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The session opened with singing led by Rev. C. L. Carlisle "I Can Tell You The Time" and "He Put A Little Sunshine In". Rev. Levernon Davis at the piano.

The body called to order by Rev. Chester O'Donnell the Clerk at 9:15 a.m. The Moderator, Rev. C. L. Carlisle, took charge until new officers were elected. Rev. A. A. Edge put on the credential committee in place of Rev. J. W. Burnham who was absent. Moderators scripture reading, Psalm 124.

Report of credential committee, accepted. (see committee reports)
Letters read and delegates seated.

Opportunity for membership. Lookout Mountain F.W.B. Church came forward and presented themselves for membership. Motion made and carried to receive them and Moderator gave the Pastor the right hand of fellowship.

Motion carried to go into the election of officers.

Rev. F. C. Barber elected Moderator and Rev. J. Hubert Bishop nominated and elected Assistant Moderator. Paul R. Davis elected Clerk-Treas. and Rev. C. L. Carlisle elected Assistant Clerk-Treas.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

DEVOTIONAL:

Sister Hattie Owens Rev. Robert Simon Bro. Willie Kendrick

ORDAINING COUNCIL:

Rev. J. Hubert Bishop

Rev. Cleo Elder

Rev. Maxwell J. Gallops

Rev. James E. Self

Deacon D. J. O'Donnell

BUSINESS:

Rev. Alfred Ledlow Rev. C. L. Davis Rev. A. A. Bradshaw

Rev. A. A. Edge

Rev. Robert Simon

Credential Committee (1962)

Rev. E. R. Mayo

Rev. C. L. Davis

Rev. J. Hubert Bishop

Partial report of Devotional Committee. (See Reports)

AUDITING:

Bro. Herman Dollar Rev. M. L. Harris

Sis. Betty Gallops

DECEASED:

Sis. Flora Davis Sis. Josie Callahan Sis. Hattie Owens

EDUCATION:

Bro. Billy Brittian Bro. Charles Patterson Bro. Marvin Bishop

FAMILY RELIGION:

Rev. John Howell Sis. Bertha Simon Bro. Gerald Manning

RESOLUTION:

Bro. James Jeffcoat Rev. James E. Self Dea. Barto Endfinger

EXECUTIVE:

Rev. Chester O'Donnell (1 yr.) Rev. A. A. Edge (2 yr.) Rev. C. L. Davis (3 yr.)

HOME M. BOARD:

Dea, D. J. O'Donnell (1 yr.) Rev. Robert Simon (2 yr.) Rev. E. R. Mayo (3 yr.)

MINISTERIAL STANDING:

Dea. Johnnie Johnson Dea. D. J. O'Donnell Sis. Dovie Edge

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LITERATURE:

Bro. Gordon Engle Sis. Rachel Barber Sis. Erma O'Donnell

ORGANIZING COUNCIL:

Rev. J. T. Windsor (1 yr.) Rev. E. R. Mayo (2 yr.) Rev. G. Clyde Willis (3 yr.)

Rev. W. C. Patterson (4 yr.) Rev. J. Hubert Bishop (5 yr.)

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

Rev. Levernon Davis Sis. Harold Duckett Sis. Leona Ramsey

TEMPERANCE:

Rev. Chester O'Donnell Bro. Herman Dollar Bro. Willie Kendrick

M. C. to recess a few minutes before the 11 O'Clock message. Dismissed by Rev. A. A. Edge.

After recess singing was led by Rev. E. R. Mayo, "I'm Free Again", "Just On Way To The Gate" and "Hide Me Rock Of Ages."

Rev. Alfred Ledlow brought the 11 O'Clock message using the scripture Hebrew 13:5-13 (Preserverence, Faithfulness or being Established)

Dismissed for lunch by Rev. J. Hubert Bishop.

FRIDAY EVENING

Services began at 1:05 o'clock with singing led by Sis. Betty Gallops, "I'm Going That Way" and "Heavens Jubilee".

The Moderator called the body to order at 1:10 o'clock. Then read the scripture Psalm 1:38. Rev. E. R. Mayo led in an altar prayer.

M. C. to accept Raglands letter and tell them they are due \$10.00 additional entrance fee. (Pastor said it would be sent in.)

All committee reports were accepted by the proper move and second.

THE REPORTS

EDUCATION —

We your committee on education recommend. That the parents begin at home to teach their children the Bible, and practice daily prayer. Also supply them with Christian literature.

AUDITING -

We have checked the Association Treasurey book and find it in order.

This was a partial report.

We have checked the Home Mission books and find them in order, except for \$100.00 over according to Pleasant Grove's letter.

CREDENTIAL -

We have examined the letters and find them in order with the exception of two, they have too many delegates listed. And one not having enough entrance fee. (Handed in later.)

We request opportunity for membership be given. Lookout Mt. Church came forward. Their letter had already been examined and found in order.

SUNDAY SCHOOL -

We find that all of our churches in this Association has a Sunday School. This is something for us to be proud of. We should carry our children to Sunday School and encourage others to come. We should

CLERK-TREAS, REPORT

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Brought forward	\$155.65
10 churches entrance fee	
Minute money in letters	48.50
Offering for minutes	30.00
TOTAL	284.15
Out For The Year	
C. H. Trustee expense	60.00
Clerk-Treas.	25.00
Moderator	10.00
Ent. fee to State Asso	20.00
Minutes	96.10
TOTAL	214.10
Balance Sept. 22, 1961	70.05

Rev. Robershaw gave his testimony in a short talk before the body. FAMILY RELIGION —

We recommend that all homes hold God supreme in all things, and that only Christian literature be used and taught in the home. That each home have family prayer at least once a day. Every family should have devotional reading every night.

BUSINESS -

- 1. We recommend that Bros. Ray Fisher and Milford Guy be called in question and if found worthy, grant them licence for one year.
- 2. We recommend Bros. Levernon Davis and Robert Simon be questioned and if found worthy ordain them to preach the Gospel.
- 3. We recommend that Rev. A. G. Robershaw be called before the Ordaining Council and be questioned in regards to ordination papers as he doesn't have any.
- 4. We recommend that this body work out some way to pay the Field Evangelist \$171.40 that they owe him in back pay. Due to lack of funds in the Home Mission Treasury.
- 5. Modified to read thus . . . Recommend this body try to buy the property or land when and where a new church is organized. That the deeds be made in a way that if it should not be pleased to remain a Free Will Baptist Church, that the property would divert back to the Association or Quarterly Meeting that purchased the property or land. (Put in Asso. Rules.)
- 6. We recommend that each ordained man (Ministers and Deacons) and each Licensed Minister pay \$10.00 to register to vote in the Association. (This does not apply to those sent as delegates from their church.) (Put in Asso. Rules.)
- 7. We ask the body to vote on the two requests for the next session of the Association. Lookout Mt. or Talladega. (Voted to go to Lookout Mt. Church.)
 - Rev. E. R. Mayo led the congregation in singing "Amazing Grace"

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while an offering was taken to help pay the Field Evangelist's back pay. (\$173.00)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE -

The second week in August the Executive Board met by mail for the purpose of getting a place for the Association. Friendship church of Pell City invited us and we accepted. The Ider church said they were not able to take care of it — Rev. Chester O'Donnell (chr.)

DEVOTIONAL -

We recommend Rev. Alfred Ledlow for the 11 o'clock message Friday A.M. (Partial report)

Rev. E. R. Mayo for the 11 o'clock message Saturday A.M.

Sister Betty Gallops devotional Saturday P.M.

Rev. A. G. Robershaw message Saturday P.M. Rev. Robershaw had an appointment for Saturday night, so the committee appointed Rev. J. Hubert Bishop to fill in for Rev. Robershaw.

DECEASED -

We find there have been (5) five of our Bro. and Sisters departed from this life since the last Association.

From Friendship, Sister Lou Ritch; from Mt. Olive, Sister Maggie Duckett; from Wattsville, Sister Viola Cammeron; from Pleasant Grove, Sister Estelle O'Donnell; and from Talladega, Bro. C. Smith.

TEMPERANCE -

We recommend that we take a firm stand against alcohol beverages. And be temperate in our daily living.

Proverbs 20:1 (Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging, and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.)

Matt. 6:1 — Take heed that ye do not your alms before men to be seen of them, otherwise ye have no reward of your father which is in heaven.

Rev. E. R. Mayo gave oral report on the Campground and why we are hindered in getting a road to it.

ORGANIZING COUNCIL -

June 18, 1961 — The Council was called to Route 8, Gadsden, Alabama to organize the Lookout Mt. FWB Church.

The church was set in order with eleven charter members. Rev. J. Hubert Bishop to continue to serve as pastor until they could get one. Sister Mable Cushing Rt. 8, Gadsden, Alabama, elected clerk.

The Council . . .

Rev. J. T. Windsor (Chr.) Rev. H. A. O'Donnell Rev. E. R. Mayo Rev. M. L. Harris Dea. Paul R. Davis

Rev. E. R. Mayo led the congregation in singing "The Glory Land Way" and "A Beautiful Life." Sister Hubert Bishop at the piano. Sister Hubert Bishop and Sister Betty Gallops sang a duet "The Life-Boat". Then Sister Gallops led the congregation in singing "Just Over In The Glory Land."

ORDAINING COUNCIL -

We have questioned the following and found them worthy to be ordained. Bro. Levernon Davis and Bro. Robert Simon. For license, Bro. Milford Guy.

We recommend Rev. A. G. Robershaw be restored to fellowship

with the Ministers Conference. Replace his Ordination paper as his were destroyed when his home was burned. We recommend Bro. Guy be licensed at this time and have the ordination service tomorrow.

Motion to adjourn until 9 o'clock Saturday morning. Dismissed by Bro. Johnie Johnson.

SATURDAY MORNING

Services began 9 o'clock with singing led by Sister Betty Gallops. "Victory In Jesus" and "I'm In A New World". Jere Davis at the piano. Body called to order by the clerk. The Moderator then took charge reading the Scripture, Isa. 35. Prayer by Rev. W. C. Patterson.

The Moderator replaced Sister Rachel Barber with Rev. C. L. Carlisle on the Literature Committee as she was absent.

RESOLUTION -

We submit the following.

- We wish to thank the good people of Friendship Church and the community for their hospitality while among them. And we pray the blessings of God may rest upon each of them.
- 2. We resolve that a greater interest be taken in the young people of our churches. We should work more with them and be closer to them.
- 3. Be it resolved that we give a rising vote of thanks to Friendship Church, its pastor and good ladies with Friendship Church, for the food served and the good fellowship we have felt here.

The Moderator appointed Rev. Mark Edge on the Ordaining Council as Rev. James E. Self was absent.

Singing led by Bro. Carliss Hollis "I'll Have A New Life". While the Ordaining Council went out with their new member, Bro. Loyalton Ledlow led the congregation in singing "A Wonderful Time".

Rev. J. Hubert Bishop, Chairman of the Ordaining Council gave the charge to the candidates for ordination. Rev. Bishop used the following scripture. I Tim. 3:16-17, II Tim. 4:1-5 and II Tim. 2:1-15.

After a united prayer of consecration and laying on of hands, the congregation shook hands with these Brothers signifying they would be praying for them.

Bro. Carliss Hollis led the song "Grace For Every Need" while this was taking place.

The Moderator recognized Rev. J. B. Ledlow, a former Minister of this Association. Rev. Ledlow gave a short testimony. He is now in East Alabama Association.

Rev. E. R. Mayo led the songs "Take A Moment And Live" and "He Is My King". Then Sister Herman Dollar, Sister Myrtice Crump and Rev. Levernon Davis sang 'To Far Upon My Journey".

After this trio, Sister Crump, Sister Dollar, Rev. L. Davis, Rev. E. R. Mayo and Deacon Loyalton Ledlow sang "He Will Say Well Done".

LITERATURE —

We present the following for your consideration.

1. We urge our people to faithfully cling to the King James Version of the Word of God, refuting all other translations.

2. We urge our people to faithfully discharge their duty in promoting the use of our Free Will Baptist literature.

Rev. J. Hubert Bishop offered his resignation as Trustee for the

Children's Home, effective at the State Association. M. C. to accept his request.

Rev. C. L. Carlisle led the songs "Hide Me, Rock Of Ages" and "When God Dipped His Love In My Heart". Then the Moderator replaced Rev. M. L. Harris on the Auditing Committee with Rev. J. T. Windsor. Rev. Harris being absent.

Rev. Levernon Davis and his sister Jane sang "Jesus Use Me". Then the Friendship Trio sang "What A Glad Day", "It's Different Now" and "Down At The Altar."

MINISTERIAL STANDING -

We request that this body grant each Minister in good standing with the Ministers Conference and in fellowship with the church that he belongs to a certificate of standing.

After a short recess, Bro. Carliss Hollis led the congregation in singing "We'll Soon Be Done With Troubles And Trials". Sister Herman Dollar at the piano.

Rev. W. C. Patterson the pastor of the church gave all an invitation to stay for lunch. Then Rev. J. B. Ledlow led in prayer before the 11 o'clock message.

Rev. E. R. Mayo used the scriptures — Neh. 13:10-11, Mal. 3:8-10, Matt. 23:23, Acts 4:32-34, II Cor. 11:8-9, I Cor. 9:9-16, II Cor. 9:6. A message on Faith and Practices of the Original Free Will Baptist, (Are we going to live the message?)

Dismissed for the lunch hour by Rev. A. A. Edge.

SATURDAY EVENING

Began services with Bro. Carliss Hollis leading the song "Would Not Be Denied". The Moderator called the body to order at 1:25. Then he read the scripture, John 14:1-3.

REPORT OF BUSINESS COMMITTEE

BUSINESS -

1. M. C. to accept.

Borrow \$5,000 or draft to that amount for the taking care of the Field Evangelist.

The Evangelist gave an oral report concerning his work. Rev. Bishop has done wonderful work and been a faithful worker.

2. Voted to retain our present Field Evangelist. (Rev. J. H. Bishop)

3. Pay the Field Evangelist \$65.00 per week and mileage.

The Moderator designated the Home Mission Board with Rev. Alfred Ledlow and Rev. C. L. Carlisle to see about borrowing the money.

The Moderator made the ruling that the Executive Board work along with the Home Mission Board.

- 4. Motion to elect a Trustee from this Association to the Children Home. Paul R. Davis elected. (subject to acceptance at the State Association.)
- 5. M. C. to get delegates to the State Asociation. Pay the expense of one car. The moderator appointed ten delegates. Paul R. Davis, Rev. and Sister Hubert Bishop, Rev. E. R. Mayo, Rev. and Sister Maxwell J. Gallops, Sister Jewell Patterson, Bro. and Sister Johnnie Johnson, and Bro. D. J. O'Donnell.

The Q. M. did not represent by letter. Motion and second accepted

to ask the Q. M. Clerk to write the Association clerk of their years work. This was done so it could be put in the Association minute.

M. C. to reimburse Rev. E. R. Mayo \$100.00 of the amount he put into the Home Mission treasury. To be payed out of the Association treasury.

Offering amounted to \$24.10 to go on truck for the Children's Home. It was suggested that each church send with letter to the Quarterly Meeting \$2.00 to pay on the truck at the C. H. This will take care of the amount we wanted to raise.

Call for reading of the minutes. Minutes read. Motion accepted to receive the minutes as read with proper ammendments.

Dismissed with altar prayer by request of Sister Hubert Bishop.

SATURDAY NIGHT

Sis. Betty Gallops conducted the devotional reading Mark 1:9. Rev. Hubert Bishop brought the message. Scriptures John 12: 48v and 44v. "A Memorial Service".

After the message there were 42 to take part in the supper and feet washing.

CHURCH LETTERS

TALLADEGA — Delegates, Bros. Marion Jones, A. C. Jones, L.D. Jones, Daniel Warlick, Cleo Elder, and John Howell.

State of religion, good. Members received this year: by baptism, 1; by letter, 1; by restoration, 2; by recommendation, 1; Total 7. Loss: by exclusion, 3; death, 1; total 4. Present membership, 60. Prayer meetings, 2; Expended for Pastor, \$720.00; Evangelist, \$125.00; Building and repairs, \$2436.97; Insurance and other items, \$53.35; Total \$3360.32. Condition of Sunday School, good; Average number of pupils, 80; Officers, 2; Teachers, 5; Cost of literature, 50.90; S. S. Offering to Orphanage, \$92.07. Flowers and other items, \$100.00. Inclosed for ent. fee, \$15.00. Minutes, \$5.00 total, \$20.00. Value of church property, \$20,000. We have called Rev. J. T. Windsor of Pell City, Ala., for pastor. Clerk's name and address, Eunice Limbaugh, Talladega, Ala. No of ordained ministers, 6; licensed, none. Done by order of First F.W.B. Church in regular conference this 1st day of September, 1961.

Rev. J. T. Windsor, Moderator Eunice Limbaugh, Clerk 811 Hobson Ave. Talladega, Ala.

The Ladies Aid of the church have done a great work on the new church by "pine paneling the walls."

PLEASANT GROVE — Rev. H. A. O'Donnell and Bro. and Sis. D. J. O'Donnell sent as Delegates. State of religion, good; No. members received this year; Loss: by letter, 8; by death, 1; total, 9; Present Membership, 45; Prayer meeting, fair; Expended for pastor, \$321.83; Evangelist, \$150.00; Building and repairs, \$40.25; heat and lights, \$20.12; Education, \$10.00; Home Mission, (local) \$313.50; Orphanage, \$282.10; Total, \$1139.80. Condition of Sunday School, fair; Average no. of pupils, 23; Officers 2; Teachers 3; cost of literature \$25.00; flowers and other items \$10.30. Inclosed for: ent. fee \$15.00; for minutes \$10.00; Total \$25.00. Value of church property \$5,000. We have called Rev. A. A. Edge of Leeds, Ala., for pastor. Clerk's name and address: Alfred

O'Donnell, box 453, Steele, Ala.

By order of Pleasant Grove F.W.B. Church in regular conference this 9th day of September, 1961.

Rev. Clarence O'Donnell, Mod. Alfred O'Donnell, Clerk

Ordained Ministers 6.

TRINITY — Delegates: Bro. Eugene Wright and Rev. M. L. Harris. State of religion, good; Members received this year: by letter 3; total 3; Loss: by exclusion 2; Present membership 10; Prayer meetings, good; Expended for: Evangelist \$50.00; Building and repairs \$93.24; heat and lights \$97.88; Publications \$32.75; Camp Ground \$600.00; Home Mission (local \$1200.00; Ins. and other items \$118.16; total \$2192.03. Condition of Sunday School, good; Average number of pupils 26; officers 2; Teachers 3; cost of literature \$2.40; S. S. offering to Orphanage \$15.88. Ent. fee \$15.00; Minutes \$10.00; total inclosed \$25.00. Value of church property \$8,000. We have called Rev. Clay Engle of Pell City, Ala., for pastor. Clerk's name and address: Rev. S. W. McDonough, 107 Lynwood Avenue, East Gadsden, Ala. No. Ordained Ministers 3.

Done by order of Trinity F.W.B. Church in regular conference this 13th day of September, 1961.

Rev. E. R. Mayo, Moderator Rev. S. W. McDonough, Clerk

GUIDING LIGHT — Delegates: Bro. and Sis. James Jeffcoat, Sis. Josie (Granny) Callahan, Rev. and Sis. F. C. Barber, Sis. Hattie Owens, and Leoma Ramsey.

State of religion, good; members received past 3 months, 10; Baptised 9; deaths 1; total membership 162. Condition of prayer meeting, good; condition of S. S., good; Average number of pupils 86; number of officers 2; teachers 4. Expended for pastor \$182.00; Evangelist \$50.00; Building and repairs \$75.66. Enclosed for minutes \$2.50; ent. fee \$15.00; total \$17.50.

Called Rev. W. T. Mulligan for pastor. Rev. Mulligan had to give the church up because of his health. (Called Rev. F. C. Barber as pastor after the Association met.) Done by order of Guiding Light F.W.B. Church in regular conference this 10th day of September, 1961.

Rev. W. T. Mulligan, Moderator Lois Pepper, Clerk Rt. 1, Box 265-B, Pell City, Alabama

Request:

Grant our ministers a certificate of standing. Bro. Ray Fisher be called in question and if found worthy grant him license to preach for 1 year.

1ST RAGLAND — Delegates: Bro. Glenn Cox, Bro. James Davis, Sis. Bessie Edge. State of religion, good; Total membership 30; Condition of prayer meeting, good; Condition of S. S. good; Average number of pupils 25; no. of officers 2, teachers 3. Expended for: pastor, \$75.00; Evangelist \$60.00; Building and repairs \$151.04. Enclosed for ent. fee \$15.00; Minutes \$3.00. We have called Rev. Alfred Ledlow for pastor. Clerk's name and address: James Davis, Ragland, Ala.

By order of 1st F.W.B. Church of Ragland, Ala., this 10th day of September, 1961.

Rev. Mark Edge, Moderator James Davis, Clerk

FRIENDSHIP - Delegates: Bro. Carliss Hollis, Sister Flora Davis, Bertha Simon, Louise Willis, and Bro. and Sis. Willie Kendrick.

State of religion, good. Members received this year: by baptism 1; total 1. Loss: by letter 7; joined other church without letter 2; death 1; total loss 10. Present membership 127. Prayer meetings, good; Expended for pastor \$600.00; Evangelist \$80.00; building and repairs \$111.97; heat and lights \$70.44; Home Mission (local) \$260.00; Insurance and other items \$28.00; Total \$1150.41. Condition of S. S., good; Average number of pupils 50; officers 2, teachers 4; cost of literature \$97.20; S. S. offering to Orphanage \$106.92. Flowers and other items \$308.56. Enclosed for Ent. fee \$15.00; for minutes \$10.00; total \$25.00. Value of church property \$10,000. We have called Rev. W. C. Patterson for pastor. Clerk's name and address: Robert Simon, 3101 - 2nd Ave. No., Peli City, Ala.

Dea. Paul R. Davis, Moderator Rev. Robert Simon, Clerk

Request:

Call in question Bro. Robert Simon and if found worthy Ordain him to preach the Gospel.

By order of Friendship F.W.B. Church this 16th day of Sept., 1961.

LOOKOUT MT. Gadsden, Ala. — Delegates: Bro. Johnie Johnson, and Rev. James E. Self. State of religion, good. Members received this year 25: by baptism 8, by letter 5, by statement 12; total 25.

Present membership 25. Condition of S. S., good; average number of pupils 40. Enclosed for minutes \$5.00; total inclosed \$5.00. We have not called a pastor as yet. Rev. Hubert Bishop has been serving since we have been organized into a church.

Done by order of Lookout Mt. F.W.B. Church in regular conference this 6th day of September 1961.

> Rev. J. Hubert Bishop, Moderator Mable Cushing, Clerk Route 8, Gadsden, Ala.

No. of ordained Ministers with us 4. Request:

We the members of Lookout Mt. Church request membership in Liberty No. 2 Association.

MT. OLIVE, Dunnavant, Ala. — Delegates: Bro. and Sis. Harold Duckett, and Sister Dovie Edge. State of religion, good. Members received this year 5: by baptism 4, by restoration, 1; total 5. Loss: by exclusion 4, deaths 2; total 6; Present membership 51. Expended for: pastor \$80.00; Evangelist \$44.66; heat and lights \$49.00; Insurance and other items \$26.00; Orphanage \$22.00. Condition of S. S., fair; average number of pupils 30; officers 2, teachers 3; Cost of literature \$12.00, Flowers and other items \$37.27. Inclosed for ent. fee \$15.00, total inclosed \$15.00. Value of church property \$4500. We have called Rev. Eugene Howard of Sterrett, Ala., Rt. 1, for pastor. Clerk's name and address: Chester Isbell, Rt. 1, Leeds, Ala.

Done by order of Mt. Olive F.W.B. Church in regular conference,

this 2nd of September, 1961.

No. of ordained Ministers 4, Licensed 1.

Rev. A. A. Edge, Moderator Lottie K. Isbell, Clerk

DAVIS CHAPEL — Delegates: Sisters Betty Gallops and Louise Brasher. State of religion, good. Members received this year 10: By letter 2, by baptism 7, by statement 1; total 10. Loss: by letter 1, death 1; total 2. Present membership 28; prayer meeting, fair. Expended for: pastor \$231.75; Evangelist \$21.07; Building and repairs \$109.57; heat and lights \$63.00; Home Mission (local) \$55.35; Ins. and other items, \$29.79; Orphanage \$25.67; total \$536.20. Condition of S. S. good; average number of pupils 30; officers 3; teachers 3; cost of literature \$22.65; S. S. offering to Orphanage \$30.28; flowers and other items \$39.92. Enclosed for ent. fee \$15.00; minutes \$2.00; total \$17.00. Value of church property \$2,000. We have called Rev. Maxwell J. Gallops of Sterrett, Ala., for pastor. Clerk's name and address: Miss Ann Partridge, Rt. 1, Sterrett, Ala. Done by order of Davis Chapel F.W.B. Church in regular conference this 17th day of September, 1961.

Rev. Maxwell J. Gallops, Moderator Mrs. Willie L. Caudle, (protem) Clerk Mrs. Lenora Davis, Clerk Rt. 1, Sterrett, Ala.

IST F.W.B. CHURCH OF WATTSVILLE — Delegates: Bro. Jerrel Manning, Marvin Bishop, Herman Dollar, Walt Crump, Gordon Engle, and Bro. James Howard. State of religion ,good. Members received this year, by baptism 26; by letter 7; by statement 5; total 38. Loss: by letter 3; by exclusion 2; by death 1; total 6; Present membership 83; prayer meeting, good. Expended for pastor \$75.00 Evangelist \$250.00; heat and lights \$110.80; Home Mission (local) \$600.00; Ins. and other items \$814.41; total \$1850.21. Condition of S. S., good; average number of pupils 62; officers 3, teachers 6; cost of literature \$61.97; S. S. offering to Orphanage \$100.00; flowers and other items \$525.32. Inclosed for ent. fee \$15.00; minutes \$7.50; total \$22.50. Value of church property \$6,000. We have called Rev. Curtis Davis of Ragland, Ala., Rt. 1, for pastor.

Request: Call Bro. Milford Guy for questioning and if found worthy license him to preach the gospel for one (1) year. Call Bro. Levernon Davis for questioning and if found worthy ordain him to the full gospel ministery.

Done by order of 1st F.W.B. Church of Wattsville in regular conference this 21st day of September, 1961.

Rev. Curtis Davis, Moderator John Haisten, Clerk Wattsville, Ala.

No. of ordained ministers with us 2. Licensed 3.

QUARTERLY MEETING LETTER

The 86th session met with Ragland F.W.B. Church on Oct. 30th, 1960. Received Davis Chapel Church into the Quarterly Meeting. Or-

dianing Council — Rev. E. R. Mayo, H. A. O'Donnell, J. Hubert Bishop, S. W. McDonough and Deacon Calvin Barber.

> Rev. Curtis Davis, Moderator Loyalton Ledlow, Clerk

The 87th session met with Guiding Light Church. 9 churches reported. Appointed Rev. J. T. Windsor on the credential committee. Ordaining Council - Rev's. E. R. Mayo, H. A. O'Donnell, J. Hubert Bishop, S. W. McDonough and Deacon Calvin Barber.

Bro. Daniel Warlick was ordained for deacon. M. C. to transfer \$100.00 from Q. M. Treas. to H. M. Treas. M. C. to organize a church on Lookout Mt. at Gadsden, Ala.

> Rev. Maxwell J. Gallops, Moderator Loyalton Ledlow, Clerk

The 88th session met with Ider F.W.B. Church. 8 churches reported. Appointed Rev. Curtis Davis and Rev. S. W. McDonough to credential committee. Ordaining Council - Rev. Marvin Smith, M. L. Harris, F. C. Barber and Deacons D. J. O'Donnell, F. Smith.

M. C. to exchange Deacon papers with Deacon Max Mayo. Items accepted and passed on. 1-2-3-4.

> Rev. S. W. McDonough, Moderator Loyalton Ledlow, Clerk

The 89th session met with Mt. Olive F.W.B. Church. Nine churches reported. Appointed Rev. Curtis Davis and Rev. Chester O'Donnell to the credential committee. Received Lookout Mt. Church into the Q.M. Elected Bro. Loyalton Ledlow Clerk-Treas. for the coming year. Bro. Levernon Davis the Assistant. 9 churches reported this session.

Ordaining Council - Rev's. E. R. Mayo, J. Hubert Bishop (chr.),

Curtis Davis, William T. Mulligan, A. A. Bradshaw.

Bro. Charles Patterson and Bro. John Haisten licensed for one year. Exchanged papers with Bro. Lloyd Sitz. Received \$30.58 for the truck at the Children's Home. Items 1-2-3 approved.

Rev. F. C. Barber, Moderator Loyalton Ledlow, Clerk

Q. M. C. T. REPORT

Rec. from former clerk \$ 8.32	8.32
L. of 85th session 45.00)
L. of 86th session 50.00	
L. of 87th session	
L. of 88th session 40.00	
L. of 89th session 45.00	The state of the state of
Total 233.32	233.32
Paid Out	
Home Mission 100.00)
Clerk - Treas. 25.00	
Children's Home 20.00	- Continue
Camp Ground 20.00)
Misc. 3.00)
Total 168.00	168.00
Balance	65.32

L. Ledlow, C&T.

MINISTERS CONFERENCE

The 27 session of the Ministers Conference opened with singing "Just One Way To The Gate" and "We'll Soon Be Done With Troubles And Trials".

The Clerk called the body to order and turned the services to the former Moderator, Rev. Mark Edge. Scripture reading 5th chapter of 1st Thes. 12 through 14 verses.

Rev. A. A. Bradshaw led in prayer. M. C. to go into the election of officers for this session.

Rev. Chester O'Donnell elected moderator. Rev. Curtis Davis Assistant. Rev. S. W. McDonough elected clerk. Rev. Robert Simon elected assistant.

Opportunity for membership was given and accepted by the following. Rev's. J. J. Coffey, James E. Self, Dewey Isbell, John Haisten, Milford Guy and Rev. A. G. Robershaw.

M. C. to receive these brethren into the conference. Right hand of fellowship given. M. C. to grant Rev. James E. Self a life time certificate of standing.

MINISTERS ROLL

Rev. Clarence O'Donnell, Box 74, Ashville, Ala.

Rev. J. T. Windsor, 604 N. 29th St., Pell City, Ala.

Rev. H. A. O'Donnell, Rt. 1, Ashville, Ala.

Rev. C. L. Carlisle, 409 N. 30th St., Pell City, Ala.

Rev. Chester O'Donnell, Rt. 1, Ashville, Ala.

Rev. W. C. Patterson, 3309 8th Ave., Pell City, Ala.

Rev. Alfred Ledlow, Rt. 1, Ashville, Ala.

Rev. A. A. Edge, Leeds, Ala.

Rev. S. W. McDonough, 107 Lynwood Ave., East Gadsden, Ala.

Rev. F. C. Barber, Rt. 1, Pell City, Ala.

Rev. M. L. Harris, 419 No. 24th St., Gadsden, Ala.

Rev. Mark Edge, Box 117, Ragland, Ala. Rev. Clyde Bishop, Rt. 1, Ashville, Ala.

Rev. G. Clyde Willis, I Way Crestview Garden, Pell City, Ala.

Rev. J. S. Howell, Talladega, Ala.

Rev. W. T. Mulligan, Pell City, Ala.

Rev. E. L. Isbell (LTC), Rt. 1, Sterrett, Ala.

Rev ... A. Bradshaw, 603 Booker St., Talladega, Ala.

Rev. J. Hubert Bishop, Rt. 1, Ashville, Ala.

Rev. E. R. Mayo, Rt. 1, Glencoe, Ala.

Rev. James G. Barber, Talladega, Ala.

Rev. Robert Sanders, 221 Spring St., Talladega, Ala.

Rev. Clay Engle, Pell City, Ala.

Rev. Earl Isbell, Rt. 1, Leeds, Ala.

Rev. Cleo Elder, Box 85, Talladega, Ala.

Rev. Curtis L. Davis, Rt. 1, Ragland, Ala.

Rev. Robert Simon, 3101 2nd Ave. No., Pell City, Ala.

Rev. Levernon Davis, Rt. 1, Ragland, Ala.

Rev. Maxwell J. Gallops, Rt. 1, Sterrett, Ala.

NEW MEMBERS

Rev. Dewey Isbell, Rev. J. J. Coffey, Rev. James E. Self, Rev. John Haisten, Rev. Milford Guy and Rev. A. G. Robershaw.

Letters read from absent Ministers. M. C. to receive the letters and ask the Association to grant their certificates of standing.

Motion ammended to include only the ministers who answered by letter or in person on the present roll. (carried)

Motion to allow the Ministers who failed to report a grace period and hold them on an inactive list. Motion amended to set the grace period till the close of the conference tomorrow. (amendment carried.)

Rising vote of appreciation given to Sister H. T. Perkins, Widow of a former Minister in our conference.

Rev. A. J. Lambert and Rev. Eustice Riggs from the Children's Home in Eldridge, Ala., were given the floor for a few minutes. Rev. Riggs read Heb. 13:1-3. A few good thoughts from those scriptures. Rev. Lambert gave an inspiring talk on the Children's Home.

READING OF THE MINUTES

Motion carried to adopt the minutes as read with the proper amendments. M. C. to elect a man and an alternate, also their topic to speak from one year from tonight. Rev. A. G. Robershaw elected. Rev. Mark Edge elected as alternate. Topic selected (New Heaven and New Earth).

Offering taken for the Children's Home in Eldridge, Ala., \$20.01.

Rev. H. A. O'Donnell took the stand for the appointed message, "The Doctrine and Practices of the Free Will Baptist." Scripture reading, Galatians chapter one, verses 8 and 9. "The Doctrine of Christ". A deeply moving message to the church.

MEETINGS OF THE Q. M. IN 1962

Friendship (92) April 28, 1962; Trinity (93) July 28, 1962; Pleasant Grove (94) Sept. 29, 1962; and 1st Ragland (95) Dec. 29, 1962.

Two churches, Davis Chapel and Lookout Mt., have not had the Q. M. as yet.

ASSOCIATIONAL RULINGS

- 1. Each minister, ordained or licensed, must report in person or by letter to each session of this association to receive proper credentials for the coming year. Unless he is too old, or too feeble to attend then he, as a Free Will Baptist Minister, receives a life time certificate of standing.
- 2. Each minister, ordained or licensed, of churches belonging to this Association is expected to affiliate with Minister's Conference and cannot be recognized as a minister nor pastor churches of this Association except they comply with this ruling.
- Each ordained minister must bear yearly certificates of standing to be eligible to pastor churches of this Association. License of all licensed ministers must be renewed.
- 4. Ministers coming to us from another denomination must hold membership in some church of this Association for (1) year before being eligible to pastor churches of this association.
- 5. Licensed ministers must bear license for (1) year before being eligible for ordination unless called to pastor a church, then he can be ordained before a year is finished.
- 6. Churches must use letter form sent them each year by the clerk to be recognized by this association.
- 7. That this body elect officers in the beginning of each session and not in the closing for (1) year ahead as heretofore practiced. Clerk be elected for (2) years beginning in 1961.
 - 8. That this body adopt a unified program.

- 9. This body rules that any minister of this association has right to use the tent when not being used by regular elected evangelist by inviting the regular evangelist to assist him in the revival.
- 10. That each church pay an entrance fee of \$15.00. Same to be used for expense of the association. Passed 1961.
- 11. That the Ministers Conference convene on Friday night instead of Friday evening as heretofore practiced.
- 12. That the clerk be paid \$25.00 each term for his services and the moderator be paid \$10.00.
- 13. That the Moderator appoint all standing committees and any other committee.
- 14. That there be no church organized without seven (7) charter members, 1947.
- 15. This body try to buy the property or land when and where a new church is organized. That the deeds be made in a way that if it should not be pleased to remain a Free Will Baptist Church that the property would divert back to the Quarterly Meeting or Association that purchased the property or land. (Passed 1961.)
- 16. That each ordained man (ministers and deacons) and licensed ministers pay \$1.00 to register to vote in the Association. This does not apply to those sent as delegates from their church. (Passed 1961.)

LIBERTY NO. 2 SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The 16th Session of Liberty No. 2 Sunday School Convention met with the 1st Free Will Baptist Church of Ragland, Ragland, Ala., on April 22, 23, 1961.

The session opened with Rev. E. R. Mayo leading the singing, and Bro. Elmer Cowan at the piano. No. 26, "The Glory Land Way"; No. 27, "Where the Soul Never Dies".

House called to order by Clerk, Rev. Chester O'Donnell. In the absence of the President and Vice-President the clerk ask Rev. S. W. McDonough to act as President till one was elected. Rev. McDonough read from the Scriptures, Psalms 95:1-8. Prayer by Bro. Paul Davis.

Letters read and Delegates seated from: Pleasant Grove, S. S.; 1st F.W.B. Sunday School of Talladega; Friendship S. S.; and Trinity S. S.; 1st F. W. B. Sunday School of Ragland, and delegates accepted latter. Motion made and carried to seat Bro. Hines from Ragland Sunday School on forth coming of their letter.

President declared the floor open for the election of a President for this session. Motion made and carried to retain the acting President, S. W. McDonough.

President read the By-Laws.

Appointment of committees: Business, Bro. Paul Davis, Chrm., Bro. Elmer Cowan, Bro. Jonah White.

Auditing: Bro. W. W. Hines, Chrm., Bro. Charles Fowler, Bro. Robert Simon.

Special singing at this time by the Friendship Trio. Misses Jere Davis, Annette and Delane Barber. "He Will Pilot Me" and "Foot Prints of Jesus". Class sung No. 46, "Come On Lets All Go Home"; No. 60, "The Old Gospel Ship"; No. 90, "I'll Live in Glory". Singing led by Bro. Loyalton Ledlow No. 45, "I Love My Savior Too" Jere Davis at the piano. No. 18, "Home of The Soul".

Report of Executive Committee - read and adopted.

See Teachers and Preachers for Sunday.

1st F.W.B. Church School of Wattsville reported at this time. Letter read and delegates seated.

Appointing of Standing Committees: Executive Committee: Bro. Edward Jenkins, 3 years; Barto Endfinger, 2 years; and Loyalton Ledlow, 1 year.

Camp Ground Committee: Rev. Levernon Davis 5 years. The Committee: Levernon Davis 5 years; Paul Davis 4 years; S. W. McDonough, 3 years; Clarence Magouyrk, 2 years; and E. R. Mayo, 1 year.

Report of road committee Oral. Motion carried to accept.

Report of Auditing Committee. We find the books in order and monies correct, of the youth camp, and convention treasure. Motion carried to adopt.

Report of Youth Camp and Sunday School Convention Treasurer. Read and adopted.

Report of Camp Ground Committee "Oral".

Report of Business Committee; Motion carried to accept the report and take item by item.

Item 1. That the next session of Sunday School Convention go to Talladega Church. Carried.

Item 2. Take an offering Sunday morning for the Children's Home and in the afternoon for the Camp ground. Carried.

Pro-Sect. Absent, no report.

5 Minuate recess.

Called back into session by presdent. Roll call of churches on action of the youth camp building and plan of order, rules and regulation.
4 Sunday Schools for, 2 undecided.

Road Committee: Bro. Paul Davis, Chrm., Mark Edge, Loyalton Ledlow, Robert Simon, Chester O'Donnell replaces Bro. Clay Engle.

Item 3. Of Business Committee. We recommend that the road committee be authorized to buy pipe so a road can be built and see about power to the ground.

Motion made to go into the setting up of the plans of the youth camp.

Motion made and carried to table this item until Sunday afternoon. Motion carried to go into election of officers for the coming year.

The president declared the way open for the nomination and election of officers. For president, Rev. E. R. Mayo, Rev. Curtis Davis, and Bro. Elmon Cowan were nominated. Motion carried to close on these three and elect. Rev. E. R. Mayo, Route 1, Glencoe, Ala., elected.

For vice-president, Bro. Calvin Barber, Rev. Curtis Davis, Bro. Loyalton Ledlow were nominated. Motion carried to close on these three and elect. Rev. Curtis Davis elected.

For Sect.-Treasurer, Sis. Helen Mayo, Rev. Chester O'Donnell were nominated. Motion carried to close on these two and elect. Sis. Helen Mayo, Route 1, Glencoe, Ala., elected.

For Assistant Sect.-Treasurer, Rev. Chester O'Donnell, Bro. Charles Patterson, were nominated. Motion carried to close on these two and elect. Rev. Chester O'Donnell elected.

For Pro.-Sect., Rev. Robert Simon, and Bro. Loyalton Ledlow were nominated. Motion carried to close on these two and elect. Bro. Loyalton Ledlow elected.

Delegates to State Sunday School and League Convention: Bro. Levernon Davis, Bro. Edward Jenkins, Bro. Charles Patterson, Bro.

Calvin Barber, Bro. W. W. Hines, Rev. Chester O'Donnell.

Motion carried to close on these 6 and they be our delegates.

Dismissed by Rev. Robert Simon.

Sunday April 23, 1961, opened with Bro. McDonough leading the singing No. 108 "When all of God's Singers get Home" Bro. Elmon Cowan at the piano. No. 259.

Welcome address by Bro. James Davis.

Response by President.

Prayer by Rev. Herman O'Donnell, Scripture Job 21:19-34, by President and the Sunday School.

Report of Sect. on the Sunday School attendance and offering:

Class	Teacher	Offering	Present
Bible	Rev. Alfred Ledlow	\$11.95	53
Intermediate	Bro. A. W. Wolf	1.56	31
Junior	Bro. James Davis	.74	23
Card	Sis. Helen Mayo Assistant Sis. Alma Mayo	1.82	13
TOTAL		\$16.07	119

Rev. Hubert Bishop, Trustee to the Children's Home, gave a report on the Home, and an offering for the home was received. Prayer of thanks by Rev. E. R. Mayo. No. 130 "Coming", while receiving the offering \$34.00.

11 O'clock message by Rev. Robert Simon, Scripture, St. John 11:17-27, 38, 39. "Christ Raising the Dead". 1. The babe—in the home: 2. The teenager—on the street; 3. The Adult—At the Grave; 4. Our responsibility as an individual.

Solo by Elmer Cowan, "Don't Worry, I've Just gone Home".

Talladega Trio: "I've Got That Old Time Religion in My Heart", and "Jesus I Love Thee More Than Silver."

Friendship Trio: "Its Different Now", and "I See Jesus".

The Victory Gospel Singers "When I Met the Master."

Levernon Davis and Betty Bishop "Jesus use Me".

Sister Endfinger "There An'T no grave going to hold my body down".

Dismissed for lunch to meet back at 1 p.m. by Bro. Calvin Barber.

SUNDAY P. M.

Assembled back at 1 p.m. with Rev. S. W. McDonough leading the singing and Miss Jerre Davis at piano. No. 102 "His way with thee" Rev. E. R. Mayo, 148 "He'll wipe All Tears Away".

Appointing Judges for the programs; Bro. Paul Davis, James Davis, Rev. Robert Simon.

WATTSVILLE PROGRAM — Helen Mayo in charge. Song "Bring them in." Reading by Levernon Davis, Group of Girls. FAITH. Faith in action, Recreation. Duet, "I Love to go to Sunday School". Read Your Bible, Pull Together by the group. Friendship Trio "He'll Pilot Me".

TALLADEGA PROGRAM — Bro. Elmer Cowan in charge "A Radio Program" Singing, A Radio Quiz Program. Trio "Wasted Years". Bible Questions and Answers.

PLEASANT GROVE PROGRAM—Mrs. Josie Bell Bishop in charge. The good Shepherd. Reading of Bible Verses, and Song.

Class song led by Rev. E. R. Mayo, No. 82 "I'm not Ashamed",

Bro. Elmon Cowan at the piano. No. 241 "I shall not be Moved". 183 "I'm Going Through".

TRINITY PROGRAM — Sis. Alma Mayo in charge; Song "He's got the whole world in His Hand." Bible Verses, Song "The Lord Will Make A Way". More Bible Verses. Song "This Little Heart of Mine". Bible Verses. Song "Let us all pull together". Bible Verses. Song "Have Thine Own Way".

Talladega Trio gave us a No., 'What a day that will be", while we received an offering for the Youth Camp. Offering of \$25.00 received.

Report of the Judges; Wattsville Sunday School program won 1st place.

Motion made second and carried to bring from the table the item that was tabled, (Motion made to go into the setting up of the plans of the Youth Camp) for discussion and a vote. Carried.

Motion carried that the Sect. buy two (2) Banners. "Attendance and a Program".

Motion carried that the Sect. buy a Plaque with the date and what it is for to be given to the program winner.

Motion made and carried that we have a meeting at the Youth Camp beginning the 1st Sunday in August, 1961.

Minutes read, motion carried to accept as read with proper amendment.

A rising vote of thanks was given to the 1st Free Will Baptist Church of Ragland, Ala., for their fine hospitaity shown us.

Motion to stand adjourn to meet with Talladega Church on Saturday afternoon at 2 p.m. before the 4th Sunday in April, 1962.

Dismissed by Bro. Mac Mayo.

Sunday School Convention Treasurer - Chester O'Donnell.

Brought Forward\$	62.14
Received	
6 Sunday S. Fees	30.00
1 League	2.00
Offering at Convention	22.09
Total \$	
Spent	
Sect. paper and stamps \$	5.87
State Conv. fee and Delegate	20.00
Total	25.87
Balance April 1961\$	90.36
Youth Camp	
On Hand \$	366.42
Offering at Convention	49.25
Pleasant Grove S. & Ch.	16.66
Friendship Church	90.12
Granny Callahan	2.45
Total \$	524.90

FREE WILL BAPTIST ARTICLES OF FAITH

- THE BIBLE. The Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by the Inspiration of God, and are infallible rule of faith and practice. I Tim. 3:16.
- 2. GOD. There is one living and true God, revealed in nature as the Creator, Preserver, and Righteous Governor, of the universe; and in the Scriptures as Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, yet as one God, infinitely wise and good, whom all intelligent creatures are supremely to love, adore and obey, I Cor. 8:6; Matt. 28:19.
- 3. CHRIST. Christ is God manifest in the flesh; in His divine nature truly God, in His human nature truly man. The mediator between God and man, once crucified, He is now risen and glorified, and is our ever present Savior and Lord, St. John 1:1-12.
- 4. THE HOLY SPIRIT. The Scriptures assign to the Holy Spirit all the attributes of God. He is the Reprover, Comforter, Guide and Sanctifier of men. St. John 16:7, 8; Acts 2:4; Eph. 4:4-6.
- 5. THE GOVERNMENT OF GOD. God exercises a wise and benevolent providence over all beings and all things by maintaining the constitution and laws of nature, He also performs special acts of grace, not otherwise provided for, as the highest welfare of men requires. Psalm 22:28; 97:2.
- 6. THE SINFULNESS OF MAN. Man was created innocent, but by disobediance fell into a state of sin and condemnation, His posterity, therefore, inherit a fallen nature of such tendencies that all who come to years of accountability sin, and become guilty before God. Gen. 2:17; 3:19.
- 7. THE WORK OF CHRIST. The Son of God by His incarnation, life, suffering death and resurrection effected for all a redemption from sin that is full and free and is the ground of salvation by faith. I John 2:2.
- 8. THE TERMS OF SALVATION. The conditions of salvation are: (1) Repentance or sincere sorrow for sin and hearty renunciation of it. (2) Faith or the unreserved committal of one's self to Christ as Savior and Lord with purpose to love and obey Him in all things. In the exercise of saving faith and soul is renewed by the Holy Spirit, freed from the dominion of sin and becomes a child of God. (3) Continuation in faith and obedience until death. II Cor. 7:10; Prov. 28:13.
- 9. ELECTION. God determined from the beginning to save all who should comply with the conditions of salvation. Hence by faith in Christ men become His elect. I Tim. 2:4.
- 10. FREEDOM OF THE WILL. The human will is free and self-controlled, having power to yield to the influence of the truth and the Spirit and live, or to resist them and perish. Joshua 24:17.
- 11. SALVATION FREE. God desires the salvation of all, The Gospel invites all, the Holy Spirit strives with all, and whosoever will may come and take of the water of life freely. Rev. 22:17.
- 12. PERSERVERANCE. All believers in Christ, who through grace perservere in holiness to the end of life, have promise of eternal salvation. St. John 15:6; II Peter 2:20-22.
- 13. GOSPEL ORDINANCES. Baptism, or the immersion of believers in water, and the Lord's Supper, are ordinances to be perpetuated under

the Gospel; Feet washing, an ordinance teaching humanity, of universal obligation, and to be ministered to all true believers. Mark 16:15; II Cor. 4:5; John 13:14.

14. THE CHRISTIAN SABBATH. The divine law requires that one day in seven be set apart from secular employments and amusements, for rest, worship holy works and activities, and for personal communion with God. Gen. 2:3; Exodus 20:8-11.

15. RESURRECTION, JUDGEMENT AND FINAL RETRIBUTION. The Scriptures teach the resurrection of all men at the last day. They that have done good will come forth to the resurrection of life, and they that have done evil unto the resurrection of damnation; then the wicked will "go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life." John 5:29; Matt. 25:46.

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God by faith in 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 "prove things honest in the sight of all men."

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 principles 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.

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the 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 knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."

We will not forget the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship, and the observeance 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.

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

ORDER OF BUSINESS

(For Church Conference)

- 1. Call to order
- 2. Call for peace and fellowship
- 3. Opportunity for membership
- 4. Invite visiting brothers and sisters to seat.
- 5. Reading of previous minutes
- 6. Unfinished business
- 7. Appointment of committees
- 8. Acknowledgements
- 9. Committee reports
- 10. New business
- 11. Adjournment