

**95th Session
of
Liberty No. 1
Association
of
Free Will Baptists**

1984

M I N U T E S
OF THE
NINETY-FIFTH ANNUAL ASSOCIATION
OF THE
LIBERTY NO. 1 ASSOCIATION
OF
FREE WILL BAPTISTS
UNION GROVE CHURCH
CASTLEBERRY, AL
October 12 & 13, 1984

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QUARTERLY MEETINGS

1st.....FRIENDSHIP.....January 12, 1985
2nd.....SEMIRAH SPRINGS.....April 13, 1985
3rd.....UNION GROVE.....July 13, 1985

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

APPLETON..... May 4, 1985

CTS RALLY

NEW HOMEAugust 2, 1985

NEXT ASSOCIATION

RANGE.....October 11 & 12, 1985

MINISTERS' & DEACONS' CONFERENCE

January 4, 1985.....FRIENDSHIP
April 5, 1985PINE GROVE
July 5, 1985.....RANGE
October 4, 1985.....SEMIRAH SPRINGS

FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS

PINE GROVE.....March 16, 1985
NEW HOME.....June 15, 1985
RANGE.....September 14, 1985
SEMIRAH SPRINGS.....November 16, 1985

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	YEAR
A. L. Hollinger.....Rt. 1, Uriah, AL 36480	- 1985
Bernice Gray...Rt. 1, Box 285, Castleberry, AL 36432	- 1986
Fred Crutchfield.....Range, AL 36454	- 1987
Ivan I. Stewart....P.O. box 116, Perdido, AL 36562	- 1988
Dempsey Cain....Rt. 4, Box 80-C, Brewton, AL 36426	- 1989

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	YEAR
Rev. Clyde Bruley....,Star Rt. A, Atmore, AL 36502	- 1985
Rev. W. G. Palmer....,Rt. 1, Castleberry, AL 36432	- 1986
Rev. C. B. Baggett....,Rt. 1, Castleberry, AL 36432	- 1987
Rev. N. W. Carden....,Rt. 1, Box 249K, Uriah, AL 36480	- 1988
Rev. John Burnham,Pensacola, FL 32505	- 1989

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Donnie Hall.....Rt. 5, Box 108, Brewton, AL 36426 - 1985
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CTS DIRECTOR

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SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION DIRECTOR

Ivan I. Stewart... P.O. Box 116, Perdido, AL 36562 - 1985

ORDER OF CONFERENCE

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

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Rev. C. B. Baggett.....Rt. 1, Bx 212-A, Castleberry, AL 36432
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Rev. N. W. Carden.....Route 1, Box 328, Uriah, AL 36480
Rev. Willis Murphy.....Atmore, AL 36502
Rev. W. G. Palmer.....Rt. 1, Bx 287, Castleberry, AL 36432
Rev. E. F. Sanford.....P. O. Box 62, Crestview, FL 32526

LICENSED MINISTER

Bro. Howard HenryRoute 4, Brewton, AL 36427

ORDAINED DEACONS

C. H. Benefield.....UNION GROVE
Bobby Boatwright.....RANGE
Dempsey Cain.....APPLETON
Douglas Carden.....FRIENDSHIP
Jimmy Carden.....FRIENDSHIP
Mason Casey.....APPLETON
Fred Crutchfield.....RANGE
Ted Fretwell.....SEMIRAH SPRINGS
Bernice Gray.....UNION GROVE
E. J. Gray.....UNION GROVE
Frank Green.....FRIENDSHIP
Donnie Hall.....APPLETON
A. L. Hollinger.....SEMIRAH SPRINGS
David Johnson.....APPLETON
Guy Milstid.....PINE GROVE
Rodger Presley.....PINE GROVE
Lloyd Saucer.....RANGE
Ivan I. Stewart.....PINE GROVE
Mason Woods.....SEMIRAH SPRINGS
Raymond Woods.....SEMIRAH SPRINGS

FRIDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 12, 1984

The Liberty No. 1 Association met at Union Grove FWB Church for its 95th Annual Session, October 12 & 13, 1984.

Bro. E. J. Gray directed the opening congregational singing. Rev. C. B. Baggett, Host Pastor, gave a cordial welcome. Rev. John Burnham gave the response to the welcome. Prayer by Bro. Fred Crutchfield.

The devotion, "Christ the Light", was given by Rev. W. G. Palmer. Scriptures from John 12:35, Isa. 9:12, and John 1:4. Prayer by speaker.

The Clerk, Sis. Baggett, called the 95th Session of Liberty No. 1 Association to order. In the absence of Rev. Clyde Bruley, Moderator, the Assistant Moderator, Bro. Rodger Presley, presided over the meeting.

Bro. Luke Baggett and Bro. Jack Benefield were appointed Associational Deacons.

The standing delegates were recognized and seated. The Clerk read the Minutes of the 3rd Qtr. meeting. Minutes were accepted unanimously.

Ministers' cards were received and given to Executive Committee for examination. Bro. Presley announced the committees and statistical reports were distributed.

The Right Hand of Christian Fellowship was taken outside.

Worship hour was begun with congregational singing led by Bro. Burnham and Sis. Gwen Stewart at the piano. Bro. Baggett led in a special prayer for Mr. Dan Gray.

Rev. Trellis Mayhall prayed the offeratory prayer and while an offering of \$33.00 was being received, Sis. Stewart presided at the piano.

Special singing was done by Sis. Stewart and Sis. Presley. Rev. N. W. Carden delivered the morning message, "Let's Dig Some New Wells", Genesis 26:17. Prayer by Bro. Dempsey Cain. Dismissed for lunch.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, OCTOBER 12, 1984

The afternoon session began with congregational singing and prayer.

The Executive Committee reported that church letters

were in order. The Clerks read letters and delegates were seated.

A letter from New Home FWB Church, Route 4, Brewton, AL, was read to the body:

Brethern:

During an Annual Business Meeting held on October 3, 1984, the New Home FWB Church voted to present themselves for membership in the Liberty No. 1 Association. The church seeks unity, fellowship, prayers and strength to better promote "The Cause of Christ".

Let our hearts be ready for the Lord to bless all the churches of Liberty No. 1 Association, as Free Will Baptist move forward serving the Lord together.

Yours in Christ,

New Home FWB Church
Rev. Trellis Mayhall, Pastor

A motion was made to take New Home Church under the watchcare of the Association for one year. Motion was seconded and passed.

The following letter from Friendship FWB Church was read:

"On August 19, 1984, Friendship FWB Church held a conference meeting and dismissed our pastor.

We are now in the process of calling another pastor and wish to get back in full fellowship with the Association."

In Christ,
Det Dantzler
Church Clerk

A motion was made to remove from table motion concerning the dismissal of Friendship Church. The motion to dismiss Friendship Church was defeated.

A motion was made to accept Friendship back into full fellowship since they had taken care of the matter which had caused them to be out of fellowship with the Association. Motion seconded and passed.

A suggestion from Sis. Gwen Stewart was read concerning setting the Ministers' & Deacons' Conference in December back to its original time. Suggestion tabled until Saturday.

A motion was made that Article V, Section 15, of the By-Laws be changed concerning 10% money going to National Home and Foreign Missions, designating our money to Alabama Missionaries. Motion seconded and tabled until Saturday Session. Dismissed with prayer.

FRIDAY NIGHT, OCTOBER 12, 1984

Bro. Bernice Gray opened the evening service with congregational singing. Bro. Donnie Hall assisted in directing the singing. Those taking part in the Special Singing were Bro. Bernice Gray & Sis. Margie Findley from Union Grove; Bro. Donnie Hall from Appleton; Sis. Stewart & Sis. Presley from Pine Grove Church.

The message from II Cor. 7:1 & II Cor. 6:16-17 was delivered by Rev. John Burnham. Prayer by speaker.

SATURDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 13, 1984

The pastor, Rev. C.B. Baggett, cordially welcomed everyone again. Bro. Bernice Gray directed the congregational singing. Prayer by Rev. Floyd Barber of Mobile. The morning devotion was given by Rev. Mayhall, pastor, of New Home Church. Bro. Mayhall used various scriptures from James 4; Proverbs 27; Hebrews 2 & 9; Matthew 24:44. Prayer by speaker.

Rev. Clyde Bruley, moderator, presided over the business session. Bro. Bruley recognized our visitors, Rev. & Mrs. Phelan Findley from Shady Hill FWB Church; Rev. & Mrs. Floyd Barber from Mobile FWB Church and Mr. & Mrs. Wilbur Shipp of Pensacola, FL.

The Executive Committee recommended that our Ministers be given a new card for the coming year.

Bro. Bruley gave an oral report on the Children's Home.

Worship hour was begun with congregational singing and prayer. An offering of \$48.95 was received. Bro. Bernice Gray prayed the offeratory prayer and Bro. Louis Presley presided at the piano.

The Hopewells' sang "A Beautiful Life" and "Jesus is a Friend". Rev. Clyde Bruley delivered the morning message from II Kings 5:1-17. Dismissed for lunch by prayer.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, OCTOBER 13, 1984

Rev. John Burnham opened the afternoon session by directing the congregational singing. Prayer by Rev. Palmer. Sis. Jeanetta Woods from Semirah Springs Church sang a special, "Out of This World". Bro. Louis Presley at the piano.

Sis. Stewart gave an oral report on the Liberty No. 1 Home Mission. Report Accepted.

Sis. Baggett gave an oral report on the Finances. Report accepted.

Bro. Dempsey Cain, member of the Executive Committee gave a report on the "Standing of the Ministry". Oral reports were given from committees and reports were accepted.

The motion to have Ministers & Deacons Conference held in December be put back on its original schedule (Friday night one week prior to Qtr. meetings) was brought off the table and motion was carried.

Rev. C. B. Baggett, representing the Ordaining Council, recommended that license to preach the gospel be granted to Bro. Howard Henry. Also a recommendation was made to accept Rev. Trellis Mayhall into our Association and after having received a letter of good standing from the prior Association of which he was a member, he will be given a Ministers' card from our Association.

A motion was made to accept this recommendation from the Ordaining Council. Motion carried.

A motion was made to remove from table the item concerning the change in Article V, Section 15 because of designating our 10% money to Alabama Missionaries. Motion carried.

A motion was made authorizing the Foreign & Nat. Home Missions committees to find out who we should designate our 10% money to each quarter and report to the Association. Motion seconded and passed.

Delegates to State Association were: Gwen Stewart, Merencia Palmer, Mamie Palmer, Bill & Isabell Sagers and Ruth Carden.

The Clerk gave the dates and places for scheduled meetings next year.

Officers for the coming year were elected:

Moderator—Rodger Presley
 Assist. Moderator—W. G. Palmer
 Clerk—Mrs. C. B. Baggett
 Executive Committee—Dempsey Cain
 Ordaining Council—John Burnham
 Bd. of Christian Ed.—Bernice Gray
 Liberty No. 1 Home Mis.—Ivan I. Stewart

After announcements, appreciation was shown to Host Church. There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn.

DELEGATES — 1984 ASSOCIATION

APPLETON — Virgie Cain, Carolyn Henry, Merencia Palmer
 PINE GROVE — Gwen Stewart, Sallie Chafin, Patsy Presley
 RANGE — Ruth Crutchfield, Sena Hall, Annie L. Boatwright
 SEMIRAH SPRINGS — Det Colbert, Maiselle Woods,
 Isabell Sagers
 UNION GROVE — Rufus Baggett, Esther Gray, Mamie Palmer

MINISTERS' REPORT

MINISTERS' NAME	SERMONS PREACHED	CHURCHES PASTORED	REVIVALS	PROF. WIT.	BAPTIZED	MEMBERS RECEIVED	FUNERALS	MARRIED	MONEY RECEIVED
REV. C.B. BAGGETT	104	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	\$7,950.00
REV. CLYDE BRULEY	102	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	\$3,900.00
REV. JOHN BURNHAM	120	1	3	1	0	0	0	0	\$3,685.00
REV. N. W. GARDEN	90	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	\$4,135.00
REV. W. G. PALMER	111	1	1	8	0	4	0	3	\$8,300.00

QUARTERLY MEETINGS REPORTS

FIRST MEETING: APPLETON CHURCH — January 7, 1984

1. Approved loan from Liberty No. 1 Home Mission for Appleton Church in the amount of \$6,000.
2. Motion made and passed to set up list of available ministers to pastor churches.

SECOND MEETING: SEMIRAH SPRINGS CHURCH — April 7, 1984

1. Motion passed to send \$100 to Children's Home for Helen Welsh, the first student of the Children Home to graduate from the Bible College.
2. Committee elected to go to Friendship Church to talk with them about the matters which had caused them to be out-of fellowship with Association.
3. It was decided to change Sunday School Convention to Pine Grove Church this year.

THIRD MEETING: PINE GROVE CHURCH — July 7, 1984

1. A motion was made to formally dismiss Friendship Church from Association until they could get themselves in order. Motion tabled until annual Association.
2. Clerk was instructed to write Friendship Church and inform them of this motion.
3. Motion made and passed to designate our 10% money for Foreign and National Home Missions to Alabama Missionaries.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

REPORT FOR 1984

The 1984 Session of Liberty No. 1 Association of Free Will Baptists Sunday School Convention was held on Saturday, May 5, 1984 at Pine Grove Church. Bro. Ivan Stewart presided.

Theme for the convention was "Rejoice in the Lord" taken from Psalms 97:12.

Song Service was directed by Bro. Ivan Stewart. Rev. John Burnham, host pastor, welcomed everyone. Rev. W.G. Palmer led in prayer.

Bro. David Johnson from Appleton Church brought the morning devotion from theme, "Rejoice in the Lord".

Programs were presented by Pine Grove, Semirah Springs, Appleton and Union Grove. Rev. Clyde Bruley gave a short talk, representing Range Church.

An offering of \$20.00 was received by the ushers.

Sis. Esther Gray was presented a corsage of silk red roses by Sunday School Supt. Ivan Stewart, it being for birthday and also for her faithful attendance of associational meetings.

Bro. Ivan Stewart gave a brief talk on the Objectives of Sunday School which were the following six:

1. To win the lost to Christ.
2. To teach the Word of God.
3. To minister to its members and community.
4. To encourage church membership and attendance.
5. To teach duties and privileges of church membership.
6. To promote cooperation with all national, state and district Sunday School programs.

In the business session, reports and minutes were read and approved.

Motion made by Bro. Rodger Presley to change Sunday School Convention to first Friday night in May. Motion not passed. Will stay on 1st Saturday in May.

Bro. Ivan Stewart was re-elected as S.S. Supt. for coming year.

Special prayer for Rev. N. W. Carden, who was in the hospital, was led by Rev. John Burnham.

Session was dismissed in prayer and giving of thanks by Bro. Buster Hollinger.

Lunch was served by host church.

TREASURER'S REPORT

10/9/84

Balance brot. forward 10/7/83

\$768.59

DEPOSITS:

1. Assoc. Offerings	50.28
2. Qtr. Meetings' Offerings	84.27
3. Assoc. Fees	350.00
4. Sale of Treatise	.75
5. Fellowship Meetings	101.73
6. S. S. Convention	20.00
7. CTS Rally	17.71
8. 10% Money - Appleton	2,302.12
Pine Grove	991.46
Range	1,054.38
Semirah Springs	943.02
Union Grove	1,370.30

TOTAL DEPOSITS 7,286.02

TOTAL CASH

\$8,054.61

DISBURSEMENTS:

1. FWB Children's Home	979.19
2. FWB Retirement & Ins.	1,305.60
3. FWB Bible College	652.79
4. FWB Foreign Missions	652.79
5. Ala. FWB Home Mission	979.19
6. FWB Nat. Home Missions	652.79
7. Liberty No. 1 Home Mission	1,305.60
8. Supplies, Postage	94.36
9. Fellowship Nights	101.73
10. Bulletins	7.41
11. Telephone Calls	8.33
12. Ala. State Assoc. - 1984	120.00
13. 1983 Assoc. - Pine Grove	50.28
14. 1983 Minutes	104.33
15. Officers Fees	90.00
16. CTS Rally - Film	45.72
17. Lamp for Projector	26.53
18. Checks	8.60
19. Welsh - Car Donation	100.00

TOTAL PAID OUT 7,285.24

Balance as of 10/9/84

\$ 769.37

Annie Jo Baggett, Clerk

LIBERTY NO. 1 HOME MISSION REPORT

Bal. in Tres. 10/1/83	\$20,734.02
PLUS: Deposits - 10% Money.....	1,341.32
Interest.....	751.16
TOTAL.....	<u>\$22,826.50</u>

LESS NOTES:

Appleton.....	\$4,400.00	
Pine Grove.....	1,900.00	
Semirah Springs..	1,050.00	
Union Grove.....	3,400.00	
TOTAL.....	<u>\$10,750.00</u>	- \$10,750.00

TOTAL IN BANK 10/1/84.....\$12,076.50

Ivan I. Stewart, Treas.

CTS RALLY

The Annual CTS Rally was held at Pine Grove Church on August 3, 1984.

Bro. Ivan Stewart directed the Song Service. Rev. John Burnham, host pastor, welcomed everyone and led in prayer.

An offering of \$17.71 was received.

For the program, a film entitled "I'm Just a Layman" was shown.

In the absense of Bro. Donnie Hall, CTS Director, Bro. Stewart presided over the business. Bro. Donnie Hall was re-elected as CTS Director. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Refreshments were served the Host Church.

Free Will Baptist Church Covenant

Having given ourselves to God, by faith in Jesus Christ, and adopted the Word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this solemn covenant.

We promise by His grace to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid all appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world, from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages, and to provide things honest in the sight of all men.

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to study of the Scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship, and by self-denial, faith, and good works endeavor to grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship, and the observance of the ordinances of the gospel, nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor, and all its benevolent work.

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness, and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to "keep the unity of the Spirit" in the bonds of peace, to be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and as far as we are able, promote the success of the church and of the Gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principle sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme; counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society; constantly praying and toiling that the Kingdom of God may come, and His will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprises, the support of missions, the success of Sunday schools, and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of the world.

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

ANNUAL STATISTICAL MEMBERSHIP REPORT 1983-84.

	APPLETON	FRIENDSHIP	PINE GROVE	BALES	SEVIER SPRINGS	WITCH GROVE	TOTAL
MEMBERS RECEIVED	4		0	0	3	0	7
BAPTISM					1		1
LETTER					1		1
CONF. FAITH	4				1		5
MEMBERS DISMISSED	7		4	1	1	0	13
LETTER EXCLUDED	7		4		1		5
DECEASED				1			1
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	103		29	33	40	32	237
ACTIVE	73		26	17	25	23	164
IN-ACTIVE	30		3	16	15	9	73
DEPARTMENT MEMBERS							
SUNDAY SCHOOL	56		26	17	35	26	160
CTS	25		0	0	17	22	64
AUXILIARY	0		0	9	11	5	25
MASTER MEN	0		0	0	0	0	0
MID-WINTER PRAYER SERVICES	30			13	11	13	67

Millie Armstrong, Member, Range Church, died 3/26/84, age 82.

ANNUAL STATISTICAL EXPENDITURE REPORT 1983-84

	10% HONEY	APPLETON	FRIENDSHIP	PINE GROVE	RANGE	SEMPRAH SPRINGS	UNION GROVE	TOTAL
OUTSIDE EXPENDITURES:								
10% HONEY		2,302.12		991.46	1,054.38	943.02	1,370.30	6,661.28
CHILDREN'S HOME	979.19					40.00		1,019.19
RETIREMENT & INS.	1,305.60					25.00		1,330.60
BIBLE COLLEGE	652.79							652.79
ASSOC. TREAS.	133.33	70.00		70.00	70.00	70.00	70.00	483.33
MISSIONS:								
LIBERTY NO. 1	1,305.60							1,305.60
NAT. HOME MISSIONS	652.79					50.00		702.79
ALA. HOME MISSIONS	979.19					40.00		1,019.19
FOREIGN MISSIONS	652.79					58.20		710.99
LOCAL EXPENDITURES:								
PASTOR		7,800.00		3,135.00	3,900.00	4,135.00	7,950.00	26,920.00
EVANGELIST		250.00		375.00	175.00	395.00	200.00	1,395.00
LITERATURE		1,505.52		171.70	198.02	373.06	673.90	2,922.20
BLDG. & REPAIRS		3,569.08		1,312.59	4,755.37	168.73	2,829.30	12,665.07
MISCELLANEOUS		6,359.82		2,105.27	835.07	1,630.09	1,691.69	12,691.94
OTHER		14.25				250.00	800.00	1,064.25
LOAN PAYMENTS		1,600.00		1,200.00		1,750.00	1,900.00	6,450.00
TOTAL MONEY TAKEN IN		23,021.65		9,914.55	10,543.80	9,130.18	13,702.98	66,613.16

PREAMBLE

From experience we, the members of Liberty No. 1 Association of Free Will Baptist, being regularly baptized upon the profession of our faith in Jesus Christ and members of Churches in this Liberty No. 1 Association and realizing the necessity of a bond of union and fellowship among us; to preserve and maintain correspondence and coordination with us; to unify the work of the various Churches composing the Liberty No. 1 Association; and to devise and execute measures for the extension of the Kingdom of God in cooperation with the various Churches of the Association, or that may be hereafter represented therein, do therefore ordain this Constitution for our better Association Government.

Article I NAME

This Association shall be known as the, "Liberty Number 1 Association of Free Will Baptist."

Article II MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Membership in Liberty No. 1 Association shall be based upon Churches who after examination as to their faith and practice are found to believe in the doctrine of the Bible as outlined in our National Treatise of Faith and Practice of the Original Free Will Baptists, and who make written request to this Association for membership.

Section 2. The officers of Liberty No. 1 Association shall be a moderator, asst. moderator, clerk, and treasurer. And shall be elected by the Association at regular session. All boards and committees shall be elected by the Association and shall serve as directed by Association.

ARTICLE III

The Liberty No. 1 Association adopted the National Treatise of Free Will Baptist as our rule of faith and practice.

Article IV

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 may hold a conference as often as it deems it necessary.

Section 5. It shall be the duty of each church to commune and wash the Saints feet at least each quarter.

Section 6. The church shall not try a member without a hearing unless said member refuses to attend the conference, when notified to do so.

Section 7. When an Associational Church desires that one of its members should be licensed or ordained to preach the Gospel, it requests the Quarterly Meeting or Association to examine by council, such member. And upon approval of council, the Association shall grant the proper papers to the candidate.

Section 8. 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 his church appear before this council for ordination.

Section 9. Every Minister of Liberty No. 1 Association shall be a member of an active church, and in good standing with the church in this Association.

Section 10. The Officers and their duties in the local church shall be as outlined in the National Treatise Page 47, Chapter 1, "The Local Church."

Article V

Section 1. Ministers' Cards will be dated to expire on October 31 of each year. The Executive Committee will

examine cards. At their approval, ministers will receive a new card.

Section 2. Each Church send a Sunday School report to Clerk of Sunday School Convention in May and bring a program.

Section 3. Suggest that old and disabled Ministers be placed on Honor Roll and receive life time identification card.

Section 4. Each Church send a maximum of 3 elected delegates to represent their church.

Section 5. The host church for any meeting of Liberty No. 1 Association, shall have a program outline and send one to associational clerk 3 weeks in advance of meeting. Associational Clerk shall send a program outline to all churches and all persons on the program.

Section 6. No church shall use a Minister or Deacon with more than one living wife and whose wife has more than one living husband and be in good standing with this Association.

Section 7. No Minister belonging to Liberty No. 1 Association shall pastor a church of another denomination.

Section 8. We recommend the church to support their Pastor to such a degree that he may devote himself to full time ministry of the Gospel when Financially possible.

Section 9. The Executive Committee will examine all church letters and upon their approval letters will be read and delegates seated. For traveling, Executive Committee will be paid 10¢ per mile by the Association.

Section 10. (A) The Liberty No. 1 Home Mission's money can be loaned to churches at no interest for church related projects only. Church requesting loan should prepare the proper paper work, stating what money is to be used for. (B) Board to meet with applicant and make recommendation to body. (C) Final decision to be made by body. (D) Upon signature of two (2) Board Members, money must be withdrawn or released before next meeting or loan is cancelled. (E) A balance of \$2500 is to be maintained for emergency

purposes. Authority being given to Executive Committee and home Mission Board Members to determine emergency and if necessary to meet between regular meetings to approve loan for this emergency. (F) Maximum time for repayment is four years for \$5,000 and up, two years for \$2500 and down with a minimum monthly payment of \$50.00.

Section 11. The Moderator to be paid \$30.00, Clerk paid \$50.00 and Asst. Clerk paid \$10.00.

Section 12. We recommend each church to encourage their pastor to attend the State Association if possible and pay his expenses.

Section 13. The Associational offering will go to the host church for associational expenses.

Section 14. No Boards or Committees shall meet during the Business Session of this Association.

Section 15. Each church to tithe 10% of its income to the Association Treasury to be distributed from the Association Treasury to the different phases of work; CHILDREN'S HOME 15%; BIBLE COLLEGE 10%; RETIREMENT & INSURANCE 20%; FOREIGN MISSIONS 10%; NAT'L HOME MISSIONS 10%; ALABAMA FWB MISSIONS 15%, and LIBERTY NO. 1 HOME MISSION 20%. (Amended 10/13/84- All 10%

money for Foreign and National Home Missions shall be designated each quarter to Alabama Missionaries.)

Section 16. In time of Bereavement, church clerks will call Association Clerk, in turn the Association Clerk will call all ministers. Telephone cost will be paid out of the Associational Treasury.

Section 17. Board of Christian Education. This Board shall be composed of three members elected by the Association serving a three year term. One member shall be elected each year. The duties of this Board shall be: (1) To plan and promote Christian Education in the Association such as; (A) Ministers and Deacons Retreat; (B) Laymans Institutes; (C) Bible Conferences.

OFFICERS' DUTIES

Officers of Liberty No. 1 Association shall be as listed in Article II, Section II of the Constitution:

1. MODERATOR--

- A. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside at each session of the Association and Quarterly meetings.
- B. The Moderator shall call the body to order at the beginning of each business session.
- C. The Moderator shall seat the delegates in a designated area at the beginning of each session.
- D. The Moderator shall not allow discussions when not carried on in a Christian Spirit.
- E. The Moderator shall have anyone desiring to speak to arise to his feet and address him as "Bro. Moderator", but shall not speak further until recognized by the Moderator.
- F. The Moderator shall be chairman of the Executive Committee and Ordaining Council.

2. ASSISTANT MODERATOR--

- A. The duty of the Assistant Moderator shall include presiding at the request of, or in the absence of, the Moderator and assisting him in such ways as may be necessary.

3. CLERK-TREASURER

- A. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to prepare the Minutes of the proceedings of all meetings of the Association, and the handling of such official correspondence for the Association as directed by the Body.
- B. The Clerk shall receive and disburse all Associational monies as directed by the Association.

4. ASSISTANT CLERK

- A. The Assistant Clerk shall act for the Clerk in the absence of the Clerk or at the request of the Clerk and to assist in whatever ways may be necessary.

BOARDS.

1. BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

A. The Board of Christian Education shall be defined in Article 5, Section 17 of the Constitution.

2. LIBERTY NO. 1 HOME MISSIONS BOARD

A. The Liberty No. 1 Home Missions Board shall receive and disburse monies of the Liberty No. 1 Home Mission as directed by the Association.

COMMITTEES

1. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

A. The Executive Committee's duties be outlined in the Constitution of Liberty No. 1 Association; Article 2, Section 2 - Article 5, Section 1 - Article 5, Section 9.

B. The nature of the work of the Executive Committee shall be executive and promotional and not legislative.

2. CTS DIRECTOR

A. It shall be the duty of the CTS Director to preside at the Annual CTS Convention and General Promotion of CTS work of Liberty No. 1 Association.

3. SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTOR

A. It shall be the duty of the Sunday School Director to preside at the annual Sunday School Convention and General Promotion of the Sunday School work of Liberty No. 1 Association.

DIRECTORY OF CHURCHES

CHURCH & PASTOR'S TELEPHONE	PASTOR	CLERK	TIME & CLERK'S TELEPHONE
APPLETON 966-2371	Rev. W. G. Palmer Route 1, Box 287 Castleberry, AL 36432	Edna Johnson Route 2, Box 176 Castleberry, AL 36432	FULL 867-2747
FRIENDSHIP		Det Dantzler Route 2, Box 456 Brewton, AL 36426	FULL 867-2645
NEW HOME 867-7703	Rev. Trellis Mayhall Route 4, Box 116 Brewton, AL 36426	Ruthul Smith Route 4, Box 164 Brewton, AL 36426	FULL 867-5958
PINE GROVE (904) 432-9603	Rev. John Burnham 4403 Menpeller Dr. Pensacola, FL 32505	Rodger Presley Route 1, Box 3A Perdido, AL 36562	FULL 937-6382
RANGE 368-3027	Rev. Clyde Bruley Star Rt. A, Box 328 Atmore, AL 36502	Georgia English Range, AL 36473	FULL 248-2502
SEMI-RAH SPRINGS 862-2534	Rev. N. W. Carden Route 1, Box 249K Uriah, AL 36480	Isabell W. Sagers Route 1, Box 237 Uriah, AL 36480	FULL 862-2773
UNION GROVE 966-2374	Rev. C. B. Baggett Route 1, Box 212-A Castleberry, AL 36432	Esther Gray Route 1 Castleberry, AL 36432	FULL 966-2273