten of Columbus, Ohio and five grandchildren, one deceased, Danny Davis of Florida, Debbie Easterling of Rockhouse, Claudius II, Columbus, Ohio; Diana Davis, Lookout, and one great grandchild, Ramona Catherine of Florida. Also three daughters-in-law, Mary Helen, Janette and Carol.

I know my loss is Heaven's gain.

Written by Catherine Davis, his beloved wife and
Opal W. Spence, sister in Christ

OBITUARY OF W. B. "BRADLEY" CHARLES



He was born February 12, 1896, departed this life December 1, 1974 at the age of 78 years and ten months. He was born in Pike County, the son of the late Thomps and Sarah (Plymale) Charles. His wife Leona Bell Charles preceded him in death four months. He had one step-son, Lace Wilson, Jr., and an adopted daughter, Melinda Ross, also three grandchildren.

Now a seat in church is vacant, for God has called him to his reward in Heaven. He was an active member of the Grassy Freewill Baptist Church for 21 years. He was the custodian for the church for several years, and deacon for 12 years. At the time of his death, he had received his eleventh year perfect attendance in Sunday School.

He left behind two sisters, Mrs. Anna Charles, Ibbie Maynard, and three brothers, Dave Charles, Andrew Charles, and M. B. "Bud" Charles.

We know that our loss is Heaven's gain. He will be dearly missed by his family and friends. His influence, the Christian example that he set and lived, and good deeds, will be remembered by all who knew him.

OBITUARY OF BRADLEY SULLIVAN



Bradley Sullivan, 73, a retired farmer of Pinsonfork, Kentucky died June 3, 1975 following a lingering illness at the Mountain Manor Nursing Home at Pikeville, Kentucky.

He was a member of the Octavia Freewill Baptist Church at McAndrews, Kentucky since January 3, 1954. He was faithful to the church until his illness prevented him from attending. He had spent most of his life in blindness, but after this life he will be able to see all the beauties and splendors of Heaven.

He made his home with his brother, Floyd Sullivan of Pinsonfork, Kentucky. He was born September 13, 1901 in Pike County Kentucky. The son of Mrs. Seroney Sullivan of the Mountain Manor Nursing Home in Pikeville, Kentucky and the late Mel Sullivan. He is also survived by four

brothers, Floyd and Walter of Pinsonfork, Kentucky, Eli of Ransom, Kentucky and John of Norfolk, Virginia, three sisters, Miss Virgie Sullivan of Danville, Kentucky, Mrs. Vicie Dotson of Ransom, Kentucky and Mrs. Gracie Freeman of Detroit, Michigan. Several neices and nephews. He will be sadly missed by all who knew him. We feel our loss is his eternal gain.

OBITUARY OF MARY CHARLES



She departed this life March 8, 1975, at the age of 73 years. She was born in Pike County, the daughter of the late James Butler Charles and Rebecca (Keene) Charles. The wife of M. B. "Bud" Charles, she was a member of the Grassy Creek Freewill Baptist Church for many years.

She left behind her husband, three sons, and three daughters, Grover and Dover Charles of Fort Pierce, Florida, Elster Charles of Newport News, Virginia, Pauline Bishop of Charleston, S.C., Evalene Guindon of Warren, Michigan, Magdalene Plouff of Escanaba, Michigan, two brothers, Carey Charles and Herbert Charles, three sisters, Lula Maynard, Minerva Charles, Juanita Endicott, also 18 grandchildren.

She is missed by her family and many friends. She was born and reared in the Grassy Creek area, and was known

by many people.

OBITUARY OF LEONA BELL (NUNLEY) CHARLES



She was born July 27, 1909, and departed this life August 1, 1974, at the age of 65 years and four days. She was born in Vulcan, West Virginia, the daughter of the late Charlie and Nancy Nunley. She was survived by her husband, W. B. "Bradley" Charles, a son, Lace Wilson, Jr., and an adopted daughter, Melinda Ross, five grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, also four sisters, Hattie Evans, Minerva Farley, Helen Davis, Dorothy Colegrove, and two brothers, Kinser and George Nunley.

She was a member of the Grassy Freewill Baptist Church for 18 years.

She is sadly missed by her family and friends. She was a devoted mother, and wonderful homemaker. God has called her home with Him.

By the Family

OBITUARY OF STEARL ALLEN



Stearl Allen, 64 of McAndrews, Kentucky died August 1974 at the Appalachian Hospital at South Williamson, Kentucky after a lingering illness. He was a member of the Octavia Freewill Baptist Church, McAndrews, Kentucky. A retired miner and member of UMW local Union 5737.

He was born January 7, 1910 in Mingo County, a son of the late Don and Fannie Stanley Allen. He was married to Goldie Ferguson Allen who survives. Also surviving is a daughter, Mrs. Garnett Vance of Ypsilanti, Michigan and a son Paul Allen of Lexington, Kentucky, a brother, Clyde Smith of Waverly, Ohio, one half-brother Bogar Smith of Canada, Kentucky. Half sisters are Cleo Brown of Ypsilanti, Michigan and Flora Smith of Forest Hills, Kentucky.

We feel our loss is his eternal gain.



OBITUARY OF JASON LAYNE

Jason was born June 29, 1897 and on Sunday morning, March 17, 1974, a gentle voice said Come, and he departed this life. He was a member deacon and treasurer of the Guiding Light F.W.B. Church at Oakwood, Virginia for 22 years. He loved the Church. He was a devoted husband, father and grandfather and he is sadly missed by all his family. We know that God knows best and we are looking forward to seeing him again.

Written by his daughter, Lucille Arwood

OBITUARY OF ELLIS COMPTON



Ellis Compton, born January 22, 1909, departed this life June 4, 1975. He became a Christian at the early age of 15. He became a member of the Linkous Chapel Freewill Baptist Church. Then he moved his membership from there to the Pole Cabin Church. Being a faithful member there until moving to Ohio in May 1951. He moved his membership from the Pole Cabin Church to the Fitchville Freewill Baptist Church on June 6, 1954. He was set aside as deacon on December 18, 1954. He was ordained a year later. He helped organize the Northwoodbury Freewill Baptist Church in 1959, moving his membership from Fitchville to Northwoodbury. He was ordained to preach the gospel on June 13, 1970, and was elected pastor of the church on February 12, 1972. He served as pastor until the Lord called him home, June 4, 1975.

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; 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 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:

Pike	1976
Dickenson	1977
Hamilton	1978
Letcher	1979
Pike	1980
New Durm	1981
Dickenson	1982
Letcher	1983
Pike	1984
Dickenson	1985
Letcher	1986
New Durm	1987