

**MINUTES**  
**OF THE**  
**73rd SESSION**  
**OF**  
**THE LIBERTY No. 1 ASSOCIATION**  
**OF**  
**FREEWILL BAPTIST**



**HELD WITH**  
**SEMIRAH SPRINGS CHURCH**  
**URIAH, ALABAMA**

**October 12, 13, 14, 1962**

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Rt. 1, Uriah, Ala.

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Rev. W. G. Palmer-----Moderator

Mrs. Ivan I. Stewart-----Clerk

74th Session will be held (next  
Association) at Pine Grove, Perdido, Ala.,  
on October 11, 12, 13, 1963.

Quarterly Meetings will be held at the  
following Churches; NOTE: (Saturday before  
the 5th Sunday)

1. Range-----December 29, 1962

2. Union Grove--March 30, 1963

3. Friendship---June 29, 1963

4. Semirah Springs--September 28, 1963

Annual Sunday School Convention will be  
held at Canaan Church, Rt. 4, Brewton, Ala.  
on May 5, 1963.



## OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

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## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Bro. Allen Reed.....Evergreen, Ala.  
Bro. R. L. Jerkins....Rt. 1, Box 129A-Repton, Ala.  
Bro. Ivan I. Stewart. P.O. Box 116-Perdido, Ala.  
Bro. Ralph Beasley..Rt. 4, Brewton, Ala.  
Bro. Herbert Cardwell.....Uriah, Ala.

## ORDAINING COUNCIL

Rev. C. M. Byrd.....Perdido, Ala.  
Rev. R. T. Coleman.....Perdido, Ala.  
Rev. W. G. Palmer..Rt. 1, Box 287-Castleberry, Ala.  
Rev. E. E. Brooks...Rt. 1, Box 175B-Flomaton, Ala.  
Rev. N. W. Carden...Rt. 1, Flomaton, Ala.

## VISITING MINISTERS

Rev. Eustus Riggs  
Box 55  
Eldridge, Alabama

Rev. H. L. Henderson  
Rt. 1, Box 199  
Atmore, Alabama

There were 12 Ministers and 10 Deacons,  
20 Delegates and 67 Visitors registered  
for the three day session.

## ORDER OF CONFERENCE

1. Invite visiting brethren to seat with us.
2. Opportunity for new members.
3. Reading of minutes of last conference.
4. Deacons report.
5. Unfinished business.
6. Miscellaneous business.
7. Motion to adjourn.

## MINISTERS PRESENT

Rev. W. G. Palmer....Rt. 1, Box 287  
Castleberry, Ala.  
Rev. C. M. Byrd.....Perdido, Ala.  
Rev. J. W. Arnette..Rt. 2, Frisco City, Ala.  
Rev. N. W. Carden...Rt. 1, Flomaton, Ala.  
Rev. E. E. Brooks...Rt. 1, Box 175 B  
Flomaton, Ala.  
Rev. I. L. Tolbert..Rt. 4, Brewton, Ala.  
Rev. C. W. Flowers..Robinsville, Ala.



73rd Session

Held With

Semirah Springs Church

Friday, Oct. 12, 1962

Moderator-----Rev. W.G. Palmer

Clerk-----Mrs. Ivan I. Stewart (Gwen)

9:30 Song Service by Bro. Elmer Gray, Sis. Ivan I. Stewart-Pianist.

Prayer -Rev. H.L. Henderson

10:00 Welcome Address by Rev. E.E. Brooks (Host Pastor)

10:10 Devotional by Bro. Bill Baggett, Scripture lesson -Phillipians 2:1-15 Prayer by Speaker.

We all took the "RIGHT HAND OF CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP"

10:20 Moderator Message-He declared the Session in Order:

BUSINESS

1. Reading Clerks-----Bro. Otis Johnson  
Bro. Glen Cardwell

2. Associational Deacons-  
Bro. Calvin Woods  
Bro. Charlie Woods

3. Preaching Committee-  
Sis. W.G. Palmer  
Sis. Otis Johnson  
Sis. Ralph Beasley

4. Churches and Their Delegates:  
1. Canaan-----Bro. Earl Lisenby  
Sis. Inalee Lisenby  
Sis. Loree Ridgway  
2. Friendship--Sis. Ruth Carden  
Sis. Katie Carden  
Sis. Hattie Mae Lord

3. Pine Forest-Rev. J.W. Arnette  
Bro. C.W. Flowers  
Bro. S.P. Parsons

4. Pine Grove---Sis. Gwen Stewart  
Sis. Willie Byrd  
Sis. Melba Crnarich

5. Range-----Sis. Evelyn Johnson  
Sis. Mary Johnson  
Sis. Velma Jerkins

6. Semirah Springs-Bro. W.G. Murphy  
Bro. W.C. Cardwell  
Bro. Elma Johnson

7. Union Grove---Sis. Annie Jo Baggett  
Sis. Morencia Palmer  
Sis. Esther Gray

5. Call for Church Letters:

1. Canaan-----	\$15.00
2. Friendship-----	\$15.00
3. Pine Forest-----	\$15.00
4. Pine Grove-----	\$15.00
5. Range-----	\$15.00
6. Semirah Springs-----	\$15.00
7. Union Grove-----	\$15.00

6. Ask Visiting Brethren to seat with us. They were Rev. Eustus Riggs from Progressive Association and Rev. H.L. Henderson from West Florida Association.

7. Call for New Churches, there were NONE

8. Clerk's Report - Read and Approved.

FIVE MINUTES INTERMISSION

11:00 Song Service by Bro. Elmer Gray, Sis. Ivan I. Stewart-Pianist

11:05 Special Singing by Perdido Trio - "In The Garden"

11:10 Morning Message-Rev. H.L. Henderson  
Scripture Revelation 3:14, Proverbs 9:10, Revelation 1:1, 1st John 1:9 and Isaiah 6:5.

Prayer by Rev. Eustus Riggs



Invitation - "Are you Washed in the Blood"

Benediction - Rev. J. W. Arnette

12:00 LUNCH - Prepared and Served by Host Church.

"Giving of Thanks" - Rev. E. E. Brooks

#### FRIDAY P. M.

1:00 Song Service by Bro. Herbert Cardwell  
Sis. Ivan I. Stewart - Pianist

1:10 Talk on the Children's Home by  
Rev. Eustus Riggs.

1:20 - - - - - BUSINESS - - - - -

1. Church Letters read and Approved

2. Minister's Reports. All reports  
were read and approved.

3. Assigned Committee Reports

4. Report of Preaching Committee:

Friday Night....Rev. W. G. Palmer

Saturday-11:00..Rev. C. W. Flowers

Saturday Night..Rev. C. M. Byrd

Sunday-11:00....Rev. J. W. Barlow

Closing Song - "The Way of The Cross Leads  
Home"

Benediction-----Rev. E. E. Brooks

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#### FRIDAY NIGHT.....OCTOBER 12, 1962

7:00 Song Service by Bro. Ted Fretwell,  
Sis. Ivan I. Stewart, - Pianist

7:15 Special Singing - Perdido Trio and  
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Fretwell.

Offertory - Usher -(Mission)  
Amount -\$22.00

7:30 Evening Sermon - Rev. W. G. Palmer  
(Mission)

#### CLERK'S REPORT FOR 1962

Amount brought forward from 1961-----\$ 76.12

Amount received with Church Letters-\$105.00

Amount received for Children's Home-\$ 33.00

Amount received for Mission-----\$ 22.00

TOTAL:-----\$236.12

#### PAID OUT

Moderator's Pay-----\$ 15.00

Clerk's Pay-----\$ 20.00

State Association Fee-----\$ 14.00

Children's Home-----\$ 33.00

Mission-----\$ 22.00

Supplies-----\$ 16.74

(Paper, Stencils, Ink, Envelopes, Postage Stamps)

TOTAL:-----\$120.74

Balance left:-----\$115.38

#### SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

OCT. 13, 1962

9:30 Song Service by Bro. Roy Long, Sis.  
Ivan I. Stewart-Pianist

Prayer by Bro. Cain -Brewton, Ala.

9:45 Devotional by Rev. N. W. Carden;  
Scripture -Acts 1:1-8

Prayer by Rev. W. G. Palmer

10:00 - - - - - BUSINESS - - - - -

Bro. Herbert Cardwell acting as  
Moderator while Ordaining Council met.

1. Committee's Reports



#### COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSION

We, your committee on HOME MISSION find only four Churches sending money to our Home Mission board. A total of \$131.80. We would like to urge each Church to become more concerned about this worthy cause.

SEMIRAH SPRINGS  
Bro.W.G.Murphy, Chr.

#### COMMITTEE ON FINANCE:

We, your committee on FINANCE find \$76.12 in treasure with an additional \$105.00 which came in with Church letters making a total of \$181.12 in treasure.

Bro.Herbert Cardwell  
(Chairman)  
Bro.R.L.Jerkins  
Bro.Allen Reed

#### COMMITTEE ON SABBATH SCHOOL:

We, the SABBATH SCHOOL committee, find every Church in Liberty No.1 having a Sabbath School. Total number of teachers and scholars - 239. We are very proud of the progress made in this work and urge each Church to continue in this work for the Lord.

UNION GROVE  
Sis.Annie Jo Baggett  
(Chairman)

#### COMMITTEE ON FREE WILL BAPTIST LEAGUE:

We, your committee on FREE WILL BAPTIST LEAGUE find four (4) Churches with a League. We would like to see each Church have a League if possible.

CANAAN  
Sis.Ella Nall, Chr.

#### COMMITTEE ON STANDING OF MINISTRY:

We, your committee on STANDING OF MINISTRY find ten (10) Ministers in our Association. Eight (8) have a report. We find thirty (30) new members, six (6) less than last year. Let us pray that a better work will be done next year. We are proud of the wonderful work being done by our Ministers.

FRIENDSHIP  
Sis. Hattie Mae Lord  
(Chairman)

#### COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSION:

We, your committee on FOREIGN MISSION report \$68.50 paid in this year for Foreign Mission. We urge each Church to pay as much as possible next year. Thank you.

RANGE  
Sis.R.L.Jerkins, Chr.

#### COMMITTEE ON W.N.A.C.:

We, your committee on W.N.A.C. find three (3) Churches with an Auxiliary, Union Grove with nine (9) members, Pine Grove with ten (10) members and Semirah Springs with twelve (12) members. We urge each Church to consider organizing one.

PINE GROVE  
Sis.Willie Byrd  
(Chairman)



### COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN'S HOME:

We, your committee on CHILDREN'S HOME find \$560.55 paid to the Home for the past year. We think this is for a good cause, hope this will be used for best cause for Christ and our best wishes goes with them.

PINE FOREST  
Bro.C.W.Flowers, Chr.

### COMMITTEE ON OBITUARIES:

We, your committee on OBITUARIES find ten (10) people that have deceased. We regret this very much. We realize what this means. We'll all have work much harder not to let them down. And I'm sure there isn't anyone here who would want to do that.

Sis. Mamie L. Palmer,  
(Chairman)  
Bro. Bill Baggett  
Sis. Allen Reed

### COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATION:

We, your committee on SUPERANNUATION find two (2) Churches - Union Grove \$12.00 and Pine Grove \$5.50 and we urge the other Churches to pay their Superannuation.

Bro. M. M. Burkett, Chr.  
Rev. I. L. Tolbert  
Bro. Frank Lord

NOTE: You may send to: Mrs. W. H. Ryland  
901 Ridge Road  
Birmingham, Alabama

### COMMITTEE ON MASTER'S MEN:

We, your committee on MASTER'S MEN find only two (2) Churches with Master's Man organization. We urge each Church to organize a Master's Men.

Rev. C. M. Byrd, Chr.  
Rev. J. W. Arnette  
Bro. Glen Cardwell

Prayer by Bro. J. W. Barlow

### TEN MINUTE INTERMISSION

11:00 Song Service by Bro. Allen Reed, Sis.  
Ivan I. Stewart - Pianist  
11:05 Special Singing by Perdido Trio -  
"Praise God I'm a Child of The King"

Offertory - Ushers - Amount \$33.00  
(Children's Home)

11:15 Morning Message - Rev. C. W. Flowers  
Scripture Romans 13:11-14 and 2nd  
Corinthians 4:3-6

Benediction - Bro. Frank Lord

12:00 LUNCH - Prepared and Served by Host  
Church.

"Giving of Thanks" - Rev. J. W. Arnette



SATURDAY, OCT. 13, 1962  
AFTERNOON SESSION

1:00 Song Service by Rev. C. M. Byrd, Sis.  
Ivan I. Stewart - Pianist

1:15 Special singing by Perdido Trio and  
Union Grove Group

Prayer by Rev. E. E. Brooks

1:25 Session of ORDAINING:

Bro. C. W. Flowers from Pine Forest  
Church was ordained as Minister.

Bro. Roy Long from Pine Grove Church  
was ordained as Deacon.

Scripture read by Rev. N. W. Carden  
from 1 Timothy 3:1-13

1:35 -----BUSINESS-----

1. Committee on Suggestions -

Bro. Otis Johnson

Bro. Earl Lisenby

Bro. Elmer Gray

FOLLOWING SUGGESTIONS ADOPTED

1. That we discontinue our 5th Sunday  
Fellowship Meeting and Organize a  
Quarterly Meeting as outlined in our  
treaties.-Chapter 3 Page 50 (These will  
be held on Saturday before each 5th  
Sunday.)

2. That committees at our Association be  
assigned to Churches and that the  
delegates from that Church be on these  
committees for one year. (So we will have  
some one to push that phase of work all  
during the year.)

3. That election of all Associational  
officers be the last item of Business  
of the Association each year.

4. The Host Church for any Meeting of  
Liberty No. 1 Association to have a  
program outline and ready to send one  
to each Church Clerk one to two weeks  
in advance of Meeting.

5. We recommend all Churches in Liberty  
No. 1 Association not to use any man  
as a Minister of the Gospel or Deacon  
with more than one living wife.

Scripture - Titus 1:1-7 and  
1 Timothy 3:1-13

6. The Minister's Report to be shown in a  
graph form. (See Page 26)

7. Use the Free Will Baptist Church  
Covenant in place of the one in the  
minute now. (See page 18 and 19)

8. Add seven (7) By-Laws -  
(See listed on page 28 and 29)

9. Under Article 1 (As to the Rules)  
Section 7 changed to read as following:

It is suggested that each Church  
commune and wash the Members' feet as  
often as convenient and on Thursday  
night before EASTER of each year.  
Do Not Postpone Due To Disobedient  
Members.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

1. Next Association - To be Held with  
Pine Grove Church on October 11, 12, &  
13, 1963 at 9:30 A.M.

2. Quartely Meetings will be held at the  
following Churches: NOTE: (Saturday  
before the 5th Sunday)

1. Range.....December 29, 1962

2. Union Grove.....March 30, 1963

3. Friendship.....June 29, 1963

4. Semirah Springs...Sept. 28, 1963



### 3. Delegates to State Association:

1. Sis. Ivan I. Stewart (Gwen)
2. Sis. Patsy Chafin
3. Sis. Mamie Lou Palmer

### 4. Election of New Officers:

1. Moderator.....Rev. N.W. Carden
2. Assistant Moderator.....  
Rev. W.G. Palmer
3. Clerk-Treasurer...  
Mrs. Ivan I. Stewart
4. Assistant Clerk-Treasurer----  
Bro. Jesse J. Odom
5. Home Mission Clerk-Treasurer----  
Mrs. C. M. Byrd

### MINISTERS HONOR ROLL

Rev. S. A. Ridgeway

Having finished all business, we took the  
"PARTING HANDS"

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SATURDAY NIGHT- October 13, 1962

- 7:00 Song Service -Sis. Sallie Chafin  
Pianist - Sis. Ivan I. Stewart
- 7:15 Special Singing by Perdido Trio and  
Semirah Springs Group.
- 7:30 Testimonial Service and Communion  
Service by Rev. C. M. Byrd.  
(Communion Service by Candlelight)

Mrs. Ivan I. Stewart  
P. O. Box 116  
Perdido, Ala.  
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## SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION REPORT

Bro. Ivan I. Stewart was re-elected to  
serve as Supt. of the Sunday School  
Convention and his wife, Sis. Gwen Stewart  
was re-elected to serve as Secretary and  
Treasurer.

<u>CHURCHES</u>	<u>PERCENTAGE</u>
Friendship.....	69.0%
Pine Grove.....	79.2%
Semirah Springs.....	79.9%
Range.....	84.0%
Union Grove.....	86.0%
Canaan.....	87.0%

Pine Forest..... Not Present

The next Sunday School Convention will be  
held with Canaan Church on May 5, 1963 as  
they received the banner by having the  
highest percentage for 1961-1962.

### TREASURER REPORT

Balance as of May 6, 1962.....\$54.26  
Offering on May 6, 1962.....\$19.44  
Total in Treasurer -May 6, 1962...\$73.70

### RULES:

1. Each Church pay the Sunday School Supt.  
10¢ per mile traveling expense to their  
Church.
2. Each Church to bring or send a report  
in to the Sunday School Convention.



## ARTICLES OF FAITH

- [1.] As to God-One God and Father of all.  
Eph. 4:6
- [2.] As to Scriptures-All Scripture is given by inspiration of God. 2nd Timothy 3:16
- [3.] As to Freedom of Will-"Ye will not come unto Me"-John 5:40. "Whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely."  
Revelation 22:17
- [4.] As to Condition of Salvation-"He (Christ) died for all. 2nd Cor. 5:15. "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." Romans 10:13. "For in due season we shall reap if we faint not." Gal. 6:9 "Be thou faithful until death and I will give thee a crown of life." Revelation 2:10
- [5.] As to Election-"God is no respecter of persons, but in every nation he that feareth Him and worketh righteousness is accepted with Him." Acts 10:34-35.
- [6.] As to Grace-"For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men." Titus 2:11. "For by grace are ye saved through faith." Eph. 2:8.
- [7.] As to Faith-"Justified by Faith." Romans 5:1. "This is the victory which overcometh the world even our faith." 1st John 5:4.
- [8.] As to Works-"Faith without works is dead." James 2:6 "God hath before ordained that we should walk in them." Eph. 2:10.
- [9.] As to Baptism-"And they went down both into the water, and when they were come up out of the water." Acts 8:39. "We are buried with Him by baptism unto death." Romans 6:4
- [10.] As to Subject to Baptism-"If thou believest with all thine heart thou mayest." Acts 8:37. "So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God." Romans 14:12.
- [11.] As to Oneness of the Christian Church-"Is Christ divided?" 1 Cor. 1:13. "I am the Vine ye are the Branches." John 15:5. "That they may be one as we are." John 17:11-12. "There is one body and one spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling." Eph. 4:4.
- [12.] As to Communion-"This do in remembrance of me." Luke 22:19. "But let a man examine himself and so let him eat the bread and drink of the cup." 1 Cor. 11:28. "Let no man therefore, Judge you." Col. 2:16.
- [13.] As to the Resurrection. "For the hour cometh in which all that are in the grave, shall hear His voice and shall come forth." John 5:28. "For the trumpet shall sound and the dead shall be raised incorruptible and we shall be changed." 1 Cor. 15:52.
- [14.] As to the Judgement, Reward and Punishment. "For we shall all stand before the Judgement seat of Christ." Romans 14:10. "And these shall go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into life eternal."  
Matthew 25:46
- [15.] As to Feet Washing-"Ye also ought to wash one another's feet." John 13:14. "For I have given you an example." John 13:15. "Verily, verily, I say unto you, the servant is not greater than his Lord." John 13:16. "If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them." John 13:17. "Because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example."  
17 1 Peter 2:21



## CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God, by faith in Jesus 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 all 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 faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to 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 in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

We will not forsake 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.

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.

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 the World. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.



AS TO THE RULES  
ARTICLE # 1

Section 1. When a sufficient number of members are ready for organization the articles of faith and church covenant shall be read and if adopted, the right hand of fellowship shall be extended, and after prayer they shall proceed to the election of officers, after which they shall be declared organized and ready for business.

Section 2. No church shall be organized with less than three (3) male members, nor within six (6) miles of another church of the same faith, unless in towns or cities.

Section 3. The officers of a church shall be a pastor, one or more deacons, and a clerk and treasurer, and not less than three trustees.

Section 4. The church shall call their pastor at the next conference preceding the last regular conference, in the Associational year, unless in case of a vacancy; in such case they may call a conference for that purpose.

Section 5. Any church, in case of necessity, may call a conference and elect one of their members, or a visiting minister, as moderator.

Section 6. The church may hold a conference as often as it deems it necessary.

Section 7. It is suggested that each Church commune and wash the Members' feet as often as convenient and on Thursday night before EASTER of each year. Do Not Postpone Due To Disobedient Members.

Section 8. The church shall not try a member without a hearing unless said member refuses to attend the conference, when notified to do so.

Section 9. The church may grant a license to any member in good standing to preach the gospel if it deems him worthy and competent, and said license shall be good as long as he is an advantage to the cause, but shall be ordained only by the recommendation or order of the church.

Section 10. That the Ordaining Council consist of five (5) ordained Ministers in good standing in this association to be elected by the body. Anyone to be ordained to the office of Minister or Deacon shall upon recommendation of this church appear before this council for ordination.

Section 11. Deacons shall not be ordained until they are tried.

Section 12. Each Minister shall be a member of some live church and in good standing with the church.

Section 13. It shall be the duty of every member, male and female to attend each conference meeting if they can, for on that day the pastor is expected to instruct the church in a spiritual manner by giving plain and pointed lessons on doctrine and discipline, and the rule of holy living and the church members' duties.

Section 14. No member shall give or attend card parties, or attend other places of worldly amusement, or allow such things to be held in their homes, and drunkenness is strictly forbidden.



## ARTICLE # 2

Section 1. The Pastor shall attend his Church monthly unless providentially hindered, and shall sit as Moderator and see that justice is done, but may appoint some suitable brother to sit in his stead when he thinks proper for the cause. He shall also hold a protracted meeting with his church once a year.

Section 2. The Deacon shall be elected by the church and shall hold office at the direction of the church. They shall watch over the flock advise the unruly members and report such to the church in conference, when necessary and may administer the ordinance of baptism; they shall make all necessary arrangements for the communion; look into the needs of the church, and the support of the pastor; they shall take notice of such members as refuse or neglect to partake of the Lord's Supper and wash each other's feet, and endeavor to ascertain the cause, that the same may be laid before the church in conference.

Section 3. The Clerk shall be elected by the church and shall hold office at the discretion of the church; he shall keep a record of the members and minutes of the business transaction of the church and shall read the same at the conference as often as the church may demand, and shall turn all books and papers over to his successor in office.

Section 4. The Treasurer shall be elected by the church, and shall hold office at the will of the church, shall hold all money paid into the church for general expense and pay out the same only on an order from the church, in conference and shall turn over all money and papers to his successor.

Section 5. The Trustees shall be elected by the church, and shall hold office for two (2) years and until their successors are elected unless removed for cause; they have charge of the deeds and all other church property, and shall look after the repairs of the church, but they cannot sell or otherwise dispose of the church property without an order from the church in conference.

Section 6. No one shall be received in the church unless scripturally baptized by an ordained Minister or Deacon.

Section 7. Members must pay their debts contracted by them, or make satisfactory arrangements with their creditors, and they shall help pay their pastors.

Section 8. We recommend that each church elect a Home Mission Treasurer and all money collected for Home Missions be retained in the church and paid out only by order of the church.

Section 9. We suggest that Preachers cards be dated to expire on October 31 of each year. If he makes no report, he gets no new card.

Section 10. We suggest that the name of this Association be changed to "The Liberty No. 1 Association of Free Will Baptist."

Section 11. Suggest that each church call their pastor by the last of August.

Section 12. Suggest that each Sunday School turn report into Clerk of Sunday School Convention in May.

Section 13. Suggest that the Sunday School of each Church bring a program to the Sunday School Convention to make a more interesting day for the people.



Section 14. Suggest that old and disabled Ministers be placed on Honor Roll by their request and receive identification cards annually.

Section 15. Suggest that each Church send only three (3) elected delegates to the Association to represent their Church.

## TIME OF MEETING AT EACH CHURCH

1963  
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<u>CHURCH</u>	<u>SUNDAY</u>
CANAAN .....	Each Sunday and Sunday Night
FRIENDSHIP.....	2nd & 4th Sunday & Sunday Night
PINE FOREST.....	1st & 3rd Sunday
PINE GROVE.....	1st & 3rd Sunday & Sunday Night
RANGE.....	1st & 3rd Sunday
SEMIRAH SPRINGS.....	1st & 3rd Sunday & Sunday Night
UNION GROVE.....	Each Sunday & Sunday Night

## PASTORS FOR 1963

CANAAN.....	REV. N. W. CARDEN
FRIENDSHIP.....	REV. A. H. ASHCRAFT
PINE FOREST.....	REV. J. W. ARNETTE
PINE GROVE.....	REV. A. H. ASHCRAFT
RANGE.....	REV. C. M. BYRD & REV. W. G. PALMER
SEMIRAH SPRINGS.....	REV. E. E. BROOKS
UNION GROVE.....	REV. W. G. PALMER



# MINISTER'S REPORT

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MINISTER'S NAME	CHURCHES PASTORED	SERMONS PREACHED	COUPLES MARRIED	FUNERALS	NUMBER BAPTIZED	MILES TRAVELED	REVIVAL HELD	MEMBERS RECEIVED	BY LETTER AND CONFESSIO OF FAITH	MONEY RECEIVED
J.W. ARNETTE	1	38	0	0	0	460	1	1	2	\$ 48.00
E.E. BROOKS	3	115	0	0	2	unknown	2	9	9	\$ 650.16
C.M. BYRD	1	60	2	0	2	unknown	0	7	7	\$ 312.10
N.W. CARDEN	1	115	0	5	1	unknown	3	1	5	\$ 902.05
JOHN H. REED	1	29	0	0	0	1200	0	0	2	\$ 110.00
I.L. TOLBERT	0	7	0	0	0	unknown	0	0	7	\$ 8.00
W.G. PALMER	2	105	2	2	21	unknown	3	26	27	\$1120.00

## STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR OF 1962 OF THE LIBERTY NO. 1 ASSOCIATION

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CHURCH	PASTOR	CLERK & ADDRESS	MEMBERS	HOME MISSION	CHILDREN HOME	FOREIGN MISSION	BUILDING
CANAAN	N.W. CARDEN	Ella Nall-Rt.4 Brewton, Ala.	112	0.00	67.55	0.00	436.65
FRIENDSHIP	A.H. ASHCRAFT	Ruth Carden-Rt.1 Flomaton, Ala.	31	0.00	40.00	0.00	130.00
PINE FOREST	J.W. ARNETTE	Catherine Barnes	18	22.00	0.00	0.00	22.00
PINE GROVE	A.H. ASHCRAFT	Sallie Chafin Perdido, Ala.	79	41.50	100.00	6.50	1020.00
RANGE	C.M. BYRD W.G. PALMER	Sena Hall Range, Ala.	33	0.00	56.00	0.00	575.00
SEMIRAH SPRINGS	E.E. BROOKS	Isabell Woods Rt.1-Uriah, Ala.	99	15.00	143.00	12.00	404.29
UNION GROVE	W.G. PALMER	Esther Gray-Rt.1 Castleberry, Ala.	73	53.30	154.00	50.00	701.87

NOTE: Superannuation

\$12.00

5.50

Bible College

\$100.00

6.50

- Union Grove

- Pine Grove



## BY - LAWS

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1. The Clerk or the Assistant Clerk or in their absence, the senior Minister in years shall call the Association into conference if a quorum is present, the Moderator, or in his absence the Assistant Moderator, shall take charge; and if neither of them is present the senior Minister in years shall act as Moderator.
2. Each Meeting shall be opened by reading a portion of the Bible and with Prayer and shall be closed with Prayer.
3. No Member shall absent himself from the Association during its meeting without first obtaining permission from the Moderator.
4. The Moderator shall not allow discussions when not carried on in a Christian spirit or when he thinks it will cause discord or division.
5. Anyone desiring to speak shall arise to his feet and address the Moderator by the appellation "Brother Moderator" but shall not speak further until recognized by the Moderator.

6. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to seat delegates in a body in a designated section of the assembly room at the beginning of each business session.
7. These By-Laws may be altered or amended at any regular session of this association by a two-thirds vote of the members present.