

MINUTES

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

42nd SESSION

AUGUST 15 - 16, 1975

MODERATOR ----- REV. ALFRED LEDLOW
ASSISTANT MODERATOR ----- REV. PAUL DAVIS
CLERK-TREASURER -- REV. CHESTER O'DONNELL
ASSISTANT CLERK --- DEACON FRANK SIMPKINS

43rd Session will be held at the
Camp Ground
3 miles north of Pell City, Alabama
August 13-14, 1976

Sunday School Convention
Saturday, April 24, 2:00 P.M.
Sunday, April 25, 1976
at Camp Ground

PRESIDENT ----- BRO. ROBERT EARL SANDERS
SECRETARY-TREASURER ----- MISS BRENDA KAY
Box 35, Ragland, Alabama

FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION

November 16, 1974

7 Churches reporting

Moderator: Rev. Alfred Ledlow

Clerk: Rev. Chester O'Donnell

House called to order by Clerk Rev. Chester O'Donnell. Moderator took charge reading Psalms 24:1-5. Prayer led by Rev. Paul Davis.

Credential Committee: Rev. James Barber, Deacon Alfred O'Donnell, Rev. Thomas Chapman.

Report of Credential Committee read and accepted. We the Credential Committee have examined the letters from 7 churches and find them in order. We recommend the delegates be seated, and the business be turned over to business committee.

BUSINESS COMMITTEE: Rev. Lester McMahan, Chmn., Deacon Bobby Dollar, Deacon L. D. Jones, Bro. Hebbie Callahan, Sis. Retha Fisher.

ORDAINING COUNCIL: Rev. J. T. Windsor, Bro. L. D. Jones, Rev. Cleo Elders, Chmn., Deacon D. J. O'Donnell, Rev. H. A. O'Donnell.

Rev. Larry Johnson (Trustee to Children's Home gave an oral report about the harvest drive to the children's home.

Report of Business Committee: read and accepted to take up item by item.

Item 1. Bro. Kenneth Barber, (Talladega Church) be called before the ordaining council and if found worthy be ordained to preach the Gospel. Passed.

Item 2. Bro. Gary Gearhart (Ragland Church) be called in question and if found worthy licensed him to preach for one year.

11:00 A.M. Service, prayer by Rev. Thomas Chapman. Message by Rev. J. T. Windsor, Scripture II Tim. 1:1-7 (Stir Up. The Gift of God). Dismissed for lunch by Bro. D. J. O'Donnell.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Scripture reading I Peter 2:1-5, Prayer by Rev. James Barber.

Report of the Ordaining Council: Read and accepted, We, the Ordaining Council have examined, 1. Bro. Kenneth L. Barber, and recommend he be ordained to preach the Gospel. 2. Bro. Gary Gearhart be licensed to preach for one year.

Charge given by Rev. Cleo Elders, Scripture II Tim. 4:1-8, Ordination prayer by Rev. J. T. Windsor, and the council laid their hands on Bro. Barber and the right hand of fellowship was given.

Minutes read and adopted with proper amendment. Moved to stand adjourn.

Communion and footwashing Message: Rev. Kenneth L. Barber. 22 took part in the communion and many in the footwashing.

SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION - February 15, 1974

6 Churches reporting

Moderator: Rev. Alfred Ledlow Clerk: Rev. Chester O'Donnell
House called to order by clerk: Moderator took charge reading Prov. 1:1-7.
Prayer by Deacon J. R. Wiggins.

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE: Deacon Alfred O'Donnell, Bro. Marion Barber, Bro. Hardy Rich.

Report of Credential Committee: Read and accepted. We the Cred. Committee have examined the letters from 6 churches and find them in order. We recommend the delegates be seated and the business be turned to business committee.

Business Committee: Deacon Max Mayo, Chmn., Rev. Edward Layton, Bro. Bo Willis, Bro. Thomas Murray, Deacon L. D. Jones.

Ordaining Council: Deacon J. R. Wiggins, Rev. Lester McMahan, Deacon D. J. O'Donnell, Rev. H. A. O'Donnell, Rev. Percy Stokes.

Report of Business Committee: Read and accepted to take up item by item.
Item 1. Passed: We recommend Rev. Ray Fletcher be granted a letter of recommendation to the N. E. Assoc. in Miss.

Item 2. Passed: Bro. Richard Liner be called in question and if found worthy ordain him to preach the Gospel.

Item 3. Passed: Bro. Frank Stewart be called in question and exchange papers; since he is coming from another association. (Minister)

Ordaining Council Report: Read and accepted, and the council proceed with the charge, prayer and laying on of hands.

Item 1. We recommend Rev. Richard Liner be ordained to preach the Gospel. Charge given by Rev. Lester McMahan, II Tim. 4. Ordination prayer by Bro. D. J. O'Donnell.

11:00 O'Clock message: Rev. James Barber, scripture, Eccl. 5:4-6
Subject (Vow) (Covenant)

Dismissed for lunch by Bro. Max Mayo.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Scripture: Psa. 138:1-5. Prayer by Rev. H. A. O'Donnell.

Minutes read and accepted with proper amendments.

Deacons Max Mayo, L. D. Jones were appointed to take care of communion service.

Moved the business part stand adjourned till Sat. before the 3rd Sun. in May.

Communion and feetwashing message: Rev. Paul Davis, Scripture, Luke 14:15-24 (Remember Lot's wife) Gen. 19:12, 13, 17, 23-26. Acts 24:24-27. After message 21 took part in the communion and many in the feetwashing.

THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION - May 17, 1975

7 Churches reporting

Moderator: Rev. Alfred Ledlow Clerk: Rev. Chester O'Donnell

House called to order by clerk. Moderator took charge reading Psalms 139:1-11, Prayer by Rev. Frank Stewart.

Credential Committee: Rev. Nolan Holland, Deacon Alfred O'Donnell, Bro. Thomas Murray.

Report of Credential Committee: Read and accepted. We your credential committee have examined the letters from 7 churches and find them in order and recommend the delegates be seated and the business be turned over to business committee.

Business Committee: Rev. Lester McMahan, Chmn., Rev. Robert Earl Sanders, Rev. Percy Stokes, Deacon J. U. Smith, Bro. Steve Davis.

Business Committee report: Read and accepted to take up item by item.

Item 1. Passed. Bro. Frank Stewart be called before ordaining council as he is coming from another association.

Item 2. That each church buy 25 song books or as many as they feel they can afford for the camp, and send money to clerk. Passed.

Item 3. Passed. That the address system be checked to see cost of having it fixed and if cost not too much have it fixed. Johnny R. Wiggins to see about it.

ORDAINING COUNCIL: Deacon D. J. O'Donnell, Rev. H. A. O'Donnell, Rev. Percy Stokes, Rev. Nolan Holland, Deacon J. U. Smith.

Ordaining Council report: Read and accepted. We the Ordaining Council have examined Rev. Frank Stewart and recommend he be accepted in full fellowship in this association.

11:00 O'clock message. Rev. Nolan Holland. Scripture Matt. 26:39, 42. (Thy Will be Done) Mark 14:36, Luke 22:42.

Dismissed for lunch to meet back at 1:00 P.M. by Bro. J. U. Smith.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Scripture by Rev. Paul Davis, I Cor. 13. Prayer by Rev. Robert Sanders. Minutes read and adopted.

A rising vote of thanks to the good ladies for the good dinner served. Moved the business part of this session stand adjourned till 9:00 A.M.

Fri. morning before the 3rd Sunday in August 1975.

Communion and feetwashing message; Rev. Alfred Ledlow. I Cor. 11:25, 26. Deacons Frank Simpkins and Alfred O'Donnell appointed to take care of this service. 19 took part in the communion and many in the feetwashing.

FOURTH QUARTERLY SESSION - 42nd ANNUAL SESSION OF LIBERTY #2
ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST - August 15-16, 1975

Moderator: Rev. Alfred Ledlow Clerk: Rev. Chester O'Donnell

The 42nd annual session of Liberty #2 Association of Free Will Baptist met at the camp ground on Friday and Saturday, August 15-16, 1975.

House called to order by clerk: Rev. Chester O'Donnell.

Moderator: Rev. Alfred Ledlow took charge reading Psalms 24:1-5. Prayer by Bro. Hardy Rich.

Credential Committee: Deacon Alfred O'Donnell, Bro. Hardy Rich, Rev. C. L. Carlisle.

Report of Credential Committee: read and accepted.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

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| <p>1. CREDENTIAL 43rd SESSION
Rev. C. L. Carlisle
Bro. Jerome Wyatt
Bro. Herman Dollar</p> | <p>2. BUSINESS AND AUDITING
Rev. Lester McMahan, Chmn.
Rev. W. C. Patterson
Rev. Edward Layton
Rev. Percy Stokes
Deacon Alfred O'Donnell</p> |
| <p>3. DECEASED
Sis. Sussie Pardue
Bro. Howard Endfinger
Bro. Jerome Wyatt</p> | <p>4. LITERATURE AND FAMILY RELIGION
Sis. Roxie Muir
Sis. Frances Caldwell
Sis. Patsy Jones</p> |
| <p>5. EXECUTIVE
Bro. Hardy Rich - 1976
Bro. D.J. O'Donnell - 1977
Rev. Cleo Elders - 1978</p> | <p>6. EDUCATION AND FAMILY RELIGION
Sis. Myrtie Burton
Sis. Agnes Alverson
Sis. Patsy Jones</p> |
| <p>7. TEMPERANCE AND RESOLUTION
Rev. C. L. Carlisle
Bro. Howard Endfinger
Deacon D. J. O'Donnell</p> | <p>8. HOME MISSION
Dea. Max Mayo, Chmn.
1976
Rev. Thomas Chapman - 1977
Rev. James Barber - 1978
Rev. Clay Engle - 1979
Rev. Chester O'Donnell-1980</p> |
| <p>9. ORGANIZING COUNCIL
Rev. Chester O'Donnell - 1976
Rev. Clay Engle - 1977
Rev. James Barber - 1978
Rev. Alfred Ledlow - 1979
Rev. Lester McMahan - 1980</p> | <p>10. ORDAINING COUNCIL
Deacon Alfred O'Donnell
Rev. C. L. Carlisle
Rev. Clyde Bishop
Rev. Percy Stokes
Rev. Frank Stewart</p> |
| <p>11. MINISTERIAL STANDING
Rev. W. C. Patterson
Bro. Hardy Rich
Rev. Herman O'Donnell
Rev. C. L. Carlisle</p> | |

Prayer by Sister Sussie Pardue.

11:00 O'Clock message by Rev. Lester McMahan, Scripture Col. 3:5-14. Subject (Things to Put Off). Prayer by Bro. Herman Dollar. Prayer by speaker after message.

Dismissed for lunch by Rev. W.C. Patterson.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Prayer by Rev. Chester O'Donnell, Scripture lesson, Psalms 133. Prayer by Rev. Herman O'Donnell.

Partial report of Business and Auditing Committee: read and received to take up item by item. Item 1. Passed. Item 2. Passed. Item 3. Passed. Report of Sunday School and Literature Committee: Read and accepted. Report of Association Treasurer: Read and accepted. Report of Home Mission Treasurer: Read and accepted. Dismissed by Rev. Edward Layton.

SATURDAY MORNING

Opened with singing. Scripture reading Prov. 10:11-16. Prayer by Rev. Cleo Elders.

Partial report of Business and Auditing Committee: Item 4. Read and adopted.

Report of Ordaining Council: Read and accepted.

Final report of Business and Auditing Committee: Items 5, 6, 7, 8, read and received item by item.

11:00 O'Clock message by Rev. Chester O'Donnell. Scripture: Matt. 28:16-20; Mark 16:14-20; Acts 10:3; 16:9; Prov. 29:18; II Sam. 21:1-3; Romans 10:1-4; Phil. 3:6; "Go Ye"

Dismissed for lunch by Bobby Golden.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Prayer by Bro. Endfinger.

Report of Ministerial Standing: Read and accepted.

Report of Deceased Committee: Read and accepted.

Report of Education and Family Religion: Read and accepted.

Executive Committee: No report.

Home Mission Board: No report.

Organizing Council: No report.

Report of Temperance and Resolution Committee: Read and received.

Moved by Alfred O'Donnell, Seconded by Lester McMahan to drop rule 9 from association rulings. Carried.

Motion made, seconded and carried to go into the election of a Moderator and an assistant Moderator for the next 2 years.

Moderator: Rev. Percy Stokes and Rev. Lester McMahan were nominated. Nomination closed on these 2. Rev. Lester McMahan was elected.

Assistant Moderator: Rev. Percy Stokes nominated. Nomination closed on him and he was elected.

Delegates to State Association: Friendship, Bro. Hardy Rich; Ragland, Sis. Brenda Kay; Wattsville, Sis. Myrtie Burton; Talladega, Sis. Patsy Jones; Pleasant Grove, Sis. Roxie Muir; Guiding Light, Sis. Lillian Callahan.

Minutes read and adopted with proper amendment.

Motion made that the business part of the annual session stand adjourned till 9 A.M. Friday morning before the 3rd Sunday in August 1976.

Deacon Alfred O'Donnell, and Rev. Paul Davis were appointed to help in the communion and feetwashing service.

Communion and feetwashing message, Rev. Herman O'Donnell, 21 took part in the communion and many in the feetwashing.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. **Credential:** We the Credential Committee have examined the letters from 7 churches and find them in order and recommend the delegates be seated and the business be turned to the business committee. Passed.

2. **Business and Auditing:** We the Business and Auditing Committee recommend the following items:

Item 1. Bro. Bobby Golden be brought before the ordaining council and if found worthy license him to preach for one year. Passed.

Item 2. Bro. Edward Layton be brought before the ordaining council and if found worthy be ordained to preach the Gospel, by prayer and laying on of hands. Passed.

Item 3. We have examined the Association Treasury and Home Mission books, and find them in order and correct. Passed.

Item 4. That we approve the By-Laws of the Ministers and Deacons Conference.

Item 5. That we eliminate association ruling #4. Passed.

Item 6. That we eliminate association ruling #16. Passed.

Item 7. That we issue Rev. C. L. Carlisle a new Life Time Certificate of Standing, and here after if any ministers lose his certificate that the clerk issue a new one. Passed.

Item 8. That we send \$25.00 to the Alabama State Assoc. Food Fund. Passed.

3. **Deceased:** We are sorry to report these have departed our midst since we last met. From Friendship, James Higginbotham, Dee West, Cora Patterson, Wattsville, Isaac Burton, Ruth Ensley; Pleasant Grove, Bro. H. D. O'Donnell, Sis. Lily Bishop; Talladega, Eddie Bradshaw, Mary Jones, William Smith, Bro. Fred Caldwell; Guiding Light, Sis. Henry Mitchell, Sis. Lela Jackson.

4. **Literature and Sunday School:** We the Sunday School and Literature Committee recommend that we continue to use the King James version of the Holy Bible as a basis for teaching in the homes and Sunday School: We recommend the use of Christian games in the youths classes to promote interest in learning. We recommend the use of outside activities for Christian fellowship to keep the young people active in the church. We highly recommend that the Supt. get behind their Sunday School and encourage active to promote growth.

5. **Executive:** No report.

6. **Education and Family Religion:** Reprint last year's "We have more family devotions and Bible reading and teach our children Christian attitude."

7. **Temperance and Resolution:** (Reprint last year's) "That we practice temperance in our home, church, school, work and all our daily activity as the word teaches. We also recommend that every member of the F.W.B. read and study our covenant, and that we be temperate." Be it resolved "That we do more for Home Missions. That we as Free Will Baptists be on constant

guard against false doctrine and hold to the teaching of the King James version of the Bible. Also that we make more effort to teach our youth and that more effort be made to assist and train our young converts as to the doctrine and practice of Free Will Baptist."

8. **Home Mission Board:** No report.

9. **Organizing Council:** No report.

10. **Ordaining Council:** We recommend Bro. Edward Layton be ordained to preach the Gospel, and the council proceeded with the charge. Rev. C. L. Carlisle gave the charge. I Cor. 6:19-21. Prayer and laying on of hands. Prayer led by D. J. O'Donnell.

2. Bro. Bobby L. Golden be licensed to preach the Gospel for one year.

11. **Ministerial Standing:** We your ministerial standing committee recommend that all ordained and licensed ministers receive their certificate of standing. Passed.

ASSOCIATION TREASURER

Received		Spent	
On hand August 1, 1974	\$ 368.03	August 1974	Moderator \$ 10.00
Ent. Fees Aug. 74	115.00	August 74	Clerk 10.00
Ministers Fees 74	14.00	Nov. 74	Clerk 15.00
Deacons Fees 74	7.00	Nov. 74	Home Missions 16.00
Ent. Fees Nov. 74	70.00	Oct. 74	Ent. Fees S. A. 35.00
M. & D. Fees Nov. 74	16.00	Dec. 74	Minutes 191.61
Ent. Fees Feb. 75	60.00	Feb. 75	Clerk 15.00
M. & D. Fees Feb 75	28.00	Feb. 75	Miscel. 9.75
Ent. Fees May 75	70.00	May 75	Clerk 15.00
Total Received and on hand	\$ 748.03	Total Spent	\$ 317.36
Balance in Treasury - August 1, 1975 - \$430.67			

ASSOCIATION PROPERTY

1. Folding Table -----	\$	7.29
2. Smith-Corona Typewriter	\$ 225.00	117.20
3. Desk File Cabinet	20.57	11.00
4. Tape recorder	45.00	23.20
5. Communion Set	15.08	11.00
6. 12 Washpans, 12 towels	16.85	12.30
7. Total cost and value	\$ 322.50	\$ 181.99

MINISTERS AND DEACONS CONFERENCE

The Ministers and Deacons Conference met at the camp ground Friday night August 15, 1975.

House called to order by clerk: Rev. Chester O'Donnell. Prayer by Rev. Larry Johnson. Moderator: Rev. Paul Davis took charge reading Romans 1:16. Prayer by Rev. Percy Stokes.

Opportunity for membership: Rev. Jerome Goodwin, Rev. Frank Stewart, Rev. Clyde Bishop, Rev. Kenneth Barber came forth and were received by proper move and second.

ROLL CALL:

1. Barber, James, Talladega, Ala.
2. Barber, Kenneth
3. Bishop, Clyde, Rt. 1, Ashville, Al. 35953, Ph. 594-4198
4. Carlisle, C.L. (L.T.C.) Pell City, Al.
5. Davis, Paul, 19th N. 30th St., Pell City, Al. 35125
6. Edge, Mark (L.T.C.) P.O. Box 82, Ragland, Al., Ph. 476-3663
7. Elders, Cleo (L.T.C.) P.O. Box 85, Talladega, Al.
8. Engle, Clay, Rt. 1, Box 178a Harpersville, Al, Ph. Vincent 672-7736
9. Godlen, Bobby L., Rt. 1, Pell City, Al. 35125
10. Goodwin, Jerome E., Rt. 4, Box 1644, Pell City, Al. 35125, Ph. 338-7346
11. Higginbotham, Allen (L.T.C.) 1108 Leighton St., Anniston, Al.
Ph. 338-9840
12. Holland, Nolan K., 1229 Mayflower, Gadsden, Al. 35901, Ph. 547-4063
13. Johnson, Larry, 743 Ashville Rd., Leeds, Al. 35094
14. Jones, Marion (L.T.C.) 507 Pearl St., Talladega, Al.
15. Layton, Edward, Rt. 1, Box 156c, Ragland, Al.
16. Ledlow, Alfred, (L.T.C.) Cropwell, Al.
17. Liner, Richard, P.O. Box 85, Sycamore, Al. 35134
18. McMahan, Lester, 3028 9th Ave., N., Pell City, Al. 35125
19. O'Donnell, Chester, Rt. 1, S Ashville, Al. 35953, Ph. 594-4248
20. O'Donnell, Herman (L.T.C.) Rt. 1, Ashville, Al. 35953, Ph. 594-4248
21. Patterson, W.C. (L.T.C.) 3309 8th Ave., N., Pell City, Al. 35125 Ph.
22. Smith, LeRoy (L.T.C.) Pell City, Al. 35125 338-7243
23. Stewart, Frank, Rt. 1, Pell City, Al. 35125
24. Stokes, Percy, Leeds, Al.
25. Windsor, J.T., 504 29th St., N. Pell City, Al. 35125

DEACONS

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| 1. L.D. Jones, Talladega Church | 2. A.C. Jones, Talladega Church |
| 3. Max Mayo, Wattsville Church | 4. Alfred O'Donnell, Pleasant G. Ch. |
| 5. D. J. O'Donnell, Guiding L. Ch. | 6. Huston Ramsey, Guiding L. Ch. |
| 7. Frank Simpkins, Friendship Ch. | 8. Teddie Cain, Friendship Ch. |

Moved, seconded and carried to ask the association to grant Bro. C. L. Carlisle a new L.T.C. of standing as his was lost.

Report of the By-Laws Committee for the Ministers and Deacons Conference. Moved by Rev. Percy Stokes and seconded by Deacon Frank Simpkins to receive the report on by-laws and ask the association to approve them. Passed.

Moved, seconded and lost to start our services at 6 o'clock.

Speaker for 1976, Rev. Jerome Goodwin and Rev. Frank Stewart were nominated. Moved, seconded and carried to close on these two. Rev. Jerome Goodwin elected. Moved, seconded and carried Rev. Frank Stewart be the alternate. Subject: "The Church" moved, seconded and carried to close on this subject. Election of officers. Clerk: Rev. Chester O'Donnell nominated and elected. Assistant Clerk: Deacon Frank Simpkins nominated and elected.

Moved, seconded and carried to elect moderator for coming year.

Moderator: Rev. Lester McMahan and Rev. J. T. Windsor were nominated. Moved, seconded and carried to close on these two. Rev. Lester McMahan was elected.

Moved, seconded and carried for Rev. J. T. Windsor to be the assistant Mod.

Moved, seconded and carried to stay open till close of association on Sat.

Altar prayer: Message by Rev. Edward Layton, Subject "Sanctification" "A Corner Stone" I John 1:9; Exo. 33:16; Jer. 1:5; Exek. 37:28; John 17:17, 19; Acts 26: 17, 18; Romans 15:16; I Cor. 13:1-11; II Cor. 1:21; Gal. 2:20; 6:14; Eph. 1:3; 3:19; 5:25; 127; II Thess. 2:13; II Tim. 2:11; Jude 1.

Dismissed by Rev. C. L. Carlisle.

Saturday: Huston Ramsey and Bobby Golden joined the conference.

Motion made for the business part to stand adjourned till November.

CHURCH LETTERS

FRIENDSHIP F.W.B., Pell City, Al., Pastor and address: Rev. Lester McMahan, 3028 9th Ave., N., Pell City, Al. 35125. Clerk and address: Frank Simpkins, 600 N. 29th St., Pell City, Al. Delegates: May Haynes, Jerome Wyatt, Howard Endfinger, Hardy Rich, Sussie Pardue, STATISTICS: Membership 138; Members received: By profession of faith 12, by letter 10; by statement of faith, 2; total members received 24. Members dismissed: by letter 4, deceased 3, total members dismissed 7. Sunday School enrollment 95, average attendance 90, CTS enrollment 60, average attendance 48, Mid-week service average attendance 50.

Number of ordained ministers 2. Number of ordained deacons, 7. Financial report: total received \$22,335.11. Spent for local causes: Pastor's salary: \$2400.00, Evangelistic work \$200.00; building and repair \$9678.40; literature, \$559.22; other, \$1122.59; total spent for local causes, \$19,727.59. Spent for outside causes: youth camp, \$2351.22; national missions, \$100.00; home missions, \$160.00; education, \$69.50; orphanage, \$435; state and national projects, \$200; total spent for outside causes, \$3315.72; total expenditures, \$28,656.15. Value of church property \$100,000. Value of parsonage property, \$50,000. Amount enclosed for fees \$25.00, Deceased: James Higginbotham, Dee West, Cora Patterson.

GUIDING LIGHT - Rt. 1, Pell City, Al. Pastor Name and address: Rev. J. T. Windsor, Pell City; Clerk and address, Lillian Callahan, Rt. 1, Box 65a, Pell City, Al. 35125; delegates: Thomas Murray, Eltora Murray, Edward J. Callahan, Huston Ramsey, Retha Fisher, Statistics: Total members received 1, members deceased, 5; Sis. Henry Mitchell, Sis. Lela Jackson, Sunday School enrollment, 85; average attendance 50. Mid-week service average attendance 15, number of ordained ministers 6, number of ordained deacons 8, financial report: spent for local causes: Pastor's salary, \$1,200; evangelistic work, \$75; building and repair, \$547.70; literature, \$51.97, other, \$817.73; total spent for local causes \$2592.40. Spent for outside causes: orphanage \$120.00; total spent for outside causes \$120. Value of church property \$5,000. Amount enclosed for fees \$10.00.

LOOKOUT MT., Rt. 13, Gadsden, Al. Pastor and address: Rev. Nolan K. Holland, 1229 Mayflower, Gadsden, Al. 35901; ph. 205-547-4063; clerk name and address: Ellen Holland, 306 N. 2nd St., E. Gadsden, Al. 35903,

Ph. 543-9269. Delegates: Howard, Holland, Tim Holland. Membership, 36; ordained ministers 1, ordained deacons 1, prayer meeting average attendance 15, Sunday School enrollment 36, average attendance 25; CTS enrollment 9, average 7, total receipts \$4,421.98; pastor salary, \$1468.20; building and repair \$2,500. Debt retirement \$995.85. Value of church property, \$10,000.00 Fees, \$15.00.

PLEASANT GROVE: Rt. 1, Ashville, Al. 35953. Pastor and address Rev. Percy Stoke, Leeds, Al., New pastor, Rev. Chester O'Donnell, Rt. 1, Ashville, Al. 35953; clerk, Rev. Chester O'Donnell. New clerk: Mrs. Nettie Ruth Wolfe, Rt. 1, Ashville, Al. 35953, delegates: Sis. Rhonda O'Donnell, Sis. Roxie Muir, Sis. Neomi Muir, Alt. Total membership 37. Lost 3 members, added 1. Value of church property, \$10,000. Number of ordained ministers 5, Number of ordained deacons 1, Sunday School enrollment 25, average attendance 23; pastor's salary, \$400. Building and repair \$364.63; other \$318.58; total local expenditures \$1,083.21, state retirement and ins. \$17.20; other national ministries \$55.00; orphanage, \$461.04; camp ground \$137.91; local and state missions, \$275.82; total spent for outside causes \$940.97; Enclosed for minutes and fees, \$15.00. Deceased: Mrs. Lillie Bishop, Mr. H. D. O'Donnell. We request that Bro. Bobby Golden be called in question and if found worthy licensed him to preach the Gospel for one year.

RAGLAND: Pastor name and address: Rev. Jerome Goodwin, Rt. 4, Box 1644. Pell City, Al. 35125, Ph. 338-7346, clerk's name and address; Mrs. Joyce Kay, Rt. 2, Box 14, Ragland, Al. 35131. Delegates, Sis. Brenda Kay, Sis. Bertha Higginbotham. Members added 4, lost 2, Total membership 52; value of church property, \$20,000. Number of ordained ministers 2; licensed ministers 1; number of ordained deacons 3; mid-week service average attendance 15; Sunday School enrollment 47; average attendance 40; Woman's Auxiliary enrolled 8; average attendance 5; total receipts, \$6753.17; pastor salary, \$1660.00; building and repair, \$1378.04; other \$1,609.12; total local expenditures \$4,647.16 youth camp, children's home, \$740.32; amount enclosed for fees \$10.00.

1st F.W.B., Talladega, Al. Pastor name and address: Rev. Paul Davis, 19th N. 30th St., Pell City, Al. 35125, clerk: Mrs. Eunice Davis, Rt. 1, Box 249, Talladega, Al. 35160. Delegates: Sis. Frances Caldwell, Sis. Joyce Hollis, Sis. Lorene Barber, Sis. Patsy Jones, alternate, church membership 86. Members received by profession of faith 22; letter 1; statement of faith 1; total received 24; members dismissed: deceased 4, Sis. Mary Jones, Sis. Effie Bradshaw, Bro. Fred Caldwell, Bro. William Smith. Sunday School enrollment 65; average attendance 59; mid-week service average attendance 35; number of ordained ministers 5; number of ordained deacons 4; financial report: spent for local causes: Pastor's salary \$1,810.00, evangelistic work \$275. Building and repair, \$3,401.67, literature \$389.80. Other \$4688.21. Total spent for local causes: \$8805.72. Spent for outside causes orphanage \$261.33. Associational projects, Youth Camp \$598.87. Other \$668.78. Value of church property \$20,000. Amount enclosed for minutes and fees: \$20,000.

1st F.W.B. Wattsville, Al. Clerk: Mr. Herman Dollar, 2001 3rd Ave., South Pell City, Al. 35125. Delegates: Bro. Herman Dollar, Bro. Ed Layton, Sis. Myrtie Burton, Bro. James Rutledge, Bro. Charles Thomas, Sis. Agnes Alverson;

number of ordained ministers: 3 number of licensed ministers 1; number of ordained deacons 4; auxiliaries: Sunday School, Woman Auxiliary, Prayer meeting. Statistics: Church membership 131; members received 13; by profession of faith 6; by letter 3; by statement of faith 4; members dismissed by letter 5; deceased 2, Bro. Isaac Burton, Ruth Ensley. Financial report: total offering received \$8,979.67. Spent for local causes: Pastor's salary \$1650.00 evangelistic work \$645.75; building and repair, \$2,875.56; flowers \$149.87; other \$384.20; miscellaneous \$27.80; total local expenditures \$7,989.72. Spent for outside causes: Home missions \$550.25; associational projects \$50.00; state and national projects \$165.00; others: \$799.44, youth camp; \$691.85, value of church property \$20,000.00. Amount enclosed for minutes and fees, \$20.00.

1975 SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION SATURDAY AFTERNOON, APRIL 26, 1975

The 31st Session opened with singing. After welcome by President D.C. Morrow. Prayer was led by Rev. Lester McMahan.

Reading of previous minutes. Moved to accept as read. Opportunity for membership. None united. Invitation for visitors to seat with us. Letters read and delegates seated. Appointment of Committees:

Auditing Committee	Business Committee
Bro. Earl Rich	Bro. Herman Dollar
Samuel Jones	Sis. Patsy Jones
Ed Layton	Bro. George Haynes
	Bro. Jimmie Easterwood
	Rev. Chester O'Donnell

Unfinished business. None. Intermission. Reconvened with singing. Committee reports: Auditing - postponed until Sunday.

Treasurer's report - Balance at 1974 convention \$2,650.87. Total receipts \$4,532.97. Total expense \$4,339.73. Balance on hand \$2,844.11.

Building Committee: Reported expense of repairs and paint greatly exceeded amount allotted by executive board. Rev. Edge paid excess amount. Moved and passed to accept report and re-imburse Rev. Edge \$288.00.

Business Committee:

Item #1. To take up special offering on Sunday to be put into building fund. Moved and seconded to accept recommendation. Passed.

Item #2. Talladega church requests last program position to have altar call at end. Moved and seconded to do so. Passed.

Item #3. Request that names of executive board be printed in Associational minutes. Moved and seconded to do so. Passed.

Item #4. To select committee consisting of one man from each church to meet to see that building and surroundings be cleaned before the Sunday School Convention, Youth rallies, Revival and associational meetings. Moved and seconded to do so. Passed.

Appointment: Talladega, Bro. Robert Earl Sanders; Friendship, Bro. D.C. Morrow; Wattsville, Bro. Max Mayo; Ragland, Bro. J. B. Chamblis; Lookout Mountain, Bro. Jimmie Easterwood.

Item #5. Revival to start Monday after 4th Sunday in September and Executive Board get Evangelist. Moved recommendation be accepted. Seconded. Passed.

Discussion on inactive executive members. Moved, seconded and passed for President to contact Bro. Willie Shirley and Jimmy Banks before their removal from committee. No. other new business.

OFFICERS ELECTION: President, Bro. Robert Earl Sanders elected. Vice President, Bro. Max Mayo elected; Sec.-Treas., Brenda Kay elected; Assistant Sec., Treas., Suzette Cain elected; Pianist Joy Chapman elected; Assistant, Suzette Cain; song leader, Bro. Carliss Hollis; Assistant, Bro. Holland; 7 year man on Executive Board, Bro. Ullis E. Hazelwood elected. Adjournment until Sunday.

SUNDAY MORNING, APRIL 27, 1975

Opened in song. Welcome by new President, Robert Earl Sanders. Song Prayer led by Bro. Max Mayo. Sunday School. Singing. Sunday School report: 319 present. Offering, \$75.07. Morning offering taken.

Rev. Jerome Goodwin brought the morning message from St. John 14:6. "The Only Way To God." Dismissed for lunch with prayer led by Rev. Clay Engle. Programs presented: Friendship - Here's Happiness; Wattsville, Give Me Your Dreams; Talladega, Seeking The Lost.

Judges for programs were Rev. Clay Engle, Bro. Alfred O'Donnell and Rev. Jerome Goodwin. Special singing by Tresa Ferguson between programs. Attendance award presented to Superintendent from Wattsville having 168% in attendance. Program award also presented to Wattsville.

Announcements made. Ausiting report made that books were found in order. Moved and seconded to accept this report. Passed. Adjourned.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

1 year	Bro. Earl Rich	1976
2 year	Bro. Bobby Dollar	1977
3 year	Rev. Frank Stewart	1978
4 year	Rev. Clay Engle	1979
5 year	Rev. Mark Edge	1980
6 year	Bro. Johnnie Wiggins	1981
7 year	Bro. Ullis Hazelwood	1982

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. 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.

5. Churches must use letter forms sent them each year by the clerk.

6. That this body elect a moderator and assistant moderator at the close of the annual session and he serve two (2) years, for both the Quarterly and Annual. The election coming on the odd year. Changed 1973. The clerk be elected at the close of the session. (Annual session) and he serve two (2) years. The election coming on the even year, and he take office the 1st quarterly session after the annual association. Passed 1972

7. That this body adopt a unified program.

8. That each church pay an entrance fee of \$10.00 to each session of this conference (4 sessions a year) and continue to contribute toward paying for the printing of the minutes. (Changed 1969)

9. That the Minister's and Deacon's Conference convene on Friday night instead of Friday evening as heretofore practiced.

10. That the Moderator be paid \$10.00 for the 4th Quarterly Session which is the annual session in August. This session only for his service; that the clerk be paid \$15.00 each session (4 sessions a year) for his services, and he be paid eight (8) cents per mile for his expenses other than coming to association and quarterly meetings. Passed 1974. The trustee of the children's home be paid eight (8) cents per mile. Passed 1970.

11. That the Moderator appoint all standing committees; and any other committee he may need.

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

13. This body try to buy the property and land when and where a new church is organized. The deeds be made in such 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.

14. Ordained ministers and deacons and licensed ministers are standing delegates. 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.

15. That no money be voted out of the association treasury till all the association expenses are paid. The moderator, clerk, trustee to children's home, entrance fee to State Association and minutes, along with the expense of the office. Ministers and deacons cards printed. Passed 1971.

RULES FOR MINISTERS AND DEACONS CONFERENCE

1. That we elect a moderator and assistant moderator in August at the Ministers and Deacons Conference and he must have attended at least one ministers and deacons conference before being elected moderator or assistant moderator.
2. That there be a ministers and deacons meeting four times a year. Friday night, one week before the Quarterly meeting except at Association which would meet Friday night of the Association.
3. If he reports by letter he receive a certificate of standing and if unable to report due to sickness or car trouble he still will be issued a certificate of standing.
4. At the Ministers and Deacons Conference the moderator appoint a committee of 3 ordained men that they visit any minister or deacon that are in question to see if their conduct is still becoming to being a minister or deacon. Any minister or deacon not belonging to this minister and deacon conference will not be recognized as a minister or deacon of conference but will be recognized as a visiting minister or deacon and will not have a right to vote, but will be treated as a brother in Christ.
5. That each minister and deacon pay a \$1.00 fee at each meeting for the association treasury for expenses.
6. That any minister or deacon be a member of any church of the Liberty #2 Association be allowed to join the minister and deacons conference at any of the ministers and deacons meetings.
7. That this minister and deacons conference will not recognize a minister or deacon with two (2) living wives or ordain him. 1. Tim. 3:2.
8. A minister in Liberty #2 Association is not to perform a marriage ceremony if a man or woman are divorced and has another living husband or wife.

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. 4:4-8.

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 become guilty before God. Gen. 2:17, 3:19.

7. THE WORK OF CHRIST. The Son of God by His incarnation of life, suffering death and resurrection affected 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 ORDINANCE. 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 Corinthians 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.

FREEWILL 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 Savior 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 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.

CONSTITUTION OF SUNDAY SCHOOL AND LEAGUE CONVENTION

Preamble: In order to strengthen and unify our Christian work and the building of Christian character among the members of the Liberty No. 2 Sunday School Convention of Free Will Baptist, and to promote and maintain a correspondence with each other in a convention wide organization. We propose to band ourselves together in an organic union to keep the rules of such an organization according to the following plan:

Article I. This organization shall be composed and known as the Sunday School and League Convention of Liberty No. 2 Association of Free Will Baptist.

Article II. This convention shall be composed of said association and shall meet at 2 P.M. Saturday before the 4th Sunday in April of each year and continue through Sunday, the place of meeting will be Liberty No. 2, Camp Ground 3 miles north of Pell City, Ala., unless otherwise stated.

Article III. Any Sunday School or League desiring to become a member of this convention shall send two (2) or more delegated representatives with a petitionary letter, stating the desire of their particular organization to become a member of this body. They shall be received by a majority vote of all members present.

Article IV. The officers of this convention shall be President who shall preside at all meetings, a Vice-President who shall preside over meetings in the absence of the President; a Secretary-Treasurer who shall keep a true and accurate record of every meeting and every business transaction, and to have, hold and convey any and all funds entrusted to him or her by the convention. Other officers may be elected as deemed necessary by this body.

Article V. An Executive committee, composed of three (3) members to be elected so that their terms expire alternately thus: One to be elected for one year; one to be elected for two years; and one to be elected for three years. They shall be elected by the body and shall attend to all business matters between regular and annual sessions. One of the members shall be chosen from the Sunday School, one from the League, and one shall be elected at large.

Article VI. All officers, including Executive Committee members must be Christians and Free Will Baptist.

Article VII. This Constitution may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote of all members present at any regular business meeting, but notice of such intended change must be given at least twenty-four hours in advance of the proposed amendment or alteration. Any amendment or alteration voted by this body shall be final.

BY-LAWS OF SUNDAY SCHOOL AND LEAGUE 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 superintendent 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 three(3) different Sunday Schools and Leagues shall constitute a quorum to transact business, but a smaller number 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.
6. 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. Attendance Banner: Each Sunday School give the number on the roll and the one with the greatest percentage attending receive the banner. If number on roll is not given we go by the church roll.
13. The Secretary-Treasurer shall be paid \$5.00 each session for service rendered.
14. 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.

ORGANIZATION OF LIBERTY #2 ASSOCIATION

The Liberty #2 Association was organized on Friday night before the 4th Sunday in September, 1934.

The Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist Church of Pell City, Ala. met with the Pleasant Grove Free Will Baptist Church of Ashville, Ala. and organized the Liberty #2 Association.

The councilmen of ordained ministers and deacons: Rev. E. J. Carlisle, Rev. N. Polk, Rev. W. B. Hollis, Deacon W. B. Jackson.

Pleasant Grove : Delegates: Bro. H. D. O'Donnell, Rev. H. T. Perkins, Bro. R. A. O'Donnell, Rev. Rosco Gardner, Rev. Herman O'Donnell. The council examined the delegates and found them in harmony with the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

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 committee
8. Acknowledgements
9. Committee Reports
10. New Business
11. Adjournment