

80th Session
of
Liberty No. 1 Association
of
Free Will Baptists

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FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE

Presented By

Rev. Thurmon Murphy

- M I N U T E S -
Of The
Eighty Annual Association
Of The
LIBERTY NO. 1 ASSOCIATION
Of
FREE WILL BAPTISTS
Held With
SEMIRAH SPRINGS CHURCH
Uriah, Ala.
October 10, and 11, 1969

QUARTERLY MEETINGS

1st.....Canaan.....January 10, 1970
2nd.....Semirah Springs.....April 11, 1970
3rd.....Union Grove.....July 11, 1970

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

Friendship.....May 3, 1970

CTS RALLY

Friendship.....Aug. 7, 1970

NEXT ASSOCIATION

Pine Grove.....October 9, & 10, 1970

DEACONS & MINISTERS MEETINGS

1st.....Range.....January 2, 1970
2nd.....Semirah Springs.....April 3, 1970
3rd.....Union Grove.....July 3, 1970
4th.....Appleton.....Oct. 2, 1970

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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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DEACONS

APPLETON: Mason D. Casey, Dempsey Cain.

CANAAN: Marvin Lisenby, Leland Nall, Jesse J.Odom
and Cleveland Roberson.

FIRST CHURCH: Clyde Bruley.

FRIENDSHIP: Jimmie Carden, Clyde Harris and Ernest Jordan.

PINE GROVE: Ivan Stewart, Bradley White and Tony Downey.

RANGE: (None Present)

SEMIRAH SPRINGS: Gay Lundy, Ted Fretwell, A. L. Hollinger, Mason Woods and Raymond Woods.

UNION GROVE: E. J. Gray

There were 139 to registered during the two-days

CHILDREN'S HOME TRUSTEE

Rev. N. W. Carden.....Rt. 1, Flomaton, Ala. 36441

DELEGATES WHO REGISTERED

APPLETON: Edward Smith, Virgie Cain and Madie Madden

CANAAN: Frances Beasley, Betty Roberson and Dorothy Roe.

FIRST CHURCH: Tiny Bolton, Lucille Bruley and Ernest Thomley.

FRIENDSHIP: Eunice Jordon, Hattie Mae Lord and Lillie Mae Harris.

PINE GROVE: Agnes Ashcraft, Elaine Downey and Sandra White.

RANGE: Minnie Lee, Sena Hall

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

UNION GROVE: Mamie L. Palmer, Esther Gray and Annie Joe Baggett.

----- P R O C E E D I N G S -----

FRIDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 10, 1969

The Eighty session of the Liberty No. 1 Association of Free Will Baptists opened with congregational singing, directed by Mrs. Ruth Brown with Sis. Gwen Stewart at the piano. Rev. E. E. Brooks led in prayer.

Bro. Mason Woods gave the welcome address.

The Morning devotion was given by Rev. E. F. Sanford from James 4:6. Prayer by speaker.

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

Associational deacons, Mason Woods and Gay Lundy, were appointed.

Reading Clerks were Ivan I. Stewart and Edward Smith.

Church letters, with their finance, and Minister's Reports were turned into the Clerk.

CHURCH	FINANCE
1. Appleton.....	\$23.00
2. Canaan.....	\$23.00
3. First Church.....	\$23.00
4. Friendship.....	\$23.00
5. Pine Grove.....	\$23.00
6. Range.....	\$23.00
7. Semirah Springs.....	\$23.00
8. Union Grove.....	\$23.00
TOTAL.....	\$184.00

Tabled Minister's and Deacon's Conference suggestion to change Article No. 2, Section 9 to read: We Suggest that Preacher's Cards be dated to expire on October 31st of each year. Executive Committee will examine cards. At their approval Ministers will receive a card. To lay on table until Saturday afternoon.

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

The 11 o'clock service opened with Bro. Ivan Stewart directing the singing, with Sis. Gwen Stewart at the piano.

A special by the Semirah Springs Trio. Bro. and Sis. A. H. Ashcraft sang "What Will I Leave Behind". Prayer by Bro. N. W. Carden.

Rev. C. B. Baggett brought the keynote message based on the Associational Theme: "Humble Yourself In The Sight Of The Lord." Scripture text was James 4:6-10. Prayer by Bro. Baggett.

Dismissed for lunch by Bro. Ed Smith.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, OCTOBER 10, 1969

Assembled back at 1:30 with Bro. Jesse Odom leading several congregational songs, with Mrs. Gwen Stewart at the piano.

A special, "We Have An Anchor", was sang by Bro. and Sis. Ivan Stewart.

The Afternoon Devotion was given by Rev. C. M. Byrd on John 3:16. Prayer by Bo. Floyd Coleman.

The moderator opened the business session by seating the delegates, recognized the visitors and corresponding delegates.

The church letters were read and adopted.

The body adopted the program flexible. Committees were announced. Clerk's report was given.

Congregation sang "Amazing Grace", led by Bro. Ed Smith. Prayer by Bro. N. W. Carden.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

1. Re-elected Bro. Ivan Stewart to serve on the Executive Committee.
2. Re-elected Rev. C. B. Baggett to serve on the Ordaining Council.
3. Re-elected Rev. & Mrs. C. M. Byrd to serve on Liberty No. 1 Home Mission Board.
4. Elected Rev. N. W. Carden to serve as Trustee to the Children's Home.

Rev. C. M. Byrd gave an oral report on the Children's Home Harvest Day and on Foster Parent's Plan.

The meeting was adjourned and dismissed by prayer by Bro. A. H. Ashcraft.

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

FRIDAY NIGHT, OCTOBER 10, 1969

Song Service started at 7:00 with Bro. Ted Frewtwell directing. Sis. W. G. Palmer at the piano.

Special singing was by Bro. and Sis. Ivan Stewart, Bro. and Sis. White, Bro. and Sis. W. G. Palmer and the Hopewell Quartet.

The Evening Message was brought by Rev. Robert Lord. Text was St. John 15:1-4, "How We Can Humble Before God."

The service was dismissed in prayer by Bro. W. G. Palmer.

SATURDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 11, 1969

The meeting opened at 10:00 with congregational singing directed by Bro. Buster Hollinger, with Sis. Gwen Stewart at the piano.

Prayer by Bro. Ernest Jordan.

Special singing was by Charlene and Jackie Benefield, and Bro. and Sis. Ivan Stewart.

Rev. J. T. Long gave the devotional from Deuteronomy 30:14 and John 2:1. "Why Should We Humble In The Sight Of God." Prayer by Bro. Dempsey Cain.

Committees' Reports were given oral by their chairman (See Reports)

The 11 o'clock service opened with Bro. Buster Hollinger directing the singing, with Sis. Gwen Stewart at the piano. Prayer by Bro. A. Williams.

Special singing was by Bro. Bradley White and children.

Rev. N. W. Carden brought the Morning Message "What's Right With The Church", Ephesians 5:25-27.

Dismissed for lunch by Bro. Tiny Thomley.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, OCTOBER 11, 1969

Assembled back at 1:30 with Bro. Mason Woods directing the song service.

Devotional by Rev. W. G. Palmer, based on Romans 13:1, 10-14. Prayer by Bro. Ivan Stewart.

Offering of \$50.22 was received for the host church.

The Moderator then opened the final business session.

The Asst. Moderator read the qualifications of a deacon. Bro. Cleveland Roberson from Canaan Church was accepted as a Deacon. Bro. Bradley White from Pine Grove was transferred to this Association from Ohio Free Will Baptist Church. Bro. and Sis. White were recognized.

Bro. Ivan Stewart, Chairman of the Executive Committee, gave the Executive Committee Report (See Report -Standing of Ministry).

Rev. E. E. Brooks was recognized by the chair and body for his service in Ministry.

FOLLOWING SUGGESTIONS ADOPTED

1. Change Article No. 2, Section 9 (See Article)
2. Each church turn in a 4th Quarterly Report.
3. CTS Rally changed to 1st Friday night in August.
4. The Moderator's name and Ivan Stewart's name be added to Liberty No. 1 Home Mission Board, with the clause added that no one person can withdraw Liberty No. 1 Home Mission Funds from the bank.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

1. Next Association go to Pine Grove Church.
2. Quarterly Meetings (See Page 1)
3. Elections of New Officers. (See Page 2)
4. Delegates to State Association: Mrs. W. G. Palmer, Mrs. Ivan Stewart, Mamie Lou Palmer, Mr. & Mrs. Henry, Rodger Presley and Mrs. Cain, and Mrs. A. H. Ashcraft.

An Appreciation to Host Church was given at end of business. Prayer by Bro. C. B. Baggett.

-R E P O R T S-

STATE AND HOME MISSION...We find \$284.39 paid to State (Decatur) and \$125.23 paid to Other Home Mission, making at total of \$409.62.

Rev. C. B. Baggett, Chairman

LIBERTY NO. 1 HOME MISSION.....
Balance in Treasurer 10/12/68.....\$767.25
Plus Deposits..... 405.94
Plus Interest..... 16.30
Balance in Treasurer 10/11/69.....\$1189.49

FOREIGN MISSION...We find 7 churches giving a total of \$503.98.

Madie Madden, Appleton

CTS..Find 5 churches with enrollment of 198.

Esther Gray, Union Grove

SUPERANNUATION...\$401.39 paid in this year.

Betty Roberson, Canaan

CHILDREN'S HOME...Find \$867.23 paid this year.

Elaine Downey, Pine Grove

BIBLE COLLEGE...Find 5 churches paid \$211.39.

Ruth Brown, Semirah Springs

WNAC...Six churches have a Lady's Auxiliary, a membership of 71.

Eunice Jordon, Friendship

MASTER'S MEN...Find 3 churches with 38 members.
First Church

SUNDAY SCHOOL...Find all 8 churches with a Sunday School, an enrollment of 365.

Mr. & Mrs. Tony Downey

STANDING OF MINISTRY...We, the Executive Committee have examined the Minister's Cards and found them to be in order. Suggest that Rev. E. E. Brooks be entered on the Honor Roll and issued a card in good standing. We suggest the following to receive new cards: A. H. Ashcraft, C. B. Baggett, C. M. Byrd, E. E. Brooks, N. W. Carden, H. F. Coleman, J. T. Long, R. Lord, W. G. Palmer and E. F. Sanford.

Executive Committee

FINANCE....See Treasurer Report, Page 26.

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

Mrs. C. B. Baggett, Chairman

ADVANCEMENT...To Have Bro. Homer Willis, National Home Mission man from Nashville, Tenn., to come down at one of the Deacons & Ministers' Meeting to give report on Home Missions.

Advancement Committee

Rev. C. M. Byrd

Rev. W. G. Palmer

Ivan I. Stewart

DEACONS & MINISTERS MEETING...In the past year the Ministers & Deacons Conference met in the following places: Jan. 3, Canaan; April 3, Atmore; July 4, Friendship; and Oct. 3, Pine Grove. We have increased in attendance each time for which we are glad to see more interested in this meeting. There have been several suggestions brought from this meeting to Quarterly Meetings and Association which we feel have been for the betterment of the work.

Rev. C. B. Baggett, Secretary

ORDAINING.....We the Ordaining Council recommended the following ordination:for office of Deacon.

1. Appleton Church 1/26/69 at church.
Jimmie H. Smith and Dempsey L. Cain.
2. Canaan Church 7/12/69 at 3rd Quarterly Meeting:
Jimmy Carden
Re-Instated Bro. D. E. Jordan
3. Semirah Springs Church 10/11/69 at Association:
Cleveland L. Roberson
Deacon transfer approved for Bradley E. White

We recommend the following ordination for office of Minister:

1. Canaan Church 7/12/69 at 3rd Quarterly Meeting.
Rev. Robert Lord

OBITUARIES

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

NAME	AGE	CHURCH	POSITION	DATE OF DEATH
Parlie Cardwell	73	Semirah Springs	Member	12/15/68
Lela Cooper	73	Appleton	Member	12/26/68
Gordon Puckett	60	Friendship	Deacon	1/7/69
Dewey Long	70	Pine Grove	N/R	1/13/69
Ila Mae Blow	61	Union Grove	Member	2/3/69
J. B. Roberson	63	Canaan	Lay Member	5/18/69
Henry Byrd	87	Pine Grove	N/R	7/18/69
W. C. Cardwell	76	Semirah Springs	Member	10/5/69

All stood in rising of Prayer for the above deceased.

CTS RALLY REPORT

The CTS Rally was held at Appleton Church on September 12, 1969, Bro. Dempsey Cain presiding.

The theme was "Liberty And It's Responsibility".

Offering was \$17.42.

Churches and their percentages are listed as follows:

Friendship	91.4%
Pine Grove	90.2%
Appleton.....	85.5%
Semirah Springs.....	78.4%
Union Grove.....	60.0%

Friendship 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 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 1967

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

Voted 1969

7. Gary Benefield was elected CTS Director for District. His sister, Charlene, to be secretary.
8. Rally changed to 1st Friday night in August.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance in treasurer 9/6/68.....	\$20.00
Plus offering 9/12/69.....	17.42
TOTAL IN TREASURER	\$37.42

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION REPORT

The Annual Convention was held with Appleton Church on May 4, 1969.

Bro. Tony Downey was elected to serve as Supt. of the Sunday School Convention and his wife, Sis. Elaine, was elected to serve as secretary and treasurer.

The next Sunday School Convention will be held with Friendship Church on May 3, 1970 as they received the banner by having the highest percentage for 1968-69.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance in treasurer.....	\$58.59
Plus offering May 4, 1969.....	46.16
	<u>\$104.75</u>
Minus Gifts.....	23.85
Balance in Treasurer 11/26/69.....	<u>\$80.90</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 to the Sunday School Convention.
3. Discontinue Percentage and Banner as of May 4, 1969.
4. Convention will go to the following after 1970:

Appleton.....1971	Pine Grove.....1975
Canaan.....1972	Range.....1976
First Church...1973	Semirah Springs.....1977
Friendship.....1974	Union Grove.....1978
5. Purchase of new typewriter approved.

Church	Members	HOME MISSION					Foreign Mission	Children's Home	Building & Repairs
		Decatur	Liberty No. 1	Larry Powell	Other	TOTAL			
Appleton	75	115.00	226.23	44.23	15.00	400.46	105.00	196.58	5055.50
Canaan	107	35.00	60.94			95.94	* 25.00 53.59	180.74	524.73
First Church	24		5.00			5.00	* 15.50 23.50		60.18
Friendship	53		40.00			40.00		83.84	1848.99
Pine Grove	49	56.00	24.00	44.00		124.00	* 53.00 99.00	180.18	1345.76
Range	42	6.00	7.00			13.00	* 12.00 4.00	33.50	279.68
Semirah Springs	46		8.00		22.00	30.00	41.00	120.00	1135.82
Union Grove	42	72.39	34.77			107.16	72.39	72.39	1198.00
Interest			16.30						
TOTAL	438	284.39	422.24	88.23	37.00	815.56	*105.50 398.48	867.23	\$11448.66

* Ella Rae Jones and Patsy Tyson to Ecuador.

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR OF 1969

Church	Evangelistic	Bible College	Superannua- tion	Travel Expense	Misc.	Youth Camp	Literature	Total Money Taken In
Appleton	100.00	105.00	125.00		782.16	15.63	425.52	9,826.97
Canaan	100.00		48.00	5.60	591.40	15.63	200.59	4,011.26
First Church	28.75		46.00		1683.32	15.63		2,770.29
Friendship	245.00		24.00		1928.98	15.63	355.42	5,579.04
Pine Grove	120.00	16.00	48.00	25.00	411.63	15.63	129.60	3,755.04
Range		6.00	36.00	7.00	64.00	15.63	32.30	768.51
Semirah Springs	104.16	12.00	12.00	5.22	368.23	15.63	154.75	3,024.46
Union Grove	100.00	72.39	72.39		415.71	15.63	184.46	4,045.02
TOTAL:	797.91	211.39	401.39	42.82	6245.43	125.04	1482.64	33,780.59

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 unto 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 that overcometh the world, even our faith." 1 John 5:4.
8. As to WORKS—"Faith without works is dead." James 2:26. "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 8:38-39. "We are buried with Him by baptism into death." Romans 6:4.
10. As to SUBJECT TO BAPTISM—"If thou believest with all thine heart thou mayest." Acts 8:37. "So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God." Romans 14:12.
11. As to ONENESS OF THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH—"Is Christ divided?" 1 Cor. 1:13. "I am the Vine ye are the Branches." John 15:5. "That they may be one as we are." John 17:21. "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 of that bread, and drink of that cup." 1 Cor. 11:28. "Let no man therefore, Judge you." Col. 2:16.

13. As to the RESURRECTION -- "For the hour is coming, in which all that are in the graves, shall hear His voice and shall come forth." John 5:28-29. "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 Judgment 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. The Executive Committee will examine cards. At their approval, ministers will receive a 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.

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. The Moderator be paid \$30.00, Clerk paid \$40.00 and assistant Clerk paid \$10.00.

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.

SECTION 24. Executive and Ordaining Council not to meet during session if all possible.

SECTION 25. 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.

MINISTERS' REPORT

Minister's Name	Churches Pastored	Sermons Preached	Married	Funerals	Baptized	Revivals	Members Received	Profess. Witnessed	Money Received
Rev. A. H. Ashcraft	1	75	0	1	2	1	6	1	\$ 250.00
Rev. C. B. Baggett	1	105	0	0	2	0	2	2	1380.00
Rev. E. E. Brooks	0	33	0	0	0	0	0	0	260.00
Rev. C. M. Byrd	2	125	0	0	0	0	4	4	1331.00
Rev. N.W. Carden	1	116	3	4	2	2	5	0	965.00
Rev. H. F. Coleman	0	37	0	3	0	0	0	1	None
Rev. J. T. Long	1	107	0	1	6	1	10	4	1980.00
Rev. R. Lord	1	133	0	0	2	6	11	23	731.45
Rev. W. G. Palmer	1	166	0	1	9	2	13	13	2665.00
Rev. E. F. Sanford	1	124	0	3	0	0	0	3	865.00

- 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.

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 11, 1969 at Pine Grove Church.

Following suggestions adopted:

1. The body elected Bro. and Sis. Tony Downey to serve as Sunday School Supt. and Secretary until May 4, 1969.
2. Issued Bro. W. A. Murphy a minister's card (licensed) to expire April 15, 1969.
3. Issued Bro. J. W. Barlow a minister's card to expire Oct. 31, 1969.

2nd Meeting was held April 12, 1969 at Friendship Church.

No suggestions at meeting.

3rd Meeting was held July 12, 1969 at Canaan Church.

Following suggestions adopted:

1. Home Mission Board of 3 men elected: Rev. W. G. Palmer, Rev. J. T. Long and Rev. N. W. Carden.
2. Money from old typewriter go into Liberty No. 1 Home Mission Treasurer.
3. Sis. C. B. Baggett was elected to be the Leader for Youth Rally.

TREASURER'S REPORT

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

PLUS DEPOSITS

1. Refund from Sunday School Convention Treasurer
Mason Lord. who left denomination..... 66.42
2. 1st Quarterly Meeting 1/11/69..... 104.27
3. New Typewriter (8 churches-\$39. each).... 312.00
4. 2nd Quarterly Meeting 4/15/69..... 22.85
5. 3rd Quarterly Meeting 7/12/69..... 18.42
6. Youth Camp (8 churches-\$15.63 each)..... 125.04
7. Church Letters 10/10/69..... 184.00
8. Associational Offering 10/11/69..... 50.22

TOTAL DEPOSITS.....\$883.22

GRAND TOTAL.....\$979.07

MINUS EXPENSES

1. 1/11/69 FWB Foreign Mission
(Jimmy Aldridge Account).....\$104.27
2. 1/11/69 Tony Downey (New SS Supt)..... 66.42
3. 6/10/69 Baldwin Times (Envelopes)..... 1.00
4. 6/30/69 Purchase of new electric
Typewriter..... 312.00
5. 7/28/69 Youth Camp..... 125.00
6. 9/2/69 Power's Co. (2 tubes Ink)..... 6.71
7. 10/11/69 Moderator's Pay..... 30.00
8. 10/11/69 Clerk's Pay..... 40.00
9. 10/11/69 Asst. Clerk's Pay..... 10.00
10. 10/11/69 Semirah Springs Church..... 50.22
11. 10/13/69 Ala. Assoc. Fees..... 40.00
12. 10/13/69 Florence FWB Church (Meals)..... 24.00
13. Supplies (Paper, Stencils, Covers
Printed, Postage, etc.)..... 39.22

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$848.84

Balance in Treasurer 12/25/69..... \$130.23

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, 1969

CHURCH	PASTOR	CLERK	TIME
APPLETON	Rev. W. G. Palmer Rt. 1, Box 287 Castleberry, Ala. 36432	Mrs. Ruthel P. Smith Rt. 4, Box 116 Brewton, Ala. 36426	FULL
CANAAN	Rev. J. T. Long Rt. 1, Box 23 McDavid, Fla. 32568	Mrs. Thelma Odom Rt. 4, Box 231-A Brewton, Ala. 36426	FULL
FIRST CHURCH	Rev. Robert Lord 109 Avenue A Atmore, Ala. 36502	Mrs. Lucille Bruley Star Rt. B, Box 309 Atmore, Ala. 36502	FULL
FRIENDSHIP	Rev. N. W. Carden Rt. 1 Flomaton, Ala. 36441	Mrs. Irma Turner Rt. 1 Flomaton, Ala. 36441	FULL
PINE GROVE	Rev. A. H. Ashcraft P. O. Box 45 Perdido, Ala. 36562	Miss Carolyn Stewart Rt. 1, Box 247 Perdido, Ala. 36562	FULL
RANGE	Rev. C. M. Byrd Perdido, Ala. 36562	Mrs. Sena Hall Range, Ala. 36473	1st & 3rd. Sundays
SEMIRAH SPRINGS	Rev. E. F. Sanford P. O. Box 1181 Crestview, Fla. 32536	Mrs. Isabell Woods Rt. 1, Box 233 Uriah, Ala. 36480	FULL
UNION GROVE	Rev. C. B. Baggett Rt. 1 Castleberry, Ala. 36432	Mrs. Esther Gray Rt. 1 Castleberry, Ala. 36432	FULL