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#### FRIDAY MORNING

The Session opened with singing led by Rev. James Wycuff and Rev. C. L. Carlisle, "Wonderful Story of Love", "The Eastern Gate" and "When We All Get To Heaven".

Rev. A. A. Edge "the oldest minister" present took charge until new officers were elected. Rev. Edge read Ps. 133, then led us in an altar prayer.

The moderator appointed a new Credential Committee, the former committee being absent. Those appointed: Rev. Eugene Howard, Rev. Chester O'Donnell, and Rev. Maxwell J. Gallops.

While the Credential Committee was out there was singing led by Rev. Wycuff and Rev. Carlisle, 'Tell Me The Story of Jesus', "I'll Live In Glory" and others.

The Credential Committee reported and a motion and second carried to receive the report, read the letters and seat the delegates. Some letters came in late and were accepted by a motion and second when the Credential Committee made their report (see reports).

Then a motion carried to go into the election of officers.

Rev. A. G. Robershaw was elected the Moderator.

Rev. A. A. Edge was elected the Assistant Moderator.

The Clerk and Assistant Clerk were elected in 1961 for a 2 year term. Paul R. Davis, Clerk, address 19 No. 30th St., Pell City, Ala.

Rev. C. L. Carlisle, the Assistant Clerk, address, 409 No. 30th Street, Pell City, Alabama.

The Moderator for the new Session then appointed the following committees.

# DEVOTIONAL:

# Sis. Onzell Howard Dea. Harold Duckett Dea. D. J. O'Donnell

#### BUSINESS:

Rev.	A. A.	Bradshaw
Rev.	Percy	Stokes
Rev.	H. A.	O'Donnell
Rev.	James	Wycuff
Rev.	Robert	Simon

A partial report of the Devotional Committee was given at this time. See Committee reports for all of the reports.

#### EDUCATION:

Rev.	Maxw	rell	J.	Gallop
Dea.	Max :	E. 1	May	yo
Sis.	Dovie	Edi	ge	

#### RESOLUTION:

Rev.	Cleo 1	Elder
Rev.	James	Wycuff
Rev.	Percy	Stokes

#### FAMILY RELIGION:

Bro.	Thomas	Sample
Sis.	Onzell He	oward
Sis.	Jimmie I	Duckett

# CREDENTIAL (1962-63):

Rev.	Eugene Howard, 1 year
Dea.	Harold Duckett, 2 year
Dea.	D. J. O'Donnell, 3 year

#### EXECUTIVE:

Rev. A. A. Edge Rev. Percy Stokes Rev. Maxwell J. Gallops

# MINISTERIAL STANDING:

Dea. D. J. O'Donnell
Dea. Ben Howard
Dea. Johnie Johnson

#### ORGANIZING COUNCIL:

Rev. E. R. Mayo, 1 year Rev. G. Clyde Willis, 2 year Rev. W. C. Patterson, 3 year Rev. J. Hubert Bishop, 4 year Rev. Chester O'Donnell, 5 year

#### TEMPERANCE

Sis. Flora Davis Rev. H. A. O'Donnell Dea. D. J. O'Donnell

#### DECEASED:

Dea. Harold Duckett Sis. Flora Davis Bro. Thomas Sample

#### HOME MISSION BOARD:

Rev. Robert Simon, 1 year Rev. E. R. Mayo, 2 year Rev. A. A. Edge, 3 year

# LITERATURE:

Sis. Onzell Howard

Bro. Marvin Jackson

Dea. Harold Duckett

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL

Rev. Marion Jones Sis. Jimmie Duckett Sis. Dovie Edge

#### AUDITING

Dea. Ben Howard Sis. Jimmie Duckett Dea. Johnie Johnson

# ORDAINING COUNCIL:

Rev. C. L. Carlisle Rev. M. L. Harris Rev. Maxwell J. Gallops Rev. Eugene Howard Rev. Robert Simon

The Moderator appointed the 3 and 5 year men on the committees.

The Credential Committee report. (See reports). Then a short recess. After the recess singing was led by Rev. C. L. Carlisle, "Come On, Let's All Go Home", "The Old Gospel Ship" and others.

Rev. Eugene Howard brought the message at eleven o'clock. Scripture reading, 2 Peter 2:4-6. A message enjoyed by everyone. After the message we were dismissed by Rev. Percy Stokes for the lunch hour to be back at 1 o'clock.

# FRIDAY EVENING

Services began at 1:05 with Rev. C. L. Carlisle leading the singing. A combination of "O How I Love Jesus", "There Is A Fountain" and "Amazing Grace" into one song, then "Near The Cross".

The Moderator then took charge reading the scripture Ps. 121. Then Rev. Maxwell J. Gallops led in prayer at the altar.

Credential Committee report. (See reports).

Rev. Richmond Howard an old minister from the Cahaba River Association was given a welcome by the moderator. Then the trustee to the Children's Home from this association thanked the churches for their help. Then a short report concerning the Children's Home.

Partial report of the Business Committee. (See reports).

Rev. Richmond Howard was given the floor for a few minutes and preached a short messsage that was enjoyed by all.

Then some singing led by Rev. James Wycuff after which Sis. Herman Dollar sang two specials, "To Far Upon My Journey" and "That's Him".

Ordaining Council report (See reports).

Partial report of Business. (See reports).

Report of Sunday School Committee. (See reports).

Then a motion the business part of this session adjourn until nine o'clock Saturday morning.

#### SATURDAY MORNING

The body called to order at nine-ten o'clock by the clerk. Then the moderator took charge, reading the scripture Ps. 100. Then an altar prayer led by Rev. J. T. Windsor.

Education Committee report. (See reports).

The Moderator placed Rev. W. C. Patterson on the business committee, because of Rev. H. A. O'Donnell's absence from the committee.

Partial report of the Devotional Committee, and remaining committees (See reports).

Special prayer request by Rev. Marion Jones for the family of Sister May Cowan. Then there were other requests after which we had an altar prayer led by Rev. C. L. Carlisle.

An offering of \$31.50 was received for Sister Cowan. Her home was lost due to fire. The clerk gave the money to Rev. Jones to take to Sister Cowan.

Motion to adjourn for recess before the eleven o'clock message and the business part be resumed at one o'clock. Rev. J. T. Windsor dismissed us with prayer.

After recess Rev. W. C. Patterson led the singing, 'Wonderful Jesus' with Rev. C. L. Carlisle helping him lead "Heaven Is Nearer Since Mother Is There".

Rev. Cleo Elder brought the message at 11 o'clock using the scripture 2 Chron. 7 chapter, 14 verse, and Luke 16 chapter 19 through the 25th verse.

The Moderator took charge after the message and we were then dismissed for the lunch hour by Rev. Eugene Howard.

# SATURDAY EVENING

Services began with singing led by Rev. C. L. Carlisle, "Every-body will be Happy Over There". "Give Me Your Hand" and "The Eastern Gate" were led by Dea. Loyalton Ledlow. After which the moderator took charge, reading the scripture Ps. 15 then prayer by Rev. Robert Simon.

The Moderator asked the body to stand as a vote of appreciation to the Sisters of the church, other churches and the community. We enjoyed their wonderful hospitality and fellowship. My their lunches were delicious. Amen. We enjoyed very much being in their midst.

Business Committee report. (See reports).

After some good testimonies Rev. C. L. Carlisle, Sis. Betty Gallops and Sis. Hubert Bishop sang a trio. Then Rev. Carlisle led "Must Jesus Bear The Cross Alone?" After the singing of these songs a motion was made and carried to read the minutes. Then the motion carried to accept the minutes as read with any corrections needed.

Dismissed by Rev. A. A. Edge.

The following Deacons paid the \$1.00 registration fee. D. J. O'Donnell, Ben Howard, Johnie Johnson and Paul R. Davis.

Rev. Richmond Howard brought the communion message Saturday night. Scripture reading First Corinthians, eleventh chapter twenty-third through the thirtieth verse. Then a portion of the thirteenth chapter of St. John.

# MINISTERS CONFERENCE FRIDAY NIGHT

The 28th Session of The Ministers Conference opened with singing "I Love My Savior Too", "I'd Rather Have Jesus" and others.

The clerk called the body to order and turned the services to the former moderator, Rev. Chester O'Donnell. The scripture reading was the fifty-third chapter of Isaiah. Then prayer by Rev. W. C. Patterson.

# MINISTERS ROLL

# \*ANSWERED BY LETTER \*\*PAID REGISTERING FEE

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

\*\*Rev. J. T. Windsor, 604n, 29th Street, Pell City, Ala.

\*\*Rev. H. A. O'Donnell (L.T.C.), Rt. 1, Ashville, Ala.

\*\*Rev. C. L. Carlisle, 409N. 30th Street, Pell City, Ala

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

\*\*Rev. W. C. Patterson, 3309-8th Ave. N., Pell City, Ala.

\*\*Rev. A. A. Edge, Leeds, Ala.

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

\*Rev. Floyd C. Barber, Rt. 1, Pell City, Ala.

\*\*Rev. M. L. Harris (L.T.C.), 419 N. 29th Street, Gadsden, Ala

\*Rev. Mark Edge, Box 117, Ragland, Ala.

\*Rev. G. Clyde Willis, Crestview Gardens, Pell City, Ala.

\*Rev. J. S. Howell (L.T.C.), 150 Curry Court, Talladega, Ala.

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

Rev. E. L. (Lige) Isbell (L.T.C.), Rt. 1 Sterrett, Ala.

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

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

Rev. E. R. Mayo, Rt. 2, Ashville, Ala.

Rev. Clay Engle, 317 N. 2nd Ave., E. Gadsden, Ala.

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

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

\*\*Rev. Robert Simon, 3101 2nd Ave. N., Pell City, Ala.

\*\*Rev. Maxwell J. Gallops, Rt. 1, Pell City, Ala.

Rev. J. J. Coffee, Ala. City Sta., Gadsden, Ala.

Rev. James E. Self (L.T.C.), Gadsden, Ala.

\*\*Rev. A. G. Robershaw, Rt. 1, Attalla, Ala.

\*Rev. Clyde Bishop, Rt. 1, Ashville, Ala.

Rev. Leroy Smith, 506—29th St. N., Pell City, Ala.

\*\*Rev. James Wycuff, 2302 White Ave., Gadsden, Ala.

Rev. Marion Jones, 507 Pearl St., Talladega, Ala.

\*\*Rev. Eugene Howard, Rt. 1, Box 71, Sterrett, Ala.

\*\*Rev. Percy Stokes, Rt. 1, Leeds, Ala.

After the roll call a motion carried to elect officers for the coming year.

Rev. E. R. Mayo was elected the Moderator and Rev. A. G. Robershaw was elected the Assistant Moderator.

Rev. Robert Simon was elected the clerk and Rev. C. L. Carlisle elected the assistant clerk.

A motion and second carried to accept the letters of the absent ministers. A motion and second to extend the grace period of the ministers conference till the close of the association Saturday evening. (carried).

An opportunity was given for new members and the following accepted. Rev. Leroy Smith, Rev. James Wycuff, Rev. Marion Jones, Rev. Eugene Howard, Rev. Percy Stokes.

Motion carried to accept them into full fellowship of the Ministers Conference.

Motion carried to drop Rev. Robert Sanders, Rev. James G. Barber, Rev. C. L. Davis from the Ministers Roll as blackslidden.

Motion carried to ask the association to grant Rev. M. L. Harris a life time certificate of standing. Rev. Harris is not able to go as other ministers as he has very bad health.

Motion carried to ask the Association to grant Rev's. J. S. Howell, H. A. O'Donnell a life time certificate of standing as they are over 65 years of age.

Motion carried to get a speaker for the message on Friday night of next year's association.

Rev. W. C. Patterson was elected. Rev. Leroy Smith was elected as the alternate. The subject to speak on "The Blood".

Then the motion to adjourn until Friday night before the fourth Sunday in September 1963 with Mt. Olive (Dunnavant) Church, Rt. 1, Leeds, Ala.

There was a song "The Pearly White City" after which Rev. A. G. Robershaw brought the message using the scripture 2 Peter 3:8-13. Subject "A New Heaven and a new Earth".

After the song "I Will Arise and Go to Jesus" we were dismissed by Rev. H. A. O'Donnell to be back Saturday morning at 9 o'clock.

# COMMITTEE REPORTS

All Committee Reports were accepted by the proper move and second.

DEVOTIONAL—Rev. Eugene Howard bring the eleven o'clock message Friday morning.

Rev. Cleo Elder the eleven o'clock message Saturday morning.

Rev. James Wycuff the devotional Saturday night.

Rev. Richmond Howard the Communion message Saturday night.

BUSINESS—Rev. Marion Jones be called in question and if found worthy ordain him to preach the gospel as he has been called to pastor a church.

- 2. Grant life time certificate of standings to Rev. J. S. Howell and Rev. H. A. O'Donnell as they are over 65 years of age.
  - 3. That the next session of the association go to Mt. Olive Church.
- 4. We recommend that the association elect delegates to the State Association. Those elected were: Rev. J. T. Windsor, Bro. and Sis. Paul R. Davis, Bro. Herman Dollar, Rev. and Sis. Maxwell J. Gallops, Sis. Hubert Bishop and Bro. Johnie Johnson.
- 5. Rev. Clyde Bishop's letter to the ministers conference be considered and he be given a certificate of standing (Certificate was given).

AUDITING—We have checked the books of the Association and Home Mission Board and find them in order. Money taken for Home Mission \$96.10. Paid out \$83.23. Leaving a balance of \$12.87.

We find the money in the church letters correct.

FAMILY RELIGION—We recommend that all homes hold God supreme in all things and we urge Christian literature to be used and taught in the home. That each home have family prayer at least once a day. Every family should have a devotional each night.

LITERATURE—We urge our people to cling to the King James version, and faithfully discharge our duty in promoting the use of our Free Will Baptist literature.

RESOLUTION—We wish to thank the good people of Lookout Mt. Free Will Baptist Church and the community for their hospitality while among them. We pray the blessings of God may rest upon each of them.

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE—We have examined the letters from the following churches: Pleasant Grove, 1st Ragland, Mt. Olive, Guiding Light, 1st Talladega, 1st Wattsville and Trinity. Nine churches reported. We recommend these letters be accepted and the delegates seated.

SUNDAY SCHOOL—We find that all our churches in this Association has a Sunday School. This is something to be proud of. We should carry our children to Sunday school and encourage others to come. We should also be proud to recommend it to anyone. But most of all we should respect our Sunday School and keep it Holy.

EDUCATION—We recommend: 1. That each individual member have daily bible reading and study so that he may be acquainted with the truths of the scripture. 2. That parents teach their children at home the Holy Scriptures in order that they will be able to have a sustaining belief in God in these times of atheism and communism. 3. That our homes be supplied with Christian literature. Our children be urged to read inspirational books and magazines.

TEMPERANCE-Reprint 1961 report.

We recommend that we take a firm stand against alcohol beverages and be temperate in our daily living. Pro. 20:1 (Wine is a mocker, strong drink is rageing, 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.

MINISTERIAL STANDING—We request that this body grant each minister in good standing with the Ministers Conference and in fellow-ship with the church that he belongs to a certificate of standing.

ORGANIZING COUNCIL-No churches organized.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—We met at the Talladega church Oct. 28, 1961. The chairman Rev. Chester O'Donnell called the body to order. Paul Davis led in prayer. Letters of resignation from the Field Evangelist and chairman of the Home Mission Board were received for discussion by proper motion and second. They were received seperately. M. C. to accept the resignation of the Field Evangelist. M. C. to accept the resignation of the Home Mission board.

M. C. the Home Mission Board elect them a treasurer and let churches know his name and address.

M. C. to pay the expense of moving of the equipment for revival or the prospect of a church to be organized.

M. C. to authorize the Home Mission Board to pay Rev. J. Hubert Bishop three week pay they are due him.

ORDANING COUNCIL—(This session) we have examined Rev. Marion Jones and found him to be in harmony with the word of God and the treatise of the faith and practices of the Free Will Baptist. We heartily recommend him to receive the laying on of hands. The council proceeded and Rev. Eugene Howard led the council in prayer of consecration and laying on of hands. The entire body shook hands with Rev. Jones signifying they would help and pray for him.

#### REPORT OF PAST YEAR COUNCIL

Dec. 17, 1961. The Council composed of Rev's. Alfred Ledlow, chairman) Cleo Elder, Maxwell J. Gallops, James E. Self and Rev. A. A. Bradshaw, ordained Bro. Raymond Peppers and Bro. Buddy Callahan as deacons, for Guiding Light Church.

July 15, 1962 the Ordaining Council composed of Rev's. J. Hubert Bishop, (chairman), James E. Self, Dea. D. J. O'Donnell, Rev. Maxwell J. Gallops and Rev. E. R. Mayo met at Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist Church at Pell City, Ala and ordained Rev. John Haisten of the Wattsville Church, as a minister of the gospel. Rev. Haisten was called to pastor the Mt. Zion church.

DECEASED COMMITTEE—We find there has been one departed from this life since the last Association. From Guiding Light Church.

Clerk-Treas. report:	
Balance 1961-62	\$70.05
Church Letters, Fees and Minutes190.00	)
From Quarterly Meeting 50.00	)
Offering For Children's Home 24.10	264.10
Balance 264,10	334.15
Paid Out:	
Dea. Papers, Mod. and Clk. 137.61	
St. Association, supplies, E. R. Mayo 123.52	
Ch. Home, Del. to state, Trustees to C. H. 66.10	327.23
TOTAL 327,23	PERSONAL PROPERTY.
BALANCE	6.92

Home Mission Board:	Tent Fund:
Balance Bgt. Forward 1.87	No report from the treasurer.
Pleasant Grove 49.00	The 1960 balance \$444.97
Friendship 25.00	(The Clerk)
Q. Meeting22,30	
Total96.10	
Paid to J. H. Bishop83.23	
Balance 12.87	

#### Q. M. SESSIONS 1963

Pleasant Grove (95) January 4th Saturday. 1st Ragland (96) April 4th Saturday. Lookout Mt. (97)) July 4th Saturday Guiding Light (98) Oct. 4th Saturday Mt. Olive (99) Jan. (1964) 4th Saturday.

#### CHURCH LETTERS

LOOKOUT MT. — Delegates, Thomas Samples, Johnie Johnson, (alternate). State of religion good. members received this year, by baptism 2, by letter 7, total 9. Present membership 38. Prayer meetings, good. Paid pastor \$200.00. Evangelist \$25.00. Building and repairs \$1500. Heat and lights \$45.00. Education \$20.00. Orphanage \$52.50. Total \$1852.50. Condition of Sunday School, good. Average number of pupils 30. Teachers 3. Officers 2. Cost of literature \$45.00. Sunday School offering to orphanage \$30.00. Other items \$3.10. Inclosed for interance fee \$15.00. Orphanage \$20.00. Minutes \$5.00. Total \$40.00 Value church property \$2500 We have called Rev. A. G. Robershaw of Attalla, Ala. Rt. 1 for pastor. Number of ordained ministers 6. Done by order of Lookout Mt. F. W. B. Church this 6th day of Sept. 1962.

Rev. A. G. Robershaw, Moderator Mrs. Minnie Johnson, Clerk 401 So. 2nd St., Gadsden, Alabama

TRINITY— Delegates, Jonah White, passed by church to omit the statistics. Inclosed for entrance fee \$15.00. Minutes \$1.00. Total \$16.00. Value of church property \$8000. We have called Rev. Clay Engle of E. Gadsden, Ala. for pastor. Number of ordained ministers 2. Done by order of Trinity F. W. B. Church in regular conference this 12th of Sept. 1962.

Rev. Clay Engle, Moderator Rev. S. W. McDonough, Clerk 107 Lynwood Ave., E. Gadsden, Alabama

IST WATTSVILLE—Delegates, Arthur Rich, Marvin Bishop, Chas. Mitchell, Jack Tollison, Herman Dollar and J. B. Tims (alternate). State of Religion, good. Members received this year, by baptism 5, by letter 6. by statement 2. Total 15. Loss: by letter 5, by exclusion 2. Total 7. Present membership 90. Prayer meetings, good. Expended for pastor (none). Evangelist \$155.00. Building and repairs \$10.55. Heat and lights \$131.37. Ins. and other items \$1313.37. Total \$1610.38. Condition of Sunday School, good. Average number of pupils 70. Officers 2. Teachers 6. Cost of Literature \$13.98. Sunday School offering to Orphanage \$110.00. Other items \$132.78. Inclosed for ent. fee \$15.00. Minutes \$10.00. Total \$25.00. Value

of church property \$6000. We have called Rev. E. R. Mayo of Ashville, Ala., Rt. 2 for pastor. Number of ordained ministers 3. Number licensed 2. Done by order of 1st F. W. B. Church of Wattsville, Ala. in regular conference this 20th day of September 1962.

Rev. E. R. Mayo, Moderator Max E. Mayo, Clerk Route 1, Glencoe, Alabama

1st RAGLAND—Delegates, W. W. Hines, James Davis, Bessie Edge. State of Religion, good. Members received this year. By baptism 1, By Letter 1, Total 2. Present membership 32. Prayer meetings, good. Expended by pastor \$150.00. Evaneglist \$127.50. Building and repairs \$123.18. Heat and lights \$68.79. Home Mission \$20.00. Total \$509.07. Condition of Sunday School, good. Average number of pupils 25. Officers 2, Teachers 4. Cost of literature \$22.08. Inclosed for ent. fee \$15.00. Minutes \$3.00. Total inclosed \$18.00. We have called Rev. Alfred Ledlow of Ashville, Ala. Rt. 1, for pastor. Number of ordained ministers 1. Done by order of 1st F. W. B. Church of Ragand, Ala., in regular conference this 9th day of Sept. 1962.

Rev. Alfred Ledlow, Moderator J. B. Chamblis, Clerk P. O. Box 77, Ragland, Alabama

PLEASANT GROVE—Delegates, Chester O'Donnell, D. J. O'Donnell, Dovie Edge. State of Religion, fair. Members received this year, none. Loss: By letter 2. Present membership 43. Prayer meeting, fair. Expended for pastor \$300.75. Evangelist \$50.00. Heat and lights \$42.30. Education \$25.00. Home Mission \$11.00. Help for needy, \$50.00. Orphanage \$209.42. Total \$688.47. Condition of Sunday School, fair. Average number of pupils 22 Teachers 3. Officers 2. Cost of Literature \$30.00. Sunday School offering to orphanage \$4.00. Other items \$9.00. Inclosed for Ent. fee \$15.00. Minutes \$10.00. Total inclosed \$25.00. Value of Church property \$5000. We have called Rev. A. A. Edge of Leeds, Ala. for pastor. Number of ordained ministers 5. Done by order of Pleasant Grove F. W. B. Church in regular conference this 8th day of Sept. 1962.

Rev. A. A. Edge, Moderator Alfred O'Donnell, Clerk Box 453, Steele, Alabama

GUIDING LIGHT—Delegates, Buddy Callahan, Faye Callahan, James Jeffcoat, Hattie Owen, Granny Callahan, Plinia Jeffcoat, Mary Jo Barber. State of Religions, good. Members received this year: By Baptism 6. By Letter 6. By statement 2. Total 14. Loss: By letter 3. Death 1. Total 4. Present membership 146. Prayer meeting, fair. Expended for pastor: \$784.00. Evangelist \$110.00. Building and repairs \$14.48. Heat and lights \$12.94. Ins. and other items \$279.06. Orphanage \$118.43. Total \$1426.91. Condition of Sunday School, good. Average number of pupils 86. Officers 2. Teachers 4. Cost of literature \$53.74. Sunday School offering to orphanage \$118.43. Other items \$35.00. Inclosed for ent. fee \$15.00. Minutes \$5.00. Total inclosed \$20.00. Value of church property \$2500. We have called Rev. Floyd C. Barber of Pell City, Ala. for pastor. Number of ordained ministers 4. Licensed 3. Done by order of Guiding

Light F. W. B. Church in regular conference this 16th day of Sept. 1962.

Rev. Charles L. Carlisle, Moderator Lillian Callahan, Clerk Route 1, Pell City, Alabama

IST TALLADEGA—Delegates, Daniel Warlick, A. A. Bradshaw, L. D. Jones, Cleo Elder, Marion Jones and John Howell. State of religion, good. Members received this year: By baptism 4. By restoration 4. By statement 3. Total 11. Loss 0. Present membership 89. Prayer meetings, good. Expended for pastor \$744.90. Evangelist \$50.00. Building and repairs \$877.61. Heat and lights \$96.89. Ins. and other items \$239.60. Total \$2009.00. Condition of Sunday School, good. Average number of pupils 80. Officers Z. Teachers 5. Cost of literature \$111.81. Sunday School offering to orphanage \$93.45. Other items \$29.28. Inclosed for ent. fee \$15.00. Minutes \$5.00. Orphanage \$20.00. Total inclosed \$40.00. Value of church property \$20,000. We have called J. T. Windsor of Pell City, Ala. as pastor. Number of ordained ministers 5. Licensed 1.

Request: Rev. Marion Jones be called in question and if found worthy ordain him to the full ministery of the gospel.

Done by order of 1st F. W. B. Church in regular conference this 8th day of Sept. 1962.

Rev. J. T. Windsor, Moderator Mrs. Irene Warlick, Clerk Rt. 2, Talladega, Ala.

MT. OLIVE (DUNNAVANT) LEEDS, Rt. 1—delegates, Harold Duckett, Percy Stokes, Sis. Jimmie Duckett. State of religion, good. Members received this year: By baptism 1, By Letter 2. By Recommendation 1. Total 4. Loss: By letter 3. Total loss 3. Present membership 52. Expended for pastor \$333.19. Building and repairs \$249.91. Heat and lights \$33.63. Ins. and other items \$26.00. Orphanage \$113.84. Total \$756.57. Condition of Sunday School, fair. Average number of pupils 30. Officers 2. Teachers 3. Cost of Literature \$16.45. Flowers and other items \$12.09. inclosed for int. fee \$15.00. Minutes \$2.00. Total inclosed \$17.00. Value of church property \$5000. We have called Rev. H. E. White of 1028 10th Ave. South, Birmingham, Ala. for pastor. Number of ordained ministers 4. Licensed 1. Done by order of Mt. Olive F. W. B. Church in regular conferance this 16th day of September 1962.

Rev. Eugene Howard, Moderator Chester E. Isbell, Clerk Route 1, Leeds, Alabama

FRIENDSHIP—Delegates, Robert Burham, Calvin Barber, Flora Davis, Ben Howard, Onzell Howard, Willie Kendrick. State of religion, good. Members received this year 0. Loss: By letter 5. Total loss 5. Present membership 122. Prayer meetings, good. Expended for pastor: \$600.00 Evangelist \$110.00. Building and repairs \$822.14. Heat and lights \$62.22. Home Mission \$25.00. Ins. and other items \$31.84. Orphanage \$114.95. Total \$1291.21. Condition of Sunday School, good Average number of pupils 51. Officers 2. Teachers 4. Cost of literature \$94.20. Flowers and other items \$75.00. Inclosed for: ent. fee \$15.00. Orphanage \$20.00, minutes \$10.00. Total inclosed \$45.00. Value of church property \$10,000. We have called Rev. W. C. Patterson of Pell City, Ala. for pastor.

Number of ordained ministers 4. Done by order of Friendship F. W. B. Church in regular conferance this 15th day of Sept. 1962.

Rev. W. C. Patterson, Moderator Rev. Robert Simon, Clerk 3101 2nd Ave. North, Pell City, Alabama

# QUARTERLY MEETING

Delegates, not in letter.

90th session met with 1st Talladega Church on Oct. 28, 1961. Ten churches reporting. Business: 1. Call Rev. Marion Jones of Talladega Church in question, if found worthy grant him license to preach the gospel for one year. License granted. m(2n

Ordaining Council—Rev's. Alfred Ledlow (chairman), F. C. Barber, Rev. S. W. McDonough, A. G. Robershaw, Robert Simon.

Rev. J. T. Windsor, Moderator Loyalton Ledlow, Clerk

91st Session: Dec. 30, 1961 met with 1st Church at Wattsville. Ten Churches reporting. Business: 1. Bro's. Guy E. Mitchell, William Henry Barber, Ray Fisher were questioned and all were granted license to preach the gospel for 1 year. 2. This quarterly meeting to convene two times yearly instead of quarterly. (carried). 5. A committee of (five) was appointed to visit Ider Church.

Ordaining Council—Rev's. C. L. Davis, (chairman), Rev. H. A. O'Donnell, Rev's. Robert Simon, Maxwell J. Gallops and Dea. Barto Endfinger.

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

92nd Session April 28, 1962. Met with Friendship Church. Nine Churches reporting. Business. 1. M. C. that the quarterly meeting still meet four times a year. Meeting dates will be on Saturday before the fourth Sunday (or fourth Saturday) in the following months, January, April, July and October. 3. All men professing a call into the ministry be kept under the watch care of his home church for (six) months before being recommended to the quarterly meeting or association for licensing. Be licensed for (one) year before being ordained unless he he is called to pastor a church before the year is up.

Rev. John Haisten, Moderator Loyalton Ledlow, Clerk

93rd Session: July 28th, 1962 met with Trinity Church (on Camp Ground Roadway near Pell City, Ala.) 8 churches reporting. The clerk, Loyalton Ledlow and assistant clerk, Rev. Floyd C. Barber were elected for the year. A Credential Committee for the year was appointed. Those appointed: Dea. Jonah White, Dea. Paul R. Davis, Dea. L. D. Jones, Dea. D. J. O'Donnell and Rev. A. A. Edge.

Ordaining Council: Rev's. E. R. Mayo, chairman, John H. Haisten, Cleo Elder, Floyd C. Barber, Eugene Howard.

Business: 1. Percy Stokes was called in question and granted license to preach the gospel for (one) year.

- 2. Any members of A F. W. B. Church being received into fellowship in any church of this quarterly meeting be received by a letter of recommendation.
- 3. An executive committee be appointed to transact business while the Q. M. is not in session, committee to be composed of (three) members along with the moderator and clerk of the Q. M.

Those appointed are Rev. E. R. Mayo, Dea. Calvin Barber and Rev. A. A. Edge.

Rev. J. T. Windsor, Moderator Loyalton Ledlow, Clerk

# QUARTERLY MEETING CLERK-TREAS. REPORT

Rec. from 1961 Treas 65.32	
Int. fees for past year185.00	
Total250.32	250.32
OUT:	
Children's Home55,00	
Association50.00	
Camp Ground45,00	
Q. M. Clerk20.00	195.00
Total195.00	BALANCE 55.32

#### LIBERTY NO. 2 SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The 17th session of Liberty No. 2 Sunday School Convention met with the First Free Will Baptist Church of Talladega, Talladega, Alabama, on April 21, 22, 1962.

The session opened with Bro. Loyalton Ledlow directing the singing and Miss Jere Davis at the piano. Hymn No. 146 "I'd Rather Have Jesus". Hymn No. 124 "He Bore It All".

House was called to order by Asst. Clerk, Rev. Chester O'Donald. The president, Rev. E. R. Mayo, took sharge and read the Scripture lesson found in 2 Timothy 3:1-17 and Deuteronomy 4:9. Brother Calvin Barber led in prayer.

Letters were read from the following Sunday Schools: Friendship Free Will Baptist Sunday School, Pleasant Grove Free Will Baptist Sunday School, Talladega First Free Will Baptist Sunday School, Talladega First Free Will Baptist Sunday School, Ragland Free Will Baptist Sunday School, and Wattsville Free Will Baptist Sunday School. Motion carried to accept the letters as read and seat the delegates. Delegates seated with all Sunday Schools reporting.

President called for report of committees. ROAD COMMITTEE—Rev. Chester O'Donnell reporting. The committee met with the county commissioners twice during the past year regarding the building of a road to the camp property. Although the first visit yielded no satisfaction, the second visit secured their promise to push a right-of-way and then see of the cost would be too great. If costs would not be too high, they half-way promised to bed or pull the road. We bought a road right-of-way across a 40-acre tract of ground from Highway 231 to our property. Motion carried to accept report given.

CAMP GROUND COMMITTEE—Rev. E. R. Mayo reporting. The tabernacle was not built the past year because we could not get the mater-

ial to the site. Part of the lumber was purchased but later sold lest it should rot. The way looks brighter to build this year. Motion carried to accept report given.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—See Teachers and Preachers for Sunday Services. Report read and adopted.

PROMOTIONAL SECRETARY—Bro. Loyalton Ledlow gave oral report. Motion carried to accept.

Class sang hymn no. 14 "There Is Power in the Blood" directed by Bro. Loyalton Ledlow with Miss Jere Davis at the piano. Rev. J. J. Staab, Birmingham, Alabama, sang a solo, "When I Make My Last Move". Rev. Staab, who is the Chairman of the Home Mission Board for the State of Alabama was invited to speak to the body concerning the youth of our denomination. Using the Scripture, Proverbs 22:6, Rev. Staab gave a most inspiring message for the adult Free Will Baptists to train and prepare our youth of today to take their proper and rightful place as leaders of tomorrow.

The following committees were appointed: AUDITING COMMITTEE —Chairman Bro. James Davis, Rev. John Haisten, Bro. Jonah White, Sis. Annette Barber.

BUSINESS COMMITTEE—Chairman Bro. Loyalton Ledlow, Bro. D. J. O'Donnell, Rev. J. T. Windsor, Rev. Robert Simon, Bro. Gerald Manning.

While committees were deliberating, the Friendship Trip-Misses Jere Davis, Annette and DeLane Barber-sang "Because of Him". Class singing Hymn No. 13 "Gethsemane", No. 98 "It Won't Be Very Long" directed by Bro. Loyalton Ledlow. Hymn No. 162 "When Our Lord Shall Come Again" directed by Sis. Bertha Heath. Testimonies were received until committees returned.

Report of Auditing Committee—We have examined the books of the Sunday School Treasury and Youth Camp Treasury and find them in order. Motion carried to adopt.

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

Partial report of the Business Committee—Item I. We recommend that in the event Easter comes on the fourth (4th) Sunday in April, the Sunday School Convention meeting date be moved forward or backward one Sunday. Moved and Seconded to accept. Due to the fact that the Constitution of the Sunday School Convention, Article 2, must be changed to take care of this item of business, the motion to accept and the second were withdrawn to avoid conflict and take itme of business off floor.

Motion carried to go into election of officers. President declared the way open for the nomination of officers. For President, Bro. John Haisten. Motion to close nominations carried and Rev. Haisten declared president for coming year.

For Vice-President—Rev. E. R. Mayo and Bro. Calvin Barber nominated. Motion carried to close nominations and elect. Bro. Calvin Barber elected.

For Secretary-Treasurer-Motion to retain Mrs. Helen Mayo, Route 1, Glencoe, Alabama, for the coming year. Carried.

For Assistant Sect.-Treas.—Motion to retain Rev. Chester O'Donnell for coming year. Carried.

For Promotional Secretary-Bro. Loyalton Ledlow and Bro. Bobby

Smith nominated. Motion carried to close nominations and elect. Bro. Bobby Smith elected.

Delegates to the State Sunday School and League Convention to convene with the Dothan Free Will Baptist Church on Friday and Saturday before the second Sunday in June— Bro. James Davis, Rev. John Haisten, Rev. Clay Engle, Bro. Loyalton Ledlow, Rev. Robert Simon, Rev. Chester O'Donnell, Bro. Bobby Smith. Motion carried to close on these seven men using the first six (6) as delegates and Bro. Smith as alternate.

Motion made to appoint the new members needed on the standing committees. Carried.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Rev. J. T. Windsor, 3 years; Rev. Clay Engle, 2 years; Bro. Barto Endfinger, 1 year (Chairman).

CAMP GROUND COMMITTEE—Rev. Cleo Elder, 5 years; Rev. Levernon Davis, 4 years; Bro. Paul Davis, 3 years; Rev. S. W. McDonough, 2 years; Bro. D. J. O'Donnell, 1 year (Chairman).

ROAD COMMITTEE (no change)—Bro. Paul Davis (Chairman); Rev. Mark Edge; Bro. Loyalton Ledlow; Rev. Robert Simon; Rev. Chester O'Donnell.

5 minute recess.

Body called back into session by president. Business Committee reported these further items of business:

Item 2. Upon request of the Pleasant Grove Free Will Baptist Sunday School, Ashville, Ala., we recommend that the Sunday School Convention hold its next session there. Moved and seconded to accept. Carried.

Item 3. We recommend that the President appoint five (5) trustees for the Youth Camp grounds and to appoint only one (1) man from a church. Motion carried to adopt. President stated that he would like time to consider these appointments and will appoint no later than the Sunday Session. Permission granted.

Item 4. We recommend that a valuation of \$1,550 be placed on the Youth Camp property for the records of the Secretary-Treasurer. Carried to adopt.

Item 5. That this convention recommend to the Churches of Liberty No. 2 Association to set aside one Sunday afternoon each month for a Young People's meeting. This meeting should alternate to different churches. Motion carried to adopt. Upon the invitation of the Wattsville Church, the first meeting will be held on the 1st Sunday in May at 2 o'clock p.m. at the first Free Will Baptist Church at Wattsville, Ala.

Rev. J. T. Windsor, pastor of the Talladega Church, extended a warm welcome to each church and its delegates and invited all to stay over to the night services.

President asked the Business Committee to consider restating their item No. 3 so that each church could be represented and that each church be allowed to recommend the member it desired to represent them on the board of trustees for the camp grounds. Upon consideration, the business committee offered this item:

Item 6. We offer an amendment to Item 3 (see above). That the president appoint one (1) trustee from each church for the coming year. In their letters to the Convention, each church affiliated with this convention recommend a trustee and insert his name and address in the letter. Moved and seconded to accept. Carried. President appointed pastors of the 6 mem-

ber churches as trustees. Rev. W. C. Patterson, 3309 8th Ave., Pell City, Ala. (Pastor, Friendship Church); Rev. A. A. Edge, Leeds, Alabama (Pastor, Pleasant Grove Church); Rev. Clay Engle, 311 No. 2nd, E. Gadsden, Ala. (pastor, Trinity Church); Rev. J. T. Windsor, 604 No. 29th, Pell City, Ala. (pastor, Talladega Church); Rev. Alfred Ledlow, Route 1, Ashville, Ala. (pastor, Ragland Church); Rev. E. R. Mayo, Route 1, Ashville, Ala. (pastor, Wattsville Church).

Motion carried to dismiss the business session of this sitting until the Saturday before the 4th Sunday in April, 1963, when the body will convene with the Pleasant Grove Free Will Baptist Church, Ashville, Alabama.

Dismissed by Rev. J. T. Windsor.

# SATURDAY NIGHT

Services began at 7 o'clock. Offering was taken for the Children's Home, Eldridge, Ala., in the amount of \$14.51.

The Rev. Eugene Howard brought the message from 2 Timothy 2:12 "If We Suffer with Him, We Shall Also Reign With Him".

#### SUNDAY

Sunday morning services opened by class singing hymn no. 82 "I'm Not Ashamed", No. 88 "Everybody Will Be Happy Over There", No. 164 "Redeemed" directed by Bro. Loyalton Ledlow. Sister Olene Watkins at the piano.

Rev. J. T. Windsor gave the welcome address. Response by president.

Altar prayer led by Rev. Clay Engle. Scripture reading Matthew 28:1-10.

Teachers took charge of their classes and reported as follows:

Class	Teacher	Pupils	Teacher	Total	Offering
Men's Bible	ClassBro. D. J. O'Donnell	18	1	19	4.85
Ladies' Bible	ClassSis. Essie Dollar	25	1	26	6.14
Senior Class	Bro. Paul Davis	18	1	19	3.22
Intermediate	ClassBro. Calvin Barber	29	2	31	2.52
Junior Boys	Rev. Cleo Elder	12	1	13	.55
Junior Girls	Sis. Jewell Patterson	14	2	16	.74
Card Class	Sis. Izola Warlick	19	2	21	1.67
Total pupils	present				
Total teache	rs present 10				
Total officer	rs present 3				
TOTAL	PRESENT148	TOTA	L OFF	ERING	G \$19.69

Report of secretary given. Attendance banner was awarded to the Wattsville Church with attendance of 55 members.

Miss Sharon Watkins sang "Jesus Holds the Keys" accompanied by

Sis. Olene Watkins.

Class sang hymn no. 89 "Christ Arose" directed by Rev. E. R. Mayo; Sis. Watkins at the piano, while morning offering was received. Offering for the Youth Camp \$30.52.

Friendship Trio-Miss Jere Davis, Misses Annette and Delane Barber -sang "I'm His, He's Mine" and "The Old Country Church".

Wattsville Group—Bro. Loyalton Ledlow, Rev. E. R. Mayo, Sis. Essie Dollar, Sis. Helen Mayo—sang "Im Winging My Way Back Home" and "Heaven's Jubilee", accompanied by Miss Candace Ledlow.

Rev. John Haisten brought the 11 o'clock message speaking concerning the great multitude that followed Jesus on His triumphant entry into Jerusalem and later, mocked and cruelly killed Him. Scriptures Matthew 21:1-9; Hebrews 8:12-13.

Invitationa hymn non. 172, "Kneel At the Cross" directed by Rev. E. R. Mayo accompanied by Sis. Olene Watkins.

Dismissed by Rev. Alfred Ledlow for lunch to meet back at approximately 1 o'clock p. m.

The Sunday afternoon session assembled at 1:10 p. m. with the President calling for programs from the Talladega and Wattsville Sunday Schools.

Judges appointed: Bro. Calvin Barber, Rev. Chester O'Donnell, Bro. Paul Davis, Bro. Alfred O'Donnell, Rev. Alfred Ledlow.

The Talladega Sunday School presented "The Call of the Cross", directed by Sis. Eunice Limbaugh. Song "The Old Rugged Cross". The story of the cross and the emblems it represents given by Mrs. Limbaugh. Song "In The Shadow of the Cross". Solo "The Call of the Cross" by Miss Sharon Watkins accompanied by Sister Olene Watkins. Mrs. O. Watkins was inspired to write this song from the previous week's Sunday School Lesson. Closed with chorus "In the Shadow of the Cross".

Bro. Roger Woodard sang solo "The Family Bible" and "I Saw A Man". Many good testimonies rendered at this time.

The Wattsville Sunday School Program—Songs "Wide as the Ocean", "I'm A Litle Candle", "Shamgar Had an Ox Goad". Scripture Matthew 5:14, 15, 16 letting our light shine. Song "Jesus Bids Us Shine". Bible verses and re-enactment of the raising of Lazarus from St. John 11. Song "He Lives". Recitations by children. Song "I'll Have A New Life".

Many good testimonies rendered while judges were in conference. Friendship Trio sang "Jesus Is Coming Soon" and "Footprints of Jesus". Sister Essie Dollar sang "I'm Too Near Home to Turn Back Now" accompanied by Sis. Olene Watkins. Sis. Essie Dollar, Sis. Myrtie Crump, Bro. Loyalton Ledlow sang "I Want to Go To Heaven".

President called attention to the fact that several members evidently were not counted in the Sunday School report as a later count revealed 12 more than roll shows. The corrected total attendance should read 160 present and the corrected attendance of the Wattsville Sunday School is 60.

The Program Judges reported that due to the fact that the pro-

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grams from both Sunday Schools were so timely and well presented, their decision is that both Sunday Schools should share equally in the banner, each to keep it 6 months. The Pastor will be responsible to see that the banner is transferred to the other Church at the end of his term. Clerk is to purchase a plaque for each Sunday School.

Bro. Paul Davis, trustee of the Children's Home, gave a report on the Home. There are several things that need to be done to the building, but the furnace must be either repaired or replaced in order to have heat next fall. Bro. Davis urged each Sunday School to try to raise \$20 over and above their regular offerings to the home to be ear-marked for this purpose.

Minutes of the meeting were read. Motion carried to accept them with proper amendments.

A rising vote of thanks was given to the Talladega Church for their wonderful hospitality.

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Session dismissed by Bro. Max Mayo.

Convention Treasurer's Report:		
Balance brought forward	, 10	90.36
Receipts:	D 84	# <u>*</u>
Fees from Sunday Schools	30.00	
Offering at Convention	16.07	3.
Miscellaneous		25 100 100
Total Receipts		46.18
TOTAL		136,54
Disbursements:	2 4	23 823
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Fees to State Convention		
Delegate Expenses		- 8 · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Paper, Stamps, Envelopes		* *
		43.43
Total Disbursements Balance in Treasury		\$93.11
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Youth Camp Fund:	81	
Balance brought forward	**********	\$524.90
Receipts:	16.	
E. R. Mayo	50.00	·
D. J. O'Donnell	50.00	
Friendship Sunday School	89.60	
Wattsville Sunday School	25.00	<b>被为</b>
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Miscellaneous		
Total Receipts		1633.37
TOTAL		2158.27
Disbursements:		В
Lumber	528.53	
Right-of-way for Road		<b>1</b> 5
Total Disbursements		578.53
TOTAL BALANCE IN TREASURY		\$1,579.74

<sup>\*</sup> Sales price of lumber includes gift of lumber \$68.88 from H. D. O'Donnell which was sold with the lumber purchased.

# BY LAWS OF S. S. CONVENTION

- 1. Each session shall be opened by singing, scripture reading and prayer and shall be closed with prayer.
- 2. Each Sunday School shall send one delegate for the organization and one additional delegate for every twenty-five (25) members or major fraction thereof. These delegates, along with all ordained ministers and deacons with the superintendents in good standing with the association shall constitute the official board and shall transact all business properly coming before said body.
- 3. Visiting Brethren and corresponding Messengers shall be recognized by the presiding officer and invited to a seat in council. They shall not, however, have the power to vote on any question.
- 4. Members from five (5) different Sunday Schools and Leagues shall constitute a quorum to transact business, but a smaller may adjourn from time to time.
- 5. The president or vice-president shall preside at all meetings, and in their absence the body may choose one to preside.
- Anyone wishing to speak shall arise and address the presiding officer as "Brother President" or "Sister President" and be recognized before speaking.
- 7. No subject shall be discussed without a motion and a second and the question stated by the president.
- 8. No report shall be adopted except by a motion and a second and a vote taken.
- 9. The president shall appoint all committees unless otherwise directed by the body.
  - 10. Each Sunday School shall send \$5.00 entrance fee. League 2.00.
- 11. Delegates may be sent to represent at once both the Sunday School and the League but must be so authorized and must come equipped with the proper credentials.
- 12. These By-Laws may be temporarily suspended or permanently altered by a two-thirds vote of all members present at any regular business meeting of the convention.

# 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.
- 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 Quarterty 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.)

# 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.
   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 Reprove. Comforter, Guide and Sanctifier of men. St. John 16:7, 8; Acts 2:4; Eph.4:4-6.
- 5. THE GOVERNEMENT 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;

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- 6. THE SINFULNESS OF MAN. Men 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 of 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 selfcontrolled, 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. SALVATHON FREE. God desire the salvation of all. The Gospel invites all, the Holy Spirit strives with all, and whosoeover 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 humility, of universal obligation, and to be ministered to all true belivers. Mark 16:15; II Cor. 4:5; John 13:14.
- 14. THE CHRISTIAN SABBATH. The divine law requires that one days 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-II.
- 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 meckness, 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.

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of the Scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship; and of 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 comferences, 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.

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. Appontment of committees
- 8. Acknowledgements
- 9. Committee reports
- 10. New business
- 11. Adjournment