

Minutes
of the
JOHN-THOMAS
YEARLY MEETING
of
Freewill Baptists

VA.-KY.-OHIO-IND.

SIXTIETH SESSION

Held With
GRASSY
FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH
Zebulon, Kentucky

September 9-10, 1983

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 1982-1983

Amount brought forward in minutes 1982	\$2571.68
Piedmont Litho for printing cards	<u>121.57</u>
Total at time of meeting	\$2450.11
Amount received in letters 1983	
Dickenson County	950.00
Letcher County	516.50
Pike County	487.25
Mid-Ohio	150.00
Hamilton County	37.50
New Durm	181.80
For Engraving	
Mid-Ohio	7.00
Dickenson County	35.00
New Durm	38.00
Received for Childrens Home	
Mid-Ohio	<u>550.00</u>
Total received in letters	\$2953.05
Total in Treasury	\$5403.16
Expenses for 1982-1983	
Childrens Home	\$550.00
Clerk	100.00
Minutes and Shipping	2,000.00
Total paid out	2,650.00
Balance in treasury	2,753.16

The John Thomas Yearly Meeting will convene with the Splash Dam Freewill Baptist Church at Haysi, Virginia, in Dickenson County on Friday before the second Sunday in September 1984, at 11:00 A.M.

Directions to the Splash Dam Church; coming from Elkhorn City Ky, take Route 80 through the Breaks to Haysi, keep right on all roads in Haysi. Coming from Pound, Virginia, take Route 83, turn left on first two bridges in Haysi, Straight through Haysi and down the river.

MINUTES FOR THE YEAR of 1983

Dickenson County	1600
Oval Hillman, Route 1, Box 440, Clintwood, Virginia 24228	
Phone 703-835-8395	
Letcher County	700
Homer B. Johnson, Box 542, Jenskins, Ky 41537	
Pike County	600
Rev. Robert Varney, Route 2, Box 21, Pinsonfork, Ky 41555	
Phone 606-353-7704	
New Durm	300
Bernard McGlothin, Route 1, Box 152, Vansant, Virginia	

Minutes—(continued)

Hamilton County	100
Rev. D. Roger Jutson, 5672 Eula Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio 45248	
Mid-Ohio	100
Rev. Cecil Rogers, 217 Paradise Street, Orville, Ohio 44667	
Total Minutes	3400

DELEGATES ATTENDING THE 1983 YEARLY MEETING

DICKENSON COUNTY DELEGATES

Roy L. Bauswell	Clara McClain	Anna Lee Bartley
Alta M. Bauswell	Barbara Mullins	Steve Wallace
Dennis Willis	Muncie Mullins	Tessie Wallace
Willie Ray Mullins	Ada Dixon	Kathy Hill
Sharon Willis	Carrol Bartley	Janice Stanley
Lloyd Hillman	Ada Wallace	Reba Bowman
Richard Mullins	Juantia Hill	

DICKENSON COUNTY DEACONS

Earet R. Rose	Roy Brown	Sam Anderson
Oval Hillman		

DICKENSON COUNTY MINISTERS

Derwood Yates	Franklin Hall	Roy C. Vanover
	Darrell Wallace—Licentiate	

LETCHER COUNTY DELEGATES

Arvel R. Damron

LETCHER COUNTY DEACONS

Homer B. Johnson	Ersel Cantrell	James H. Whitaker
Milford Craft		

LETCHER COUNTY MINISTERS

Ezra Johnson	Homer Lee Mullins	Clyde Damron
Carl Coleman	Sonny Miracle	

PIKE COUNTY DELEGATES

Noah Smith	Walker McCoy	Nancy Burgess
Edith Scott	Grayson Scott	Dixie Leedy
Peggy Maynard	Bernice Auxier	Suda Slone
William H. Maynard	Maggie Harris	Judy Tibbs
Lester Tibbs	Christine Dennis	Eddie Abbott
Jettie Abbott	Susie Abbott	Margie Hunt
Paul Slone	Lena Slone	Billy Hunt
Terry Lee May	Buddy Fields	Dallas Kinder

Pike County Delegates—(continued)

Kare Bently	Sandra C. Billiter	Stella Hardy
Rodie G. Varney	Jean Varney	Cleo Slone
Burl R. Rogers	Katy Gross	Lula B. Gross
Mary Etta Hinkle	Elster Sexton	Oma Charles
Shawn Lowe	Nancy Fields	

PIKE COUNTY DEACONS

Anthony Charles	Anthony Thompson	Forbe Scott
Richard Smith	Ernest Varney	Charles A. Hardy
Charles Bently	Joe Slone	Bert Harris
Albert Hinkle	Charlie Gross	

PIKE COUNTY MINISTERS

Bennie F. Slone	Herbert Goff	William G. King
Robert Varney	Onis Varney	Homer Adkins
David G. Varney	Robert Charles	Velon E. Burgess
James Morgan Chapman	Dennis R. Hinkle	Albert Simpson
Crit Justice	John P. Smith	Jimmy L. Turner
Dallas L. Ratliff		

Jamie L. Billiter and Larry C. Morley—Licentiates

MID-OHIO MINISTERS

Ronnie A. Kendrick	Midkey B. Kendrick	Cecil Rogers
Daniel E. Bates		

NEW DURM DEACONS

Brady Farmer	Estel Ray
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NEW DURM MINISTERS

Kyle Hubbard	Claude H. Rose
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VISITING MINISTERS

James Earl Raper, Union Conference. Children's Home, Greenville, Tenn.



OFFICERS

The officers elected to serve for the year 1983-1984 are as follows:

<i>Moderator</i>	Rev. Derwood Yates
<i>Assistant Moderator</i>	Rev. Franklin Hall
<i>Clerk</i>	Rev. Robert (Bobby) Varney
	Rt. 2, Box 21, Pinsonfork, Ky 41555, Phone (606) 353-7704
<i>Treasurer</i>	Bro. Oval Hillman
	Rt. 1, Box 440, Clintwood, Virginia 24228 Phone (703) 835-8395

ORDAINING COUNCILS

DICKENSON COUNTY: Joe Johnson, Enoch Rose, Wythe Salyers—Chairman

LETCHER COUNTY: Darwin Mullins, Millard Bates Jr., Richard Gibson—Chairman

PIKE COUNTY: Bennie F. Slone, Robert (Bobby) Varney, Robey (Buddy) Kendrick—Chairman

NEW DURM: Edward Dye, Claude Rose, Leonard Farmer—Chairman

MID-OHIO: James Patterson, Paul Tyree, Ronnie A. Kendrick—Chairman

HAMILTON COUNTY: Ben Moore, Douglas Quicksall, David Carpenter—Chairman

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES

DICKENSON COUNTY: N. B. Lambert, O. T. Smith, Earet Rose, Earnest Sexton, and Derwood Yates.

LETCHER COUNTY: Bill Garret, Earl Smith, Milford Craft—Chairman

PIKE COUNTY: Bennie F. Slone, Robey (Buddy) Kendrick, Robert (Bobby) Varney—Chairman

NEW DURM: Elbert Rasnake, Virgil Childress, Frazier Hale, Jess Shell, Brady Farmer—Chairman

MID-OHIO: Raymond Stanley, Frank Tyree, James Patterson—Chairman

HAMILTON COUNTY: Roger Hutson, Douglas Quicksall, James Upchurch—Chairman



INTRODUCTION

FRIDAY MORNING SERVICE 11:00 A.M.

The John Thomas Association of Freewill Baptists Yearly Meeting met with the Pike County Conference at the Grassy Freewill Baptist Church, at Racoon, Ky on September 9 and 10, 1983.

The Pastor Rev. Jimmy Turner was absent and had asked Rev. Bennie F. Slone to take charge of Friday morning for him. Rev. Crit Justice gave the welcome to the congregation. Congregation sang "I will sing of my redeemer" and "Tell it to Jesus." After the requests for prayer were made, Rev. Velon Burgess led the prayer. Special singing was by Brother Eaeet Rose, Elster Sexton, Finis Fields and Crit Justice. It was announced that Rev. Bobby Varney and Rev. Homer Adkins would bring the morning messages. Rev. Adkins came forward and used for a text Acts 16:9. Rev. Varney followed him using 2nd Timothy 4; verses 6&7. Both brought good messages. Congregation sang song, and invitation given, received none. Dismissal and Blessing over the food was asked by Rev. James Raper.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON 1:30

Met back on due time with Congregation singing "I'm going that way," prayer was led by Brother Earet Rose.

Brother Robert Varney came forward to call the Association Yearly Meeting to order for the business of electing a moderator by reading Romans 12 verses 9 & 10 for a scripture.

Rev. Derwood Yates was elected by move, second and vote. Motion made by Rev. Kyle Hubbard seconded by Rev. Roy C. Vanover to give the moderator power to appoint all necessary committees. He appointed Rev. Franklin Hall to be the Assistant Moderator the following committees were appointed.

Audit Committee

Sam Anderson

Earet Rose

Joe Slone

Pulpit Committee

Milford Craft

Brady Farmer

Lloyd Hillman

Enrollment cards were distributed to enroll all delegates, Ministers and Deacons Motion made by Rev. Roy C. Vanover to accept the minutes of last yearly meeting as printed. Seconded by Rev. Bennie F. Slone, Motion carried by vote.

Motion made by Rev. Ezra Johnson seconded by Charlie Gross to retain the same Clerk, Rev. Robert Varney. Motion by Rev. Benny Slone, seconded by Bro Charlie Gross to also retain Brother Oval Hillman as treasurer. Both carried by vote.

Rev. James Raper from the Union Association and from the Children's home at Greenville, Tenn. was seated with the yearly meeting by vote.

The Moderator called for the letters from the sister conferences to be turned in to the clerk.

The audit committee reported the books were found to be in order. Motion by Rev. Bennie F. Slone seconded by Rev. Roy C. Vanover to accept their report, Motion carried.

The pulpit committee reported that Rev. Claude Rose would do the preaching this afternoon and that Rev. Benny F. Slone would preach tonight.

Rev. James Raper gave a report of the children's home, our support is increasing as follows:

1977-78		\$6,678.79
1978-79		7,895.85
1979-80		9,688.60
1980-81		11,170.10
1981-82		13,042.35
1982-83		16,062.54

and talked about ways we could do more for support of children's home, Report was accepted.

Motion made by Homer Lee Mullins seconded by Bro. Daniel E. Bates to adjourn from business until 9:30 Saturday morning, motion carried.

Moderator asked for a love offering for the Children's home received \$101.00.

Rev. Claude Rose came forward using for a text Acts 16 verses 25-34 "The steps of a Christian" Brought an inspiring message.

Dismissed by Brother Darrell Wallace

FRIDAY NIGHT 7:30

Met on due time with the clerk, Rev. Robert Varney in charge at the request of the moderator. Congregation sang "I'll Have a New Life" Prayer was led by Rev. Ronnie Kendrick. Special singing was by Bro. Charlie Gross, Rev. Morgan Chapman, Rev. Crit Justice and Rev. Ronnie and Mickey Kendrick.

Rev. Benny Slone came forward reading from Judges 4th chapter. His text was "And every man stood in their places." He brought a wonderful message. Congregation sang and invitation given, received none. Dismissed by Rev. Onis Varney.

SATURDAY MORNING 9:30

The Yearly Meeting convened with Congregation singing "Fill my way with Love." Moderator read a scripture from Psalm 37; verses 1-7 for the opening of business. Prayer was led by Rev. Roy C. Vanover.

Enrollment cards were passed through the congregation to enroll any Ministers, Deacons and Delegates that were not present on Friday.

Moderator asked for report of pulpit committee. They reported that Rev. Homer Lee Mullins and Rev. Ronnie Kendrick would bring the morning messages.

Rev. Roy C. Vanover made a talk concerning the land in Wise and Dickenson County that is available to the Freewill Baptist for \$100,000.00. The sale could take place in April of 1984. This land could be used for youth camp, conferences or any other purpose the people would see fit to use it.

Motion made and passed to read all letters from sister conferences. All letters were accepted as read. They read as follows:

DICKENSON COUNTY CONFERENCE

To the John Thomas Yearly meeting when convened with Grassy Freewill Baptist Church at Zebulon, Ky., on Friday the second Sunday in Sept.

Greetings:

We the Dickenson County conference convened with Pyles Memorial at Pound, Va., on Friday before the 4th Sunday in July 1983. Brother Carter Boyd, Moderator; Brother Danny Sluss, Assistant Moderator; Clerks — Lloyd Hillman, Alva Lee Fleming, Oval Hillman; Quarterly Meeting Treasurer, Sister Patty Mullins; Emergency Fund Treasurer Brother Donald Elkins; Orphan Home Treasurer, Beverly Wallace; Executive Committee, Brothers N. B. Lambert, O. T. Smith, Earet Rose, Earnest Sexton and Derwood Yates, Ordaining Council Brothers Joe Johnson, Wythe Salyers — Chairman and Enoch Rose. The Conference voted to buy 1600 minutes. Amount enclosed for minutes is \$950.00.

Moderator

Brother Carter Boyd

Clerks

Lloyd Hillman

Alva Lee Fleming

Oval Hillman

Assistant Moderator

Brother Danny Sluss

Statistics

Churches — 38

Church Membership — 2486

Sunday Schools — 34

Sunday School Enrollment — 1945

Ministers — 97

Women's Auxiliaries — 10

The following are Delegates to the Yearly Meeting:

BEAR WALLOW — Pastors Rev. J. T. Hartsock and Rev. Glen Hale. Delegates: Brother Johnny Wright, Sister Ellen Hale and Sister Magdalene Dishman.

BURKE FREEWILL BAPTIST — Pastor Rev. Jerry W. Mullins. Delegates: Sister Marie Mullins, Sister Evelyn Mullins.

CLINCHCO FREEWILL BAPTIST — Pastor Rev. Lee Rose. Delegates: Brother and Sister Roy Bauswell, Brother Muncey and Sister Margie Mullins, Brother James and Sister Patricia Holbrook.

COUNTS CHAPEL — Pastor Rev. Lloyd Rose. Delegates: Sister Ida, Tina and Karen Branham, and Sister Selma Sloan.

DAVIS CHAPEL — Pastors Rev. Ted Mullins and Rev. Adam (Mondo) Stanley. Delegates: Brother Robert & Sister Bonita Stair, Brother Otis and Sister Juanita Mullins, Brother Oscar and Sister Linda Stair, Brother Haburn and Sister Nina Lou Slemp.

DUNCAN GAP FREEWILL BAPTIST — Pastor Rev. Tommy Large. Delegates: Sister Emma Large, Sister Anna Collins, Sister Dora Isaacs, Sister Destie Large, Sister Georgia H. Mullins, Sister Teresa Mullins, Sister Gaye Mullins, and Sister Mrs. Youell Mullins.

DYERS CHAPEL — Pastor Rev. Joe Johnson. Delegates: Brother Charles Sutherland, Sister Margaret Sutherland, Sister Peggy Kiser, Sister Prudy Marshall and Sister Vickie Sutherland.

FERBIE CHAPEL — Pastor Rev. Sam Slemp. Delegates: Brother J. T. Robinson, Sister Ada McCoy, Sister Marquita Slemp and Sister Barbara Elkins.

FLEMINGTOWN FREEWILL BAPTIST — Pastor Rev. David McPeck. Delegates: Brother Claude Rose, Sister Ella Mae Rose, Brother Lawrence Smith and Sister Karen Robinson.

FRYING PAN FREEWILL BAPTIST — Pastor Rev. Hie A. Mullins. Delegates: Sister Rose Powers, Sister Nell Owens, Sister Diana Mason and Sister Kathy Powers.

FREMONT FREEWILL BAPTIST — Pastor Rev. Gobel Rose. Delegates: Brother and Sister Jim Eggers, Brother Ed Greer, Sister Emma Smith, Sister Shirley Harrison and Sister Cheryl Clay.

GEORGES FORK FREEWILL BAPTIST — Pastor Rev. Manie Strouth. Delegates: Sister Janice Delacruz, Sister Dollie Hibbitts, Sister Virgie Kennedy and Sister Pearl Booher.

GLADY FORK CHAPEL — Pastor Rev. Wayne Mullins. Delegates: Sister Elgie Stallard, Sister Opal Church, Sister Sarah Nichols and Sister Faye Van Huss.

HILL RIDGE FREEWILL BAPTIST — Pastor Rev. W. C. Rose. Delegates: Brother Dennis Willis, Sister Sharon Willis and Sister Norma Jean Fleming.

HONEY CAMP FREEWILL BAPTIST — Pastors Rev. David Mullins and Rev. Bobby Mullins. Delegates: Audrey Rose, Sister Rita Moore, Brother Gerald Rose and Sister Aleta Moore.

HUBBARD CHAPEL — Pastors Rev. Charles Baker and Brother Nolan M. Stanley. Delegates: Brother Woodrow Boggs and Sister Viola Boggs.

LICK CREEK FREEWILL BAPTIST — Pastor Rev. Clyde Hay. Delegates: Ival Hay, Sister Debbie Deel, Brother Ray and Sister Juanita Fuller, Brother Andrew and Sister Deloris Owens, Brother Ira and Sister Ruby Hay.

LICK FORK FREEWILL BAPTIST — Pastor Rev. Terry Price. Delegates: Brother Rufus Horton, Sister Billie Horton, Sister Barbara Mullins, Sister Lenah Dotson, Sister Lucille Powers, Sister Clara McClain and Brother Wayne Edwards.

LIGHTHOUSE FREEWILL BAPTIST — Pastor Rev. David Russ. Delegates: Sister Clarabell McCoy, Sister Daisy McCoy, Sister Mary McCoy and Sister Minnie McCoy.

MARTIN CHAPEL — Pastor Rev. Wayne Keith. Delegates: Sister Gay Martin, Sister Lucille Hollyfield, Sister Muriel Cooper, Brother Gilmer Martin and Brother Bob Phillips.

MEADE'S CHAPEL — Pastors Rev. Carter Boyd and Rev. Jack Meade. Delegates: Brother Dallas Large, Sister Mary Stanley, Sister Goldie Kiser, Brother Robert Ward and Sister Gwen Ward.

MIDDLE BRANCH — Pastors Rev. Joe Johnson and Rev. Vester McKinney, Jr. Delegates: Sister Virginia Holbrook and Sister Becky Holbrook, Sister Katherine Calo, Sister Velvie Lambert and Brother Vinton McKinney.

MILLS CHAPEL FREEWILL BAPTISTS — Pastor Rev. Joey Knowles. Delegates: Brother Thurman Sproles, Sister Lola Long Brother Fayne and Sister Robin Mullins.

MILL CREEK — Pastor Rev. Glynn Hale. Delegates: Brother Ellis Adkins, Brother Charles Saunders and Brother and Sister Delman Farmer.

PEUTHER CHAPEL — Pastor Rev. Joe Glenn Sluss. Delegates: Sister Thelma Baker, Sister Pauline Mullins, Brother Gene Conley and Brother John Mullins.

PINE CREEK FREEWILL BAPTIST — Pastor Rev. Frank Hall. Delegates: Sister Joann Hall, Tammy Hay, Brother Robert Hay, Brother Johnny Henson, B. Strouth, and Sister Lelia Mullins.

PINE GROVE FREEWILL BAPTIST — Pastors Rev. Quinton Keith and Rev. Mack Mullins. Delegates: Brother Raymond and Sister Loretta Hamilton, Brother David and Sister Mattie Ella Hill and Sister Orlena Hamilton.

PHILLIPS CHAPEL FREEWILL BAPTIST — Pastor Rev. B. M. Moore. Delegates: Sister Lorene Holbrook, Brother Kenneth and Sister Wilma Johnson, Sister Celia Culbertson, Sister Beatrice Counts and Sister Georgia Hill.

PYLES MEMORIAL — Pastor Rev. Lester Hampton. Delegates: Brother Richard Mullins, Brother Willie Mullins, Sister Lois Hampton and Brother Randall Baker.

RACHEL CHAPEL — Pastor Rev. Arvil Rose, Jr. Delegates: Brother Avery Rose, Sister Nancy Bateman, Sister Ann Rose, Sister Linda Carty, Sister Iretta Salyers and Sister Juanita Blevins.

RAMSEY RIDGE FREEWILL BAPTIST — Pastors Rev. Vester McKinney, Sr. and Rev. Vester McKinney, Jr. Delegates: Sister Viola Wright, Sister Lura McKinney, and Judy McKinney.

RUGSBY FREEWILL BAPTIST — Pastors Rev. Enoch Rose and Rev. Arnold Rose. Delegates: Sister Serephthia Hill, Sister Barbara Rose, Sister Pearl Fogleman, Sister Aurora Stanley and Sister Bernadine Stanley.

STRAIGHT HOLLOW FREEWILL BAPTIST — Pastor Rev. Harry Whitaker. Delegates: Sister Dell James, Sister Wanda Osborne, and Sister Betsy Fields.

SPLASHDAM FREEWILL BAPTIST — Pastors Rev. Carter Boyd and Rev. Danny Sluss. Delegates: Brother Carroll Bartley, Sister Ann Bartley, Brother Steve Wallace, Sister Tessie Wallace, Brother George Wallace, Sister Ada Wallace, Brother Darrell Wallace, Brother Leon Owens, Sister Dorothy Owens and Sister Kathy Hill.

TARPON FREEWILL BAPTIST — Pastors Rev. Glen Sykes and Rev. Freddy Boyd. Delegates: Brother Freddy Boyd, Brother Talt Wolford, Brother Winford Large, Sister Monica Boyd, Sister Minnie Wolford and Sister Joyce Carrol.

VALLEY VIEW FREEWILL BAPTIST — Pastor Rev. Derwood Yates. Delegates: Brother Ivory Hill, Sister Juanita Hill, Sister Reba Bowman, Sister Ada Dixon, Sister Janice Stanley, Sister Inis Counts, Sister Helen Artrip and Sister Gay Edwards.

YATES CHAPEL — Pastor Rev. Wythe Salyers. Delegates: Sister Patty Mullins, Sister Brenda Reynolds, Sister Nancy Sluss and Sister Bonette Stanley, Brother Pat Reynolds, Brother Paul Sluss and Brother Preston Stanley.

Done by order of the Dickenson County Conference while in session with Pyles Memorial Church July 22 and 23 1983.

Moderator Carter Boyd, Assistant Moderator Danny Sluss.

Clerks Lloyd Hillman, Alva Lee Fleming, Oval Hillman.

FREEWILL BAPTIST
Children's Home Offerings . . . Dickenson County Conference

	July 1982	Oct. 1982	Jan. 1983	April 1983	Total
Bear Wallow	—0—	—0—	—0—	25.00	25.00
Burke	—0—	25.00	—0—	25.00	50.00
Castlewood	—0—	—0—	—0—	—0—	—0—
Clinchco	58.71	49.98	42.10	52.93	203.72
Counts Chapel	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	20.00
Davis Chapel	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	400.00
Duncan Gap	—0—	—0—	—0—	—0—	—0—
Dyer's Chapel	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	120.00
Ferbie's Chapel	30.00	25.00	30.00	30.00	115.00
Flemingtown	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	200.00
Fremont	20.00	20.00	20.00	50.00	110.00
Frying Pan	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	20.00
George's Fork	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	400.00
Glady Fork	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	40.00
Hill Ridge	25.00	20.00	22.00	25.00	92.00
Honey Camp	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	200.00
Hubbard Chapel	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	100.00
Lick Creek	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	40.00
Lick Fork	215.00	180.00	415.00	235.00	1,045.00
Light House	10.00	10.00	—0—	20.00	40.00
Martin's Chapel	20.00	20.00	—0—	40.00	80.00
Meade's Chapel	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	240.00
Middle Branch	40.00	40.00	37.50	30.00	147.50
Mill Creek	25.00	25.00	—0—	50.00	100.00
Mill's Chapel	293.15	437.59	373.59	271.43	1,375.76
Peuther Chapel	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	400.00
Phillip's Chapel	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	120.00
Pine Creek	30.42	37.13	34.83	52.45	154.83
Pine Grove	—0—	10.00	10.00	10.00	30.00
Pyle's Memorial	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	80.00
Rachael Chapel	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	100.00
Ramsey Ridge	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	20.00
Reed Valley Dropped from Dickenson by request					
Rugsby	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	120.00
Splashdam	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	400.00
Straight Hollow	80.00	105.00	80.00	50.00	315.00
Tarpon	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	
Valley View	80.00	80.00	80.00	80.00	320.00
Yates Chapel	20.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	95.00
TOTAL	1,737.28	1,899.70	1,960.02	1,861.81	7,458.81

The John-Thomas Yearly Meeting will convene with the Splashdam Freewill Baptist Church at Haysi, Virginia, in Dickenson County on Friday before the second Sunday in September 1984 at 11:00 unless called together by the Moderator.

Directions to the Splashdam Church: Coming from Elkhorn, Ky., take Rt. 80 through The Breaks to Haysi, keep right on all roads in Haysi. Coming from Pound, Va., take Rt. 83 turn left on first two bridges in Haysi. Straight through Haysi and down river.

LETCHER COUNTY QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

Greetings:

To the John Thomas Association of Freewill Baptist when it convenes with Grassy Church near Zebulon of Pike County, Ky. in September 1983.

The Letcher County Conference convened with Dunham Church at Jenkins, Ky. August 27, 1983. After greeting and welcoming the congregation, Bro. Herman Bates Jr. led in singing "I'll Feel Like Traveling On." The clerk read the scripture lesson from Romans 10:13-15.

After receiving prayer requests Bro. Richard Gibson led in prayer. Special singers included Bro. Dean Fields and Bro. Windell Austin also Bro. & Sister Percy Elkins.

The conference being without a moderator, the clerk asked for nominations. Bro. Darwin Mullins was elected moderator and appointed Bro. Herman Bates Jr. as assistant moderator.

Bro. Homer Lee Mullins moved for a motion to give moderator power to appoint committee members, motion was seconded by Bro. Albert Dingus.

Committees Appointed or are standing:

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| 1. Pulpit Committee | 2. Executive Committee |
| A. Milford Craft | A. Milford Craft (Chr) |
| B. Raymond Fegley | B. Bill Garret |
| C. Jimmy Conley | C. Earl Smith |
| 3. Ordination Committee | 4. Arbitration Committee |
| A. Richard Gibson (Chr) | A. Larry R. Jones (Hr) |
| B. Darwin Mullins | B. Albert Dingus |
| C. Millard Bates | C. Arnold Noles |

There were no visiting ministers.

Bro. Jommy Conley from Camp Caleb was with us.

The minutes of the previous conference were read. Bro. Ralph Profitt made a motion to receive and was seconded by Bro. Dean Fields.

The moderator appointed Bro. Millard Bates to give the Sunday School talk and Bro. Vardney Bolling to give the Temperance talk. Motion to receive talks were made by Herman Bates Jr. and seconded by Bro. Richard Gibson.

Bro. John C. Depriest dismissed the conference until the 1 o'clock service and gave a blessing over the food.

Pulpit Committee reported:

1. 11 o'clock message by Bro. Lloyd Addington
2. Evening service by Bro. Bobby Fleming
3. Night service by Bro. Ralph Vicars
4. Sunday service by Bro. Charles Gallion

During a hymnal a conference donation was given.

Bro. Homer Lee Mullins moved for adjournment until 1 o'clock was seconded by Bro. Dean Fields.

The evening session began with Bro. and Sister Millard Bates Jr. followed by Bro. Dean Fields and Bro. Windell Austin singing hymns. An ordination prayer followed for Bro. Robert C. Dixon and Bro. Edgar Huffman led by Bro. Darwin Mullins. Bro. Millard Bates Jr. gave the charge with Bro. Richard Gibson presenting the Bible.

The church letters were read with the exception of Dorton. 22 churches reporting. Bro. Clyde Damron moved for a motion to accept the letters and was seconded by Bro. Millard Bates Jr.

Bro. Bobby Fleming spoke before the congregation of the condition of the Home Mission and the desperate need for financial aid. Bro. John C. Depriest spoke in behalf of the Mission and made a motion that the conference support the Home Mission with funds needed above the amount contributed by the churches. The motion was seconded by Bro. Charles Gallion and a majority of "aye" from the congregation.

Motion made from the floor by Bro. Clyde Damron to pay the clerk \$150.00 quarterly. Motion was seconded by Bro. Dean Fields with a majority vote of "aye" of the congregation.

Report of the Executive Committee:

1. A donation of \$200.00 to the Home Mission Motion made by Bro. Clyde Damron, seconded by Bro. John C. Depriest.
2. A donation of \$150.00 for repair to the outbuildings during the tornado. Motion made by Bro. Clyde Damron and seconded by Bro. Vardney Bolling.
3. A donation of \$150.00 to Poor Bottom Church toward building A Church. Motion made and passed by majority present.
4. That the next Conference would go to the Energyville Church.

Motion made by Bro. John C. Depriest that the conference give Dunham Church a love offering of \$150.00. Motion was seconded by Bro. Bobby Fleming.

Motion for adjournment was made by Bro. Charles Gallion and seconded by Bro. John Spicer, Jr.

Moderator — Bro. Darwin Mullins

Assist. Mod. — Bro. Herman Bates Jr.

Clerk — Bro. Homer B. Johnson

Delegates Registered

Becky Bates
George W. Reynolds
Rhobenia Hurst
Ella Mae Vanover
C. A. Vanover
Monroe Kilgore
Rosamond Wright
James W. Salyers
Luther Baker
Charles Gallion
Percy Elkins Sr.
Maxine Shook
Beulah McGurie
Marlene Mosley
Jim Ed McGuire
Albert Dingus
John Spicer Jr.
Vardney Bolling
Mary Whitaker
Bill Hall
Dorothy Tucker
Lawerence England

Orville Parsons
Wanda Pauley
Belle Bowling
Shelby Reynolds
Christie Curry
W. D. Fields
Eugene Anderson
Linda Hatton
Raymond Fegley
Mr. & Mrs. Truman Conley
Jerome Bellamy
Velda Maggard
Andy Maggard
Pearl Mann
Dorothy Conley
Bonnie Pritchard
Tom Lawson
Kathy Hamilton
Paul Hamilton
Waudill Hawkins
Mary Elkins
John D. Shook

Margie Simpkins
Hassel Cable
Robert Mosley
Luemmie Johnson
Richard Gibson
Arnold Noles
Doris Anderson
Elsie Anderson
Ersell Sergent
Bertha Tucker
Ruth A. England
Millie Parsons
Paul Pauley
Georgia Stallard
Carolyn Reynolds
Verdell Sturgill
Windell R. Austin
David Maggard
Paul Hatton
Flora Fegley
Gusta Reynolds
Douglas Caudill

Letcher Co.—(continued)

Conference Statistics

No. of Churches	23
Church membership	2066
Sunday Schools	23
Sunday School Membership .	1897
Licensed Ministers	6
Auxillaries	9
Aux. Members	139
Church Literature	\$1525.81
(10 not given)	
Youth Leagues	5
Membership	119

Financial Statistics

Quarterly Meeting Fund .	\$481.00
Foreign Mission	65.00
Home Mission	255.00
Orphanage	232.50
Furgersons	10.00
Sextons	10.00
Camp Caleb	110.00
TOTAL FUNDS	\$1163.50

Money received in

checks	\$1,017.00
Cash	146.50
Conference Donation	81.90
Total Conference	1245.40
Conference less donation .	\$1163.50

Treasurer Report

Certificate	\$5000.00
Checking	3810.59

Moderator — Bro. Darwin Mullins

Asst. Mod. — Bro. Herman Bates Jr.

Clerk — Homer B. Johnson

P.S. Minutes 700

LETCHER COUNTY DELEGATE CONFERENCE

Moderator

Bro. Ralph Profitt
Neon, Ky. 41840

Clerk

Homer B. Johnson
P.O. Box 542
Jenkins, Ky. 41537

Yearly Meeting Place and Date

Dunham Freewill Baptist Church
August 27, 1983

Statistics

No. of Churches	23
Church Membership	2066
Ordained Ministers	85
Licensed Ministers	6
Membership Fees	\$516.50

List of Delegates

Orville Parsons
Millie Parsons
Wanda Pauley
Paul Pauley
Belle Bowling
Georgia Stallard
Shelby Reynolds
Carolyn Reynolds
Christie Curry
Verdell Sturgill
W. D. Fields
Windell R. Austin
Eugene Anderson
David Maggard

Linda Hatton
Paul Hatton
Raymond Fegley
Flora Fegley
Mr. & Mrs. Truman Conley
Gusta Reynolds
Jerome Bellamy
Douglas Caudill
Becky Bates
George W. Reynolds
Rhobenia Hurst
Ella Mae Vanover
C. A. Vanover
Monroe Kilgore

Rosamond Wright
James W. Salyers
Luther Baker
Charles Gallion
Percy Elkins Sr.
Maxine Shook
Beulah McGuire
Marlene Mosley
Jim Ed McGuire
Albert Dingus
John Spicer Jr.
Vardney Bolling
Mary Whitaker
Bill Hall

Letcher Co. Delegates—(continued)

Dorothy Tucker	Kathy Hamilton	Luemmie Johnson
Lawrence England	Paul Hamilton	Richard Gibson
Velda Maggard	Waudill Hawkins	Arnold Noles
Andy Maggard	Mary Elkins	Doris Anderson
Pearl Mann	John D. Shook	Elsie Anderson
Dorothy Conley	Margie Simpkins	Ersell Sergeant
Bonnie Pritchard	Hassel Cable	Bertha Tucker
Tom Lawson	Robert Mosley	Ruth A. England

PIKE COUNTY QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

Moderator

Rev. Donnie Williamson
Huddy, KY 41535

Clerk

Rev. Robert (Bobby) Varney
Rt. 2, Box 21, Pinsonfork, Ky 41555

Yearly Meeting Place and Date

Grassy Freewill Baptist Church
Racoon, Ky 41557
September 9 & 10, 1983

Statistics

No. of Churches	19
Church Membership	1949
Ordained Ministers	77
Licensed Ministers	15
Membership Fees	\$487.25
Engraving	0

We are requesting 600 minutes

List of Delegates

Dallas L. Ratliff	Albert Hinkle	Oma Charles
Clarissia J. Ratliff	Mary Hinkle	Anthony Charles
Dixie Leedy	Burl Rogers	Dallas Kinder
Edith Casey	Suda Slone	Joe Slone
Bernice Auxier	Paul Slone	Cleo Slone
Christine Dennis	Lena Slone	Rodie Varney
Terry Lee May	William Maynard	Inez Varney
Billy Hunt	Peggy Maynard	Marvin Burchett
Eddie Abbott	Nancy Burgess	Virginia Burgett
Jettie Abbott	Danny Boyd	Jean Varney
Edith J. Scott	Sue Boyd	Shawn Lowe
Grayson Scott	James Billiter	Donnie Justice
Charles Hardy	Sandy Billiter	Charles Bently
Stella Hardy	Bud Fields	Karen Bently
Charlie E. Gross	Nancy Fields	Anna Margaret Charles
Lulabelle Gross	Lester Tibbs	Bert Harris
Kathi Gross	Judy Tibbs	Maggie Harris
Donnie Justice	Elster Sexton	Larry Blackburn
Betty J. McGuire	Noah Smith	Sherrill Blackburn
Ernest Varney	Clinton Charles	Walker McCoy
Tunis Creed	Mildred Varney	Pat Charles
	Margaret Charles	

Pike County—(continued)

For the year of 1983 we have sent to the Freewill Baptist Children's Home, Greenville, Tenn. — \$1,337.51

We sent to Brother John Murray — \$1,280.00

To the Dessie Scott Children's Home at Pine Ridge, Ky. — \$90.00

To Brother Ledgel Ferguson — \$530.00

Done by order of the Pike County Quarterly Conference on the 27th day of August 1983.

NEW DURM COUNTY QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

Moderator

Rev. Kyle Hubbard
Honaker, Virginia 24290

Yearly Meeting Place and Date

Grassy Freewill Baptist Church
September 9th & 10th, 1983

Clerk

Bro. Bernard L. McGlothlin
Rt. 1, Box 152
Vansant, Virginia 24656

Statistics

No. of Churches	11
Church Membership	606
Ordained Ministers	27
Licensed Ministers	2
Membership Fees	181.80
Engraving	38.00

List of Delegates

Bro. Brady Farmer
Bro. Estel Ray
Bro. Claude Rose
Bro. Billie McGlothlin
Sister Ada Farmer

On November 13, 1982, while in regular session with the Tunnell Hill Freewill Baptist Church, the New Durm Quarterly Conference voted unanimously to use the original 1611 translation of the King James Version Bible as our only rule of faith and practice. We hold that the King James Version is the infallible Word of God and that no other version or translation can replace or be substituted for it. Therefore, no other version or translation may be used in the New Durm Conference of Freewill Baptists. Done by order of the New Durm Quarterly Conference.

Moderator — Rev. Kyle Hubbard

Asst. Mod. — Rev. Claude Rose

Clerk — Bro. Bernard McGlothlin

Done by order of New Durm Conference on the 13th day of August, 1983.

HAMILTON COUNTY CONFERENCE

Greetings:

To the John Thomas Association of Freewill Baptists when in session the 9th day of September 1983.

While in session with the Calvary Freewill Baptist Church the 13th day of August 1983. Rev. Roger Hutson replaced Rev. David Terry as Clerk of the Conference. Rev. Ben Moore replaced Rev. Robert Matney on the ordaining council.

Rev. Clay Couch said he would replace the late Rev. Jay Davidson as pastor of Pipe Creek Freewill Baptist Church in Penntown Ind. until someone else came or the Lord moved on Rev. Couch to take on a full-time base.

Rev. Roger Hutson and Rev. Doug Quicksall preached the morning and afternoon sermons.

A motion was made and carried to adjourn until the next appointed time. Please send us 100 minutes. Enclosed is \$37.50 Fees.

Clerk

Rev. D. Roger Hutson

Statistics of Hamilton County Conference

Moderator

Rev. James (Jim) Upchurch
3411 Graff St.
Latonia, Ky 41015

Clerk

Rev. D. Roger Jutson
5672 Eula Ave.
Cincinnati, Ohio 45248

Statistics

Number of Churches 5
Church Membership 150
Ordained Ministers 15
Licensed Ministers 2

Done by order of Hamilton County Conference, August 13, 1983.

MID OHIO QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

Moderator

Rev. Ronnie Kendrick
4022 21st. St. S.W.
Canton, Ohio 44706

Clerk

Rev. Cecil Rogers
217 E. Paradise St.
Orrville, Ohio 44667

Yearly Meeting Place and Date

Grassy Freewill Baptist Church
Zebulon, Ky. Sept. 9, 1983

Statistics

No. of Churches 3
Church Membership 106
Ordained Ministers 9
Licensed Ministers 0
Membership Fees \$150.00
Engraving \$7.00

Also enclosed is a check of \$550.00
for the Orphanage

We request 100 minutes

List of Delegates

Rev. Daniel Bates
Rev. Ronnie Kendrick
Rev. Cecil Rogers

Mid-Ohio—(continued)

Done by the order of the Mid-Ohio Quarterly Conference on the 13th day of August, 1983.

The letters were all received as read, with all six churches reporting in. Motion was made by Earet Rose and seconded by Benny Slone to adjourn from business of the association and to move on into the Ministers Conference. Motion carried by vote.

The clerk, Rev. Bobby Varney came forward to organize the Yearly Ministers Conference. Motion was made by Rev. Homer Lee Mullins and seconded by Rev. Ronnie Kendrick to retain the same moderator and clerk as the yearly meeting.

The letters were all turned in and read by the clerk, they read as follows:

DICKENSON COUNTY MINISTERS CONFERENCE

Ministers convened with Pyles Memorial Church, July 21, 1983 at 7:30. Meeting called to order by Brother Lester Hampton, the pastor. He extended a welcome to the conference. Brother Carter Boyd led us in the song "When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder I'll Be There."

Brother Fred Taylor led us in prayer. Brother Frank Hall was elected moderator. Brother Wayne Keith was appointed assistant moderator. The congregation registered. Minutes were read and approved.

Brother Jack Johnson asked to be re-instated to ministers conference, motion made and seconded to accept him, motion carried.

Roy Vanover re-elected clerk of the ministers conference. Wyth Salyers, Joe Johnson and Enoch Rose re-elected to ordaining council. Wyth Salyers, Derwood Yates and Frank Hall re-elected to the committee for lifetime cards.

Brother Wyth Salyers started speaking at 8:20 on meetings of the church closed at 9:10.

Sung "Love Lifted Me" had hand shake gave Brother Jack Johnson right hand of fellowship and dismissed.

P.S. we had 123 present. We ordained 12 ministers the past year. We have 108 active ministers and 9 with lifetime cards. One minister died, Bill Dixon. Brothers James Hobbs, Kenneth Rose, Alvin Ray Meade and Delbert E. Short were dismissed from the conference.

Moderator — Frank Hall

Clerk — Roy Vanover

Ministers to Receive Good Standing Cards

Name	Address	Church
Charles Baker	Rt 2, Box 350, Pound, Va. 24279	Hubbard Chapel
Luther Belcher, Jr.	Rt. 2, B. 139-B, Pound, Va. 24279	Pyles Memorial
Troy Belcher	Rt. 2, Box 184, Pound, Va. 24279	Pyles Memorial
Darrell Boggs	Rt. 2, Box 246, Pound, Va. 24279	Ferbie Chapel
Carter Boyd	Rt. 1, Clintwood, Va. 24228	Hill Ridge
Freddy Boyd	Box 183, Clincho, Va. 24226	Tarpon
Robert Cantrell	Rt. 2, Box 449, Coeburn, Va. 24230	Duncan Gap
Alden Carico	Rt. 3, Box 161, Gallipolis, Oh. 45631	Pine Creek

Emory Cook	Box 321, Dante, Va. 24237	Phillips Chapel
Tennie B. Crabtree	Rt. 1, B. 90-A, Clintwood, Va. 24228	Georges Fork
Paul Deloach	Rt. 1, Box 130, Clintwood, Va. 24228	Valley View
Ralph Dingus	Gen. Delivery, Clincho, Va. 24226	Tarpon
Lonzo Edwards	Rt. 3, Box 246, Abingdon, Va. 22410	Yates Chapel
Paul Fields	821 Wildwood Dr., Broosville, Fl. 33512	Peuther Chapel
Franklin Hall	Rt. 2, Box 310-D, Clintwood, Va. 24228	Pine Creek
Glynn Hale	Dante, Va. 24237	Bear Wallow
Lester Hampton	Rt. 1, Box 33, Pound, Va. 24279	Pyles Memorial
J. T. Hartsock	Rt. 1, Castlewood, Va. 24224	Phillips Chapel
Clayton Hay	Rt. 1, Clintwood, Va. 24228	Yates Chapel
Clyde Hay	Box 341, Clintwood, Va. 24228	Lick Creek
Finas Hill	Rt. 1, Box 156, Haysi, Va. 24256	Splash Dam
Doyle Hobbs	Box 193, Castlewood, Va. 24224	Mills Chapel
Wiley Horn	Box 1394, Wise, Va. 24293	Duncan Gap
Jack Johnson	Box 1044, Clintwood, Va. 24228	Valley View
Joe Johnson	Rt. 4, Box 223, Coeburn, Va. 24230	Middle Branch
Harold Wayne Keith	Rt. 2, Box 336, Coeburn, Va. 24230	Rachels Chapel
Quinton Keith	Coeburn, Va. 24230	Rachels Chapel
Ayers Kennedy	Clintwood, Va. 24228	Pine Creek
Alfred L. Kiesling	Rt. 4, Box 267, Coeburn, Va. 24230	Meade Chapel
James C. Kiser	Rt. 2, Box 87-B, Grundy, Va. 24614	Dyers Chapel
Joey Knowles	Rt. 2, Box 375-A, Coeburn, Va. 24230	Lick Creek
Tommy Large	Rt. 1, Box 152, Wise, Va. 24293	Duncan Gap
Winford Large	Rt. 1, Box 379, Clintwood, Va. 24228	Tarpon
Garcia B. Layne	Rt. 2, Box 445, Coeburn, Va. 24230	
Hollis Layne	Rt. 2, Coeburn, Va. 24230	Duncan Gap
E. B. Lee, Jr.	Rt. 1, Nora, Va. 24272	Light House
Jack W. Meade	Rt. 4, Box 176-A, Coeburn, Va. 24230	Meade Chapel
James D. Meade	Rt. 4, Box 176-AA, Coeburn, Va. 24230	Meade Chapel
B. M. Moore	Rt. 1, Box 31, Nora, Va. 24272	Dyers Chapel
Delmon D. Moore	Rt. 3, Clintwood, Va. 24228	Pine Creek
Kermit Moore	P.O. Box A-21, Pound, Va. 24279	Pyles Memorial
Bill Mack Mullins	Box 271, Clintwood, Va. 24228	Pine Creek
Bobby Mullins	Rt. 2, Box 387-B, Coeburn, Va. 24230	Honey Camp
C. Clifford Mullins	Box 345, Chantilly, Va.	Burk
David L. Mullins	Rt. 2, Box 118-C, Clintwood, Va. 24228	Honey Camp
Donald D. Mullins	Rt. 3, Box 512-C, Stafford, Va. 22554	Burk
Donnie Joe Mullins	Rt. 1, Box 148-T, Wise, Va. 24293	Duncan Gap
Earlest Mullins	7140 Barry Rd., Alexandria, Va. 22310	Burk
Hie A. Mullins	Rt. 3, Box 270, Clintwood, Va. 24228	Frying Pan
Jerry W. Mullins	4256 Buckman Rd. #21, Alexandria, Va. 22308	Burk
Larry T. Mullins	8122 Richmond Hwy., Alexandria, Va. 22309	Burk
Lewis V. Mullins	Rt. 3, Box 202-F, Clintwood, Va. 24228	Honey Camp
Mack Mullins	Rt. 2, Coeburn, Va. 24230	Duncan Gap
Napoleon Mullins	2110 Arlington Terrace, Alexandria, Va. 22303	Burk
Mark Mullins	Rt. 3, Box 270, Clintwood, Va. 24228	Frying Pan
Parkis Mullins	6720 Harrison Lane, Alexandria, Va. 22306	Burk
Rickey D. Mullins	Rt. 2, Box 301, Wise, Va. 24293	Duncan Gap
Roger D. Mullins	9100 Hooes Rd., Lorton, Va.	Burk
Roy A. Mullins	Rt. 2, Box 387-B, Coeburn, Va. 24230	Honey Camp
Ted Mullins	Rt. 2, Coeburn, Va. 24230	Rachels Chapel
Wayne Mullins	Rt. 1, Box 317, Pound, Va. 24279	Gladly Fork
Willie F. Mullins	Rt. 2, Box 102-C, Clintwood, Va. 24228	Valley View
Vaster McKinney, Jr.	Rt. 1, Box 524, Clincho, Va. 24226	Ramsey Ridge
David P. McPeck	Rt. 3, Box 199-A, Clintwood, Va. 24228	Pine Creek
Robert L. Phipps	Rt. 3, Box 546, Clintwood, Va. 24228	Valley View

Bruce Pilkenton	P.O. Box 191, Pound, Va. 24279	Glady Fork
Terry Price	Rt. 2, Box 411-A, Coeburn, Va. 24230	Lick Fork
Donald Ray Reedy	Rt. 1, Box 150, Dante, Va. 24237	Ramsey Ridge
Howard Reynolds	Box 67, Sowards Creek, Va. 24649	
Jerry W. Robinson	Rt. 1, Box 234-A, Clintwood, Va. 24228	Pine Creek
Lester Robinson	Pound, Va. 24279	Ferbie Chapel
Nyal Burns Robinson	P.O. Box 46, Pound, Va. 24279	Ferbie Chapel
Arvil Rose, Jr.	Rt. 2, Box 318, Coeburn, Va. 24230	Rachels Chapel
Carl Rose	Rt. 1, Clincho, Va. 24226	Counts Chapel
Edward A. Rose	Rt. 2, Box 252-B, Coeburn, Va. 24230	Rugsby
Elva Rose	Rt. 2, Box 319, Coeburn, Va. 24230	Rachels Chapel
E. M. Rose	Rt. 2, Coeburn, Va. 24230	Rugsby
Harlan L. Rose	Rt. 1, Box 446, Clintwood, Va. 24228	Hill Ridge
Lloyd Rose	Rt. 4, Box 163, Coeburn, Va. 24230	Meade Chapel
Willie C. Rose	Rt. 1, Box 479, Clintwood, Va. 24228	Hill Ridge
Hubert Rowlett	Rt. 2, Coeburn, Va. 24230	Rugsby
David Russ	Rt. 2, Box 96, Clintwood, Va. 24228	Lick Fork
Wythe Salyers	Rt. 2, Coeburn, Va. 24230	Rachels Chapel
Ed Slemp	Rt. 2, Box 313, Pound, Va. 24279	Ferbie Chapel
Jackie Slemp	Rt. 2, Box 433, Coeburn, Va. 24230	Lick Fork
Samuel E. Slemp	Rt. 2, Box 313, Pound, Va. 24279	Ferbie Chapel
Danny Sluss	Rt. 1, Box 93, Haysi, Va. 24256	Splash Dam
Joe Glenn Sluss	Rt. 1, Clintwood, Va. 24228	Fleming Town
Gaylord Spriggs	VI Ranch Rd., Rt. 3, Box 570-C, Bristol, Tn. 37620	Splash Dam
Kenneth Sproles	Rt. 5, Box 175, Abingdon, Va. 24210	
I. T. Stallard	Rt. 1, Box 23, Pound, Va. 24279	Glady Fork
Adam M. Stanley	Rt. Box 330, Pound, Va. 24279	Hubbard Chapel
Nolan M. Stanley	Rt. 1, Box 131, Wise, Va. 24293	Hubbard Chapel
Joseph P. Steel	Rt. 1, Box 604, Clincho, Va. 24226	Valley View
Bobby Gene Strouth	Rt. 2, Box 338, Pound, Va. 24279	Hubbard Chapel
Douglas Strouth	Wise, Va. 24293	Duncan Gap
Manie M. Strouth	Rt. 2, Box 272, Clintwood, Va. 24228	Pine Creek
Ulis Sturgill	Rt. 1, Box 104, Pound, Va. 24279	Glady Fork
Glenn Sykes	Rt. 1, Box 195, Haysi, Va. 24256	Tarpon
Leon C. Sykes	Rt. 1, Box 116, Haysi, Va. 25256	Tarpon
Roy C. Vanover	P.O. Box 382, Pound, Va. 24279	Pyles Memorial
Hasting Ward	Rt. 1, St. Paul, Va. 24283	Meade Chapel
Harry Whitaker	Box 361, Dante, Va. 24237	Straight Hollow
Talt Wolford	P.O. Box 426, Clincho, Va. 24226	Tarpon
Luke Wright	14514 El Rio Court, Woodbridge, Va. 22191	Burk
Richard Wright	7096 Kings Arm Dr., Manassas, Va. 22110	Burk
Billy Darrel Willis	Rt. 1, Box 47, Haysi, Va. 24256	Splash Dam
Derwood Yates	Rt. 2, Box 299, Coeburn, Va. 24230	Valley View

MINISTERS HOLDING LIFETIME CARDS

Homer Barrett	Rt. 1, Clincho, Va. 24226	Counts Chapel
Alva Dingus	Rt. 1, Clintwood, Va. 24228	Hill Ridge
Vester McKinney	Rt. 1, Box 203, Clincho, Va. 24226	Ramsey Ridge
Clyde E. Reedy	Rt. 2, Madinsonville, Tn. 37354	Peuthers Chapel
Early Rose	McClure, Va. 24269	Dyers Chapel
Goble Rose	Rt. 1, Clincho, Va. 24226	Counts Chapel
Maston Rose	Rt. 2, Coeburn, Va. 24230	Rugsby
James D. Shortt	P.O. Box 224, Pound, Va. 24279	Pyles Memorial
Fred Taylor	Wise, Va. 24293	Pyles Memorial

PIKE COUNTY QUARTERLY MINISTERS CONFERENCE

Moderator

Bennie F. Slone
Meta, Ky, 41501

Clerk

Robert (Bobby) Varney
Rt. 2, Box 21, Pinsonfork, Ky 41555

Yearly Meeting Place and Date

Grassy Freewill Baptist Church
Racoon, Ky

Ordaining Council

Robey (Buddy) Kendrick
Bennie F. Slone
Robert (Bobby) Varney

Executive Committee

Robert (Bobby) Varney
Bennie F. Slone
Robey (Buddy) Kendrick

MINISTERS TO RECEIVE GOOD STANDING CARDS

Name	Address	Church
Bennie F. Slone	Meta, Ky 41501	Owsley
Robert (Bobby) Varney	Rt. 2, Box 21, Pinsonfork, Ky 41555	Octavia
David G. Varney	Kimper, Ky 41539	Edo
William G. King	McAndrews, Ky 41543	Octavia
Harold Brewer	Elkhorn City, Ky 41522	Fellowship Chapel
Gerria Reynolds	McAndrews, Ky 41543	Octavia
Luther Boyd	Rt. 3, Box 109X, Pikevill, Ky 41501	Owsley
Robey (Buddy) Kendrick	Belfry, Ky 41514	Belfry
Herbert Goff	Racoon, Ky 41557	Grassy
Curtiss Wellman	Hardy, Ky 41531	Bluespring
Joe Hackney	Belfry, Ky 41514	Belfry
Dennis Hinkle	McAndrews, Ky 41543	Octavia
Homer Adkins	Rt. 3, Box 124p, Pikeville, Ky	Owsley
William Akers	Sidney, Ky 41564	Mt. Zion
Buford Thacker	Shelbiana, Ky 41562	Greasy Creek
Edward Lee Adkins	Rt. 3, Box 158, Pikeville, Ky 41501	Owsley
Tom Carrol	Pikeville, Ky 41501	Island Creek
Goble Thacker	Rt. 1, Box 274, Shelbiana, Ky 41562	Greasy Creek
Dwight Buckley	Rt. 5, Box 149, Keathley Fk, Rd. Pikeville, Ky 41501	Owsley
Velon Burgess	Rt. 3, Box 87K, Pikeville, Ky 41501	Owsley
Barry Robinson	Rt. 5, Pikeville, Ky 41501	Island Creek
Morgan Chapman	Meta, Ky 41501	Grassy
Harold Anderson	Kimper, Ky 41539	Edo
Donnie Williamson	Huddy, Ky 41535	Belfry
Ronald Coleman	Rt. 1, Box 424, Elkhorn City, Ky 41522	Unity
Ray Leedy	Stone, Ky 41567	Bluespring
Palmer Thompson	Zebulon, Ky, 41501	Grassy
Crit Justice	Gulnare, Ky 41530	Owsley
Clarence Robinson	Rt. 5 Pikeville, Ky 41501	Island Creek
William Harrison	Chatteroy, W.Va. 25667	Mt. Zion
Paul O'Quine	Box 475 Elkhorn City, Ky 41522	Unity
Kernal Lawson	Rockhouse, Ky 41561	Unity
Robert Charles	Racoon, Ky. 41557	Grassy
Joe Slone	Toler's Creek, Ky 41569	Toler's Creek
Edward Burgess	Rt. 3, Box 87, Pikeville, Ky 41501	Owsley
Ronald May	Box 849, Racoon, Ky 41557	Grassy
Virgil Ramey	Elkhorn City, Ky 41522	Fellowship Chapel
Jimmie Skeens	Box 220, Regina, Ky 41559	Owsley
Leslie Kennedy	Rt. 2, Box 29C, Sidney, Ky 41564	Leckieville

Name	Address	Church
John Vance	Box 6, Robinson Creek, Ky 41560	Caney Creek
Ballard Yates	McCarr, Ky 41544	Bluespring
Allen Thacker	Shelbiana, Ky 41562	Greasy Creek
Onis Varney	354 Jewwtt St. Elgin, Ill 60120	Octavia
Bud Ross	Turkey Creek, Ky 41570	Mt. Zion
Kenny Hall	Rockhouse, Ky 41561	Unity
Albert Simpson	Box 515, Burning Fk. Rd., Pikeville, Ky 41501	Grassy
Jimmy Jack Adkins	Shelbiana, Ky 41562	Greasy Creek
Kenneth Lowe	Huddy, Ky 41539	Belfry
Bobby Bowman	Kimper, Ky 41539	Edo
Emery Varney	Canada, Ky 41519	Bluespring
Perry Kendrick	189 Jay St., Pikeville, Ky	Grassy
Jimmy L. Turner	Box 140, Grassy Rd., Racoon, Ky 41557	Grassy
Gary Blackburn	Rt. 2, Box 40, Sidney, Ky 41564	Belfry
Estil P. Adkins	Owsley, Ky 41501	Owsley
Walter McCoy	Goody, Ky 41562	Leckieville
Michael Dingess	Box 147, Matewan, W.Va. 25678	Bluespring
Goble Rush Ratliff	Box 190, Elkhorn City, Ky 41522	Fellowship Chapel
Harold Robinson	Kimper, Ky 41539	Island Creek
Jackie Maynard	Box 177, Boody, Ky 41562	Leckieville
Wendell Robert Smith	Pikeville, Ky 41501	Stone Coal

MINISTERS HOLDING LIFETIME CARDS

John T. Oliver	Ransom, Ky 41558	Bluespring
O. H. Greer	Rt. 1, Box 100, Beech Bluff. Tenn. 38313	Octavia
Lawrence Ball	Switzer, W.Va. 25647	Octavia
George Bickford	Box 151, Rockhouse, Ky 41561	Unity
Dempsey Adkins	Rockhouse, Ky 41561	Unity
John C. Hatfield	Ransom, Ky 41558	Bluespring
Sid May	Hardy, Ky 41531	Bluespring
Phillip Bostic	Meta, Ky 41501	Grassy
Frank Rich	Pikeville, Ky 41501	Island Creek
Dock Hunt	Rt. 3, Box 65, Pikeville, Ky 41501	Owsley
Garland Varney	Kimper, Ky 41539	Edo
Wilson Justice	Robinson Creek, Ky 41560	Caney Creek
E. P. Murphy	Hatfield, Ky 415	Mt. Zion

LETCHER MINISTERS CONFERENCE

The moderator Bro. Ralph Profitt called the ministers to order by asking Bro. Clyde Damron to lead in prayer. The scripture lesson was read from the third chapter of Titus.

The moderator gave a short message on the duties of responsibility a moderator's term of office.

The minutes of the previous conference was read. Bro. Tommy England made a motion to receive and was seconded by Bro. Dean Fields.

The Arbitration Committee was commissioned to council ministers who were not attached to any church in the Letcher County Conference. They being a member will have to attach themselves to a church and a report of the Arbitration be made at the next conference.

The above statement was put in the form of a motion and accepted by a majority of "Aye" by the ministers present.

Letcher Minister's Conference—(continued)

The issue of elderly ministers receiving a Life Time Good-standing card was brought before the conference. It was resolved that the pastor of a church recommend an elder to the Ordination Committee who would make efforts to honor those receiving the cards. Motions to accept the issue was made by Bro. Homer Lee Mullins and was seconded by Bro. David I. Brewer.

Bill Crawford requested a letter to go to the Dickenson County Conference. Bro. Herman Bates Jr. made a motion to give letter and was seconded by Bro. Vardney Bolling.

Bro. Leon Bolden was received into the conference pending a letter from the Sandy Valley Conference.

Bro. Pete Newsome was received into the conference from the Pike County Conference by letter. Bro. Hillis Bevins to receive the Brothers and was seconded by Bro. Richard Gibson.

Bro. Homer Lee Mullins was elected moderator for the 1983-1984 term
Committee member appointed: Bro. John C. Depriest stepped down from Ordination Committee and was replaced by Bro. Darwin Mullins. Bro. Tommy England resigned from the same committee and was replaced by Bro. Millard Bates Jr. Other appointments by the moderator included Bro. Arnold Noles to replace Bro. Darwin Mullins on the Arbitration Committee.

Motion for adjournment was made by Bro. Vardney Bolling seconded by majority vote of "Aye."

P.S. Ministers remarried after conversion to be topic for the next conference. This motion set aside by Bro. Clyde Damron and seconded by Bro. Herman Bates Jr.

Moderator — Bro. Ralph Profitt

Clerk — Homer B. Johnson

Attendance

Bro. Vardney H. Bolling	Bro. Ersel McPeck
Bro. Eugene Anderson	Bro. Hollis Bevins
Bro. David I. Brewer	Bro. Richard Gibson
Bro. Herman Bates	Bro. Jonah D. Wright
Bro. Arnold Noles	Bro. Darwin Mullins
Bro. Jessie Miller	Bro. Johnny Collier
Bro. James N. Tacket	Bro. Clyde Dameron
Bro. Frank Anderson	Bro. Edgar Huffman
Bro. Warren Tompkins	Bro. Doyle Caudill
Bro. Carl Coleman	Bro. Douglas Sturgill
Bro. Virdell Sturgill	Bro. Homer Lee Mullins
Bro. Percy Elkins Sr.	Bro. Lloyd Addington
Bro. Bill Crawford	Bro. Floyd Sexton
Bro. Windell R. Austin	Bro. Dean Fields
Bro. Earl Bruding	Bro. Lester Boggs
Bro. Larry R. Jones	Bro. Ike Young Jr. (watch care)
Bro. Ova Land	Bro. Tommy Phillips
Bro. Tom England	Bro. John Spicer Jr.
Bro. Ralph E. Profitt	Bro. Bobby L. Fleming
Bro. Gary Kirby	Bro. Mark L. Glisson
Bro. Kalton Robinett	Bro. Sonny Miracle
Bro. Stanley Roy Tackett	Bro. Robert C. Dixon
Bro. Ralph Vicars	Bro. Hayes Vance Jr.

Attendance—(continued)

Bro. Herman Johnson
 Bro. Austin Kinney
 Bro. Bobby Wayne Elkins
 Bro. Sherman C. Whitaker
 Bro. Gordon Damron
 Bro. Elomzo Calwell
 Bro. George W. Reynolds
 Bro. Ezra Johnson

Bro. Hasadora Reynolds
 Bro. James M. Potter
 Bro. Pat Whitaker
 Bro. Edgar Sanders
 Bro. Oscar Damron
 Bro. Woodrow Mullins
 Bro. Millard Bates Jr.
 Bro. Pete Newsom

62 Ministers present

Greetings to John Thomas Association while in session with Grassy Creek Church:

While in session with Burdine church, Feb. 25, 1983, a resolution was made by Bro. Homer Lee Mullins; whereas all ministers holding good standing cards in the Letcher County Conference pastor a church in said conference only. Resolution was put in the form of a motion and was accepted by a majority vote of those present.

While in session with Dorton Church May 20, 1983, statements brought before the conference were:

1. Moderator of the ministers conference will serve for one year and step down for one year.
2. a member of the Arbitration Committee will step down after serving three years.
3. The eldest member of the Ordination Committee to step down for three years. He cannot succeed himself. The longest on committee being chairman.

The above statements were put in the form of a motion and were unanimously accepted by the ministers present.

LETCHER COUNTY CONFERENCE

Moderator

Darwin Mullins
 Jackhorn, Ky 41825

Clerk

Homer B. Johnson
 P.O. Box 542
 Jenkins, Ky 41537

Yearly Meeting Place and Date

Dunham Freewill Baptist Church
 August 26, 1983

Ordaining Council

Richard Gibson (Chr)
 Darwin Mullins
 Millard Bates Jr.

Executive Committee

Milford Craft (Chr)
 Bill Garret
 Earl Smith

MINISTERS TO RECEIVE GOOD STANDING CARDS

Name	Address	Church
Clyde Damron*	Shelby Gap, Ky. 41563	Alleghany
Carl Coleman	Rockhouse, Ky.	Alleghany
Oscar Damron	Hellier, Ky. 41534	Alleghany
James N. Tacket	Hellier, Ky. 41534	Alleghany
Pete Newsome	Hellier, Ky. 41534	Alleghany
Jimmy Looney	Hellier, Ky. 41534	Alleghany
Stanley R. Tackett	Hellier, Ky. 41534	Alleghany

Name	Address	Church
Robert C. Dixon	Hellier, Ky. 41534	Alleghany
John C. Depriest	Jenkins, Ky. 41537	Burdine
Albert Dingus	Jenkins, Ky. 41537	Burdine
Pat Whitaker	Jenkins, Ky. 41537	Burdine
Bobby Flemings	Jenkins, Ky. 41537	Burdine
Sherman Whitaker	Jenkins, Ky. 41537	Burdine
Don McKnight	Cumberland, Ky. 40823	Cloverlick
Jeff Reynolds	Riddle St. Norton, Va. 24273	Dorton
James N. Potter	Dorton, Ky. 41520	Dorton
Caleb Holbrook	Rt. 1, Box 209, Jenkins, Ky. 41537	Pine Chapel
Michael Wright	Dorton, Ky. 41520	Dorton
George W. Reynolds	Dorton, Ky. 41520	Dorton
Charles Gallion*	Jenkins, Ky. 41537	Dunham
Ralph Vicars	Jenkins, Ky. 41537	Dunham
Dennie Fleming	Jackhorn, Ky. 41825	Dunham
Woodrow Mullins*	Rt. 4, Box 559, Pikeville, Ky. 41501	Energyville
Don R. Ratliff	Rt. 2, Box 408N, Pikeville, Ky. 41501	Energyville
David Callihan	Rt. 2, Box 270, Pikeville, Ky. 41501	Energyville
James O. Elkins	Lickford, Box 44, Pikeville, Ky. 41501	Energyville
Bobby Elikns	Box 71, Jenkins, Ky. 41537	Energyville
Austin Kenny	142 Willow Dr., Pikeville, Ky. 41501	Energyville
Leon Bolden	Rt. 2, Box 274-A, Pikeville, Ky. 41501	Energyville
Robert Hampton	Virgie, Ky. 41527	Energyville
Ralph Profit*	Neon, Ky. 41840	Happy
Paul Wooten	Scuddy, Ky.	Happy
John Akers Jr.	Happy, Ky.	Happy
Earl Combs	Happy, Ky.	Happy
Rodney Smith	Happy, Ky. 41746	Happy
Ova Land*	Cromona, Ky. 41810	Haymond
Danny Mullins	Cromona, Ky. 41810	Haymond
Millard Bates Jr.*	Whitesburg, Ky. 41858	Hemphill
Arnold Noles	Neon, Ky. 41840	Hemphill
Earl Breeding	Seco, Ky.	Hemphill
Douglas Sturgill	Box 43, Eolia, Ky	Hemphill
Johnny Collier	Jackhorn, Ky.	Hemphill
Darwin Mullins	Jackhorn, Ky. 41825	Hemphill
Homer Lee Mullins*	Ashcamp, Ky. 41512	Hylton Chapel
Larry R. Jones*	Whitesburg, Ky. 41858	Kings Creek
James M. Potter*	Dorton, Ky. 41520	Legon
Hasadora Reynolds	P.O. Legon, Ky. 41636	Legon
Johnnie Stofer*	Rt. 2, Jenkins, Ky. 41537	Marshall's Branch
Gary Kirby	Rt. 2, Jenkins, Ky. 41537	Marshall's Branch
David I. Brewer*	McRoberts, Ky. 41835	Moore's Chapel
Eugene Anderson	McRoberts, Ky. 41835	Moore's Chapel
Elonzo Calwell	McRobert's, Ky. 41835	Moore's Chapel
Herman Bates Jr.*	Jenkins, Ky. 41537	Payne Gap
Ersel McPeeks	Payne Gap, Ky.	Payne Gap
Jonah Wright	Payne, Gap, Ky.	Payne Gap
Ezra Johnson	Jenkins, Ky. 41537	Payne Gap
Lloyd Addington	Jenkins, Ky. 41537	Payne Gap
Hollis Blevins	Pound, Va.	Payne Gap
Herbert Stallard	Ermine, Ky.	Payne Gap
Franklin Anderson	Jenkins, Ky.	Payne Gap
Warren Tompkins*	Jenkins, Ky. 41537	Pine Chapel
Doyle Caudill	Jenkins, Ky. 41537	Pine Chapel
Percy Elkins	Jenkins, Ky. 41537	Pine Chapel
Lester Able	Jenkins, Ky. 41537	Pine Chapel
Donald Tompkins	Jenkins, Ky. 41537	Pine Chapel

Name	Address	Church
Richard Gibson*	Lookout, Ky. 41542	Poor Bottom
Tommy England*	Ashcamp, Ky. 41512	Seco
Lester Boggs	Seco, Ky.	Seco
John Spicer Jr.	Seco, Ky.	Seco
Tommy N. Phillips	Kona, Ky. 41829	Seco
Gary Hibbits	Ashcamp, Ky. 41512	Seco
Jerry N. Tackett**	Beaver, Ky.	Tackett's Fork Community
Leroy Fields	Premium, Ky.	Tackett's Fork Community
Hayes Vance Jr.	Box 12, Beaver, Ky. 41644	Tackett's Fork Community
Dean Fields*	Jackhorn, Ky. 41825	Thornton
Windell A. Austin	Cromone, Ky.	Thornton
Floyd Sexton	Box 69-A Jackhorn, Ky.	Thornton
Kalton Robinette*	Virgie, Ky. 41572	Virgie
Sonny Miracle	Virgie, Ky. 41572	Virgie
McCoy Tackett	Myra, Ky.	Virgie
Vardney Bolling*	Payne Gap, Ky.	Whitesburg
Edgar Huffman	Lookout, Ky. 41542	Poor Bottom
Herman Johnson	P.O. Box 115, Hy-Hat, Ky. 41636	Legon
George Adams Jr.	Ermine, Ky.	Thornton
Raymond Hall	Thornton, Ky.	Thornton

*Pastors

NEW DURM COUNTY MINISTERS CONFERENCE

Moderator

Rev. Larry Robinson
Rt. 1, Box 451
Lebanon, Virginia 24266

Clerk

Bro. Bernard L. McGlothlin
Rt. 1, Box 152
Vansant, Virginia 24656

Yearly Meeting Place and Date

Grassy Freewill Baptist Church
September 9th & 10th, 1983

Ordaining Council

Rev. Leonard Farmer (Chairman)
Rev. Edward Dye
Rev. Claude Rose

Executive Committee

Bro. Brady Farmer (Chairman)
Bro. Jess Shell
Bro. Frazier Hale
Bro. Virgil Childress
Bro. Elbert Rasnake

MINISTERS TO RECEIVE GOOD STANDING CARDS

Name	Address	Church
Harley Dye	Rt. 1, Box 92, Swords Creek, Va.	Ephesus
Howard Bostic	Rt. 1, Box 23, Swords Creek, Va.	Mt. Zion
Truel Brown	Swords Creek, Va.	Valley View
Kyle Hubbard	Honaker, Va.	Tunnel Hill
Edward Perkins	Oakwood, Va.	Guiding Light
Edward Dye	Oakwood, Va.	Guiding Light
Leonard Farmer	Rt. 2, Honaker, Va.	Fletchers Ridge
Gonan Kelly	Cleveland, Va.	Clinch View
Russell Miller	Rt. 2, Lebanon, Va.	Mt. Zion
Claude Rose	Honaker, Va.	Valley View
Allen Stevens	Star Rt. Box 55, Richlands, Va.	Drill Chapel
Eugene Miller	Swords Creek, Va.	Fullers Chapel
David Perkins	Box 108, Swords Creek, Va.	Fullers Chapel
Charlie Keene	Kopperston, W.Va.	Ephesus

Name	Address	Church
Kyle Brown	Swords Creek, Va.	Ephesus
Glen Stevens	Council, Va.	Mt. View
Carson Walters	Lebanon, Va.	Tunnel Hill
Ray Hale	Swords Creek, Va.	Fullers Chapel
Jess Whited	Swords Creek, Va.	Fullers Chapel
Glen Peck	Drill, Va.	Drill Chapel
Larry Robinson	Lebanon, Va.	East Lebanon
Johnny Hubbard	Honaker, Va.	Tunnel Hill
James Whited	Swords Creek, Va.	Fullers Chapel
Kenneth Taylor	Honaker, Va.	Valley View
Giles Wilson	Council, Va.	Mt. View
Roy Corns	Lebanon, Va.	Tunnel Hill
Ellis Whited	Swords Creek, Va.	Fullers Chapel

MID OHIO MINISTERS CONFERENCE

Moderator

Rev. James Patterson
151 Cottage Ave.
Tiffon, Ohio

Ordaining Council

Rev. Ronnie Kendrick
Rev. Paul Tyree
Rev. James Patterson

Clerk

Rev. Ronnie Kendrick
4022 21st St. S.W.
Canton, Ohio 44706

Executive Committee

Rev. James Patterson
Rev. Frank Tyree
Rev. Raymond Stanley

Yearly Meeting Place and Date

Grassy Freewill Baptist Church
Zebulon, Ky. Sept 10, 1983

MINISTERS TO RECEIVE GOOD STANDING CARDS

Name	Address	Church
Rev. James Patterson	151 Cottage Ave., Tiffon, Ohio	Adams Township
Rev. Paul Tyree	8333 E. Township Rd. 178, Green Springs, Ohio	Adams Township
Rev. Frank Tyree	4618 County Rd. 21 Clyde, Ohio	Adams Township
Rev. Ronnie Kendrick	4022 21st St. S.W., Canton, Ohio	Community
Rev. Raymond Stanley	8606 Waynesburg Dr. S.E., Waynesburg, Ohio	Community
Rev. Dorman Ixos	226 Avis Ave. N.E., Massillon, Ohio	Community
Rev. Mickey B. Kindrick	Hatfield, Ky.	Community
Rev. Daniel Bates	Mansfield, Ohio	Country Chapel
Rev. Cecil Rogers	217 E. Paradise St., Orrville, Ohio	Community

LETTER FROM MID OHIO MINISTERS CONFERENCE TO JOHN THOMAS ASSOCIATION

Mid Ohio Ministers Conference convened at Community F.W.B. Church at Canal Fulton, Ohio, on July 9, 1983.

Service opened with song and scripture read from Jer. 12:1-5 and an alter prayer. The next move was the election of a moderator. Rev. James Patterson was elected moderator for the next year. Rev. Ronnie Kendrick was elected clerk for the next year. Minutes of the last conference were read, motion made and seconded and passed by regular vote to accept minutes as read.

Letter—(continued)

A discussion of church growth and what could be done to get more souls saved. And a discussion of bible doctrine in the churches today. Service closed with song right hand of fellowship and dismissal prayer.

Moderator — Rev. James Patterson

Clerk — Rev. Ronnie Kendrick

HAMILTON COUNTY MINISTERS CONFERENCE

Moderator

Rev. Jim Upjohn
3411 Graff St.
Latonia, Ky 41015

Clerk

Rev. D. Roger Hutson
5672 Eula Ave.
Cincinnati, Ohio 45248

Yearly Meeting Place and Date

Grassy Freewill Baptist Church
Sept 9th & 10th 1983 (Pike County)

Ordaining Council

Rev. David Carpenter
Rev. Douglas Quicksale
Rev. Ben Moore

Executive Committee

Rev. James Upchurch
Rev. Douglas Quicksale
Rev. D. Roger Hutson

MINISTERS TO RECEIVE GOOD STANDING CARDS

Name	Address	Church
Vestal Hutson	3783 Ebenezer Rd., Cincinnati, Ohio	Calvary FWB
James Upchurch	3411 Graff St., Latonia, Ky.	Calvary RWB
D. Roger Hutson	5672 Eula Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio	Calvary RWB
Clay Couch	117 W. Main Street, Alex., Ky	Calvary FWB
Mark Mahan	4207 Ada Ct. Elsmere, Ky	Calvary FWB
David Terry	3336 Glenway, Cincinnati, Ohio	Calvary FWB
Emory Smith	416 St. James Crestline, Ohio	FWB Mission
Robert Matney	Co. Road 29 #4526, Galion, Ohio	FWB Mission
James Bohley	132 Whippoorwill, Harrison, Ohio	Harrison FWB
Douglass Quicksale	204 Winter St., Aurora, Ind.	Lawrenceburg FWB
Larry Tanksley	Holland St., Dillsboro, Ind.	Lawrenceburg FWB
Bennie Moore		Lawrenceburg FWB
Arlo Smith	R.R. 1 #50 Sunman Ind., Clinton	FWB
David Carpenter	Box 14, Sunman, Ind.	Clinton FWB
Arvill Worley	3399 Bighorn, Cincinnati, Ohio	Calvary FWB

The letters were all accepted as read, all six Conferences reported by letter. A suggestion was made by Rev. Homer Lee Mullins that all ministers that pastor a church must belong to the same conference that the church belongs to. The clerk is to write to all clerks of the Quarterly meetings on this subject and study it for one year.

A motion was made by Rev. Benny F. Slone and seconded by Rev. Ronnie Kendrick to adjourn from business until this afternoon, motion was carried by vote.

Hamilton County—(continued)

Song by the congregation, and prayer was led by Rev. Franklin Hall. Rev. Ronnie Kendrick came forward to bring the message, using St. John 14 verses 1 and 27 for a scripture, followed by Rev. Homer Lee Mullins both brought very inspiring messages. Congregation sang and Invitation was given, received none. The right hand of fellowship was passed among the congregation. Dismission was called and the blessing over the food was by Brother Brady Farmer.

Saturday Afternoon Session 1:30 P.M.

Met back on time with the congregation singing. The moderator read a scripture from 1st Corinthians 1st chapter verse 18-21. Prayer was led by Rev. Benny Slone.

After some discussion about the report of Rev. Roy C. Vanover about the property that could be purchased, a motion was made by Rev. Homer L. Mullins to accept his report, motion seconded and voted upon and carried.

Pulpit Committee was asked for their report. They reported that Rev. Roy C. Vanover would bring the afternoon message. Being no further business, motion made, seconded and carried to adjourn from business until the Friday before the second Sunday in 1984 unless called together by the moderator for some unexpected business.

Special songs were by Rev. Morgan Chapman, Crit Justice, Ronnie Kendrick and Mickey Kendrick. Prayer was led by Bro. Clyde Damron.

Brother Vanover came forward using for a text "Stand in the way of the Lord" He preached a powerful sermon to the christians, and after many testimonies the congregation sang Amazing Grace and had old fashioned handshake. Dismissed by Rev. Jimmy L. Turner until our meeting next year in Dickenson County, Va.

OBITUARIES



Veral Jenkins

In memory of Veral Jenkins, born Jan. 22, 1921. Deceased this life Nov. 16, 1982 making his stay on earth 61 years, 10 months and 6 days. He was the son of William & Rebecca Jenkins. He is survived by his wife, Mary Jane, 4 daughters, Charlott, Kathy Sue and Pam, three sons, Randy, Danny and Kenneth. Six sisters and one brother.

Veral was reared in Dickenson County and was loved by all those that knew him. He was converted to the Christian faith on September 17, 1971. He attached to Martin Chapel Church as a member on November 18, 1971. He was an active member, living a devoted christian life until his death. He was a wonderful neighbor and friend to his fellowmen. Always meeting them with a smile and willing to lend them a helping hand.

He is missed in the church, around the home and in the community. Sleep on your peaceful sleep, until the resurrection morn., you will hear the trumpet sound and will leave your earthly mound, with a new body.

We feel that our loss is he ven's gain.

Written by: Gay A. Martin.



Rev. William G. Dixon

It is with much grief and sorrow that I try with the help of my God to write this obituary of a Brother in Christ. Rev. William S. (Bill) Dixon was born Dec. 31, 1923. He departed this life on Dec. 11, 1982, he was married to Opal Dixon June 11, 1942. To them were born two children, Mrs. Orville J. Dingus, one son David Dixon. One brother Roy S. Dixon, Castlewood, Va. Six sisters, Mrs. Virginia Dickenson, Castlewood, Va. Mrs. Jane O'Liver, Hampton, Va., Mrs. Mae Wiggins, Ervin, Tenn. Mrs. Ludie Ellis, Johnson City, Tenn.

Mrs. Estill Jackson, Wyllesburg, Va., Mrs. June Farris, Beckley, W.Va. and seven grandchildren.

Brother Bill had served 27 years in the Dickerson County Conference and had been pastor of several churches including Mills Chapel where he was a member, and Bear Wallow, He helped to organise the Lighthouse Church. He was a veteran of World War II.

These two songs I loved to hear him sing was, "Tears will never stain the streets of that City" and "The Old Ship of Zion," the morning of Dec. 31, 1982, The Captain of that ship called his name and he stepped on board to someday walk on the street of gold. The place where he had so wonderfully preached about for 27 years. The thing that stays in my mind is, if you had a problem, he would say, pray and leave it up to God.

Words cannot say what I feel in my heart, but the joy of knowing tht if I endure until the end, I have a hope of seeing Bro. Bill again, where there will be no cancer, heartaches or pain. So let us all be ready when the Captain of the old ship which is Jesus Christ calls our name. We will be ready to go. May God Bless all his family.

Written by: Daisy McCoy



Aubrey L. Compton

How comforting are our memories. They sustain us in our sorrow and give us reassurance as we face a new tomorrow, and though the world seems barren when our loved ones depart, their memory blooms forever in the center of our heart.

In loving memory of my dad, Aubrey L. Compton, age 74 of Honaker, Virginia. My Dad departed this life April 20, 1983 of an apparent heart attack. A native of Buchanan County, Virginia, he was the son of the late Willie and Cynthia Smith Compton. He was a World War II veteran, a deacon and member of the Mountain View Freewill Baptist Church. He was preceded in death by my dear mother, Mrs. Ruby Compton on April 18, 1969.



Elmar Robinson

In memory of my husband Elmar Robinson, age 84 years 1 month and 6 days, died suddenly at home July 11, 1982. He left to mourn his passing are his wife, Julia Robinson, one daughter, Mrs. Elzia Gertrude, French and four grandsons, eight great-Grandsons.

Elmar was a fine christian husband and went to church regular as long as he was able to go. He was one of the oldest members of the Dyers Chapel Church. He told me a few days before he died that he wouldn't be here much longer that he wanted to go home. Elmar I know you are not suffering now, but I miss you so much, but I pray every day that we can be together somewhere we won't have to separate.

Written by: his wife Julia



Rev. Earnest P. & Martha Crabtree

In loving memory and aching heart I write this obituary, Dad passed away May 4, 1981 and Mom departed this life, February 9, 1983. They were members of the Mt. Zion Freewill Baptist Church. Their life was devoted to the Lord. They enjoyed working for the Lord more than anything in this life.

Dad was a Freewill Baptist minister for many years.

They are survived by 4 daughters, 4 sons, 31 grandchildren, and 7 great grandchildren and sisters and brothers. We miss you so much but earth's loss is heaven's gain, we cannot bring you back but we can go to you.

Written by: daughter Geannette



Rev. Boyce Franks

In memory of Rev. Boyce Franks, who passed away in the month of November, 1982. He is deeply missed by his wife and children and grandchildren, and his many friends.

He was one of the founders and organizers of the Mid Ohio Conference. He is surely missed by all of us in the conference.



Mrs. Verdie Yates

Mrs. Verdie Yates of Clintwood, Va. at age 62 died at the Wise General Hospital Thursday Morning.

She was a member of the Valley View Freewill Baptist Church.

She is survived by her husband, the Rev. Derwood Yates, Coeburn; three brothers, Cowan Blevins, Voda Blevins and Cumbo Blevins, all of Coeburn; one sister, Mrs. Delores Powers, New Smyrna Beach, Fla.; and several nieces and nephews.

Clintwood Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.



Charlie Walter Wilson

It is with love and precious memories, I try to write this verse of my darling husband Charlie Walter Wilson, he was the son of the later Grover and Gladys Rasnake Wilson. He passed from this life Sept. 11, 1982, living 42 yrs. and 9 months at the time of death, leaving me and his four children. He was a wonderful husband and daddy, and God is the only one that knows how we miss him. He also leaves behind three brothers and four sisters and a host of friends. God called him home to be with him and he waits for us to come along, he was a good Christian man and lived his life a good one. And I know God is pleased with the work he has done, we feel that our loss is Heaven's gain.

SO HAPPY AND JOYFUL OUR DADDY MUST BE, AS HE STROLLS OVER HEAVEN WITH JESUS THROUGHOUT ETERNITY.

Written by: his wife, Vernie and four children



Arnold Smith

Arnold Smith, husband of Ida Mae Armes Smith, was born on June 15, 1912 and passed away on September 6, 1980 at 68 years of age.

Survivors included his widow, three children, Janet, Steve and Gregory. Also, two grandchildren, April and Amanda, three sisters and two brothers and many nieces and nephews.

He was a devout and leading member of the Free-will Baptist Guiding Light Church of Mavisdale,

Virginia.

He was a leader in establishing the Guiding Light Church and served faithfully for 30 yrs as a church deacon and moderator, Sunday School Superintendent and teacher.

His faith in and love for God was a beacon for others throughout the years.



Ida Mae Armes Smith

Ida Mae Armes Smith, widow of Arnold Smith, was born on February 28, 1916 and died on April 8, 1982 only a short one and one-half years after her husband's demise.

She is survived by children Janet, Steve and Gregory; two grandchildren, April and Amanda. Also, 3 sisters, 1 brother and several nieces and nephews are left behind.

She was a faithful member of the Freewill Baptist Church, Mavisdale, Virginia for 32 years and was active in Sunday School and church duties throughout the years.

While her loss has brought inexpressible grief and sorrow we are assured that, just as with father, our loss is Heaven's gain.

The loss of our mother and father has left an indescribable loneliness and emptiness in our lives. But in the memories of a loving father and a precious mother will linger in our hearts.

Our prayer is that, by the Grace of God, we shall all meet someday in a world that is free of grief and parting.

Written by: Janet, Steve, Gregory



Sister Mary Hamon

In loving memory of our beloved mother, Mary Medura Ringley Hamon, who departed this life, Wednesday, November 17, 1982, making her stay on earth 78 years, 5 months and 1 day.

She was born to John Benton and Rhoda White Ringley on June 16, 1904. She was married to Emory D. Hamon on September 23, 1924. To this union were born six daughters: Vergie Wright, and Ruth Dearmen of Rt. 1, Haysi, Va., Leona Mullins and Janice Artrip of Rt. 1, Clintwood, Va., June Hill of Christiansburg, Va., and Brenda Hamon who died at birth, also 1 son, Billy Hamon who died at birth. Fifteen grandchildren and twenty-four great grandchildren survive her death.

She was baptized in 1948 and in 1949 she joined the Splashdam Freewill Baptist Church as one of its charter members. She remained a dedicated and faithful member until her death. Her church and her family were her life. A more kind and loving wife, mother, grandmother or friend could not be found. We, her family, miss her so much and the entwining love she gave us all, but we know that she is with Jesus and all the pain and suffering are over. It is with glad hearts, we know she will be waiting at the portals of heaven to greet us all.

Written by: her loving daughters, Leona Mullins and Vergie Wright



James Patton Lambert

James Patton Lambert of Bee, Va. was born October 25, 1904, and departed this life March 11, 1983, making his stay on earth 78 years, 4 months and 14 days. He was the son of the late Clark and Mandy White Lambert.

On October 26, 1932, he was married to Martha Myrtle Sullivan, who preceded him in death on April 14, 1980.

He was preceded in death by 2 sons Lincoln Lambert in 1941 and Elmer Lambert in 1976, and 2 brothers John Lambert and Otis Lambert, one sister Easter Lambert.

He is survived by his widow Mary Lambert, seven children: Desal Anderson, Birchleaf; Sylvia Barton, Bee; Ruby Musick, Lebanon; Gladie Pleasants, Scottsville, Va.; Sarah Stevens, Bristol, Va.; Lee Hopson, Abingdon; Kenneth Lambert, Bee.

Surviving are 13 grandchildren and 2 step-grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Also surviving are two sisters Ailsie Farmer, Bee; Martha Bostic, Council; and one brother George Lambert of Berwind, West Virginia.

Jim, the name his many friends knew him by, was a farmer, coal miner and sawmill operator for many years. He was a former member of the United Mine Workers of America.

He has been a faithful and loyal servant to the Lord since he was a young man and had been a minister for more than 45 years. He was ordained as a Freewill Baptist preacher in 1956 and served as pastor of Clinch View Freewill Baptist Church on Sandy Ridge for many years.

Daddy had suffered for a long time, having become disabled to work about 15 years ago. He suffered a stroke in February 1982, and broke his hip last October.

Dear Daddy, husband, brother & friend we were blessed to have you with us and we love you and will miss you always. But we know that you are better off and we would not wish you back here in this world of suffering and sorrow. And we know that our loss is Heaven's eternal gain.

Written by: Son-in-Law, Bill V. Anderson, Birchleaf, Va.

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 at liberty, out of the number of 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 meeting 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 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 makes 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 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 one year, either in person or by letter, or both, shall automatically exclude himself from the Conference.
6. All ministers moving to another Quarterly Meeting shall take a letter of dismissal and recommendation so that they may properly unite themselves to the Quarterly Meeting where they move.
7. Resolution of Dickenson County Quarterly Meeting. To all pastors and churches, as recommended by the ministers' 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-Free will Baptist Ministers.
- 3 - All funeral services be excepted from these resolutions.
- 4 - All church clerks are to be notified of these resolutions.
8. The Dickenson County Ministers Conference recommends to the Yearly Meeting that our older ministers, who would be approved by an appointed committee be given good standing cards for life. (This recommendation was accepted and passed by a vote of 20-2 by the Yearly Meeting, September 11, 1976.)

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 Baptist, 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 decision 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.
29. "Any Free Will Baptist Church belonging to the John Thomas Association that reports to the Quarterly Conference three consecutive conferences without a pastor be automatically dropped from the conference."

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YEARLY MEETING CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

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

Article 1. This Yearly Meeting shall be called the John-Thomas Meeting, and shall be composed of such regularly organized and well disciplined Freewill Baptist Quarterly Meeting, 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 Meetings.

Article 7. The Yearly Meeting shall have power to adopt any regulation or by-laws not consistent 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 commended 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 another, are found in such capacity as that through the grace of God they may be eternally saved. - Acts 17:30; Mark 6:6; Heb. 3:10; John 5:1, 10.
7. We believe that all people reaching the years of accountability must be born again. Then by trusting His promise and keeping His commandments until the end of life, we shall be saved. - II Tim. 4:7.
8. We believe the whole Scriptures are infallibly true and that they are the only rules of faith and practice. - II Tim. 3:16, 17.
9. We believe in the doctrine of General provision made of God in Christ, for the benefit of all mankind, who repent and believe in 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." - 1 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.

DIGEST OF THE JOHN THOMAS ASSOCIATION

Conferences 6

Conference	Membership	Ministers		Churches
		Ordained	Licensed	
Dickenson Co.	2486	108		38
Letcher Co.	2066	85	6	23
Pike	1949	77	15	19
New Durm	606	27	2	11
Mid-Ohio	106	9		3
Hamilton Co.	<u>150</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>5</u>
TOTALS	7363	311	25	99

YEARLY MEETING SCHEDULE

The Yearly Meeting of the John-Thomas Association will be held in the Quarterly Conference as listed below, beginning on Friday before the second Sunday in September at 11:00 a.m. as year listed:

Dickenson	1984
Letcher	1985
New Durm	1986
Pike	1987
Hamilton	1988
Dickenson	1989
Letcher	1990
Mid-Ohio	1991
Dickenson	1992
Letcher	1993
Pike	1994