

Liberty No. 2 Association
Of The Original
Free Will Baptist Church

State of Alabama

35TH ANNUAL SESSION

Held with

WATTSVILLE

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

AUGUST 16-17, 1968

WATTSVILLE, ALABAMA

Moderator Rev. J. T. Windsor
Pell City, Ala. 35125

Assistant Moderator Rev. Mark Edge
Box 82, Ragland, Ala.

Clerk-Treasurer Rev. Chester O' Donnell
Rt. 1, Ashville, Ala. 35953

Assistant Clerk Rev. C. L. Carlisle
409 N. 30th St., Pell City, Ala. 35125

36th Session will be held with
Guiding Light Free Will Baptist Church
Rt. 1, Pell City, Ala.

Friday and Saturday before the third Sunday
in August 1969

The 35th session of Liberty No. 2 Association of Free Will Baptist met with the 1st Free Will Baptist Church of Wattsville, Ala., on August 16, 17, 1968.

FRIDAY MORNING, AUGUST 16, 1968

The session opened with Bro. Holland leading the singing. His daughter at the piano. Special singing by the Holland family.

House called to order by the clerk. (Rev. Chester O'Donnell) at 9 A.M. He introduced the Moderator, Rev. F. C. Barber. The moderator took charge reading Psalm 27:1-5. Prayer by Rev. Mark Edge.

Bro. J. R. Johnson was the only Credential member present. The moderator strengthened the committee with Deacon Max Mayo, and Deacon J. R. Wiggins. The church letters were turned over to them and while they were examining them we had some good testimonies.

The credential committee report read and adopted. Motion made, seconded, and carried to read delegates name and the church they are from and they be seated.

The North Gadsden Church and the Fellowship Church of Rt. #2 Ashville, Ala., presented themselves with letter and delegates, and were received into this body by proper move and second, and were given the right hand of fellowship by the moderator.

The Moderator recognized visiting ministers, Rev. E. B. Ledlow, and Rev. Billy Sharpston.

Moved, seconded and carried to go into election of officers. For moderator: Rev. Mark Edge, Rev. J. T. Windsor and Rev. F. C. Barber were nominated. Motion made seconded and carried to close on these three. Rev. J. T. Windsor was elected.

Assistant Moderator: Rev. Mark Edge was nominated. Moved, seconded and carried to close on him, and he was elected.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

DEVOTIONAL

Mrs. Retha Fisher, Chrm.
Mrs. Eunice Davis
Mrs. Bessie Edge

FAMILY RELIGION

Deacon J. R. Johnson, Chrm.
Mrs. Retha Fisher
Bro. Bobby Dollar

BUSINESS

Rev. Paul Davis, Chrm.
Rev. Clay Engle
Deacon Max Mayo
Rev. H. A. O'Donnell
Bro. Howard Endfinger
Deacon Frankie Simpkin, Sr.
Deacon D. J. O'Donnell

LITERATURE

Rev. Clay Engle, Chrm.
Mrs. Hattie Owens
Bro. Randel McRay

DECEASED

Mrs. Bertha Heath, Chrm.
Mrs. Hattie Owens
Mrs. Rachel Barber

CREDENTIAL 1969

Deacon J. R. Wiggins, Chrm.
Deacon Max Mayo
Rev. LeRoy Smith

AUDITING

Rev. C. L. Carlisle, Chrm.
Deacon D. J. O'Donnell
Bro. Herman Dollar

EDUCATION

Bro. Howard Endfinger, Chrm.
Bro. David Parrish
Bro. Herman Dollar

EXECUTIVE

Deacon J.R. Johnson, Chrm., 1969
Rev. E. R. Mayo, 1970
Rev. Paul Davis, 1971

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Rev. H. A. O'Donnell, Chrm.
Rev. LeRoy Smith
Rev. Onnie Dollar

ORGANIZING COUNCIL

Rev. J. S. Howell, Chrm., 1969, Talladega, Ala.
Deacon W. W. (Bill) Hines, 1970, Ragland, Ala.
Rev. J. T. Windsor, 1971, Pell City, Ala. 35125
Rev. H. A. O'Donnell, 1972, Ashville, Ala. 35953
Rev. LeRoy Smith, 1973, Pell City, Ala. 35125

The Devotional Committee report read and accepted.

Rev. Chester O'Donnell resigned from the Organizing Council.

His resignation was accepted.

Dismissed for a short recess at this time by Rev. E. B. Ledlow.

Assembled back at 11 A.M. Rev. John Haisten leading the singing, Sis. Dollar at the piano. Prayer by Rev. Paul Davis. Rev. Billy Sharpston gave us a report of the action of the State Association, and asked us if we felt the state needed a full time promotional worker. After which he preached the 11 o'clock message. Scripture Heb. 13:8, prayer by speaker, thought "A Changeless Christ in a Changing World." Dismissed by Bro. Ben Howard to meet back at 1:15 P.M.

ORDAINING COUNCIL

Rev. Clay Engle, Chrm.
Rev. John Haisten
Rev. F. C. Barber
Rev. Alfred Ledlow
Deacon D. J. O'Donnell

HOME MISSION

Rev. Mark Edge, Chrm., 1969
Rev. Alfred Ledlow, 1970
Rev. O. O. Parrish, 1971

MINISTERIAL STANDING

Bro. Bobby Dollar, Chrm.
Deacon Alfred O'Donnell
Deacon J. R. Johnson

RESOLUTION

Mrs. Isola Warlick, Chrm.
Bro. Tim Holland
Miss Roxie Muir

TEMPERANCE

Rev. LeRoy Smith, Chrm.
Rev. C. L. Carlisle
Rev. F. C. Barber

FRIDAY P. M.

Scripture reading St. John 17:7-23, Prayer by Rev. Earl Rogers.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

1. Sunday School report read and accepted.
2. Temperance report read and accepted.
3. Resolution report read and accepted
4. Deceased report read and accepted and we stood a moment in silent prayer.
5. Organizing Council report read and accepted.
Solo by Mrs. Betty Bishop. Solo by Rev. Alfred Ledlow.
6. Business; Partial report read and accepted to take up item by item.
Item 1, Accepted. Item 2, Accepted. Item 3, Accepted. Item 4, Accepted. Item 5, Tabled till Saturday.
7. Auditing report, read and accepted.
8. Ordaining Council report: read and accepted.
Dismissed by Sis. Eunice Davis,

SATURDAY MORNING, AUGUST 17, 1968

Service opened with some good singing. The moderator read St. John 15:1-14, after which we had prayer.

9. Education Report: Read and accepted.
10. Ministerial Standing report read and accepted.
11. Home Mission Treasure report: read and accepted.
Home Mission Board: No report.
12. Executive: no report.
13. Family Religion report; Read and accepted.
11 o'clock message by Rev. John Haisten "The Task of the Church" Ezek. 33:1-4, 7-9, Matt. 28:19, 20. After the message we had a song and shook hands one with another. Dismissed by Sis. Hattie Owens.

SATURDAY - 1:00 P.M.

Opened with Rev. C. L. Carlisle leading the singing. Sis. Dollar at the piano. Moderator read I Peter 5:1-10, Prayer by Rev. Paul Davis.

14. Literature report. Read and accepted.
15. Credential report. Read and accepted. (Friday morning)
16. Devotional report. Read and accepted. (Friday morning)
- (6). Final report of Business Committee. Moved, seconded and carried to take Item 5 from the table. Item 5 was again tabled by proper move. Seconded. Item 7 passed. Item 8 passed. Item 9 passed. Item 10 accepted. Item 11 passed. Item 7 was amended, and the amendment was passed. Item 8 The Committee: Rev. Paul Davis, Chrm., Rev. E. R. Mayo, Rev. C. L. Carlisle, Rev. Alfred Ledlow, Rev. F. C. Barber.

Delegates to State Association: Bro. Herman Dollar, Bobby Endfinger, Sis. Eunice Davis, Sis. Rachel Barber, Sis. Minnie Johnson, Sis. Rhonda O'Donnell, Sis. Hattie Owens, Sis. O. O. Parrish, Sis. Fred McCrory.

Treasurer's report read and accepted.

Guiding Light Church asked for and we agreed to meet with them in 1969 for the 36th session.

The Trustee to the Children's Home gave us a report of the home. Motion carried to accept his oral report.

The ladies of the church were given a rising vote of thanks for the good food.

Solo by Sis. Betty Bishop.

Motion to adjourn to meet with the Guiding Light Church, Rt. 1, Pell City, Ala., on Friday morning before the 3rd Sunday in August 1969, at 9 A.M. Dismissed by Bro. Fred McCrory.

Rev. J. T. Windsor, Moderator

Rev. Chester O'Donnell, Clerk

FRIDAY NIGHT, AUGUST 16, 1968

MINISTER'S CONFERENCE

The 34th session of the minister's conference met with the Wattsville Church on Friday night, August 16, 1968.

House called to order by the clerk (Chester O'Donnell) and the assistant moderator took charge. (Rev. Alfred Ledlow) Scripture reading, St. Luke 12: 40-43. Prayer by Rev. O. O. Parrish.

Roll call: 18 answered in person, 2 by letter, 6 did not report, 3 of the 6 not reporting have a life time certificate of standing. The letters were received.

Opportunity for membership: Rev. John Haisten, Rev. Nolan Holland, Rev. Earl Rogers, Rev. Edward McCrory, Rev. Allen Higginbotham were received into this body by proper move and second.

Election of officers: Motion carried to go into election of officers. Moderator; Rev. Ray Fisher, Rev. Ed McCrory were nominated. Motion carried to close on these two. Rev. Ray Fisher was elected. Assistant Moderator: Rev. Ed McCrory, Rev. James Wycuff, Rev. C. L. Carlisle were nominated. Motion carried to close on these 3, Rev. Ed McCrory elected.

Clerk: Rev. Paul Davis, Rev. Chester O'Donnell were nominated. Motion carried to close on these 2. Rev. Chester O'Donnell elected.

Assistant Clerk: Rev. Paul Davis nominated and elected.

Moved, seconded and carried to stay open till close of Association.

Moved, seconded and carried to ask the deacons to join the Ministers Conference, and it be known as the Ministers and Deacons meeting, and they be given a certificate of standing.

Moved, seconded and carried to select a speaker for 1969, (35th session) Rev. F. C. Barber and Rev. Paul Davis were nominated. Rev. F. C. Barber elected. His subject: "The Covenants."

Moved, seconded and carried to get an alternate speaker. Rev. Ed McCrory, Rev. Paul Davis were nominated. Rev. Paul Davis elected.

Deacons joining the conference: D. J. O'Donnell, Calvin Barber, Fred McCrory, J. B. Chamblis, J. R. Johnson, J. R. Wiggins, Alfred O'Donnell, Max Mayo, Frankie Simpkins, Sr.

Message by Rev. Chester O'Donnell. Scripture, Exo. 29:10-12, St. John 19:34.

Motion to stand adjourned till Friday night before the 3rd Sunday in August 1969. Dismissed by Bro. J. B. Chamblis.

Rev. Ray Fisher, Moderator

Rev. Chester O'Donnell, Clerk

MINISTERS ROLL

Answered in person -A-, Answered by letter -L-. Life time Certificate -C-. Paid fee -P-.

1. A-P Rev. Barber, F.C., Rt. 1, Pell City, Ala. 35125
2. A-P Rev. Bishop, Clyde, Rt. 1, Ashville, Ala. 35953, Ph. 594-4198
3. A-P Rev. Carlisle, C.L., 409 N. 30th St., Pell City, Ala. 35125
4. A-P Rev. Davis, Paul, 19th N. 30th St., Pell City, Ala. 35125
5. A- Rev. Dollar, Onnie, Rt. 1, Ragland, Ala.
6. A-P Rev. Edge, Mark, Box 82, Ragland, Ala., Ph. 476-3663
7. L- Rev. Elders, Cleo, Talladega, Ala., P. O. Box 85
8. A-P Rev. Engle, Clay, Box 46, Siluria, Ala. 35144, Ph. 663-3097
9. A-P Rev. Haisten, John, Pell City, Ala. 35125
10. A-P Rev. Higginbotham, Allen, 1108 S. Leighton, Anniston, Ala. 36201, Ph. 237-9723
11. A-P Rev. Holland, Nolan, Gadsden, Ala.
12. -C Rev. Jones, Marion, 507 Pearl St., Talladega, Ala.
13. A-P Rev. Ledlow, Alfred, Rt. 1, Ashville, Ala. 35953, Ph. 594-2494
14. A-P Rev. Mayo, E. R., Rt. 2, Ashville, Ala. 35953, Ph. 594-2486 -
15. A-P Rev. McCrory, Edward, Ashville, Ala. 35953
16. A-P Rev. Mulligan, W. T., 706 28th St., N., Pell City, Ala. 35125
17. A-P Rev. O'Donnell, Chester, Rt. 1, Ashville, Ala. 35953, Ph. 594-4248
18. A-P-C Rev. O'Donnell, H. A., Rt. 1, Ashville, Ala. 35953, Ph. 594-4248
19. A-P Rev. Fisher, Ray, Rt. 1, Pell City, Ala. 35125
20. A-P Rev. Parrish, O. O., 207 S. 24th St., Gadsden, Ala. 35904
21. -L Rev. Robershaw, A. G., 7676 1/2 Burnell Ave., Lemon Grove, Calif. 92045
22. A-P Rev. Rogers, Earl
23. A-P-C Rev. Smith, LeRoy, Pell City, Ala. 35125
24. A-P Rev. Walton, Wade, Rt. 1, Pell City, Ala. 35125
25. A-P Rev. Windsor, J.T., Pell City, Ala. 35125
26. A-P Rev. Wycuff, James, 2301 Apt. C, White Ave., Gadsden, Ala.
27. -C Rev. Bradshaw, A.A., Talladega, Ala.
28. -C Rev. Howell, J. S., Talladega, Ala.

DEACONS WHO REGISTERED WITH FEE

1. D. J. O'Donnell, Pleasant Grove Church
2. Alfred O'Donnell, Pleasant Grove Church
3. Fred McCrory, Fellowship Church
4. J. B. Chamblis, Ragland Church
5. J. R. Johnson, Lookout Mt. Church
6. Max Mayo, Wattsville Church
7. Calvin Barber, Friendship Church
8. J. R. Wiggins, Friendship Church
9. Frankie Simpkins, Sr., Friendship Church

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CREDENTIAL: We have examined the letters and find them in order.

2. We have examined the letters from North Gadsden and Fellowship Churches and recommend they be received into this body.

DEVOTIONAL: We your devotional committee recommend: Rev. Billy Sharpston for the 11 o'clock message Friday. Rev. John Haisten, for the 11 o'clock message Saturday. Rev. LeRoy Smith, devotion Saturday night, Rev. Herman O'Donnell for the communion message Saturday night.

BUSINESS: We your business committee recommend the following for your consideration: Item 1. That we grant Lookout Mt. Church request and question Rev. Earl Rogers in order to renew his ordination papers. Item 2. North Gadsden Church request be granted and Bro. Nolan Holland be called in question and if found worthy, he be granted license to preach for one year. Item 3. Grant Rev. Cleo Elders a life time certificate of standing from Talladega Church. Item 4. The churches of Liberty No. 2 Association assist Friendship Church with the State Association which is to convene with them in November. Item 5. Tabled. That the Association appoint a committee of 3 to assist North Gadsden Church in buying property for building, using our ruling of the association as its basis. Item 6. Give clerk permission to buy tape for the recorder and anytime he needs them in the future for the association work. Item 7. Divide the home mission money between North Gadsden and Fellowship Church. Item 8. Appoint a committee to draw up another letter from the association and present it at the next session. Item 9. We suggest this body vote on changing the plan, or not to change the plan of our association the way we get our officers, and committees and how they operate. Voted not to change. Item 10. We suggest that the churches dismiss their services on Saturday night of our quarterly meeting and association that they might be able to attend these meetings of our quarterly meeting and association. Item 11. We do not feel we can support a full time pro. Sect. at this time. We recommend a vote against one for the state at the present.

AUDITING: We your Auditing Committee have checked available record of the Home Mission treasurer and Association Treasurer and find them in order and correct.

DECEASED: We the deceased committee are sorry to report that 6 have departed our midst since we last met. From Friendship Church: Sis. Flora Mae Green, Sis. Onzell Howard, Bro. Ed Morgan; Talladega Church: Sis. Mae Wiggins, Bro. Chester Bowman; Guiding Light: Sis. Susie Ramsey.

EDUCATION: We your education committee recommend to reprint last years; "We your education committee suggest that the former policies adopted be retained; such as subscribing to literature helpful to our cause, we know that some have the Bible study going on. We recommend that this continue for there is a great need of studying God's Word. The aforementioned vacation Bible school is also good, our young people are the church of the future as well as being a part of it now. We should encourage them in every way possible."

EXECUTIVE: No report.

FAMILY RELIGION: We the Family Religion Committee recommend to reprint last year report. "That the parents urge their children to take part in and support all religious church activities, we also urge that each home use the Free Will Baptist Literature and the Bible." We also urge to have family devotional in the homes and have Bible reading and prayer each night.

HOME MISSION BOARD: No report.

LITERATURE: We your literature committee recommend that our churches use literature that teaches the Bible and Free Will Baptist doctrine only.

ORDAINING COUNCIL: We your ordaining council have examined Bro. Earl Rogers, and Bro. Nolan Holland, and find them to be sound in the Bible and practice of the Free Will Baptist. 1. We recommend Bro. Earl Rogers be granted new ordination papers as his was lost. 2. Bro. Nolan Holland be granted license to preach the gospel for one year.

MINISTERIAL STANDING: We your ministerial standing committee recommend the association grant the ministers representing in person or by letter a one year certificate of standing. We recommend that Rev. Cleo Elders be granted a life time certificate and all others over sixty-five.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: We your Sunday School Committee recommend to reprint last years. "1. We urge all the churches to affiliate and attend the Sunday School convention.

2. That all Sunday School literature be properly censored.
3. That Sunday School teachers teach our children the proper reverence for the House of God.
4. We feel in this time, where atheism is being taught so freely in public schools, we as parents need to carry our children to Sunday School.

RESOLUTION: We the resolution committee suggest that each member of the association begin and end each day with prayer, and do our best for our Lord.

Be it resolved that:

Whereas we the baptized believers in Christ, that comprise the body of Liberty No. 2 Association of Free Will Baptist are convinced that the Scriptures teach total abstinence from alcoholic beverages and whereas we are aware that there is now a movement in existence which favors the legal sale of whiskey and beer the same is now proceeding to secure signature on petitions to bring this issue to a vote in our county.

That we here and now in keeping with our belief go on record publicly and unanimously as being opposed to the sale and distribution of alcoholic beverage, whether legal or illegal. That our member churches be advised to deal quickly and harshly with any member who votes or supports distribution of whiskey and beer in any way. That we have copies of this resolution mailed to all city and county officials and put it on the air and in the St. Clair News Aegis.

TEMPERANCE: We your Temperance Committee recommend that our people practice temperance in the home, church, school, at work and in all our activities as taught by the Holy Bible.

ORGANIZING COUNCIL: We the organizing council organized 2 churches the past year. On November 26, 1967 we organized the North Gadsden Mission into a church with 12 members. The council Rev. LeRoy Smith, Chrm., Rev. J. T. Windsor, Rev. Chester O'Donnell. Added to the council were: Rev. E. R. Mayo and Rev. H. A. O'Donnell.

On Sunday, April 21, 1968, we met at the home of Rev. E. R. Mayo, and organized the Fellowship Church of Rt. 2, Ashville, Ala. 10 members presented themselves.

Organizing Council: Rev. LeRoy Smith, Chrm., Rev. J. T. Windsor, Bro. Smith asked Rev. E. R. Mayo, Rev. H. A. O'Donnell, and Rev. Paul Davis to sit on this council.

TREASURY REPORT

Brought forward 1966	\$ 26.52	Spent	
Entrance Fees 1967	130.00	Children's H. Trustee	\$ 30.00
Ministers & Deacons	33.00	Moderator	10.00
Offering	20.75	Ministers Cards	10.00
Talladega Church on Rec.	10.00	Returned Check	20.00
Pleasant Grove Church on Rec.	10.50	Stamps and Paper	2.00
Lookout Mt. Church on Recorder	10.00	Tape Recorder	50.00
Qt. Mt. Treasure	250.00	Minutes	90.80
		Clerk	25.00
		Entrance Fee to	
		State Association	35.00
Total	\$ 490.77	Total	\$ 272.80
Balance in Treasury, Aug. 15, 1968			\$ 217.97

HOME MISSION

Brought forward 1966	\$ 323.33	Spent: North Gadsden Mission	\$ 40.00
Total	323.33	Total	40.00
Balance in Treasury August 15, 1968			\$ 283.33

Chester O'Donnell, Treasurer

CHURCH LETTERS

NORTH GADSDEN: Delegates; Bro. Tim Holland, Bro. David Parrish, alternate, Bro. Mastin Parrish

Pastor's name and address: Rev. O. O. Parrish, 207 S. 24th St., Gadsden, Ala. 35904

Clerk's name and address; Mrs. Jeanett Wycuff, Attalla, Ala.

Membership - 23; Members received by letter 20, profession of faith 3

Sunday School enrollment 27; Woman's Auxiliary 7

Financial report: Evangelistic Work \$30.00, Building and repair \$ 49.88,

Literature \$ 28.47, miscellaneous \$368.40; Total \$ 476.45. Amount enclosed with letter for minutes, fees. \$17.00. Request: we would like

to join the Liberty No. 2 Association. We ask that Bro. Nolan Holland be called in question and if found worthy, licensed him to preach.

FRIENDSHIP: Delegates; Beau Willis, Corlas Hollis, Howard Endfinger, D.C. Morrow, Arthur Ritch, Carl Higginbotham, Almus Lee Foster,

Pastor's name and address: Rev. E. R. Mayo, Rt. 2, Ashville, Ala.

Clerk's name and address: O. D. Simpkins, Pell City, Ala.

Membership 189. Members recieved by profession of faith 4, letter 2, statement 4. Deceased members 3.

Sunday School enrollment 103, Cts. 51, Ladies Aid 15,

Financial report Paid pastor, \$ 4,300.00, Evangelistic work \$ 150.00,

Building and repair \$ 2,948.64, Literature \$928.75, Miscellaneous

\$322.00, Other \$529.35, Foreign Missions \$42.82, Home Missions

\$ 55.00, Children's Home \$376.00, Associational projects \$60.00 Home

Mission \$ 60.00, value of church property \$50,000.00

Amount enclosed with letter for minutes, fees, \$ 20.00. Request the church ask the association to adopt another letter form.

LOOKOUT MT.: Delegates; Rev. Earl Rogers, Bro. Randy McRae, Alternate, Bro. Calvin Bishop.

Pastor's name and address; Rev. Chester O'Donnell, Rt. 1, Ashville, Ala.

Clerk's name and address: Miss Dianne McRae, 10 Connock, Ave.

Gadsden, Ala. 35904

Statistics: Church membership 33, members received 12, by pro-

fession of faith 3, letter 9, members dismissed by letter 5,

Sunday School enrollment 23, Cts 23.

Financial report. Paid pastor \$261.53, evangelistic \$30.00, Literature

\$107.76, advertising \$25.76, miscellaneous \$140.65, other \$216.63,

home mission \$17.00, Children's home \$67.11, value of church property \$5,000.00, Amount enclosed with letter for minutes, fees, \$ 20.00. Request: We ask Bro. Earl Rogers be given new ordination papers as his is lost.

PLEASANT GROVE: Delegates; Mrs. Rhondar O'Donnell, Mrs. Lillia Mae Bishop, Miss Roxie Muir, alternate.

Pastor's name and address; Rev. LeRoy Smith, Pell City, Ala.

Clerk's name and address; Mr. Alfred O'Donnell, Box 453, Steele, Ala.

35987.

Statistics: Church membership 37, members received by profession of faith 1. Sunday School enrollment 25; Financial report: Pastor's Salary, \$ 262.70; building and repair, \$735.50; literature \$44.97; home mission \$73.22, orphanage \$225.84; other \$37.08, value of church property \$5000.00. Amount enclosed with letter for minutes, fees, \$20.00.

GUIDING LIGHT: Delegates; Mrs. Hattie Owen, Mrs. Bell Callahan, Mrs. Dot Fisher, Mrs. Hattie Hamilton, Mrs. Retha Fisher.

Pastor's name and address; Rev. Ray Fisher, Pell City, Ala., Rt. 1

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Clerk's name and address; Mrs. Thelma Eastis, Rt. 1, Pell City, Ala.

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Statistics: Church membership 100, members received by profession of faith 1; members deceased 1; Financial report; Pastor's salary \$305.00, Evangelistic work \$115.00; building and repair \$80.00; literature \$75.79; miscellaneous \$121.62; other \$119.00; home mission \$10.00, orphanage \$142.20; associational projects \$55.00, value of church property \$5,000.00 Amount enclosed with letter for minutes, fees, \$20.00

FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH OF RAGLAND: Delegates, Mrs.

Rachel Barber, Mrs. Bessie Edge, Mrs. Alma Chamblis, alternate.

Pastor's name and address, Rev. Floyd C. Barber, Rt. 1, Pell City, Ala. 35125

Clerk's name and address; Rev. Mard Edge, Ragland, Ala., Box 82.

Statistics: Church membership 53; members received by letter 3, by statement of faith 1; Sunday School enrollment 33; financial report;

Pastor's salary, \$1,132.25; evangelistic work \$93.25; building and repair \$72.25; home missions \$75.00; orphanage \$125.00; miscellaneous, \$118.39; value of church property \$10,000.00.

Amount enclosed with letter for minutes, fees, \$20.00.

WATTSVILLE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH: Delegates, Earl Camboon, Bob Toolison, Onnie Dollar, Herman Dollar, Max Mayo

Pastor's name and address, Rev. J. T. Windsor, Pell City, Ala. 35125

Clerk's name and address, J. B. Tims, Wattsville, Ala.

Members received 5; dismissed by letter 12; Sunday School enrollment 70. Financial report, Pastor's salary \$ 1,200.00. Building and repair

\$229.90, home missions \$50.00; orphanage \$146.38; value of church property \$10,000.00. Amount enclosed with letter for minutes, fees \$25.00.

FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH OF TALLADEGA, ALA.:

Delegates; Mrs. Eunice Davis, Mrs. Bertha Heath, Mrs. Izola Warlick.

Alternate, Mrs. Mary Jones

Pastor's name and address; Rev. Alfred Ledlow, Rt. 1, Ashville, Ala.

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Clerk's name and address; Eunice Davis, 811 Hobson Ave., Talladega, Ala.

Statistics: Church membership 88, members received 3, members dismissed; by letter 3, deceased 2, Sunday School enrollment 65,

Financial report: Pastor's salary \$930.00, evangelistic work \$ 110.00. building and repair, \$15.80, literature \$105.79; miscellaneous \$30.00 home mission \$21.00; orphanage \$99.23, other \$990.00. Value of church property \$2,000.00. Amount inclosed with letter for minutes, fees \$15.00.

Request: We request a life time certificate of standing for Rev. Cleo Elders.

FELLOWSHIP: Delegates; Sis. Martha Jane McCrory, Sis. Bonnie Ledlow, alternate Sis. Mary Faye Haisten.

Pastor's name and address, Rev. John Haisten, Pell City, Ala.

Clerk's name and address, Loyaltan Ledlow, Rt. 1, Ashville, Ala.

Statistics: Church membership 14; members received by letter 10; by statement of faith 4. Financial report: Pastor's salary \$ 25.00;

evangelistic work \$ 65.00; advertising \$ 24.00, miscellaneous \$ 105.00, other \$ 1,615.40. Value of church property \$ 1,100.00

Amount enclosed with letter for minutes and fees \$ 15.00. Request:

We the Fellowship Free Will Baptist Church request to join Liberty No. 2 Association.

FIRST DISTRICT QUARTERLY MEETING

Delegate; Bro. Frankie Simpkins. We have 8 churches.

Oct. 28, 1967, the 113th session convened with Guiding Light Church. Business Committee: W.H. Barber, Chrm., Fred McCrory, Houston Ramsey, Corliss Hollis, Alfred Ledlow.

Ordaining Council: J.T. Windsor, Chrm., Wade Walton, James Wycuff, W. H. Barber, D. J. O'Donnell.

Items of business passed: Rev. Chester Sweeney licensed to preach for one year. 2. Bro. Will Hudgins ordained for deacon for Talladega Church. 3. Bro. R. L. McRae ordained for deacon for Lookout Mt. Church. 4. The business transacted in Qt. Mt. be printed in association minutes. 5. Bro. Chester O'Donnell to compile a record of past Qt. Mts. reports. 6. Qt. mt. to pay for a tape recorder.

Rev. E. R. Mayo, Moderator

Bro. Loyaltan Ledlow, Clerk

Dec. 30th, 1967. 114th session convened with Pleasant Grove Church.

Business committee: Johnny Wiggins, Chrm., F. C. Barber, Paul Davis, Wade Walton, Fred McCrory.

Ordaining Counsel: F. C. Barber, Chrm., James Wycuff, D. J. O'Donnell, Johnny Wiggins, Paul Davis.

Items of business passed: 1. Bro. Ray Fisher ordained to preach the Gospel.

Received the North Gadsden Church into Qt. Mt.

Rev. Alfred Ledlow, Moderator

Bro. Loyalton Ledlow, Clerk.

March 30th, 1968. 115th session convened with Ragland Free Will Baptist Church.

Ordaining Council: Rev. Cleo Elders, Chrm., Rev. Ray Fisher, Rev. H. A. O'Donnell, Rev. Onnie Dollar, Deacon J. R. Wiggins.

Business transacted: 1. Rev. Ottis Wycuff licensed to preach for one year.

Rev. F. C. Barber, Moderator

Bro. Loyalton Ledlow, Clerk.

June 29th, 1968. 116th session convened with Talladega Church.

Ordaining Council: F. C. Barber, Chrm., Alfred Ledlow, O. O. Parrish, Paul Davis, James Wycuff.

Business committee: E. R. Mayo, Chrm., Ray Fisher, Cleo Elders, Bob Dollar, Wade Walton.

Items of business transacted: 1. Appointed committee to see Robert Simon about misused funds. Appointed Bro. Frank Simpkins as delegate to association.

Rev. J. T. Windsor, Moderator

Bro. Loyalton Ledlow, Clerk

MEETING PLACES OF THE QUARTERLY MEETINGS

119th session Lookout Mt. Church	122nd session Ragland Church
120th session Guiding Light Church	123rd session Talladega Church
121st session Pleasant Grove Church	124th session Wattsville Church
125th session Friendship Church	

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.

3. 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 one (1) year before being eligible to pastor churches of this association.

5. Licensed ministers must bear license for one (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 forms sent them each year by the clerk.

7. That this body elect officers in the beginning of each session and not in the closing for one (1) year ahead as heretofore practiced. Clerk be elected for two (2) years beginning in 1961.

8. That this body adopt a unified program.

9. That this body rules that any minister of this association has the 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 in 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 committees he may need.

14. That there be no church organized without seven (7) charter members. Passed 1947.

15. This body try to buy the property or land when and where a new church is organized. The deeds be made in a way that if it should not be pleased to remain a Free Will Baptist Church that the property divert back to the Quarterly Meeting or Association that purchased the property or land. Passed 1961.

16. That each ordained man, (minister or deacon) and licensed minister pay \$1.00 to register to vote in the association. Passed in 1961, amended in 1965.

17. Each church being entitled to one (1) delegate. Every church containing fifty (50) members be entitled to two (2) delegates, and one (1) additional delegate for every twenty-five (25) members or major fraction. Page 81, 1963 Treatise.

FREEWILL BAPTIST ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. THE BIBLE. The Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by inspiration of God, and are infallible rule of faith and practice. 1 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. 1 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. Psa. 22:17; 97:2.

6. THE SINFULNESS OF MAN. Man was created innocent, but by disobedience 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 redemption from sin that is full and free and is the ground of salvation by faith. 1 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 the 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. 11 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 became His elect. 1 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 the water of life freely. Rev. 22:17.

12. PERSEVERANCE: All believers in Christ who through grace persevere in holiness to the end of life, have promise of eternal salvation. St. John 15:16; 11 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, or universal obligation, and to be ministered to all true believers, Mark 16:15; 11 Cor. 4:5; St. 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, JUDGMENT 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 "provide things honest in the sight of all men."

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 the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

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

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

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

To this end we agree to labour for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprises, the support of missions, the success of Sunday Schools, and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of the world. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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 with us.
5. Reading of previous minutes.
6. Unfinished Business.
7. Appointment of committees.
8. Acknowledgements.
9. Committee reports.
10. New business
11. Adjournment