



**77th SESSION**  
of  
**Liberty No. 1 Association**  
of  
**FREE WILL BAPTIST**

Held With  
Appleton Church  
Route 2, Castleberry, Ala.  
October 7 and 8, 1966

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78th Session will be held with Friendship Church,  
Rt. 1, Flomaton, Ala., on October 6 and 7, 1967.

# MINUTES

Of The  
Seventy-Seventh Annual Association  
Of The  
LIBERTY NO. 1 ASSOCIATION  
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## QUARTERLY MEETINGS

1st.....Union Grove.....January 7, 1967  
2nd.....Semirah Springs.....April 8, 1967  
3rd.....Canaan.....July 8, 1967

## SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

Appleton Church.....May 7, 1967

## CTS RALLY

Pine Grove.....September 8, 1967

## NEXT ASSOCIATION

Friendship.....October 6 and 7, 1967

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Moderator.....Rev. N. W. Carden  
Clerk.....Mrs. Ivan I. Stewart

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Rev. W. G. Palmer....Rt. 1, Castleberry, Ala.  
Rev. E. E. Brooks.....Rt. 1, Flomaton, Ala.

### **ORDER OF CONFERENCE**

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

### **HONOR ROLL**

Rev. J. W. Arnette

# REGISTRATION

## MINISTERS

Rev. C. B. Baggett.....Rt.1  
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Rev. N. W. Carden.....Rt.1  
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Castleberry, Ala. 36432  
Rev. Oscar Reed (Licensed).....  
Castleberry, Ala. 36432  
Rev. I. L. Tolbert.....Brewton, Ala. 36426

## DEACONS

APPLETON: M. D. Casey, R. T. Cooper.

CANAAN: J. E. Fillmore, Jesse Odom, Ralph  
Beasley,

PINE GROVE: Ivan Stewart.

RANGE: Otis Johnson, R. L. Jerkins.

SEMIRAH SPRINGS: Mason Woods.

UNION GROVES: E. J. Gray, Allen Reed

## VISITING BRETHREN

Rev. L. V. Finson.....First Church  
Pensacola, Fla.

Rev. J. W. Barlow....Sou. Union Association  
Crestview, Fla.

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There were fifty-eight (58) visitors to  
registered during the two day session.

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## DELEGATES WHO REGISTERED

APPLETON: Jackie Blackburn, Helen Wilson,  
Ruthel Smith.

CANAAN: Thelma Odom, Ruth Crutchfield,  
Christine Filmore.

FRIENDSHIP: Hattie Mae Lord, Katie Carden,  
Irma Turner.

PINE GROVE: Carolyn Stewart, Shirley Byrd,  
Smithy Coleman.

RANGE: Evelyn Johnson, Mary Johnson,  
Carlie Reaves.

SEMIRAH SPRINGS: Isabelle Woods, Maiselle  
Woods, Maggie Johnson.

UNION GROVE: Bessie Reed, Morencia Palmer,  
Mamie Lou Palmer.

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## PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 7, 1966

The Seventy-Seven session of the Liberty No. 1 Association opened with the song "Take The Name of Jesus With You", directed by Bro. Ivan Stewart with Mrs. Stewart at the piano. Two other congregational songs, "Stand Up For Jesus" and "Oh How I Love Jesus", were also directed by Bro. Stewart.

Rev. C. M. Byrd brought the devotional taken from the Book of Ecclesiastes 1:1-4. Prayer by speaker.

The Welcome Address was given by Rev. W. G. Palmer, Moderate and host pastor.

Bro. Mason Woods, Deacon at Semirah Springs, gave the Response.

At 10:15 the Moderator called the session to order, which he quoted the By-Laws.

Theme for the Association was "Revival In Fellowship".

Invited Visiting Brethren to seat with us.

Associational Deacons, Bro. Mason Woods and Bro. Ivan Stewart, were appointed by the Moderator.

Church letters, with their finance, and Minister's reports were turned in.

#### CHURCH

#### FINANCE

1.	Appleton.....	\$23.00
2.	Canaan.....	\$23.00
3.	Friendship.....	\$23.00
4.	Pine Grove.....	\$23.00
5.	Range.....	\$23.00
6.	Semirah Springs.....	\$23.00
7.	Union Grove.....	\$23.00

Everyone took "The Right Hand of Christian Fellowship".

#### Ten Minute Intermission

Met back at 11 o'clock with Bro. Elmer Gray directing the congregation in several songs with Mrs. Gray at the piano.

Prayer by Bro. Clifton Macks.

Rev. E. E. Brooks brought the Keynote Message, "Let Brotherly Love Continue". Hebrews 13:1 and 1 John 4:7-8.

The invocation song, "Jesus Use Me", was sung by The Perdido Trio.

Dismissed for lunch by Rev. Carden.

#### FRIDAY AFTERNOON, OCTOBER 7, 1966

Assembled back at 1:30 with Bro. Jesse Odom leading several congregational songs. Mrs. Ivan Stewart, pianist.

Bro. Willis Murphy brought the devotional, "Beautiful But Dead", 2 Kings 2:19 - 22.

Partial report of the Executive Committee was given by the chairman, Rev. C.M. Byrd.

The moderator opened the business session by asking to adopt the program flexibly which the association did by a

vote to do so. He seated the delegates and then recognized visitors and corresponding delegates.

Rev. C. B. Baggett and Bro. Ivan Stewart were appointed READING CLERKS.

The Church Letters were read and approved.

Committees were announced and appointed by the Moderator.

Call for New Churches.....  
There were NONE.

The Associational clerk gave her report which was accepted by the body.

Ministers' Reports were read and approved.

### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

1. Two, Bro. Mason Woods and Bro. Jesse Odom, were elected on the Executive Committee.
2. Elected Rev. E. E. Brooks on the Ordaining Council.

The meeting was adjourned and dismissed in prayer by Bro. Jesse Odom.

SUPPER was served from 5:00 to 6:30 by ladies of Host Church.

### FRIDAY NIGHT, OCTOBER 7, 1966

Song service started at 7 p. m. with Bro. Allen Reed directing. Pianist, Mrs. Ivan Stewart.

Scripture Thoughts and Prayer was by Bro. Oscar Reed. 1 Peter 2:2.

Special singing was by Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Stewart and the Ed Smith family.

The Evangelistic Message was brought by Rev. N. W. Carden from Exodus 4:1-7.

The service was dismissed in Prayer by Bro. Jesse Odom.

SATURDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 8, 1966

The meeting opened with congregational singing directed by Bro. Otis Johnson, with Mrs. Ivan Stewart at the piano.

Devotional, "Christ the Great Intercessor", St. John 17:1-4, was given by Bro. Clifton Macks, licensed minister of Appleton Church.

Moderator gave a brief talk on becoming a minister.

Committee Reports were given by their chairman. (See Reports)

The 11 o'clock song service was directed by Bro. Ed Smith.

Prayer was given by Rev. N. W. Carden.

Special singing was by Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Stewart and the Smith family.

Rev. C. B. Baggett brought the morning message based on 1 John 1:1-7, "Fellowship With The Father". After the message we were dismissed for lunch.

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SATURDAY AFTERNOON, OCTOBER 8, 1966

Assembled back at 1:30 with Bro. Jesse Odom leading the Song Service.

An offering of \$38.60 was received for the Children's Home.

Rev. Jim Barlow gave the devotion.

The moderator then opened the final business session.

Serving on the Suggestion Committee were Rev. E. E. Brooks, Bro. Jesse Filmore, and Bro. Jesse Odom.

#### **FOLLOWING SUGGESTIONS ADOPTED**

1. We feel the need of a better informed and united effort between our district, State, and National work among Free Will Baptist people; Therefore, ask each of our churches to encourage their pastor to attend the State Association if possible and pay his expense to same.



2. Change Section 9 in Article No. 1 to read:  
When a church desires that one of its members should be licensed or ordained to preach the Gospel, it requests the Quarterly Meeting or Association of which it is a member to examine, by council, such member and they themselves will grant license.
3. Add to Articles of Faith:  
TITHING: God commanded tithes and offerings in the Old Testament; Jesus Christ endorsed it in the Gospel (Matt. 23:23), and the apostle Paul said, Upon the first day of the week let everyone of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him."  
(1 Cor. 16:2A)
4. Suggest three members be elected and put on Liberty No. 1 Home Mission Committee.
  1. Rev. W. G. Palmer
  2. Rev. C. M. Byrd
  3. Ivan I. Stewart
5. In figuring percentage for CTS and S. S. When a person is absent, he is marked absent.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

1. Next Association will go to Friendship Church.
2. 1st Quarterly Meeting.....Union Grove  
2nd Quarterly Meeting,...Semirah Springs  
3rd Quarterly Meeting.....Canaan
3. Election of new officers. (See Page 2)
4. Delegates to State Association:
  1. Mrs. Ivan Stewart
  2. Mrs. W. G. Palmer
  3. Mrs. Irene Palmer
  4. Mamie Lou Palmer
  5. Mrs. M. M. Burkett

The moderator read the qualifications of a minister and deacon from 1 Timothy, 3 chapter. Bro. Clifton Macks was ordained for license of minister and Bro. M. D. Casey from Appleton Church and Bro. J. E. Fillmore from Canaan Church were ordained for deacons.

All stood and gave Appreciation to the host church for the wonderful hospitality.

Having finished all business, a motion was moved and second to adjourn. All took the "Parting Hands."

## — REPORTS —

STATE HOME MISSION.....We find \$66.45 paid into the State Home Mission Treasurer of Montgomery and \$12.50 paid to Nashville Home Mission Board, making a total of \$78.95 paid to Home Mission.

Carolyn Stewart, PINE GROVE

LIBERTY NO. 1 HOME MISSION.....  
Balance in Treasurer 10/9/65.....\$284.40  
Plus Interest..... 11.57  
Plus Deposits..... 92.43  
Balance in Treasurer 10/8/66.....\$388.40

Rev. and Mrs. C. M. Byrd

FOREIGN MISSION.....We your committee on Foreign Mission find four churches has supported Foreign Missions this year, making a total of \$98.00. We appreciate that very much. Hope and pray we can do more this next year.

Mrs. W. G. Palmer, Union Grove

CTS.....We find that 2 churches has organized a CTS since last association and membership increased from 158 to 232.

Ruth Crutchfield, Canaan

SUPERANNUATION.....We find a total of \$65.10 paid in this year.

Ruthel Smith, Appleton

CHILDREN'S HOME.....We find \$545.51 paid in this year, which was \$116.67 less than last year. Let's do better next year.

Evelyn Johnson, Range Church

BIBLE COLLEGE.....We find four churches have paid \$154.00, increase of \$17.25 from last year.

Allen Reed

WNAC.....We find 5 churches with a Lady's Auxiliary, membership of 53.

Isabelle Woods, Semirah Springs

MASTER'S MEN.....We find 3 churches with 23 members, increase of 7 members.

C. B. Baggett

SUNDAY SCHOOL.....We find all seven churches with a Sunday School, enrollment of 291 members.

Mrs. Ivan Stewart

OBITUARIES.....We find 2 members deceased since last association, Sister Fronie Shavers, age 92; and Sister Fannie Jernigan, age 50. Both of Union Grove Church.

Irma Turner

STANDING OF MINISTRY..... We your Executive Committee find, according to our church letters, that we have 8 ordained ministers and 2 licensed ministers.

Jesse Odom

FINANCE.....We find \$29.16 in treasure plus \$161.00 which came in with church letters and \$38.60 offering to go to the Children's Home, making a total of \$228.76.

Mrs. Ivan I. Stewart-Jesse Odom



ORDAINING....We the Ordaining Council have examined the candidates for license and ordination. We recommend the following: Bro. Clifton Macks be licensed for minister and Bro. W. A. Murphy to retain his license until later date and to be given new card. Bro. M. D. Casey and Bro. Jesse Fillmore to be ordained as Deacons.

Rev. C. M. Byrd

ADVANCEMENT-LIBERTY NO. 1 HOME MISSION  
.....We your committee on Home Mission Work in Liberty No.1 Association have met and discussed this work and also have talked it over at our last Ministers' and Deacons' Meeting. It is our belief and conviction, after much prayer and meditation on this very great need in our area, that the time is past due for our immediate action on this matter and here by offer the following recommendation to this body.

WHEREAS our State and National Home Mission Boards are unable to meet the need in this work, we therefore ask this body to form and elect a Home Mission Board of at least 3 members and not more than 5 for the purpose of advancing Home Mission Work in our area.

We also recommend the action of this Body be published in the Baldwin Times, Bay Minette, Ala.; The Brewton Standard, Brewton, Ala.; The Evergreen Currant, Evergreen, Ala.; Atmore Advance, Atmore, Ala.; and Monroe Journal, Monroeville, Ala.

Anyone interested in establishing a new Free Will Baptist Church will notify this Home Mission Board, who will investigate and upon approval of this board the work will be started.

The expense of this board will be paid by Liberty No.1 Home Mission Treasure.

We urge each church in Liberty No.1 Association to support this work in every way they can-By prayer and financial support.

Respectfully submitted



## ANNUAL LEAGUE RALLY REPORT

The Annual League Rally was held at Pine Grove Church on September 24, 1966 with Bro. Ivan I. Stewart presiding. The theme was "Stand Up For Jesus". Offering was \$21.12.

Six churches were represented, each with a program, as follows:

Pine Grove	87.2%
Semirah Springs	81.3%
Friendship	80.0%
Union Grove	79.9%
Canaan	60.0%
Appleton	No Percentage

Pine Grove having the highest percentage received the banner for another year. Bro. Ivan Stewart and wife were re-elected Supt. and Secretary.

### ----- RULES -----

Voted in 1965

1. The offering taken at each League Rally will go to the host church.
2. The Supt. will be elected from the church where the Rally goes.
3. The League will be figured on a percentage basis. (The church with the highest percentage will receive the banner and the League Rally will be held there the next year).

Voted in 1966

4. Change the word "League" to "C T S" (Church Training Service), also on the banner to read same.
5. Rally to be change to Friday night before the second Sunday in September.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION REPORT

The Annual Convention was held with Range Church on May 1, 1966.

Bro. Buster Hollinger was re-elected to serve as Supt. of the Sunday School Convention and his wife, Sis. Patricia was elected to serve as Secretary and Treasurer.

CHURCHES	PERCENTAGE
Appleton	97 %
Union Grove	89 %
Friendship	86.5%
Canaan	85.8%
Semirah Springs	83.8%
Pine Grove	83 %
Range	76 %

The next Sunday School Convention will be held with Appleton Church on May 7, 1967, as they received the banner by having the highest percentage for 1965-1966.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance as of May 1, 1965.....	\$110.27
Minus Expense (Book markers, Pencils for S. S. Gifts...)	18.81
Plus offering, May 1, 1966.....	22.12
Balance in Treasure 10/7/66.....	<u>\$113.58</u>

### — 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 into the Sunday School Convention.

# STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR OF 1966 OF THE LIBERTY NO. 1 ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES	Members	Home Mission		Foreign Mission	Children Home	Build- ing	Evange- list	Bible College	Litera- ture	Super- annuation	State Travel Expense	Misc.	TOTAL MONEY TAKEN IN
		Liberty No. 1	State of Ala.										
Appleton	33	10.00	12.50	10.00	20.00	650.00	55.00	7.50	187.30	20.00	20.00	206.64	1,601.82
Canaan	102				52.39	122.00	60.00		56.46			472.86	1,148.85
Friendship	45	12.53			85.00	1021.16	60.00		161.85			98.89	1,427.74
Pine Grove	89	22.00	27.50	23.00	73.00	1076.94	90.00	6.50	58.06	7.00	15.00	338.87	3,442.45
Range	44	6.85			80.12				45.50	5.10		59.52	341.59
Semirah Springs	98	6.00	2.00	15.00	55.00	137.50	60.00	12.00	87.30	22.00		855.54	2,736.39
Union Grove	92	35.05	36.95	50.00	180.00	830.42	100.00	128.00	121.49	11.00		228.00* 374.60	3,066.48
Interest		11.57											
TOTAL:	503	104.00	78.95	98.00	545.51	3838.02	425.00	154.00	717.96	65.10	35.00	2634.92	13,765.32

\*Housing Purpose



## ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. As to GOD—One God and Father of all. Ephesians 4:6.

2. As to SCRIPTURES—All Scripture is given by inspiration of God. 2 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. 2 Cor. 5:15. — "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." Romans 10:13. "For in 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." Rev. 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." Ephesians 2:8.

7. As to FAITH — "Justified by Faith." Romans 5:1. "This is the victory which overcometh the world even our faith." 1 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." Ephesians 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 everyone 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." 1 Peter 2:21

16. As to TITHING: God commanded tithes and offerings in the Old Testament; Jesus Christ endorsed it in the Gospel (Matthew 23:23), and the Apostle Paul said, "Upon the first day of the week let everyone of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him." (1 Cor. 16:2A).

AS TO THE RULES  
ARTICLE NO. 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 3 male members, nor within 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 3 trustees.

SECTION 4. The church shall call their pastor at the next conference preceding the last regular conference, 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 shall be the duty of each church to commune and wash the Saints feet at least each quarter.

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. When a church desires that one of its members should be licensed or ordained to preach the Gospel, it requests the Quarterly Meeting or Association of which it is a member to examine, by council, such member, and they themselves will grant license.

SECTION 10. The Ordaining Council shall consist of 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 NO. 2

SECTION 1. The PASTOR shall attend his church regularly 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.

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 their 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 their successor.

SECTION 5: The TRUSTEES shall be elected by the church, and shall hold office for 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 in conference.

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

SECTION 7. MEMBERS must pay their debts contracted by them, or make satisfactory arrangements with their creditors.

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 Oct. 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 Sunday School turn a report into Clerk of Sunday School Convention in May and bring a program.

SECTION 12. Suggest that old and disabled Ministers be placed on Honor Roll and receive identification cards annually.

SECTION 13. Suggest that each church send only 3 elected delegates to the Association to represent their church.

SECTION 14. 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 weeks in advance of meeting.

SECTION 15. 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.

SECTION 16. Suggest that Liberty No. 1 Association not admit any church with any other name than Free Will Baptist. And that that no minister belonging to Liberty No. 1 Association pastor a church with any other name.

SECTION 17. It is the duty and the solom responsibility of every member to support their church with tithes and offerings.

SECTION 18. It is the duty of the church to support their pastor to such a degree that he may devote himself to full time ministry of GOSPEL.

SECTION 19. The Executive Committee will examine all church letters and upon their approvable, letters will be read and delegate seated.

SECTION 20. The Liberty No. 1 Association Home Mission money can be loaned to churches at 6% interest. The Trustees of that church will have to have all paper work made up. Rev. and Mrs. C. M. Byrd will have the authority to loan money from proper paper work.

SECTION 21. We recommend the Moderator to be paid \$30.00 and the Clerk to be paid \$40.00.

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# MINISTERS' REPORT

Minister's Name	Churches Pastored	Sermons Preached	Couples Married	Funerals	No. Bap.	Revivals Held	Members Received	Professions Witnessed	Churches Organized	Money Received
REV. C. B. BAGGETT	1½	126	2	0	4	0	4	0	0	\$1178.00
REV. E. E. BROOKS	1	86	0	2	1	2	5	8	0	\$ 467.27
REV. C. M. BYRD	1½	109	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	\$1710.00
REV. N. W. CARDEN	2	125	1	2	8	4	9	12	0	\$1055.00
REV. T. F. Lord	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$ 0.00
REV. W. G. PALMER	2	172	1	1	8	3	9	10	0	\$1502.00
REV. I. L. TOLBERT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$ 0.00

## -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 to promote the success of the Church and of the Gospel.

We will everywhere hold 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.



## CHURCH COVENANT CON'D

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.

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### QUARTERLY MEETINGS REPORT

1st meeting was held January 8, 1966 at Friendship Church.

Following Suggestions adopted:

1. Executive Committee be paid 5¢/mile.
  2. Quarterly Meetings be changed to Friday night before 2nd Sunday of each quarter.
  3. All money at Quarterly Meetings go to Liberty No. 1 Association Treasurer.
  4. Clerk given permission to purchase a filing cabinet.
  5. Executive Committee to look into Free Will Baptist property available.
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2nd meeting was held April 8, 1966 with Semirah Springs Church on Friday night.

Following Suggestion adopted:

1. Suggest that Quarterly Meeting be held back on Saturday.
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3rd meeting was held July 9, 1966 with Union Grove Church.

Following Suggestions adopted:

1. Clerk to order 2 dozens of new treaties, to be paid out of Associational Treasurer to give to each minister and church.
2. Suggest the word "Sabbath School" be changed to "Sunday School".

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Bal. in treasurer 12/10/65.....\$ 33.04

### PLUS DEPOSITS

1. 1st Quarterly Meeting 1/8/66..... 19.62
2. 2nd Quarterly Meeting 4/8/66..... 13.83
3. 3rd Quarterly Meeting 7/9/66..... 19.48
4. Church letters 10/7/66..... 161.00
5. Associational Offering 10/8/66... 38.60

TOTAL \$285.57

### MINUS EXPENSES

1. 12/10/65 Staples & Ink.....\$ 3.91
2. 8/1/66 FWB Treaties & Certificate  
of Licenses for Ministers..... 8.95
3. 9/8/66 1 File Cabinet..... 40.95
4. 9/27/66 File Folders, paper, etc. 3.00
5. 10/17/66 FWB Children's Home..... 38.60
6. 10/17/66 Moderator's Pay..... 30.00
7. 10/17/66 Ala. State Assoc. Fee... 35.00
8. 10/17/66 1st FWB Church of  
Florence (Meals) 21.00
9. 10/21/66 Powers, Inc. (Supplies) 8.52
10. 10/21/66 Sears, Roebuck Co. 3.53  
(File Folders & Supplies)
11. 11/1/66 Clerk's Pay 40.00
12. 11/15/66 Walter's Inc. 16.83  
(Paper & Stencils)
13. 12/15/66 Baldwin Times (Covers) 12.00

TOTAL \$262.29

Bal. in Treasurer as of 12/31/66... \$ 23.28

Signed Mrs. Ivan I. Stewart  
Mrs. Ivan I. Stewart  
CLERK

## BY-LAWS

1. The Clerk or the Asst. Clerk or in their absence, the senior Minister in years shall call the Association into conference if a quorum is present, the 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 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.

# TIME OF MEETING AT EACH CHURCH, 1967

CHURCH	PASTOR	CLERK	TIME
Appleton	Rev. W. G. Palmer Rt. 1, Box 287 Castleberry, Ala. Rev. E. E. Brooks, Asst.	Mrs. Annie P. Burkett Rt. 4 Brewton, Ala. 36426	Full Time
Canaan	Rev. E. F. Sanford 184 N. Enzor Rd, Crestview, Fla.	Frances Beasley Rt. 4 (867-6755) Brewton, Ala. 36426	1st and 3rd Sunday and Sunday night
Friendship	Rev. N. W. Carden Rt. 1 Flomaton, Ala. 36441	Irma Turner (296-2219) Rt. 1, Box 157 Flomaton, Ala. 36441	Full Time
Fine Grove	Rev. W. G. Palmer Rt. 1, Box 287 Castleberry, Ala.	Marie Byrd Rt. 2, Box 152A Bay Minette, Ala.	1st and 3rd Sunday and Sunday night
Range	Rev. C. M. Byrd Perdido, Ala. 36562	Sena Hall (248-8152) Range, Ala.	Saturday night Before 4th Sun.
Semirah Springs	Rev. Jack Buck Summerdale, Ala.	Genta Woods-Rt. 1 Box 248-Uriah, Ala.	1st and 3rd Sun. & Sun. night
Union Grove	Rev. C. B. Baggett Castleberry, Ala.	Esther Gray-Rt. 1 Castleberry, Ala.	Full Time