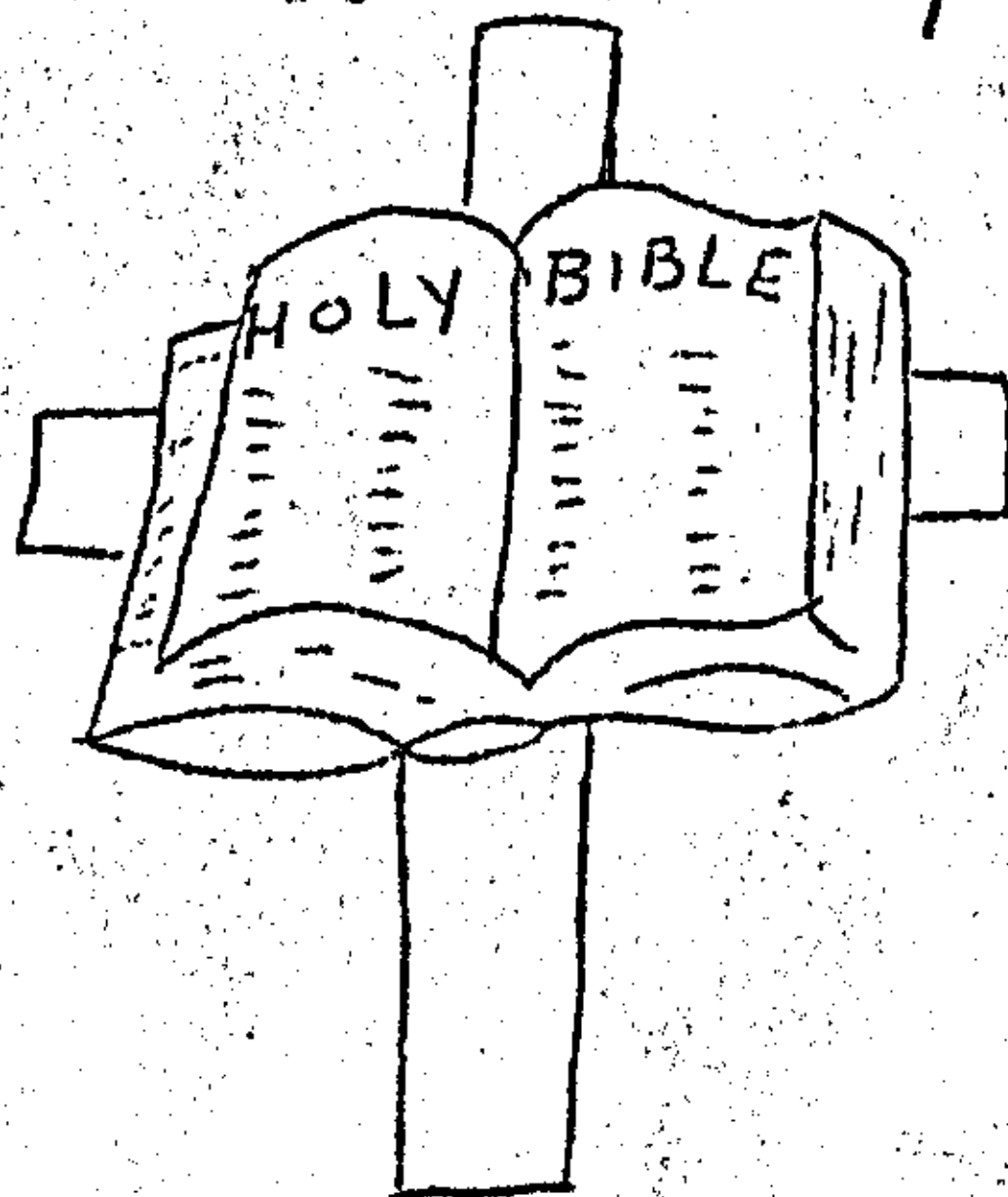


MINUTES

10th Annual Session

The Liberty Association
of
Free Will Baptist



Convened with

TEN MILE FREE WILL BAPTIST

74 West Ten Mile Road

Madison Heights, Michigan

April 29 - 30, 1960

MINUTES OF TENTH ANNUAL SESSION

THE LIBERTY ASSOCIATION
OF

FREE WILL BAPTIST

OFFICERS

Rev. C. E. Riggs.....	Moderator
Rev. James D. Addison.....	Assistant Moderator
Sister Beatrice Leach.....	Clerk
Sister Janete Selbee.....	Assistant Clerk
Sister Janete Selbee.....	Treasurer

Next Session to convene with the
TEN MILE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Introductory Message by Rev. E. J. Ramey
Alternate - Rev. Curtis Lilly

Missionary Message by Rev. Thomas Lilly
Alternate - Rev. Jack Luther

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INTRODUCTORY SERVICE

On Friday evening April 29th, 1960, the Liberty Association met in its Tenth Annual Session with the Ten Mile Free Will Baptist Church at 74 West Ten Mile Road, Madison Heights, Michigan.

Came together by singing "A Beautiful Life" led by Bro. Langlois accompanied at Piano by Sister Langlois. Song "All Alone". Congregation stands while Bro. Max Davis leads in opening Prayer. Congregation sings "I'm Redeemed", Scripture read from a part of the 15th Chapter of Exodus.

First item of business. Call for letters from various churches to which the following responded, and their delegates seated in conference: Southgate Free Will Baptist, First Free Will Baptist of Pontiac, Zion Free Will Baptist, Taylor Faith Free Will Baptist, West Side Free Will Baptist, Fifteen Mile Free Will Baptist, New Hope Free Will Baptist, East Side Free Will Baptist, Ten Mile Free Will Baptist, Antioch, Free Will Baptist, Osborne Chapel Free Will Baptist, Free Will Baptist Chapel, Gospel Free Will Baptist, Monroe Free Will Baptist, John C. Lodge Free Will Baptist (see list of delegates). Motion made and sustained that regular delegation and ordained authority be extended a right hand of fellowship by Moderator. While congregation stands and sings "Glory to His Name". Prayer of Consecration at Altar led by Bro. Jack Hagan.

Tardy Letters - To which the Friendly Free Will Baptist responded. Letter read and delegates given right hand of fellowship by Moderator.

Petitionary Letters - None

Visiting Ministers recognized at this time.

Congregation stands and sings "Victory In Jesus".

Offering for Orphanage taken at this time. Amount received \$37.60.

Introductory Message brought by Rev. C.H. Dickenson at this time. Scripture reading from 8th Chapter of John. A spiritual and inspiring message was enjoyed by all. Prayer by Bro. Dickenson. Congregation stands and sings as Altar call is given. A young man came to an Altar of Prayer and was wonderfully saved. Hand shake by congregation.

Dismissed in Prayer by Bro. Addison.

Business session to convene on Saturday Morning at 9:00 A.M.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION - 9:00 A.M.

Services opened with singing "Praise Him!" Praise Him!" led by Bro. Langlois with Sister Langlois at the Piano. Prayer led by Bro. Jack Luther. Song "Living By Faith". Floor turned over to Moderator who welcomed congregation at this time. Scripture read from a portion of Psalms 91st Chapter.

Tardy Letters - None

Petitionary Letters - None

Roll call and seating of delegation read by Assistant Clerk.

Rules of Decorum read by Moderator.

First item of business is for the election of Officers as follows: Moderator, Rev. C.E. Riggs; Assistant Moderator, Rev. James D. Addison; Clerk, Sister Beatrice Leach; Assistant Clerk, Sister Janete Selbee; Treasurer, Sister Janete Selbee.

Vacancy on Presbytery Board - Rev. C. E. Riggs, elected for a term of five (5) years.

Vacancy on Executive Board - Bro. Charles Cooper, elected for a term of five (5) years.

Vacancy on Home Mission Board - Bro. Wayne Lankford, elected for a term of seven (7) year. Bro. Mollett, elected for a term of six (6) years.

Call for unfinished business: Ministers Council Meeting, tabled from last setting. Not enough interest showed by congregation.

Home Mission Fund called to the attention of the congregation. Several views given. Tabled until next setting.

Annual Feet Washing Service. Motion made and sustained that we discontinue this service.

Obituary Committee: Sister Martha Selbee, Sister Thelma Lane, Sister Mary Slagle.

Introductory Message - Bro. E. J. Ramey
Alternate - Bro. Curtis Lilly

Missionary Message - Bro. Thomas Lilly
Alternate - Bro. Jack Luther

Recommendations for ordination read at this time by Clerk.

Clerk and Assistant Clerk, given authority to buy a table for the Association.

Bro. Ramey appointed to bring 11:00 message.

Presbytery Board and candidates retire.

Floor turned over to Bro. Holman to direct service before Missionary Message. Song "O, I Want To See Him". Floor turned over to Bro. Thomas Lilly at this time to bring the Missionary Message. Prayer led by Bro. Jack Hagan.

Scripture reading from St. Mark chapter 16 the 15th verse. A spiritual message was enjoyed by all.

Floor turned over to Bro. Ramey to bring 11:00 message. Scripture reading from 4th chapter of 2nd Timothy. A very spiritual and inspiring message was enjoyed by all. Altar call and prayer. Old fashion hand shake as congregation sings "When We All Get To Heaven". Also sang "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms". The spirit of the Lord was with us.

SATURDAY EVENING SESSION - 1:30 P.M.

Lunch was enjoyed by all. Came together by singing "Where The Soul Never Dies", led by Bro. Langlois with Sister Langlois, at the Piano. Prayer by Bro. Gollihue. Song "Some Day". Business session declared in order.

Obituary committee reports at this time.

Ministers roll call read at this time.

Treasurer's report which was read and accepted as read.

Presbytery Board chairman reports on recommendations of those to be ordained.

Presbytery board and candidates for ordination gather at Altar for ordination. Charge read by Bro. Mollett from 1st Timothy, 3rd chapter. Bro. Hatfield to begin prayer, Bro. Dickerson to take 2nd lead and Bro. Addison to conclude prayer. Ministers Bro. Golden M. Blevins, Bro. Willis Booth. Deacons Bro. Ronnie Young, Bro. Wilmer Ferrell. Bro. Frank Webb, given new papers after serving his time under watch care of Association. Congregation stands and sings, shakes hands with those ordained. Special

song by Joan Cooper. Duet by two girls from Monroe Church.

Discussion on Deacon cards. Motion made and sustained to give Clerk and Treasurer authority to purchase Deacon Cards. Each Deacon is to make a annual report at each annual setting.

Motion made and sustained that Presbytery Board meet and work out a form of what Deacons are to answer on their report.

Standing vote of thanks to host church and all the women who helped to make a nice lunch possible.

Motion made and sustained that Clerk prepare minutes for printing and mail to Printer at Huntington, West Virginia.

Minutes read and accepted as read with correction inserted.

Moved and seconded we adjourn. Prayer by Bro. Douglas.

ENROLLMENT OF DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES

Friendly Free Will Baptist Church: Bro. Carl Horn, Bro. Allen Holland, Sis. Dorothy Addington, Sis. Nina Booth, Sis. Virginia Carr.

Southgate Free Will Baptist Church: Bro. Ray Wharley, Bro. James Bell, Bro. Loyd Lilly, Bro. Raymond Harold. Alternates: Sis. Gay Flemmings, Sis. Gladys Saylor, Bro. Bill Barnetts.

First Free Will Baptist of Pontiac: Bro. Floyd Wells, Bro. Benny Sharp, Sis. Thelma Wyatt, Sis. Zimru Osterkamp. Alternates: Sis. Dorothy Hawkins, Sis. Della Blevins, Sis. Lavella Graves.

Zion Free Will Baptist Church: Bro. Charles St-
ephenson, Sis. Edith Winston, Sis. Christine Welch.
Alternates: Bro. Jack Christian, Sis. Linda Welch,
Sis. Vada Stephenson.

Taylor Faith Free Will Baptist Church: Sis. Edna Miller, Sis. Juanita Sheldon, Bro. Sam Belcher, Sis. Mammie Belcher. Alternates: Sis. Eula Freeman.

West Side Free Will Baptist Church: Bro. Wade Freeman, Bro. Charles Bohanon, Bro. William Perry, Sis. Judy Robinson. Alternates: Sis. Maude Cooper, Sis. Freeman, Sis. Bohanon.

Fifteen Mile Free Will Baptist Church: Bro. Commodor Sinners, Sis. Beverly Butler, Sis. Andrea Hodges. Alternates: Sis. Janice Norris, Sis. Lorna Hodges.

Ten Mile Free Will Baptist Church: Bro. Wayne Lankford, Bro. Chas. Hall, Bro. Cullies Webb, Sis. Mahan, Sis. Martha Selbee. Alternates: Sis. Claudia Miller, Sis. Flo Holman, Sis. Barbara Hanks.

New Hope Free Will Baptist Church: Bro. James Scott, Sis. Nancy Webb, Sis. Lucille Scott. Alternates: Sis. Icie Webb, Bro. Robert Scott.

East Side Free Will Baptist Church: Bro. Paul Greer, Bro. Guy Shelton, Bro. Reed Wells, Bro. Oscar Hutchins, Sis. Edna Wells. Alternates: Bro. Bill Cupp, Sis. Mary Stanley, Sis. Mary Slagle, Sis. Gladys McDaniel, Sis. Allene Cantrell.

Antioch Free Will Baptist Church: Bro. Robert Wren, Bro. L.G. Foster, Sis. Bonnie Luther. Alternates: Sis. Thelma Lane, Shirley Ayers.

The Osborne Chapel Free Will Baptist Church: Bro. Cecil Garren, Bro. Curtis Morris, Bro. Glen

Morris. Alternates: Sis. Mary Smith, Sis. Patricia Morris.
 Free Will Baptist Chapel Church: Bro. Alex Viers, Bro. Frank Bauswell, Bro. Avon Rose. Alternates: Bro. Ellis Mullins, Sis. Geraldine Walters, Bro. Stacy Flemmings.
 The Gospel Free Will Baptist Church: Bro. Frank Camella, Bro. James Wright, Sis. Mary Camella, Sis. Grace Langlois, Sis. Therese Guerrieri. Alternates: Bro. Ray Langlois, Bro. Joe Camella, Sis. Linda Woods, Sis. Fern Fulks.

Monroe Free Will Baptist Church: Bro. Charles Piddock, Bro. Earl Sparks. Alternates: Sis. Goldie Kirk, Sis. Pauline Frady.

John C Lodge Free Will Baptist Church: Bro. Garren, Bro. Burgess, Sis. Given, Sis. Smith, Sis. Pulley. Alternates: Bro. Howell, Bro. Young, Bro. Ferrell, Sis. Hollander, Sis. Haun, Sis. Burgess.

Committee on Obituary: We, your committee on the Obituary, find that God in his infinite wisdom, has taken from our midst and transplanted in his Heavenly sanctuary, Sis. Elsie Howell of the Gospel Free Will Baptist Church. Our Loss is Heaven's gain and glory.

Committee: Sis. Mary Slagle
 Sis. Thelma Lane
 Sis. Martha Selbee

MINISTERS ENROLLMENT
 Rev. C. E. Riggs.....935 E. Coy, Hazel Park
 Rev. James T. Hollman..726 E. George, Hazel Park
 Rev. Thomas L. Lilly.....779 Corwin, Pontiac
 Rev. James T. Walters..4020 West Rd., Washington
 Rev. Golden M. Blevins.4507 Oakgrove Rd, Pontiac

Rev. Willis Booth.....5859 W. Vernor, Detroit
 Rev. Halley H. Hatfield. 19366 Huntington, Detroit
 Rev. Alpha L. Morrison.....6550 Wagner, Detroit
 Rev. E. J. Ramey.....367 Oak, Wyandotte
 Rev. Clarence J. Hagan.....25037 Charles, Taylor
 Rev. Cecil F. Penley.....1569 E. Otis, Hazel Park
 Rev. Frank Webb.....5880 Reeder, Detroit
 Rev. James D. Addison...1934 London, Lincoln Park
 Rev. Reades Selby. 1616 Madison, Huntington, W. Va.
 Rev. Jack Luther.....23777 Couzens, Hazel Park
 Rev. C. H. Dickenson.....394 Rowland, Madison Hts.
 Rev. James Hammons.....13345 Chelsea, Detroit
 Rev. Ernie Ray Selbee...23160 Cayuga, Hazel Park
 Rev. Calvin R. Welch.....4314 St. James, Detroit
 Rev. Wesley Thomas.....7145 Dudley, Taylor
 Rev. A. M. Gollihue.....1138 Merrick, Detroit
 Rev. Wm. McKinley Graves...1370 Orchard, Milford
 Rev. George C. Leach...1636 E. Jarvis, Hazel Park
 Rev. Franklin Colley.....2321 Wisconsin, Troy
 Rev. William T. Ford...28081 Rosemont, Roseville
 Rev. Arnold Mollett...33000 Eureka Rd., Romulus
 Rev. Max E. Davis...537 E. Rowland, Madison Hts.
 Rev. Lester B. Coffman...25063 Dartmouth, Dearborn
 Rev. Max E. Lankford...196 Birchwood, Troy
 Rev. Raymond Ramsey.....21908 Dequindre, Warren

DEACONS ENROLLMENT

Osborne Chapel Free Will Baptist Church
 Obie Garren.....4206 Toledo, Detroit
 William Ferguson.....8744 Dineson, Detroit

The Gospel Free Will Baptist Church
 James Williams.....23549 Columbus, Warren
 Marvin Asbury...5903 N. Silvery, Dearborn Twnsp.

Taylor Faith Free Will Baptist Church
 Roy Freeman.....19143 Roger, Melvindale
 Robert Sheldon.....714 Drexel, Detroit
 Douglas Owens.....644 Cleveland, Lincoln Park

East Side Free Will Baptist

Carson Slagle.....22836 Sharrow, Warren
Hurshel Stanley.....161 W. Evelyn, Hazel Park

Free Will Baptist Chapel Church

O.L. Arrowood.....424 E. Woodruff, Hazel Park
Lawarence Blanton.....4550 Marcella, Utica
Norman Blanton.....5099 Hamlin Rd., Utica
Oscar Hammons.....325 Wilson, Clawson
Swanson Deel.....1854 Larchwood, Royal Oak
William B. Smith.....50130 Gravel Ridge, Utica

First Free Will Baptist of Pontiac Church

Henry Osterkamp.....4903 Algonquin, Clarkston
Ocie Duncan.....751 Brown Rd., Pontiac

New Hope Free Will Baptist Church

Monroe Webb.....5830 Anthon, Detroit

Ten Mile Free Will Baptist Church

Charles Miller.....3450 John R, Rochester
W.E. Gates.....404 W. Bernhard, Hazel Park
Rabe Pierce.....1561 Gravel Ridge, Rochester
Ellis Penley.....215 Helena, Royal Oak
Leonard Anderson.....2287 E. Long Lake Rd., Troy
Charles Smith.....2329 Kenneth St., Royal Oak
Homer Selbee.....23393 Cayuga, Hazel Park

Antioch Free Will Baptist Church

J.O. Butcher.....1244 E. Jarvis, Hazel Park
Enach Ellis.....425 W. Roberts, Hazel Park
Edward York.....337 W. Lincoln, Madison Hts.
Elihu Sutherland.....32816 Groveland, Madison Hts.

John C Lodge Free Will Baptist Church

Arville White.....5156 Trumbull, Detroit
Ronnie L. Young.....5663 Commonwealth, Detroit
Wilmer Ferrell.....2835 Harrison, Detroit

First Free Will Baptist of Monroe Church

Ted Kirk.....15510 Dayton Rd., Monroe
Noble Frady.....2660 N. Monroe, Monroe

Garret Fitzpartick.....Walbridge Rd., Toledo
George M. Layiness.....6241 Dallas Rd., Monroe

Fifteen Mile Free Will Baptist Church
Dennis Norris.....721 Fernhill, Detroit
Jeff Butler.....25817 Telca, Warren
Edward Frasure.....3112 John R, Troy
Maurice Hodges. 28128 Franklin Rd., Southfield

CLERKS ENROLLMENT

Osborne Chapel Free Will Baptist Church
Sister Betty Norris:.....4144 Lovett, Detroit

The Gospel Free Will Baptist Church
Sister Ruby Wright.....612 Phillips, Clawson

Taylor Faith Free Will Baptist Church
Sister Mammie Lou Belcher. 16133 Ziegler, Taylor
Friendly Free Will Baptist Church
Sister Virginia Carr...1221-22nd Ave., Detroit

East Side Free Will Baptist Church
Sister Ann Lilly.....2218 Lycaste, Detroit
Free Will Baptist Chapel Church
Sister Geneva Viers...23714 Vassar, Hazel Park
First Free Will Baptist of Pontiac Church
Sister Loretta Lilly.....779 Corwin, Pontiac

Zion Free Will Baptist Church
Sister Vada Stephenson.....2550 Pearl, Detroit

New Hope Free Will Baptist Church
Sister Lucille Scott.....1239 Pine, Detroit

Ten Mile Free Will Baptist Church
Sister Janete Selbee..23160 Cayuga, Hazel Park

Antioch Free Will Baptist Church
 Sister Flora Prewitt.....422 W.Elza,Hazel Park

John C Lodge Free Will Baptist Church
 Sister Inez White.....5156 Trumbull,Detroit

First Free Will Baptist of Monroe Church
 Sister Joanne Lavnese...6241 Dallas Rd.,Monroe

Fifteen Mile Free Will Baptist Church
 Sister Lorna Hodges...28128 Franklin Rd.,South-
 field

West Side Free Will Baptist Church
 Sister Emma L.Freeman.....1362 Perry,Detroit

PRESBYTERY BOARD

Rev.James D.Addison.....1 yr.
 Rev.Halley H.Hatfield.....2 yrs.
 Rev.Arnold Mollett.....3 yrs.
 Rev.C.H.Dickerson.....4 yrs.
 Rev.C.E.Riggs.....5 yrs.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Rev.E.J.Ramey.....1 yr.
 Rev.Willard Reynolds.....2 yrs.
 Rev.James T.Holman.....3 yrs.
 Rev.Clarence Jack Hagan.....4 yrs.
 Rev.Charles C.Cooper.....5 yrs.

HOME MISSION BOARD

Sister Mary Slagle.....1 yr.
 Bro.Hubert Saylor.....2 yrs.
 Rev.Charles C.Cooper.....3 yrs.
 Bro.Victor Stout.....4 yrs.
 Sister Dorothy Hawkins.....5 yrs.
 Rev.Arnold Mollett.....6 yrs.
 Bro.Wayne Lankford.....7 yrs.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Zion Free Will Baptist.....	5.00
First Free Will Baptist of Monroe.....	5.00
Gospel Free Will Baptist.....	5.00
Ten Mile Free Will Baptist.....	25.00
East Side Free Will Baptist.....	20.00
Free Will Baptist Chapel.....	12.00
West Side Free Will Baptist.....	5.00
Southgate Free Will Baptist.....	6.25
Taylor Faith Free Will Baptist.....	10.00
Fifteen Mile Free Will Baptist.....	5.00
John C Lodge Free Will Baptist.....	10.00
First Free Will Baptist of Pontiac....	5.00
Antioch Free Will Baptist.....	8.80
Friendly Free Will Baptist.....	5.00
Osborne Chapel Free Will Baptist.....	7.00
New Hope Free Will Baptist.....	5.00
Total collected this setting.....	\$ 139.05
Collected for Missions.....	10.00
Collected for Orphanage.....	37.60
Total collected.....	\$ 186.65
Amount carried over from Bank.....	258.50
Total.....	\$ 445.15

EXPENSES PAST 12 MONTHS

Orphans Home.....	160.85
Foreign Missions.....	122.86
Stationary.....	28.50
Stamps.....	14.00
Janitor.....	20.00
Printing of Minutes.....	236.00
Rent of Hall.....	57.00
Brief Cases & Metal File.....	11.74
Total Expenses.....	\$ 640.95

DEPOSITS PAST 12 MONTHS

March 14, 1959.....	\$ 129.33
May 4, 1959.....	185.22
October 8, 1959.....	219.70
November 5, 1959.....	153.80
February 9, 1960.....	<u>211.40</u>
Total Deposits.....	\$ 770.12
Deposits.....	\$ 770.12
Minus Expenses.....	<u>640.95</u>

Balance..... \$ 258.50

CHURCH REPORTS

Friendly Free Will Baptist Church

State of Religion.....	Good
Dismissed.....	2
Total Membership.....	9
Condition of Prayer Meeting.....	Good
Condition of Sunday School.....	Good
Average No. of Pupils.....	20
No. of Teachers.....	3
For Publication.....	\$ 7.55
Enclosed for Minutes.....	\$ 5.00

Southgate Free Will Baptist Church

State of Religion.....	Good
Members received past 3 months.....	13
Baptized.....	2
Total Membership.....	100
Condition of Prayer Meeting.....	Good
Condition of Sunday School.....	Good
Average No. of Pupils.....	150
No. of Officers & Teachers.....	12
Paid Pastor.....	\$ 960.00
Building & Repairs.....	48.00
Enclosed for Minutes.....	6.25

First Free Will Baptist of Pontiac Church	
State of Religion.....	Good
Members received past 12 months.....	85
Baptized.....	9
Dismissed.....	16
Total Membership.....	41
Condition of Prayer Meeting.....	Fair
Condition of Sunday School.....	Fair
Average No. of Pupils.....	51
No. of Officers & Teachers.....	9
Paid Pastor.....	\$1,375.00
Paid Evangelist.....	225.40
Home Mission.....	9.00
Orphanage.....	1.00
Building & Repairs.....	2,815.24
For Education.....	243.12
For Publication.....	24.46
Enclosed for Minutes.....	27.00

Zion Free Will Baptist Church	
State of Religion.....	Good
Members received past 4 months.....	11
Total Membership.....	11
Condition of Prayer Meeting.....	Fair
Condition of Sunday School.....	Good
Average No. of Pupils.....	25
No. of Officers & Teachers.....	7
For Education.....	\$ 9.00
For Publication.....	\$ 5.00
Enclosed for Minutes.....	\$ 5.00

Taylor Faith Free Will Baptist Church	
State of Religion.....	Good
Members received past 12 months.....	27
Baptized.....	16
Dismissed.....	8
Total Membership.....	52
Condition of Prayer Meeting.....	Good
Condition of Sunday School.....	Good
Average No. of Pupils.....	60

No. of Officers & Teachers.....	6
Paid Pastor.....	\$ 780.00
Paid Evangelist.....	200.00
Home Mission.....	205.00
Foreign Mission.....	50.00
Building & Repairs.....	\$1,200.00
Enclosed for Minutes.....	10.00

West Side Free Will Baptist Church

State of Religion.....	Good
Members received past 3 months.....	3
Dismissed.....	4
Total Membership.....	29
Condition of Prayer Meeting.....	Good
Condition of Sunday School.....	Growing
Average No. of Pupils.....	28
No. of Officers & Teachers.....	7
Enclosed for Minutes.....	\$ 5.00

Fifteen Mile Free Will Baptist Church

State of Religion.....	Good
Members received past 12 months.....	11
Dismissed.....	20
Total Membership.....	36
Condition of Prayer Meeting.....	Spiritual
Condition of Sunday School.....	Good
Average No. of Pupils.....	30
No. of Officers & Teachers.....	6
Home Mission.....	\$ 60.00
Building & Repairs.....	\$1,783.05
For Publication.....	88.08
Enclosed for Minutes.....	5.00

Ten Mile Free Will Baptist Church

State of Religion.....	Good
Members received past 12 months.....	24
Baptized.....	13
Dismissed.....	14
Total Membership.....	341
Condition of Prayer Meeting.....	Good
Condition of Sunday School.....	Good

Average No. of Pupils.....	285
No. of Officers & Teachers.....	23
Paid Pastor.....	\$5,720.00
Paid Caretaker.....	3,120.00
Paid Evangelist.....	591.19
Home Mission.....	551.92
Foreign Mission.....	720.00
Foreign Mission by Ladies Prayer Band.....	120.00
Building & Repairs.....	\$6,299.40
Parsonage Fund.....	900.00
For Education.....	820.15
For Publication.....	174.56
Orphanage.....	120.00
Orphanage by Ladies Prayer Band.....	115.00
Enclosed for Minutes.....	25.00

East Side Free Will Baptist Church

State of Religion.....	Spiritual
Members received past 12 months.....	23
Baptized.....	19
Dismissed.....	4
Total Membership.....	151
Condition of Prayer Meeting.....	Good
Condition of Sunday School.....	Good
Average No. of Pupils.....	135
No. of Officers & Teachers.....	15
Paid Pastor.....	\$2,600.00
Paid Evangelist.....	529.00
Home Mission.....	639.26
Building & Repairs.....	1,334.09
For Education.....	150.74
For Publication.....	140.10
Enclosed for Minutes.....	20.00

New Hope Free Will Baptist Church

State of Religion.....	Fair
Members received past 3 months.....	2
Dismissed.....	5
Total Membership.....	12
Condition of Prayer Meeting.....	Fair
Condition of Sunday School.....	Good

Average No. of Pupils.....	36
No. of Officers & Teachers.....	9
Enclosed for Minutes.....	\$ 5.00

Antioch Free Will Baptist Church

State of Religion.....	Good
Members received past 12 months.....	26
Baptized.....	13
Dismissed.....	2
Total Membership.....	72
Condition of Prayer Meeting.....	Good
Condition of Sunday School.....	Good
Average No. of Pupils.....	125
No. of Officers & Teachers.....	8
Paid Pastor..... Weekly.....	\$ 85.00
Enclosed for Minutes.....	8.80

John C Lodge Free Will Baptist Church

State of Religion.....	Good
Members received past 12 months.....	19
Baptized.....	10
Dismissed.....	3
Total Membership.....	23
Condition of Prayer Meeting.....	Very Good
Condition of Sunday School.....	Very Good
Average No. of Pupils.....	62
No. of Officers and Teachers.....	6
Paid Evangelist.....	\$ 69.00
Building & Repairs.....	222.84
Enclosed for Minutes.....	10.00

Osborne Chapel Free Will Baptist Church

State of Religion.....	Excellent
Members received past 3 months.....	17
Baptized.....	3
Dismissed.....	3
Total Membership.....	29
Condition of Prayer Meeting.....	Good
Condition of Sunday School.....	Good
Average No. of Pupils.....	45
No. of Officers & Teachers.....	16
Enclosed for Minutes.....	17

Paid Evangelist.....	43.36
Building & Repairs.....	9.56
For Education.....	10.40
For Publication.....	14.00
Enclosed for Minutes.....	7.00

Free Will Baptist Chapel Church

State of Religion.....	Good
Members received past 12 months.....	23
Baptized.....	14
Dismissed.....	6
Total Membership.....	96
Condition of Prayer Meetings.....	Good
Condition of Sunday School.....	Good
Average No. of Pupils.....	80
No. of Officers & Teachers.....	12
Paid Pastor.....	\$1,337.20
Paid Evangelist.....	216.90
Orphanage.....	113.06
Home Mission.....	57.51
Foreign Mission.....	40.00
Building & Repairs.....	1,086.50
For Education.....	83.84
For Publication.....	15.00
Enclosed for Minutes.....	12.00

The Gospel Free Will Baptist Church

State of Religion.....	Good
Members received past 12 months.....	29
Baptized.....	25
Dismissed.....	7
Died.....	1
Total Membership.....	50
Condition of Prayer Meeting.....	Good
Condition of Sunday School.....	Good
Average No. of Pupils.....	60
No. of Officers & Teacher.....	11
Paid Pastor.....	\$250.00
Paid Evangelist.....	193.00
Building & Repairs.....	197.85
Enclosed for Minutes.....	7.00

First Free Will Baptist of Monroe Church
 State of Religion..... Good
 Members received past 12 months..... 10
 Baptized..... 5
 Dismissed..... 2
 Total Membership..... 28
 Condition of Prayer Meeting..... Fair
 Condition of Sunday School..... Good
 Average No. of Pupils..... 40
 No. of Officers & Teachers..... 4
 Paid Pastor..... \$105.17
 Paid Evangelist..... 40.00
 Building & Repairs..... 600.00
 Enclosed for Minutes..... 15.00

ORDAINED MINISTER'S REPORTS

Rev. Charles E. Riggs
 935 E. Coy, Hazel Park, Michigan
 Member of... Ten Mile Free Will Baptist Church
 Sermons preached..... 6
 Remarks: Moderator of Liberty Association
 Chairman of Presbytery Board
 Teacher of Adult Bible Class
 Conduct weekly Bible Study

Have moderated in the organizing of one church

Rev. James T. Holman
 726 E. George St., Hazel Park, Michigan
 Member of... Ten Mile Free Will Baptist Church
 Pastor of... Ten Mile Free Will Baptist Church
 Sermons preached..... 90
 Conversion witnessed..... 50
 Baptized..... 13
 Received into church..... 24
 Married..... 7
 Received for services..... \$6,000.00

Rev. Thomas L. Lilly
779 Corwin St., Pontiac, Michigan

Member of...First Free Will Baptist of Pontiac
Pastor of...First Free Will Baptist of Pontiac
Sermons preached.....100
Conversion witnessed.....24
Baptized.....9
Received into church.....5
Married.....1
Received for services.....\$1,000.00

Rev. James T. Walters
4020 W. Road, Washington, Michigan

Member of....Free Will Baptist Chapel Church
Sermons preached.....4
Conversion witnessed.....2

Remarks: Leader of the Young People

Rev. Golden M. Blevins
4507 Oakgrove Road, Pontiac, Michigan

Member of...First Free Will Baptist of Pontiac
Sermons preached.....21
Conversion witnessed.....2

Rev. Willis Booth
5859 W. Vernor, Detroit, Michigan

Member of.....Friendly Free Will Baptist
Pastor of.....Friendly Free Will Baptist
Sermons preached.....90
Received into church.....4
Conversion witnessed.....9
Revivals.....2

Rev. Halley H. Hatfield
19366 Huntington, Detroit 13, Michigan

Member of....Osborne Chapel Free Will Baptist
Sermons preached.....25
Conversion witnessed.....9
Baptized.....12

Received for services.....\$5.00

Remarks: Member of Presbytery Board

Church Trustee Board

Rev. Alpha L. Morrison

6550 Wagner; Detroit, Michigan

Member of.....Osborne Chapel Free Will Baptist

Pastor of.....Osborne Chapel Free Will Baptist

Sermons preached.....104

Conversion witnessed.....31

Baptized.....16

Received into church.....16

Revivals.....1

Funerals.....1

Rev. E. J. Ramey

367 Oak, Wyandotte, Michigan

Member of.....Southgate Free Will Baptist

Pastor of.....Southgate Free Will Baptist

Sermons preached.....305

Conversion witnessed.....194

Baptized.....63

Married.....6

Revivals.....9

Funerals.....9

Received for services.....\$5,784.20

Rev. Clarence Jack Hagan

25037 Charles St., Taylor, Michigan

Member of.....East Side Free Will Baptist

Pastor of.....East Side Free Will Baptist

Sermons preached.....87

Conversion witnessed.....68

Baptized.....23

Received into church.....19

Married.....1

Revivals.....1

Funerals.....5

Received for services.....\$2,625.00

Remarks: Member of Executive Board-four

(4) years to serve.

Rev. Cecil F. Penley
1569 E. Otis, Hazel Park, Michigan

Member of.....Antioch Free Will Baptist
Sermons preached.....15
Conversion witnessed.....40

Rev. Frank Webb
5880 Reeder St., Detroit 9, Michigan

Member of.....New Hope Free Will Baptist
Pastor of.....New Hope Free Will Baptist
Sermons preached.....140
Conversion witnessed.....16
Baptized.....7
Married.....3
Revivals.....2

Rev. James D. Addison
1934 London, Lincoln Park, Michigan

Member of.....Taylor Faith Free Will Baptist
Pastor of.....Macedonia Free Will Baptist
Sermons preached.....115
Conversion witnessed.....45
Baptized.....48
Received into church.....5
Married.....6
Revivals.....2
Funerals.....1

Remarks: Assistant Moderator of Association.
Member of Presbytery Board - 1 yr.
to serve. Member of Executive Board - 1 yr.
to serve.

Rev. Reades Selby
1616 Madison Ave., Huntington, W. Va.

Member of.....Antioch Free Will Baptist
Sermons preached.....62
Conversion witnessed.....34

Baptized.....1
 Revivals.....2
 Funerals.....1
 Received for services.....\$ 24.00
 Remarks: Helping Pastor of Genoa Baptist Church. Preached every Sunday morning and every 3rd Sunday night of each month.

Rev. Jack Luther
 23777 Couzens, Hazel Park, Michigan

Member of.....Antioch Free Will Baptist
 Pastor of.....Antioch Free Will Baptist
 Sermons preached.....127
 Conversion witnessed.....40
 Baptized.....15
 Received into church.....31
 Revivals.....3
 Received for services.....\$ 3,880.00

Rev. Ernie Ray Selbee
 23160 Cayuga Ave., Hazel Park, Michigan

Member of.....Ten Mile Free Will Baptist
 Sermons preached.....20
 Conversion witnessed.....7
 Revivals.....1
 Received for services.....\$ 36.17
 Remarks: Sunday School Teacher
 Visitation Committee

Rev. C. H. Dickerson
 394 Rowland, Madison Heights, Michigan

Member of.....Free Will Baptist Chapel
 Pastor of.....Free Will Baptist Chapel
 Sermons preached.....125
 Conversion witnessed.....21
 Baptized.....14
 Received into church.....23
 Married.....3
 Revivals.....2
 Funerals.....2

Received for services.....\$ 10.80
Remarks: Member of Presbytery Board - 4
years to serve.

Rev. James Hammons
13345 Chelsea, Detroit 13, Michigan

Member of.....Fifteen Mile Free Will Baptist
Pastor of.....Fifteen Mile Free Will Baptist
Sermons preached.....69
Conversion witnessed.....10
Received into church.....8
Received for services.....\$ 60.00
Remarks: Member of Home Mission Board

Rev. Calvin R. Welch
4314 St. James, Detroit 10, Michigan

Member of.....Zion Free Will Baptist
Pastor of.....Zion Free Will Baptist
Sermons preached.....50
Conversion witnessed.....4
Baptized.....2
Received into church.....4
Married.....1

Rev. Wm. McKinley Graves
1370 Orchard Drive, Milford, Michigan

Member of..First Free Will Baptist of Pontiac
Pastor of..First Free Will Baptist, Wald Lake
Sermons preached.....Do not know
Conversion witnessed.....several
Married.....1
Received for services.....\$ 12.00

Rev. Wesley Thomas
7145 Dudley St., Taylor, Michigan

Member of.....Taylor Faith Free Will Baptist
Pastor of.....Taylor Faith Free Will Baptist
Sermons preached.....75
Conversion witnessed.....6

Baptized..... 7
 Received into church..... 27
 Married..... 2
 Funerals..... 2
 Received for services..... \$780.00

Remarks: Advisory Board

Pastor term expires, Sept., 1960

Rev. Alfred M. Gollihue
 1138 Merrick, Detroit 2, Michigan

Member of..... John C Lodge Free Will Baptist
 Pastor of..... John C Lodge Free Will Baptist
 Sermons preached..... 212
 Conversion witnessed..... 27
 Baptized..... 10
 Received into church..... 19
 Married..... 1
 Revivals..... 7
 Received for services..... \$ 220.00

Remarks; Pastor one year

Rev. George C. Leach
 1636 E. Jarvis, Hazel Park, Michigan

Sermons preached..... 46
 Conversion witnessed..... 9
 Baptized..... 1
 Married..... 2
 Revivals..... 1

Rev. Franklin Colley
 2821 Wisconsin, Troy, Michigan

Member of..... Free Will Baptist Chapel
 Sermons preached..... 10
 Conversion witnessed..... 5

Remarks: Trustee Board

Asst. Sunday School Supt.

Rev. William T. Ford
28081 Rosemont, Roseville, Michigan

Member of.....East Side Free Will Baptist
Sermons preached.....75
Conversion witnessed.....10
Baptized.....1
Married.....1
Revivals.....2

Rev. Arnold Mollett
33000 Eureka Road, Romulus, Michigan

Member of.....Southgate Free Will Baptist
Sermons preached.....27
Baptized.....2

Remarks: Presbytery Board

Rev. Max E. Davis
537 E. Rowland, Madison Heights, Michigan

Member of.....The Gospel Free Will Baptist
Sermons preached.....25
Conversion witnessed.....4
Baptized.....4
Received into church.....1
Married.....1
Revivals.....1
Received for services.....\$ 10.00

Rev. Lester B. Coffman
25063 Dartmouth, Dearborn 8, Michigan

Member of.....Southgate Free Will Baptist
Sermons Preached.....18
Conversion witnessed.....2
Baptized.....5

Remarks: Building Fund Treasurer

Rev. Max E. Lankford
196 Birchwood St., Troy, Michigan

Member of.....Ten Mile Free Will Baptist
Sermons preached.....10
Conversion witnessed.....4

Baptized.....2
 Revivals.....1
 Received for services.....\$ 36.00
 Rev. Raymond Ramsey.....
 31908 Dequindre, Warren, Michigan.....
 Member of.....Free Will Baptist Chapel
 Asst., Pastor of.....Free Will Baptist Chapel
 Sermons preached.....17

LICENSED MINISTERS REPORTS

Rev. William M. Garren.....
 5151 Joy Road, Detroit 4, Michigan.....
 Member of.....John C Lodge Free Will Baptist
 Sermons preached.....15
 Rev. Robert Hall.....
 1809 Tyler Road, Ypsilanti, Michigan.....
 Member of.....Taylor Faith Free Will Baptist
 Sermons preached.....13
 Conversion witnessed.....16
 Rev. Curtis E. Lilly.....
 4732 Second, Detroit 1, Michigan.....
 Member of.....East Side Free Will Baptist
 Sermons preached.....23
 Conversion witnessed.....3
 Asst. Baptizing.....2
 Rev. Loyd Locklear.....
 23550 Columbus, Warren, Michigan.....
 Member of.....The Gospel Free Will Baptist
 Pastor of.....The Gospel Free Will Baptist
 Sermons preached.....28
 Conversion witnessed.....17
 Received into church.....3
 Revivals.....4

Rev. Garland Pierson
 2965 St. Jean, Detroit 14, Michigan
 Member of.....East Side Free Will Baptist
 Sermons preached..... 11
 Conversion witnessed..... 2

Rev. Jake Hamilton
 6155 Hyde Parke, Inkster, Michigan
 Member of.....Taylor Faith Free Will Baptist
 Conversion witnessed..... 9
 Baptized..... 5

Rev. Charles C. Cooper
 1584 University, Ferndale, Michigan
 Member of.....West Side Free Will Baptist
 Pastor of.....West Side Free Will Baptist
 Sermons preached..... 22
 Conversion witnessed..... 8
 Received into church..... 3

Remarks: Home Mission Board 3 yrs. to
 serve

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Call to Order by Moderator

Call for Letters from Churches

Election of Moderator and Clerk

Read Rules of Decorum

Appointment of Committees:

Divine Service, Finance, and Obituary

Call for Corresponding Letters

Call for Petitionary Letters

Unfinished Business

New Business

RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association, when convened, shall be opened and closed by singing and prayer.

2. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall arise to his feet and address the moderator.

3. Each person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in speech, except by the moderator, until he gets through; nor shall the moderator interrupt him unless he breaks order.

4. The person speaking shall adhere to the question and shall in no wise cast reflections on any person who may have spoken before him.

5. No person shall speak more than three times on the same subject without leave of the Association.

6. No person shall laugh or whisper in time of public speech.

7. Members shall address each other by the appellation of brother or brethren, or sisters.

8. No members of this Association shall absent himself when the association is sitting in conference without leave of the moderator.

9. The names of the members of this association shall be enrolled and called over as often as the association thinks is necessary.

10. No member shall speak longer than fifteen minutes at any time without leave of the moderator.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. GOD. We believe in one true and living, Triune God; composed of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, equal in divine Essence, Purpose, Power and Glory. - St. John 1:1; I Cor. 8:6; St. John 10:30.
2. CHRIST. We believe that Jesus Christ is the divine Son of God. Was with the Father and the Holy Spirit at the time of the Creation, left the Courts of Heaven and came to this earth. Took upon Himself the form of humanity, sin excepted, by being born of the Virgin Mary, manifested His power, was crucified, placed in Joseph's tomb, rose from the dead the third day, completed the great plan of salvation, walked and talked with His disciples, publicly ascended up to Heaven, and that He will descend again to gather His jewels home. - Isaiah 9:6; St. John 1:14; Luke 1:26-28; Matt. 14:13-21; Mark 16:9-19; Luke 24:50-53; Acts 1:9-12; Mark 15:22-47.
3. HOLY SPIRIT. We believe that the Holy Spirit has visited true believers in all ages, and especially since the ascension of the SON back to the Father, and His coming on the day of Pentecost. Has taken up His office work among all nations of people, as a Divine Reprover, Comforter and Guide. - Judges 6:34; 11:29; St. John 16:8-14; Isaiah 63:10-12; Ephesians 4:30; Acts 8:17-20; Ezek. 36:27; Joel 2:28.
4. THE BIBLE. We believe the Bible, which is composed of the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, was given by Inspiration of God, is our way-bill from earth to heaven, and the only infallible rule of faith and practice. - II Peter 1:19-21; II Tim. 3:14-17; Daniel 10:21; Acts 1:16-17; Matthew 21:42.
5. THE FALL OF MAN. We believe that God created man good, gave him a just law by which he should be governed; with promise of reward for

faithfulness and with penalties of punishment for disobedience. God gave man power of free moral agency to choose the right and reject the wrong. But our first parents heeded the voice of the great enemy of souls, voluntarily transgressed the law of GOD, fell, with their posterity under the just penalty of the same, and were unable of their own power to extricate or save themselves from the great dilemma into which they had fallen. God gave them the hope of salvation through the coming of Christ. - Gen. 1:27; 2:16-17; Psalms 51:5; Gen. 6:5; Rom. 5:12-19; John 3:6; Eph. 2:3.

6. REDEMPTION, SALVATION, ADOPTION. We believe that Jesus Christ by His birth, death, burial, resurrection and ascension paid the purchase price for the redemption of the whole human race, arranged a pardon for all who come upon Gospel terms; and a law of adoption into the Kingdom of heaven, and an eternal inheritance into the glorified Kingdom above. - Heb. 9:12; Gal. 3:13; 4:4-5; Titus 2:14; St. John 3:16; Isaiah 15:22.

7. CONDITIONS OF SALVATION. We believe that all persons, dying in infancy and all idiots are saved by the atoning merits of the Son of God without any act on their part that persons coming to the years of accountability, transgressing the law of God, must upon their part exercise faith in Jesus Christ through repentance toward God, at the completion of which pardon takes place in the mind of the Father and by the Holy Spirit they pass through the ordeal of regeneration, are washed in the blood of the Lamb and are planted in the Kingdom of Christ. - John 3; Matt. 19:13-22; I Cor. 7:10; Luke 18:16-17; St. John 4:11-16; Psalms 98:3.

8. SALVATION FREE. We believe that God de-

sires the salvation of all Christ died for all; and whosoever will may come and be saved upon the terms of the Gospel. - I Peter 1:9:25; Revelation 22:17.

9. BAPTISM. We believe that Christian baptism is the immersion of the believers in water, in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, in which are represented the burial and the resurrection of Christ; also represents our death to sin, and only those who have come under the presbytery of the elders are qualified to administer the same. - Matt. 3:14-16; 3:5-6; I Peter 3:21; St. John 3:23; Acts 10:47; Matt. 28:19.

10. COMMUNION AND FEET WASHING. We believe that the Lord's Supper and the washing of the saints' feet are ordinances of the Gospel of Christ; the Lord's Supper was instituted by our Savior to commemorate His broken body and shed blood for the sins of the world, and to show our remembrance of Him till he comes. All Christians have a right to the Lord's Supper and should be invited; "Let a man examine himself and so let him eat."

The washing of the feet was instituted by our Lord at the same time that the Supper was instituted as an act of humility to show our love for each other, and both ordinances should be perpetuated by all Christians until His second coming. Luke 22:19-20; I Cor. 11:20-29; St. John 13:1-17; Matt. 26:26-29.

11. THE SABBATH. We believe that the Christian Sabbath should be observed as a day of rest and for the worship of God; that we should abstain from all sinful amusements and secular employments, works of mercy and piety excepted. - Exodus 20:11, 31:12-18; Deut. 5:12-15; Ezek. 20:12; Matt. 23:1; Luke 23:56; Acts 13:42-48; Mark 2:27.

12. CALL TO THE MINISTRY. We believe in a divine call of the ministry; that God in His goodness and power of grace, impress His ministers with the burden of lost souls, to the extent that the call becomes irresistible with personal contentment; that when they yield to the call and exercise the native gifts according to the Scriptures, with a full reliance upon Him, He accompanies them in person of the Holy Spirit to guide them in the way of truth and to bless their labors according to His purpose. - Jonah 1:1; Jer. 1:5; Mark 3:14; Acts 1:22-26; Matt. 28:19.

13. THE INVISIBLE CHURCH. We believe that the Invisible or Spiritual Church is the redeemed in the aggregate, is the family of God, is composed of all true Christians of every congregation from righteous Abel to the restitution of all things, from every kindred, nation, tongue and people. - Eph. 3:16-21; Heb. 12:22-23; I Pet. 2:5; Eph. 2:20-22; Acts 2:47; Matt. 16:18.

14. THE VISIBLE CHURCH. We believe that a visible church of Christ is a congregation of faithful men and women, having obtained fellowship with the Lord and with each other, agreeing to keep up a good discipline and doctrine according to the rules of the Gospel. - II Thess. 1:1; Acts 16:5; III John 1:10; Matt. 18:17; Acts 20:28; Revelation 1:4-20.

15. PERSEVERANCE. We believe that all true believers in Christ should persevere in divine grace and in the knowledge of the truth, and that God's grace is sufficient to help them to overcome all the obstacles of life, and that all the combined forces of the great enemy of souls on earth and in hell (or in his eternal abode) are not able to pluck them from His hand so long as they walk in the path of duty; but

those who sidestep and wilfully refuse or neglect to perform their duty, they would backside if persistently continued, would be eternally lost. - II Peter 1:12; II Cor. 9:10; II Peter 1:4-8; II Peter 2:2; Rom. 8:35-39; Apostasy; II Peter 1:8-9; I Cor. 10:1-13; Heb. 12:15-17; I John 5:16; Heb. 6:1-6; I Tim. 4:1-2; Heb. 3:12; St. John 15:1-7; Matt. 12:31-32.

16. CHRIST, THE HEAD OF THE CHURCH. We believe that Christ is the Head of the Church, and that the government of the local church is with the body. - Col. 1:18-19; Matt. 16:18; Heb. 12:23; Matt. 21:42; Eph. 1:22; Acts. 16:4-5.

17. SANCTIFICATION. Sanctification is a work of God's grace, by which the soul is cleansed from all sin and wholly consecrated to Christ. It takes place in regeneration, and the Christian can and should abide in this state to the end of life, constantly growing in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. - I Cor. 6:11; II Thess. 2:13; Heb. 12:14; Phil. 3:21; II Thess. 5:19-23; St. John 17:17-19; II Tim. 2:20-21.

18. THE RESURRECTION. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, both of the righteous and the wicked. When the resurrection shall take place, the soul and the body shall be united, the righteous shall be received into everlasting happiness to reign with God forever; but the wicked shall go away into everlasting punishment. - Matt. 23:6; John 5:28-29; I Cor. 15:51-58.

19. THE SOUL. The soul is endless, hence does not die with the body, but immediately after death enters into a conscious state of happiness or misery, according to the spiritual character here possessed. - Phil. 1:23; Luke 23:43; Rev. 6:9; Luke 16:19-25; Matt. 10:28.

20. JUDGMENT. We believe that there will be a general universal judgment, when all men shall be judged according to their works, whether they be good or bad, and that immediately thereafter the wicked shall enter into everlasting punishment, and the righteous into eternal happiness. - II Thess. 1:4-9; Rev. 14:9-13; Luke 16:23; Rev. 21:8; II Cor. 5:10; Matt. 12:36-37; Rev. 20:12-13; Acts 17:31.

CONSTITUTION
OF THE LIBERTY ASSOCIATION OF

FREE WILL BAPTIST

1. This Association, when properly convened, shall consist of a Moderator, and Ass't Moderator; Clerk, and Ass't Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present. The duty of the Moderator shall be to keep the Association in order, state questions fairly and take the vote thereon; to have no vote unless the Association be equally divided, in which case he shall have the deciding vote.

The duty of the Clerk shall be to keep a fair record of the proceedings of the Association. The assistants to the Moderator or Clerk shall be to assist, or occupy their respective seats when vacant, or otherwise necessary.

2. This Association shall be composed of ordained Ministers, Deacons and Licentiates, together with messengers duly chosen by the church of their membership in our union, whom the members judge best qualified to represent them. Said messengers bearing letters certifying to their appointment.

Said Ministers and Licentiates shall be men of good report, within and without, of honest integrity and full of the Holy Ghost, meeting the qualifications to that of I Tim. 3. Coming

under the hands, or approval of the Ordaining Council. Pastors shall be chosen by the suffrage of the church, or churches they serve; whose tenure of service shall be faithfully maintained until terminated, and that effected only by a 60 days notice of said intention, and the selection of an active Minister within the bounds of this Association to succeed him. It is agreed, however, one may be selected from other sources, being approved by the Ordaining Council of this Ass'n.

3. In the letters from the churches shall be expressed their respective number in fellowship, and the number received, dismissed, excluded, or died since the last setting of the Association, day of church meeting, Pastor or Clerk.

4. No query shall be received by this Association from any church until it has been acted upon by said church and referred to the Association. In which case the Association shall take up the matter, acting as advisory counsel to promote peace and harmony according to true discipline of Divine grace.

5. Every church in this Association shall be entitled to a representation of Messengers not exceeding five; together with said clerk and ordained authority.

6. This Association shall maintain a Presbytery Board selected from the ordained authority, preferably Ministers; five in number; also an Executive Board consisting of five, selected from the body, whose tenure of office shall be ranging from one to five years. The Association shall select, annually, to supply the vacancies as they occur.

7. Every motion, when in order and properly sustained, shall be acted upon unless withdrawn

by the mover; that is to say, to present matters for discussion, trying the merits of the same, and, if found worth and orthodox, to adopt it.

8. This Association shall not exercise power so as to lord it over God's heritage so as to infringe on the eternal rights of any. Maintaining the rights and privileges, and relationship to each church to that of individual members; that is to say, if a church trespass against a sister church, the church injured shall try to reclaim them by Gospel steps; where upon, if a reconciliation cannot be effected, the said church in default shall be dropped from our counsel.

9. We agree to do all regular business by a majority of members present.

10. Any church may be admitted into this Association by a petitionary letter and messengers, if however, said church is found to be orthodox and orderly. Such admission shall be manifested by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to said messengers.

11. This Association shall sit as an advisory council, to advise, if prudent, in all matters of difficulty; to ascertain the cause of non-representation, to select from this body such committees deemed necessary to the functioning of the body; to invite and entertain counsel with all brother ministers commensurate with safety; to exclude, or disannul any member not conforming to the Rules of Decorum, and shall report his, or their conduct to the church of which they held membership.

12. This Association shall not, at any time, engage in what may seem to be of a commercial nature. However, it shall be the duty of each church to provide means to defray current ex-

penses of the Association

13. This Association possesses appellate jurisdiction in all matters concerning the Ministers of the council, as touching their qualification, of his many character and general conduct; strict adherence to the principles and doctrine of faith and practice, not deviating from that set forth in the Articles of Faith of Free Will Baptist. Particularly that of the plan of redemption, of the Christian fellowship in the unity of Spirit and the bonds of peace; or failing to keep the Ordinances, and the perseverance in faith, ready to be revealed in glory at the appearance of our Lord Jesus Christ; when both saints, and the wicked dead shall be resurrected, the saints to everlasting life, and the wicked to eternal damnation.

14. The Lord's Supper and feetwashing shall be administered on Good Friday evening at the respective church chosen at the Annual setting of the Association.

15. This Association shall advise, or recommend the support of denominational enterprises according to the ability, or means otherwise provided, and under the jurisdiction of the local church.

16. This Association shall possess the rights to repel, or exclude anyone coming unto us preaching, or advocating any other doctrine than that set forth in the original Articles of Faith of Free Will Baptist.

17. This constitution shall not be changed, or amended, only by a three-fourths majority of Ministers, as also the Deacons, and likewise the duly elected representatives at the regular annual setting of the Association.

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God by faith in Christ, and adopted the Word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this solemn covenant. We promise by His grace to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid the appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world; from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages, and to "provide things honest in the sight of all men."

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness, and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to "keep the unity of the Spirit," in the bonds of peace, to be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and as far as we are able, promote the success of the church and of the Gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principle sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme; counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society; constantly praying and toiling that the kingdom of God may come, and His will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of the Scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship; and by self-denial, faith and good works endeavor to "grow in grace and the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."

We will not forget the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship, and the observance of the ordinances of the Gospel, nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor,

and all its benevolent work.

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprises, the support of missions, the success of Sunday Schools, and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of souls, and the conversion of the world. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.