

Minutes

Of The

78th Session

Of

Liberty No. 1 Association

Of

Free Will Baptist



Held With

FRIENDSHIP CHURCH

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QUARTERLY MEETINGS

1st.....Pine Grove.....January 13, 1968
2nd.....Semirah Springs.....April 13, 1968
3rd.....Union Grove.....July 13, 1968

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

Friendship Church.....May 5, 1968

CTS RALLY

Appleton.....Sept. 6, 1968

NEXT ASSOCIATION

Canaan.....October 11 & 12, 1968

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

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Rev. E. E. Brooks.....Rt. 1, Flomaton, Ala.
Rev. N. W. Carden.....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 nusiness.
7. Motion to adjourn.

HONOR ROLL

Rev. J. W. Arnette
Rev. I. L. Tolbert

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Rev. Oscar Reed.....Evergreen, Ala. 36401
Rev. Gene Sanford.....Crestview, Fla.

— DEACONS —

APFLETON: M. D. Casey.
CANAAN: Leland Nall, Jesse Odom.
FRIENDSHIP: Douglas Carden, Allen M. Lord.
PINE GROVE: Ivan Stewart, Tony Downey.
RANGE: Otis Johnson.
SEMIKRAH SPRINGS: Buster Hollinger.
UNION GROVE: E. J. Gray, Allen Reed.
— VISITING BRETHREN —
Ernest Thomley.....Christian Home Church
Rt. 1, McDavid, Fla.
Mrs. Dollie Thomley.....McDavid, Fla.
Mrs. Clara Gibson..Missionary Baptist Church
Century, Fla.
Harvis Cuevas.....Pascagoula, Miss.

There were 84 to registered during the two-day session.

DELEGATES WHO REGISTERED

APPLETON: Edward Smith, Carolyn Madden, and Minnie Pearl Casey.

CANAAN: Stella Filmore, Frances Beasley, and Ella Nalls.

FRIENDSHIP: Ruth Carden, Irma Turner, and Mary Smith.

PINE GROVE: Carolyn Stewart, Melba Grnarich and Tony Downey.

RANGE: Clara Mayo, Carlo Revis, Minnie Lee.

SEMIRAH SPRINGS: Isabell Woods, Ruth Brown, Maiselle Woods.

UNION GROVE: Annie Jo Baggett, Bessie Reed, and Gary Benefield.

PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 6, 1967

The Seventy-Eighth session of the Liberty No. 1 Association opened with the song "Kneel at The Cross", directed by Bro. Otis Johnson with Mrs. Ivan Stewart at the piano. Rev. C. M. Byrd led in prayer. Two other congregational songs, "The Glory Land Way" and "At Calvary" were directed by Bro. Mason Lord.

The Welcome Address was given by the host pastor and moderator, Rev. N. W. Carden.

Rev. C. B. Baggett brought the devotional based on the theme, "Back to God" from the book of Genesis 35:1-7. Prayer by the speaker.

The Moderator gave his message and invited visiting brethren to seat with us.

Everyone took "The Right Hand of Christian Fellowship".

Moved and second to go in conference. The moderator appointed committees.

Associational Deacons, Rev. T. F. Lord and Bro. Sam Harris, were appointed.

Reading Clerks were Mrs. R. T. Cooper, Bro. Otis Johnson and Bro. Ed Smith.

Church letters, with their finance, and Ministers' Reports were turned into the clerk.

	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

Ten Minute Intermission

The 11 o'clock service opened with the song "When We All Get To Heaven," directed by Bro. Douglas Carden. Prayer was by Rev. Jack Buck. Two other songs were sung.

Rev. W. G. Palmer brought the keynote message, "Back to God". Three thoughts brought out, "The Word of God, Spirit and Truth and Brotherly Love. St. John 1:1-5, St. John 4:23-24 and 1 John 4:6-11.

Dismissed for lunch by Rev. Sanford.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, OCTOBER 6, 1967

Assembled back at 1:30 with Bro. Elmer Gray leading several congregational songs.

A special "Little Is Much", was sung by Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Stewart.

The Moderator opened the business session by asking to adopt the program flexibly

which the Association did. He seated the delegates, then recognized visitors and corresponding delegates.

The church letters were read and approved.

Ministers' Report read and approved.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

1. Re-elected Bro. Allen Reed to remain on the Executive Committee. Rev. J. Buck was re-placed on the Executive Committee in the place of Mason Woods.
2. Re-elected Rev. N. W. Carden to serve on the Ordaining Council.

The meeting adjourned and dismissed in prayer by Bro. Otis Johnson.

Supper was served from 5:30-6:30 by the ladies of host church.

FRIDAY NIGHT, OCTOBER 6, 1967

Song service started at 7:30 with Bro. Ivan Stewart directing.

Prayer by Rev. W. G. Palmer.

The evening message was brought by Rev. E. E. Brooks based on the theme, "Back To God". Text was "Foundation of God." from 2 Timothy 2:19-21.

The service was dismissed in prayer by Bro. Ivan Stewart.

SATURDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 7, 1967

The meeting opened at 9:45 with congregational singing directed by Bro. Otis Johnson with Mrs. W. G. Palmer at the piano. Prayer by Rev. E. E. Brooks.

Rev. Jack Buck gave the devotional, from 2 Timothy 2:15, Matthew 24:24 & 1 John 4:10.

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

Rev. I. L. Tolbert was put on the Honor Roll by his request.

Ten Minute Intermission

Met back at 11:00 for the morning worship service. Song service was directed by Bro. Jesse Odom with Mrs. Ivan Stewart at the piano.

The Perdido Trio sang "He's A Friend I Can Tell My Troubles To".

Associational ushers received the offering, amount of \$30.40.

Rev. Gene Sanford brought the message, "Put on The Whole Armour of God". 1 Samuel 17:38.

Rev. Frank Lord dismissed for lunch.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, OCTOBER 7, 1967

Assembled back at 1:30 with Bro. Edward Smith leading the song service.

Prayer by Rev. Gene Sanford.

The moderator asked Rev. C. B. Baggett to come and read the qualifications of a deacon from 1 Timothy 3.

The moderator then opened the final business session.

The clerk's report was given and approved.

Serving on the suggestion committee were Bro. Douglas Carden, Rev C. B. Baggett and Bro. Ivan Stewart.

FOLLOWING SUGGESTIONS ADOPTED

1. Suggest the Associational Offering go to Host Church for Associational expense.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

1. Next Association will go to Canaan Church.
2. 1st Quarterly Meeting.....Pine Grove
2nd Quarterly Meeting.....Semirah Springs
3rd Quarterly Meeting.....Union Grove
3. Election of New Officers. (See Page 2).
4. Delegates to State Association.

1. Mrs. Ivan Stewart
2. Mrs. W. G. Palmer
3. Mrs. M. M. Burkett
4. Miss Mamie Lou Palmer
5. Mrs. Esther Cain
6. Mrs. Hester Cooper

All stood and gave appreciation to the Host Church for a wonderful hospitality.

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

-REPORTS-

STATE AND HOME MISSION-We find \$127.50 paid into the State Home Mission Treasurer of Montgomery and \$72.66 paid to Nashville Home Mission Board, making a total \$200.16.
Isabell Woods, CHAIRMAN

LIBERTY NO. 1 HOME MISSION.....
Balance in Treasurer 10/8/66.....\$388.40
Plus Deposits..... 138.86
Plus Bank Interest..... 15.42
\$542.68
8/4/67 Loaned Friendship..... 200.00
\$342.68
9/8/67 Friendship Church Paid 201.00
Balance in Treasurer 10/7/67.....\$543.68
Rev. and Mrs. C. M. Byrd

FOREIGN MISSION.....We find four churches supported Foreign Mission this year giving a total of \$125.00.
Irma Turner, FRIENDSHIP

CTS.....We find that 6 churches now have a CTS, with an enrollment of 199.
Ella Nall, CANAAN

SUPERANNUATION.....We find a total of \$100.40 paid in this year.
Isabell Woods, SEMIRAH SPRINGS

CHILDREN'S HOME.....We find \$689.71 paid in this year, an increase of \$144.20 from last year's report.
Tony Downey, PINE GROVE

BIBLE COLLEGE.....We find three churches have paid \$154.00.
Ed Smith, APPLETON

WNAC.....We find 5 churches with a Lady's Auxiliary, a membership of 56.
Mrs. W. G. Palmer, CHAIRMAN
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Allen Reed, CHAIRMAN

Mason Lord

STANDING OF MINISTRY.....We your Executive Committee report eight ministers present Friday and nine present Saturday. We find they had done a wonderful work the past year. We pray God to bless them more in the future.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

FINANCE.....We, the Finance Committee, report a balance of \$83.51 in the treasurer as of 10/6/67. The sum of \$161.00 was received with church letters, giving a grand total of \$244.51.

We, your committee on Finance, find Rev. and Mrs. C. M. Byrd's books for Liberty No. 1 Mission correct and in order.

Mrs. W. G. Palmer, UNION GROVE

ORDAINING.....We the Ordaining Council recommend that Bro. Tony Downey from Pine Grove Church be ordained as deacon.

Rev. C. M. Byrd, CHAIRMAN

ADVANCEMENT.....We your committee
on Advancement report a good Youth Camp.
One suggestion we offer Each church
order all literature from Nashville, Tenn.,
so all churches will be using the same lit-
erature.

ADVANCEMENT COMMITTEE

Rev. C. M. Byrd
Rev. W. G. Palmer
Ivan I. Stewart

OBITUARIES

"In Memory of those who God has to be
with Him."

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CTS RALLY REPORT

The CTS Rally was held at Pine Grove Church on September 8, 1967, Bro. Ivan I. Stewart presiding. The theme was "In Times Like These". Offering was \$19.10.

Six churches represented, and a new church, Goodway. Percentage below:

Appleton	88.67%
Pine Grove	88.50%
Friendship	82.00%
Semirah Springs	80.30%
Union Grove	55.50%
Canaan	No Percentage

Appleton having the highest percentage received the banner for the new year.

-----RULES-----

Voted in 1965

1. The offering to go to host church.
2. The Supt. will be elected from the church where the Rally goes.
3. CTS will be figured on a percentage basis.

Voted in 1966

4. Change the word "League to "CTS" (Church Training Service), also on the banner to read same.
5. Rally to be changed to Friday night before the 2nd Sunday in September.

Voted in 1967

6. The offering next year to go into a CTS treasurer.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION REPORT

The Annual Convention was held with Appleton Church on May 7, 1967.

Bro. Mason Lord was elected to serve as Supt. of the Sunday School Convention and his wife, Sis. Betty, was elected to serve as secretary and treasurer.

CHURCHES	PERCENTAGE
Friendship	96.30
Appleton	92.24
Canaan	89.47
Range	82.00
Semirah Springs	80.28
Pine Grove	80.00
Union Grove	80.00

The next Sunday School Convention will be held with Friendship Church on May 5, 1968, as they received the banner by having the highest percentage for 1966-1967.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance of May 7, 1967.....	\$108.85
Minus Book Markers (SS Gifts).....	4.73
Plus offering May 7, 1967.....	33.60
Minus State CTS & SS Fee.....	13.00
Balance in Treasurer.....	\$129.45

----- 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 to the Sunday School Convention.

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR OF 1967 OF THE LIBERTY NO. 1 ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES	Members	Home Mission Liberty No. 1	State of Ala. and Other	Foreign Mission	Children's Home	Building	Evangelist	Bible College	Literature	Super- annuation	State Travel Expense	Misc.	TOTAL MONEY TAKEN IN
Appleton	34	44.00	*29.00	35.00	79.00	1072.96	75.00	27.00	218.11	68.00		230.55	2950.54
Canaan	102	0.00	0.00	0.00	108.66	258.78	80.00	0.00	66.64	0.00		90.79	1773.69
Friendship	52	43.63	20.00	0.00	70.59	2406.10	100.00	0.00	205.01	15.40		753.58	4378.80
Pine Grove	87	16.50	15.96 *27.00	21.00	71.25	1775.16	60.00	7.00	106.33	7.00	25.00	700.00 302.42	2972.38
Range	44	0.00	13.96	0.00	59.96	100.00	0.00	0.00	39.85	0.00		68.34	623.15
Semirah Springs	101	9.00	* 9.00 22.74	12.00	120.25	691.08	70.00	0.00	102.02	0.00		577.06	2587.50
Union Grove	92	25.73	*62.50	57.00	180.00	1061.81	100.00	120.00	173.00	10.00		231.13	3075.44
INTEREST		16.42	*										
TOTAL:	512	155.28	127.50 72.66	125.00	689.71	7365.89	485.00	154.00	910.96	100.40	25.00	2953.87	18361.50

* Montgomery Area

Misc. - Pine Grove \$700.00 - Cemetery Fence

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 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 & 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 property without an order from 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 reports, 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 2 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.

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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. For traveling a 5¢ per mile will be paid.

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.

SECTION 22: Each church to encourage their pastor to attend the State Association if possible and pay his expense.

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	1	122	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	\$1,109.00
Rev. E. E. BROOKS	1	87	0	1	1	1	2	2	0	\$ 407.55
Rev. C. M. BYRD	2	60	2	4	0	2	14	14	0	\$ 870.00
Rev. Jack BUCK	1	85	0	0	0	1	2	2	0	\$ 750.00
Rev. N. W. GARDEN	1	124	3	2	3	4	7	7	0	\$1,046.00
Rev. T. F. LORD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
Rev. W. G. PALMER	2	150	0	4	0	0	4	6	0	\$1,250.00
Rev. Oscar REED	0	27	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	\$ 6.00
Rev. Gene SANFORD	1	60	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	\$ 750.00

-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 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 Lord Jesus Christ.

QUARTERLY MEETINGS REPORT

1st meeting was held January 7, 1967 at Union Grove Church.

Following Suggestions adopted:

1. Liberty No.1 to further investigate joining 3 other Associations in the Youth Camp, paying \$100.00. (\$15.00 per church)

2nd meeting was held April 8, 1967 with Semirah Springs Church.

Following Suggestions adopted:

1. Change Obituaries procedure.
2. Committee of 3 to work on Youth Rally.

3rd meeting was held July 8, 1967 with Canaan Church.

Following Suggestions adopted:

1. First Youth Rally to be held August 25, 1967 at Appleton church. A sponsor, Sis. Bill Baggett was elected.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance in Treasurer 12/31/66.....\$ 23.28

— PLUS DEPOSITS —

1. 1st Quarterly Meeting 1/7/67.....\$ 17.52
2. Youth Camp (Ea. Church 15.00)..... 105.00
3. 2nd Quarterly Meeting 4/8/67..... 26.87
4. Sunday School Treasurer..... 13.00
5. 3rd Quarterly Meeting 7/8/67..... 17.34
6. Church Letters 10/6/67..... 161.00
7. Associational Offering 10/7/67..... 30.40

TOTAL DEPOSITS: \$394.41

— MINUS EXPENSES —

1. 3/10/67 Youth Camp.....\$100.00
2. 4/17/67 Baldwin Times (Printing).. 6.50
3. 5/22/67 State S.S. & CTS Fee 13.00
4. 10/7/67 Friendship Church..... 30.40
5. 10/7/67 Moderator's Pay..... 30.00
6. 10/9/67 Allen Reed (Travel Expense 15.00
to Moss Point, Miss.
7. 10/13/67 Clerk's Pay..... 40.00
8. 10/22/67 Pleasant Grove FWB
Church (Meals)..... 21.00
9. 10/24/67 Ala. State Assoc. Fees... 35.00
10. Supplies (Paper, Stencils, Ink,
Covers, Etc..... 30.73

BALANCE IN TREASURER 11/22/67.....\$ 72.78

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 of 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, 1968

CHURCH	PASTOR	CLERK	TIME
Appleton	Rev. W. G. Palmer Rt. 1, Box 287 Castleberry, Ala. 36432	Mrs. Esther Cain Rt. 2 Castleberry, Ala. 36432	Full Time
Canaan	Rev. E. F. Sanford 184 N. Enzor Rd. Crestview, Fla.	Mrs. Frances Beasley Rt. 4, Box 272-A (867-6755) Brewton, Ala. 36426	Full Time
Friendship	Rev. N. W. Carden Rt. 1 Flomaton, Ala. 36441	Mrs. Irma Turner Rt. 1, Box 157 (296-2219) Flomaton, Ala. 36441	Full Time
Pine Grove	Rev. C. M. Byrd Rt. 1 Perdido, Ala. 36562	Mrs. Marie Byrd Rt. 2 Bay Minette, Ala. 36507	Full Time
Range	Rev. N. W. Carden Rt. 1, Flomaton Flomaton, Ala. 36441	Mrs. Sena Hall (248-8882) Range, Ala. 36473	Saturday Before 1st & 3rd Sunday
Semirah Springs	Rev. Jack Buck Summerdale, Ala. . 36580	Mrs. Genta Woods Rt. 1, Box 248 Uriah, Ala. 36480	1st & 3rd Sunday & Sunday night
Union Grove	Rev. C. B. Baggett Rt. 1 Castleberry, Ala. 36432	Mrs. Esther Gray Rt. 1 Castleberry, Ala. 36432	Full Time