



Liberty No. 1 Association

Of

Free Will Baptists

Minutes 1968

79th Session

- M I N U T E S -
 Of The
 Seventy-Ninth Annual Association
 Of The
 LIBERTY NO. 1 ASSOCIATION
 Of
 FREE WILL BAPTISTS
 Held With
 CANAAN CHURCH
 Rt. 4, Brewton, Ala.
 October 11 and 12, 1968

QUARTERLY MEETINGS

1st.....Pine Grove.....January 11, 1969
 2nd.....Friendship.....April 12, 1969
 3rd.....Canaan.....July 12, 1969

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

Appleton.....May 4, 1969

CTS RALLY

Appleton.....Sept. 12, 1969

NEXT ASSOCIATION

Semirah Springs.....October 10 & 11, 1969

DEACONS & MINISTERS MEETINGS

1st.....Canaan.....January 3, 1969
 2nd.....First Church.....April 4, 1969
 3rd.....Friendship.....July 4, 1969
 4th.....Pine Grove.....Oct. 3, 1969

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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

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Robert Lord.....Atmore, Ala. 36502

— DEACONS —

ATMORE: Clyde Bruley
 APPLETON: Mason Casey, R. T. Cooper
 CANAAN: Ralph Beasley, Jesse Fillmore,
 Marvin Lisenby, Jesse J. Odom
 FRIENDSHIP: Mason Lord
 PINE GROVE: Tony Downey, Rodger Presley,
 Ivan Stewart
 RANGE: R. L. Jerkins
 SEMIRAH SPRINGS: (None Present)
 UNION GROVE: Elmer Gray, Allen

THERE WERE NO VISITING BRETHREN.

There were 146 to registered during the two-day session.

CHILDREN'S HOME TRUSTEE

Rev. C. M. Byrd.....Perdido, Ala. 36562

DELEGATES WHO REGISTERED

APPLETON: Becky Casey, Esther Cain and Helen Wilson.
CANAAAN: Frances Beasley, Iva Lee Lisenby and Cleve Roberson.
FRIENDSHIP: Doris Carden, Lillie Mae Harris and Mary Smith.
PINE GROVE: Elaine Downey, Willie Byrd and Carolyn Stewart.
RANGE: Minnie Lee and Carlie Reaves.
SEMIRAH SPRINGS: Core Lee Murphy, Isabelle Woods and Maiselle Woods.
UNION GROVE: Mamie L. Palmer, Bessie Reed and Joyce Reed.

PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 11, 1968

The Seventy-Ninth session of the Liberty No.1 Association of Free Will Baptists opened with congregational singing, directed by Bro. Elmer Gray with Sis. Agnes Ashcraft at the piano.

Bro. Jesse Odom gave the Welcome Address.

The Morning devotion was given by Rev. E. F. Sanford on Fellowship and Love, 1 Kings 19:4-5 & 18. Prayer by Bro. Ivan Stewart.

The Moderator gave his message on our responsible to the association and invited visiting brethren to seat with us.

Associational deacons, Leland Nall and Jesse Fillmore, were appointed.

Reading Clerks were Ivan I. Stewart and Jesse J. Odom.

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

Everyone joined in taking "The Right Hand of Christian Fellowship".

The 11 o'clock service opened with Bro. Ivan Stewart directing the singing.

A special, "Jesus Use Me", was sang b y Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Stewart.

Rev. W. G. Palmer brought the keynote message, "The Marks Of A Christian". Scripture text was Colossians 3:1-17.

Dismissed for lunch by Rev. J. T. Long.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, OCTOBER 11, 1968

Assembled back at 1:30 with Bro. Jesse Odom leading several congregational songs.

A special, "Peace In The Shelter Of His Arms", was sang by Rev. & Mrs. A. H. Ashcraft.

The moderator opened the business session by asking the body to adopt the program flexible which the body did. He then seated the delegates, recognized the visitors and corresponding delegates.

The church letters were read and approved.

Ministers' reports read and approved.

Clerk's report was given

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

1. Elected Bro. Mason Casey on the Executive Committee.
2. Re-elected Rev. C. M. Byrd to serve on the Ordaining Council.
3. A letter from Rev. Billy Sharpston, Hartselle, was read before the body concerning a full time promotional man for the State. This was put on table until Saturday.

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

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

FRIDAY NIGHT, OCTOBER 11, 1968

Song service started at 7:30 with Bro. Mason Lord directing. Sis. W. G. Falmer at the piano.

Prayer by Bro. Ivan Stewart.

More choir singing.

A special, "Nothing Here To Hinder Me", was sung by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Beasley. Then a special, "Reunion in Heaven", by Mr. and Mrs. Mason Lord.

The evening message was brought by Rev. N. W. Carden. Text was Revelation 2:1-7, - "Paul's message to the 7 churches of Asia."

The service was dismissed in prayer by Bro. Tony Downey.

SATURDAY MORNING, OCTOBER, 12, 1968

The meeting opened at 10:00 with congregational singing directed by Bro. Elmer Gray.

Special singing was by the Lord Family. Prayer by Bro. C. B. Baggett.

Rev. E. E. Brooks gave the devotional from Colossians 3:1.

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

Rev. J. T. Long brought the morning message, "Will A Fellow Turn from God", 2 Chronicles 7:14, Psalms 55:11 - 15, Luke 11:39-44 and Romans 2:5-11.

Dismissed for lunch by Rev. C. M. Byrd.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, OCTOBER 12, 1968

Assembled back at 1:30 with Bro. Elmer Gray leading the song service.

Special song, "Standing By The River" was sung by the Lord Family.

Offering of \$28.15 was received for the host church.

Devotion by Bro. J. Buck, based on the reasons why churches are not filled today, Jeremiah 8:20. Prayer by speaker.

The moderator then opened the final business session.

One new church, First Free Will Baptist Church of Atmore, was recommended and accepted in our association in full fellowship.

Committee Reports were finish. (See Reports)

The moderator read the qualifications of a deacon. Bro. Clyde Bruley from Atmore Church was accepted as a deacon.

Ministers' Cards were given to Rev. A. H. Ashcraft and Rev. J. T. Long.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

1. Next Association will go to the Semirah Springs church.
2. 1st Quarterly Meeting.....Pine Grove
2nd Quarterly Meeting.....Friendship
3rd Quarterly Meeting.....Canaan
3. Election of New Officers. (See Page 2)
4. Elected new Trustee to the Children's Home. Rev. C. M. Byrd was elected.
5. Delegates to State Association.
Mrs. W. G. Palmer, Mrs. Ivan Stewart,
Mrs. Melba Crnarich, Mrs. Agnes Ashcraft,
Miss Mammie Lou Palmer, Mrs. J. T. Long
and Mrs. Esther Cain.

FOLLOWING SUGGESTIONS ADOPTED

1. Adopted to promote and finance a fulltime promotional man for the State.
2. Executive and Ordaining Council not to meet during session if all possible.
3. Each church to bring only the number of residence members to Quarterly Meetings and Association. Non-residence members will be left on roll to be re-instated when they so desire.
4. The Assistant Clerk be paid \$10.00.
5. Each year a report of the Ministers' and Deacons' Conference be printed in minutes.

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 paid to the following: Atmore, \$10.65; Decatur, \$222.09; Montgomery, \$56.00; Other Home Mission \$176.64, making a total of \$465.38.

Mary Smith, FRIENDSHIP

LIBERTY NO. 1 HOME MISSION.....
Balance in Treasurer 10/7/67.....\$543.68
Plus Deposits..... 269.99
Plus Bank Interest..... 24.33
Total.....\$838.00
Minus Leadership Course 9/10/68.... -70.75
Balance in Treasurer 10/12/68.....\$767.25
Rev. and Mrs. C. M. Byrd

FOREIGN MISSION.....We find 5 churches giving a total of \$173.45.

Francis Beasley, CANAAN

CTS.....We find 6 churches with an enrollment of 214.

Joyce Reed, UNION GROVE

SUPERANNUATION.....We find a total of \$204.00 paid in this year.

Marvin Lisenby, CHAIRMAN

AMENDMENT

This Association to bear its on burden by each church paying \$12.00 a quarter.

CHILDREN'S HOME....We find \$889.11 paid in this year, an increase of \$199.40 from last year's report.

Helen Wilson, APPLETON

BIBLE COLLEGE.....We find three churches have paid \$196.46.

Elaine Downey, PINE GROVE

WNAC.....We find 5 churches with a Lady's Auxiliary, a membership of 67.

Mrs. W. G. Palmer, Chairman

MASTER'S MEN.....We find 3 churches with 33 members.

Mason Casey, CHAIRMAN

SUNDAY SCHOOL....We find all 7 churches with a Sunday School enrollment of 292. This is 31 more than last year.

Mason Lord

STANDING OF MINISTRY - We your Executive Committee report 7 ministers present and two ministers to unite with the association. We find they have done a wonderful work the past year. We pray God to bless them.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

FINANCE...We report a balance of \$96.90 in treasure, plus \$161.00 received with church letters, a total of \$257.90.

Maiselle Woods, Semirah Springs

ORDAINING.....We the Ordaining Council recommended the following ordination:

1. Friendship Church 4/28/68 @ church
Clyde A. Harris, Robert E. Lord and Gordon L. Puckett.
2. Semirah Springs 7/13/68 @ 3rd Quarterly
Gay Lundy and Raymond Woods
3. First Church, Atmore @ Association 10/12/68
Clyde Bruley

ADVANCEMENT....We report the Leadership Training Course that was held at Friendship Church on August 26-30 was a great success. Rev. Wallace Hayes from Nashville, Tennessee was the teacher.

ADVANCEMENT COMMITTEE

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

YOUTH RALLY.....Rallies have been very successful. We urge each church to participate in the Rallies.

Mrs. C. B. Baggett, CHAIRMAN

OBITUARIES

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

Name	Age	Church	Position	Date of Death
Viola Arrington	77	Semirah Springs	Member	11/8/66
Robert Foster	66	Pine Grove	Member	6/1/67
Pat Robertson	?	Pine Grove	N-R Member	7/?/67
Dillie Gibson	83	Appleton	Member	8/17/67
Irene Palmer	83	Union Grove	Layman	9/29/67
Mrs. A. M. Gatewood	62	1968 Friendship	Member	10/21/67
Lillie Lambeth	92	Friendship	Member	2/25/68
Dewey Jackson	69	Pine Grove	Member	4/ 4/68
Myrtic McDuffie	?	Canaan	Layman	4/6/68
Henry Lisenby	53	Canaan	Layman	4/7/68
George McDonald	79	Semirah Springs	N-R	5/26/68
Henry Ganey	71	Pine Grove	Deacon	7/7/68
T. F. Lord	62	Friendship	Minister	8/10/68
W. G. (Bud) Murphy	72	Semirah Springs	Member	8/25/68
G. W. Few	?	Canaan	Member	9/?/68

CTS RALLY REPORT

The CTS Rally was held at Appleton Church on September 6, 1968, Rev. W. G. Palmer presiding. The theme was "Teaching Them To Observe All Things Whatsoever I Have Commanded You." Matthew 28:20-A.

Offering was \$20.00.

Churches and their percentages are listed as follows:

Appleton	95.6%
Pine Grove	93.9%
Friendship	79.2%
Somirah Springs	74.0%
Union Grove	71.0%

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.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance in treasure as of 9/6/68...\$20.00

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION REPORT

The Annual Convention was held with Friendship Church on May 5, 1968.

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

CHURCHES	PERCENTAGE
Appleton	94.94
Friendship	89.58
Canaan	89.40
Pine Grove	89.00
Union Grove	81.00
Somirah Springs	79.00
Range	75.00

The next Sunday School Convention will be held with Appleton Church on May 4, 1969 as they received the banner by having the highest percentage for 1967-1968.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance in treasurer.....	\$129.45
Minus Gifts.....	14.49
Plus offering May 5, 1968.....	27.99
Minus Leadership Training Material 9/10/68.....	70.75
Balance in Treasurer.....	\$ 72.20

-----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 1968

CHURCH	Evangelist	Bible College	Literature	Supernatural	Travel Expense	Misc.	Other	Youth Camp	TOTAL MONEY TAKEN IN
Appleton	175.00	91.56	358.39	111.56	42.38	553.13		15.00	\$7,004.70
Canaan	95.00	0.00	136.81	19.36	0.00	636.87		15.00	2,717.79
Friendship	85.00	0.00	324.54	9.00	0.00	1329.08		15.00	5,955.17
Pine Grove	115.00	8.00	174.30	29.00	25.00	478.04		15.00	4,063.61
Range	50.00	0.00	38.20	0.00	7.00	64.00	500	0.00	360.20
Semirah Springs	100.00	9.00	164.95	9.00	6.50	201.21	551.01	15.00	2,677.33
Union Grove	100.00	87.90	175.00	26.08	0.00	296.07		15.00	3,104.18
Treasury								10.00	
TOTAL:	720.00	196.46	1372.19	204.00	80.88	3558.40	556.01	100.00	25,882.98

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Church	Members	Atmore	HOME MISSION					Foreign Mission	Children's Home	Bldg. & Repair
			Decatur	Montgomery	Liberty No. 1	Other	Total			
Appleton	65		24.41	30.00	148.27	66.56	269.24	76.56	149.79	2,986.82
Canaan	98		53.86		36.18		90.04		108.93	501.44
Friendship	54		12.05	14.00	28.29		54.34	1.46	81.08	2,597.78
Pine Grove	52	10.65	94.60	2.00	20.00	35.00	162.25	37.00	228.80	1,824.71
Range	40		5.00			10.00	15.00		64.00	86.00
Semirah Springs	100		25.00	10.00	15.00	39.00	89.00	16.00	133.00	701.57
Union Grove	96		7.17		22.25	26.08	55.50	42.43	123.51	837.00
Interest					24.33					
TOTAL	505	10.65	222.09	56.00	294.32	176.64	735.37	173.45	889.11	9,535.32

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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. Rev. 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 commended 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 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 the name of this association be changed to "THE LIBERTY NO. 1 ASSOCIATION" of Free Will Baptists.

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 two 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 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 delegates 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 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 be paid \$30.00 and the Clerk be paid \$40.00.

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

SECTION 23. The Associational offering will go to the host church for associational expense as adopted at the 78th Session, Oct. 7, 1967.

MINISTERS' REPORT

Minister's Name	Churches Pastored	Sermons Preached	Married	Funerals	Baptized	Revivals	Members Received	Profess. Witnessed	Churches Organized	Money Received
Rev. C. B. Baggett	1	108	0	0	4	0	6	0	0	\$1,172.00
Rev. E. E. Brooks	0	28	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	124.25
Rev. C. M. Byrd	1	108	0	5	2	1	4	0	0	1,015.00
Rev. Jack Buck	1	40	0	2	0	0	7	7	0	539.44
Rev. N. W. Carden	2	124	0	4	1	1	8	1	0	1,070.00
Rev. W. G. Palmer	1	156	0	2	26	2	28	26	0	1,947.00
Rev. Oscar Reed	0	21	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	35.00
Rev. E. F. Sanford	1	108	0	3	1	1	1	0	0	1,275.00

-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.

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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 13, 1958 at Pine Grove Church.

No suggestions were brought before the chair.

2nd meeting was held April 13, 1968 at Semirah Springs Church.

Following suggestions adopted:

1. Get a man from Nashville to come and teach a week in our association. The expense to be paid out 50% from S.S. treasure and 50% from Liberty No. 1 Home Mission. Advancement Committee to get information.

2. Re-elected Bro. Oscar Reed & Joyce Reed and elected Mrs. C.B. Baggett to serve on Youth Rally Committee.

3rd meeting was held July 13, 1968 at Union Grove Church.

Following suggestions adopted:

1. Approved the Week of Leadership Training to be August 26-30 at Friendship Church. Teacher to be Rev. Wallace Hayes from Nashville, Tenn.

2. Clerk to issue a check, amount of \$15.00, to Rev. W. G. Palmer for balance on luggage to Children's Home. Luggage cost \$40.00, which \$25.00 was paid from Deacons and Ministers meeting in July.

3. Balance of \$10 for Youth Camp to be paid out of associational treasurer.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance in Treasurer 11/22/67.....\$ 72.78

-----Plus Deposits-----

1. 1st Quarterly Meeting 1/13/68.....	\$ 22.21
2. 2nd Quarterly Meeting 4/13/68.....	20.73
3. 3rd Quarterly Meeting 7/13/68.....	17.88
4. Youth Camp (\$15/6 churches).....	90.00
7/13/68	
5. Leadership Training Fee and	
Material 9/13/68.....	141.50
6. Church letters 10/11/68.....	161.00
7. Associational Offering 10/12/68...	28.15
TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$481.47

-----Minus Expenses-----

1. 2/29/68 Randall Book Store	
(2 pads form 101).....	1.30
2. 7/13/68 Rev. W. G. Palmer	
(Reimbursed for luggage for	
Children's Home).....	15.00
3. 7/29/68 Youth Camp.....	100.00
4. 7/29/68 12 treaties.....	4.20
5. 8/14/68 Baldwin Times (1 rubber	
stamp for clerk).....	6.20
6. 9/13/68 SSD of FWB (Leadership	
Training Course held Aug. 26-30...	141.50
7. 10/11/68 Moderator's Pay.....	30.00
8. 10/11/68 Clerk's Pay.....	40.00
9. 10/12/68 Canaan FWB Church.....	28.15
10. 10/14/68 Ala. Assoc. Fees.....	35.00
11. 10/14/68 Friendship Church	
(Pell City, Ala.) Meals.....	21.00
12. 10/26/68 Bal. on Mileage for	
Leadership Training Course.....	3.00
13. Supplies (Paper, stencils, ink,	
covers, postage, etc.).....	33.05
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$458.40

Balance in Treasurer 12/1/68.....\$ 95.85

Signed Mrs. Ivan L. 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
First Church Atmore	Rev. A. H. Ashcraft 519 E. Popular Atmore, Ala. 36502	Mrs. Lucille Bruley Rt. 1, Box 309 Atmore, Ala. 36502	Full
Appleton	Rev. W. G. Palmer Rt. 1, Box 287 Castleberry, Ala. 36432	Mrs. Esther Cain Rt. 2, Box 139A Castleberry, Ala. 36432	Full
Canaan	Rev. J. T. Long Rt. 1, Box 23 McDavid, Fla. 32568	Mrs. Thelma Odom Rt. 4, Box 231A Brewton, Ala. 36426	Full
Friendship	Rev. N. W. Carden Rt. 1 Flomaton, Ala. 36441	Mrs. Irma Turner Rt. 1 Flomaton, Ala. 36441	Full
Pine Grove	Rev. C. M. Byrd Rt. 1 Perdido, Ala. 36562	Carolyn A. Stewart Rt. 1, Box 247 Perdido, Ala. 36562	Full
Range	Rev. C. M. Byrd Perdido, Ala. 36562	Mrs. Sena Hall Range, Ala. 36473	Sat. before 2nd & 4th Sunday
Semirah Springs	Rev. E. F. Sanford P. O. Box 1181 Crestview, Fla. 32536	Mrs. Genta Woods Rt. 1, Box 248 Uriah, Ala. 36480	Full
Union Grove	Rev. C. B. Baggett Rt. 1 Castleberry, Ala. 36432	Mrs. Esther Gray Rt. 1 Castleberry, Ala. 36432	Full