

## MINUTES

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

FORTY-SIXTH SESSION  
AUGUST 17, 18, 1979

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MODERATOR ----- REV. PAUL DAVIS  
19 N. 30th Street, Pell City, Al. Phone 338-2788

### NEW OFFICERS

Moderator ----- Deacon Calvin Barber  
Pell City, Alabama 35125  
Assist. Mod. ----- Rev. G. H. Latta, Leeds, Al.  
Clerk ----- Rev. Chester O'Donnell  
Rt. 1 Box 204, Ashville, Al. 35953 - 594-4248  
Assist. Clerk ----- Deacon J. R. Wiggins  
Pell City, Al. 35125

FORTY SEVENTH SESSION  
FRIDAY NIGHT AND SATURDAY  
Before the Third Sunday in August, 1980  
PLACE TO BE ANNOUNCED

## MINISTERS AND DEACONS CONFERENCE

Moderator: Rev. G. H. Latta, Rt. 5, Box 16, Leeds, Al.  
35904, Ph. 699-6541

Assist. Moderator: Rev. Clay Engle, Box 178a, Rt. 1  
Harpersville, Al., Ph. 672-7736 Vincent

Clerk: Rev. Chester O'Donnell, Rt. 1, Box 204  
Ashville, Al. 35953

Assist. Clerk: Bro. Frank Simpkins, Pell City, Al.  
35125

## BOARDS:

EXECUTIVE: Rev. Robert Sanders 1980  
Rev. Barney Chaney 1981  
Bro. Hardy Rich 1982

HOME MISSIONS: Rev. Chester O'Donnell, Rt. 1, Box 204  
Ashville, Ala. 35953, Treasurer 1980  
Bro. Martin Patterson, 611 28th n., Pell  
City, Al. 35125, 1981  
Rev. Paul Davis, 19th N. 30th St.,  
Pell City, Al. 35125 1982  
Rev. Cleo Elders, P.O. Box 85, Talladega,  
Al. 35169, 1983  
Rev. Arthur Renfro, 3028 9th Ave., N.,  
Pell City, Al. 1984

## ORGANIZING COUNCIL:

Rev. G. H. Latta, Leeds, Al. 1980  
Rev. Paul Davis, Pell City, Al. 1981  
Rev. Robert Sanders, Talladega, Al. 1982  
Rev. Tim Holland, Gadsden, Al. 1983  
Deacon Orlie Mitchel, Pell City, Al. 1984

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION: Beginning at 2:00 P.M.  
Saturday before the 4th Sunday in April at  
the Camp ground.

President: Rev. Bobby Golden, Rt. 2,  
Box 471-g, Pell City, Al. 35125  
Vice President: Mr. Richard Daffron  
Sect.-Treasurer: Mrs. Roxie Golden  
Rt. 2, Box 471-g, Pell City, Al. 35125  
Ph. 338-2713



FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION NOVEMBER 19, 1978 - 7 CHURCHES REPORTING. Moderator: Rev. Paul Davis; Clerk: Rev. Chester O'Donnell.

The first Quarterly Session of the 46th Annual Session of Liberty No. 2 Association of Free Will Baptist met at the Ragland First Free Will Baptist Church on Saturday, November 19, 1978.

House called to order by clerk: Rev. Chester O'Donnell, Moderator: Rev. Paul Davis, took charge reading Psalms 143:1-4. Prayer by Rev. C.L. Finch.

Clerk gave report of churches reporting: I have examined the letters from seven churches, Wattsville, Lookout Mt., Pleasant Grove, Ragland, Guiding Light, Friendship, Talladega, and find them in order with fees. I recommend they be received and delegates seated. Moved, seconded and carried.

#### COMMITTEES APPOINTED

Devotional: Sis. Martha Patterson, Sis. Retha Fisher, Bro. J.U. Smith.

Business: Rev. Arthur Renfro, Rev. C. L. Finch, Rev. G. H. Latta, Rev. Cleo Elders, Bro. Martin Patterson.

Report of devotional committee: We your devotional committee recommend Rev. Mark Edge for the 11 o'clock message, and Rev. Arthur Renfro for the afternoon message. MSC to receive.

Report of business committee: We your business committee recommend the following items for your consideration.

Item 1. That we take from Association Treasury enough money to finish paying the November payment on Fellowship Church. (\$20.00)

Item 2. That we grant Community request and drop them from our roll.

Item 3. That we get speakers for the February session.

Item 4. Next session to meet with the Talladega Church.

MSC to table till after lunch. Offering for Children's Home \$35.15.

Morning message: Rev. Mark Edge, Scripture, James 5:13-20. Subject "Christ". Luke 18:1.

Dismissed for lunch and blessing on the food by Rev. Herman O'Donnell.

#### SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Scripture reading, Romans 10:1, 2. Prayer by Bro. Hardy Rich.

MSC to take business from table and take it up item by item.

Item 1. That we give from the association treasury to home mission enough money to finish out the November payment on Fellowship Church. \$20.00 MSC.

Item 2. That Community church request be granted and they be dropped from our roll. MSC.

Item 3. That we get speakers to speak the session before they are to speak. MSC.

Item 4. That we meet with the Talladega Church in February. MSC. Trustee to Children's Home: Chester O'Donnell nominated. MSC to close on him, and he was elected.

MSC to continue supporting and paying Bro. Louie Lee. The \$10.00 per church per quarterly. \$40.00 per church, per year.

Devotional committee report: We recommend for the February session for the morning message Rev. H.G. Latta, Rev. Tim Holland, Alt. Afternoon Rev. Arthur Renfro. Rev. C. L. Finch, Alt.

Afternoon message. Rev. Arthur Renfro. Scripture St. Luke 23:33. Subject "Suffering of Christ". Prayer by speaker. Invitation song.

Minutes read and accepted. Dismissed by Rev. Cleo Elders.

#### SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION, FEBRUARY 17, 1979 - 7 CHURCHES REPORTING.

The 2nd Quarterly Session of the 46th Annual Session of the Liberty No. 2 Association of Free Will Baptist met with the First Free Will Baptist Church of Talladega, Talladega, Ala., on February 17, 1979. Prayer by Robert Sanders.

House called to order by Clerk, Rev. Chester O'Donnell. Moderator Rev. Paul Davis took charge reading Ezra 7:6+10. Prayer by Rev. H. G. Latta.

Clerk gave report of church letters received: I have received letters from 7 churches, Lookout Mt., Pleasant Grove, Ragland, Wattsville, Guiding Light, Friendship, Talladega, and find them in order with fees. I recommend the letters be received and delegates seated. MSC.

#### COMMITTEES APPOINTED

Devotional: Sis. Davis, Sis. Susie Pardue, Sis. Rhonda O'Donnell.

Business: Bro. Bill Higginbotham, Alfred O'Donnell, J.U. Smith, L. D. Jones, Jerome Wyatt.

Offering to Children's Home \$36.00. Prayer by Rev. Barney Chaney.

Morning message by Rev. H.G. Latta. Scripture Dan. 5:5-7. "The Message On The Wall." Dismissed for lunch by Rev. Robert Sanders.

#### SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Singing. Scripture I Cor. 3:1-19. Prayer by Rev. Cleo Elders.

A standing vote of thanks to the good ladies of the church for the good lunch.

Report of Devotional Committee: We the devotional committee recommend the following for the May session. Morning message, Rev. Cleo Elders, Alt. Rev. Robert Sanders. Afternoon message, Rev. J. T. Windsor, Alt. Rev. Arthur Renfro.

Report of business committee: We the business committee recommend a vote on the following item. Item 1. Fellowship Church Property: Our churches have been helping Rev. Paul Davis for the past year with making payment on church. Their agreement is up in March. Do we want to see if we can get the property in our name?

Motion made, seconded, and carried to add, The the home mission board see about getting the Fellowship property in our name and report back to the next quarterly meeting in May. MSC.

Friendship asked for the May Session. MSC to meet with them.

Moved by Rev. Herman O'Donnell, and seconded by Bro. Alfred O'Donnell that we pay Bro. Louie Lee the \$70.00 for the quarter of Sept., Oct., Nov., janitor for camp ground. MSC. Minutes read and accepted.

Afternoon message by Rev. Arthur Renfro. Scripture: Joshua 1:1-7; 6:17-19, "Why No Victory". Dismissed by Bro. Herman Dollar.



### THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION, MAY 19, 1979 - 6 CHURCHES REPORTING

Moderator, Rev. Paul Davis, Clerk: Rev. Chester O'Donnell.

The 3rd Quarterly Session of the 46th Annual Session of Liberty #2 Association of Free Will Baptist met at Friendship Free Will Baptist Church, Pell City, Al., May 19, 1979.

House called to order by clerk: Rev. Chester O'Donnell, Moderator Rev. Paul Davis took charge reading 24th Psalm, Prayer by Rev. C.L. Finch.

Clerk gave report of church letters: I have examined the letters from 6 churches and find them in order with fees, Lookout Mt., Pleasant Grove, Ragland, Wattsville, Friendship, Talladega, I recommend the letters be accepted and delegates seated, MSC.

#### COMMITTEES APPOINTED

Devotional: Sis. Reba Sanders, Sis. Rhonda O'Donnell, Sis. Francis Parker. Business: Bro. Ullis Hazelwood, Rev. Barney Chaney, Bro. Martin Patterson, Bro. Alfred O'Donnell, Rev. Allen Higginbotham.

Dismissed for a short recess by Rev. Arthur Renfro.

ORDAINING COUNCIL: Rev. Rev. Herman O'Donnell, Chmn.; Rev. Barney Chaney, Rev. Arthur Renfro, Rev. G. H. Latta, Deacon Calvin Barber.

Report of Business Committee, MSC to take up item by item. Item 1. We recommend Bro. Howard Smith from Talladega Church be called in question by ordaining council and if found worthy he be ordained for a deacon for the Talladega Church, MSC. Item 2. We recommend this body grant Guiding Light Church a letter of dismissal in good standing from this body (From this Association) by their written request, MSC. Item 3. That we continue to support the Fellowship work for 3 more months. Motion to table Item 3 till afternoon. MSC "Later tabled till Aug." Morning message: Rev. Robert Sanders, scripture Romans 7:21-23; 12:1, 2. "Warped Minds". Dismissed for lunch by Rev. G. H. Latta.

#### SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Scripture I Cor. 3:1-11. Prayer by Bro. Ullis Hazelwood. Offering to children home \$12.59

Item 4. of Business Committee. We recommend that the Sunday School convention be given time during the A.M. of each Quarterly meeting to use as they see fit, MSC. Item 5. That the Quarterly meeting buy an attendance banner for the church having the largest attendance at the Quarterly meeting. MSC.

ORDAINING COUNCIL: We the Ordaining Council have examined Bro. Howard Smith and find him sound in the Bible and doctrine of Free Will Baptist We recommend he be ordained for a deacon for Talladega Church. MSC.

The Ordaining Council proceeded with prayer and laying on of hands to Bro. Howard Smith. Prayer by Rev. Barney Chaney.

Report of Devotional Committee: We the devotional committee recommend for the morning message in August, Rev. G. H. Latta, Alt. Rev. Herman O'Donnell. Afternoon message "Communion and Feetwashing" Rev. Paul Davis; Alt. Rev. Robert Sanders, MSC. MSC to take Item 3 of Business Committee from table. MSC to table Item 3 till Association in August. A short message by Rev. Arthur Renfro. "Do We Have What They Need?" Prayer by speaker.

### FOURTH QUARTERLY SESSION - 46th ANNUAL SESSION OF LIBERTY # 2 ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST - FRIDAY NIGHT AND SATURDAY, AUGUST 17-18, 1979. SIX CHURCHES REPORTING . Moderator, Rev. Paul Davis; Clerk: Rev. Chester O'Donnell

House called to order by clerk, Rev. Chester O'Donnell. He introduced the Moderator, Rev. Paul Davis, who took charge reading I. Tim. 4:1-16. Prayer by Rev. Cleo Elders. Clerk gave report of letters he had received. I have received letters from 6 churches, Lookout Mt., Pleasant Grove, Ragland, Wattsville, Friendship, Talladega. I find them in order with fees, I recommend the letters be received and delegates seated, MSC.

#### COMMITTEES APPOINTED

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| 1. <u>DEVOTIONAL</u><br>Sis. Rhonda O'Donnell, Chm.<br>Sis. Elders<br>Sis. Bertha Higginbotham  | 2. <u>BUSINESS AND AUDITING</u><br>Rev. Arthur Renfro, Chm.<br>Rev. Robert Sanders<br>Rev. Nolan K. Holland<br>Rev. Cleo Elders<br>Bro. Martin Patterson                 |
| 3. <u>DECEASED</u><br>Sis. Parker<br>Sis. Patricia Rice<br>Bro. Howard Endfinger  | 4. <u>EXECUTIVE</u><br>Rev. Robert Sanders 1980<br>Rev. Barney Chaney 1981<br>Bro. Hardy (Buck) 1982   |
| 5. <u>LITERATURE AND SUNDAY SCHOOL</u><br>Rev. Tim Holland<br>Bro. Buck Rich<br>Bro. Alfred O'Donnell   | 6. <u>EDUCATION &amp; FAMILY RELIGION</u><br>Bro. Howard Endfinger<br>Sis. Elders<br>Sis. Elaine Higginbotham  |
| 7. <u>TEMPERANCE &amp; RESOLUTION</u><br>Bro. A.L. Foster<br>Rev. Cleo Elders<br>Bro. Teddie Cain   | 8. <u>HOME MISSIONS</u><br>Rev. Chester O'Donnell, Treas. 1980<br>Bro. Martin Patterson 1981<br>Rev. Paul Davis 1982<br>Rev. Cleo Elders 1983<br>Rev. Arthur Renfro 1984 |
| 9. <u>ORGANIZING COUNCIL</u><br>Rev. G. H. Latta 1980<br>Rev. Paul Davis 1981<br>Rev. Robert Sanders 1982<br>Rev. Tim Holland 1983<br>Bro. Orlie Mitchel 1984 | 10. <u>ORDAINING COUNCIL</u><br>Bro. Orlie Mitchel, Jr.<br>Rev. Robert Sanders<br>Rev. J. T. Windsor<br>Rev. H. A. O'Donnell<br>Rev. Barney Chaney                       |
| 11. <u>MINISTERIAL STANDING</u><br>Bro. Ullis Hazelwood<br>Bro. Alfred O'Donnell<br>Bro. Howard Endfinger   |  |

Report of trustee to children's home, Oral, Offering to Children's Home \$31.01.

Report of devotional committee: We the Devotional Committee recommend Rev. Tim Holland for the morning message and Rev. Robert Sanders, the afternoon message in Nov. MSC. A short program was given by Friendship Young People. Rev. Latta called for an altar of prayer.



Morning message by Rev. G. H. Latta, Scripture 11 Kings 20:1-6, "Setting The House In Order." Dismissed for lunch and blessing on food by Bro. Martin Patterson.

#### SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Session opened with singing. Moderator took charge reading the church covenant. Prayer by Rev. Robert Sanders.

Report of Deceased Committee: We the deceased committee are sorry to report that 8 members have departed since we last met. 5 from Friendship: Bro. John Clay, Rev. Alfred Ledlow, Sis. Ruby Ledlow, Sis. Martha Ledlow Rev. Joe Brown Ledlow. From Talladega 1, Sis. Izola Warlick, From Watts-ville, 2 No names given. MSC to receive report.

Home missions Board report given by Rev. Paul Davis. Oral. MSC to go to Ragland for the November Session.

Delegates to State Association: Sis. Bertha Higginbotham, Bro. William Estes, Sis. Rhonda O'Donnell, Bro. Herman Dollar, Bro. Hardy Rich, Sis. Parker. Association and Home Missions treasurer report given: MSC.

#### ASSOCIATION TREASURY

RECEIVED	FEES	JANITOR	TOTAL
Friendship	\$ 55.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 65.00
Guiding Light	40.00	20.00	60.00
Lookout Mt.	45.00	20.00	65.00
Pleasant Grove	45.00	20.00	65.00
Ragland	40.00	30.00	70.00
Talladega	45.00	30.00	75.00
Watts-ville	50.00	10.00	60.00
Visitor	2.00	0.00	2.00
Ministers	27.00	0.00	27.00
Offering			
Children's Home	00.00	0.00	83.74
Total received			\$601.74
Forward General Treasury			364.75
Janitor Fund			10.00
Total			\$976.49
Spent:			
Clerk, Milage minutes, stamps	\$144.84		
Fee to State Association	35.00		
Milage Trustee to Children's Home	99.00		
Children's Home	108.74		
Home Missions	20.00		
Janitor	140.00		
Moderator	10.00		
Clerk	60.00		
Total Expenditure			\$ 617.58

Balance in Treasury August 1, 1979

\$ 358.91

Less Janitor Fee

10.00

In General Fund

\$348.91

#### HOME MISSION

	RECEIVED	SPENT
Talladega	\$ 260.00	Rev. Paul Davis \$ 240.68
Friendship	220.00	Fellowship Chu. 1,708.00
Ragland	260.00	Total Spent \$1,948.68
Watts-ville	70.00	
Fellowship Offering	40.00	
Association	20.00	
Rev. Clay Engle	10.00	
Mrs. Roxie Golden	35.00	
Rev. Chester O'Donnell	26.00	
Total Received		\$ 941.00
In Treasury Aug. 1, 1978		1,754.86
Total		\$ 2,695.86 \$2,695.86

Balance in Treasury Aug. 1, 1979

747.18

Chester O'Donnell, Treasurer, Rt. 1, Box 204, Ashville, Al. 35953

#### ASSOCIATION PROPERTY

1 folding table, 1 Smith-Corona typewriter, 1 desk file cabinet, 1 tape recorder, 1 communion set, 12 washpans, 12 towels, value \$119.50.

#### MINISTERS AND DEACONS CONFERENCE

Rev. J. T. Windsor, Moderator, Rev. Clay Engle, Assistant Moderator, Rev. Chester O'Donnell, Clerk.

Opened with singing. Moderator took charge reading Matt. 7:7-29. Prayer by Bro. Huston Ramsey. Opportunity for membership.

#### ROLL CALL

1. Barber, James Talladega, Al.
2. Bishop, Clyde, Rt. 1, Ashville, Ala. 35953, Ph. 594-4198
3. Chaney, Barney, 218 Yale Ave., Gadsden, Ala. 35901
4. Davis, Paul, 19th N. 30th St., Pell City, Ala. 35125
5. Elders, Cleo, (LTC) P.O. Box 85, Talladega, Ala. 35169
6. Engle, Clay, Box 178a, Rt. 1, Harpersville, Al., Ph. 672-7736 Vincent
7. Golden, Bobby, Rt. 2, Box 4718, Pell City, Ala. 35125, Ph. 338-2713
8. Higginbotham, Allen (LTC) 1108 S. Leighton Ave., Anniston, Ala. 36201 Ph. 237-9723
9. Holland, Nolan K., 1229 Mayflower St., Gadsden, Al. 35901, Ph. 547-4063
10. Holland, Nolan Tim, 2049 Mayfield St., Gadsden, Al. 35901
11. Latta, G.H., Rt. 5, Box 16, Leeds, Ala. 35094, Ph. 699-9541
12. O'Donnell, Chester, Rt. 1, Box 204, Ashville, Al. 35953, Ph. 594-4248
13. O'Donnell, H.A., Rt. 1, Box 204, Ashville, Al. 35953, Ph. 594-4248
14. Renfro, Arthur, 3028 9th Ave., N., Pell City, 35125
15. Sanders, Robert, Mt. Olive Circle, Talladega, Ala.
16. Simpkins, Olie D., Pell City, Ala. 35125
17. Windsor, J.T., 504 29th St., N., Pell City, Ala. 35125



#### DEACONS:

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| 1. Alfred O'Donnell, Pleasant Grove | 2. Calvin Barber, Friendship    |
| 3. L.D. Jones, Talladega            | 4. Frank Simpkins, Friendship   |
| 5. A.C. Jones, Talladega            | 6. J. R. Wiggins, Friendship    |
| 7. Daniel Jones, Talladega          | 8. W.G. Haynes, Friendship      |
| 9. Huston Ramsey                    | 10. Orlie Mitchel, Friendship   |
| 11. Ronald Parker                   | 12. Ullis Hazelwood, Friendship |
| 13. Jerome Wyatt, Friendship        | 14. A.G. Foster, Friendship     |

These ministers and deacons did not answer the roll call in person or by letter:

1. Rev. Mark Edge, (LTC) P.O. Box 82, Ragland, Al. 35131, Ph. 476-3663
2. Rev. Clarence O'Donnell (LTC) Rt. 2, Box 576-a, Pell City, Al. 35125 Ph. 338-3793
3. Rev. LeRoy Smith (LTC) Pell City, Al. 35125
4. Deacon J. U. Smith
5. Deacon J. B. Chamblis
6. Deacon Teddy Cain
7. Deacon Bobby Dollar

#### BUSINESS

MSC to drop the names of Rev. Gary Gearhart and Rev. Robert Robertson as they have joined another church.

MSC to drop Rev. Larry Morgram and Rev. Ernest Walker as they have joined another Association.

Election of officers for the coming year. For Moderator, Rev. Clay Engle and Rev. G. H. Latta were nominated. MSC to close on these two, Rev. G. H. Latta was elected. MSC Rev. Clay Engle be the Assistant Moderator. Clerk: Rev. Chester O'Donnell was nominated, MSC to close on him and he was elected. Assistant Clerk: Deacon Frank Simpkins was nominated. MSC to close on him and he was elected. MSC to stay open through Saturday.

MSC to elect a speaker for 1980 session. Rev. J. T. Windsor nominated and elected. Rev. Clay Engle, Rev. Robert Sanders nominated for alternate speaker. MSC to close on these two, and Rev. Clay Engle was elected. There being no other business the business part stood adjourned till Saturday.

Friday Night Message: Rev. Arthur Renfro. Scripture, Romans 10:13-15. Ezek. 37:1-10; Acts 15:13-18; Romans 11:25-27. Dismissed by Rev. Clay Engle.

#### CHURCH LETTERS

FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, Talladega, Al., Pastor and address, Rev. Robert Sanders, Mt. Olive Circle, Talladega, Ala., Clerk and address: Mrs. Eunice Davis, Rt. #1, Box 249, Talladega, Ala. 35160. Delegates: Sis. Parker, Sis. Patricia Rice, Sis. Elders, Bro. B. W. Germany, Alt., Statistics: Church membership 95. Members received by profession of faith 14, by letter 2. Total members received 16. Members dismissed Deceased, 1, Sis. Izola Warlick; Sunday School enrollment, 76, average attendance 56. Master's Men, enrollment 6; mid-week service average attendance 40. Number of ordained

ministers 3; number of ordained deacons 4. Financial report: spent for local causes: Pastor's salary, \$2,600.00; evangelistic work, \$350.00; building and repair, \$6,444.85; literature, \$337.65; other \$1,951.78. Total spent for local causes: \$11,684.20; spent for outside causes: Foreign missions, \$50.00; home missions \$270.00; orphanage, \$516.00; association projects, \$280.00. Total spent for outside causes \$1,116.00. Total expenditures \$12,800.28. Value of church property \$30,000.00. Amount enclosed for fees \$15.00.

RAGLAND FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, Ragland, Ala. Pastor: Rev. G. H. Latta, Leeds, Al. We have called Rev. Tim Holland, Gadsden, Ala. for our pastor for the coming year. Clerk and address: Bertha Fay Higginbotham, Box 316, Ragland, Ala. 35131. Delegates: Sis. Bertha Ray Higginbotham, Sis. Elaine Higginbotham. Statistics: Church membership 60, members received by profession of faith 5, by letter 3. Total members received 8. Members dismissed by letter 4, Excluded 1. Total members dismissed 5. Sunday School average attendance 25. Mid-week service average attendance 12. Number of ordained ministers 2. Number of ordained deacons 3. Financial report. Spent for local causes: Pastor's salary \$2,880.00; evangelistic work \$295.00; building and repair \$2,252.85; other \$2,416.90; total spent for local causes \$7,844.75; spent for outside causes: Home missions \$260.00; orphanage \$240.00; superannuation \$405.00; associational projects \$883.88; total spent for outside causes \$1,788.88; total expenditures \$9,633.63; value of church property \$23,000.00. Amount enclosed for fees \$25.00.

WATTSVILLE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, Hwy. 231, Wattsville, Al. Pastor and address, Rev. J. T. Windsor, Pell City, Al. 35125. Clerk and address, Mr. Herman Dollar, 2001 3rd Ave., South Pell City, Ala. 35125. Delegates: Bro. Herman Dollar, Bro. Max Mayo, Sis. Lois Campbell, Sis. Faye Wilson, Bro. Bobby Dollar, Alternate. Statistics: Church membership 107; members received by letter 2; by statement of faith 1, Total members received 3. Members dismissed by letter 6, deceased 2, no names given. Total dismissed 8. Sunday School enrollment 80; average attendance 64, mid-week service average attendance 25; number of ordained ministers 3; number of ordained deacons 3

Financial report: Spent for local causes: Pastor's salary \$1,950.00; evangelistic work \$753.99, building and repair \$1,859.93; literature \$185.52, other \$1,685.00. Total spent for local causes \$6,434.44. Spent for outside causes: Associational projects \$760.70. Total spent for outside causes \$760.70. Total expenditures \$7,195.14. Value of church property \$130,000.00. Amount enclosed for fees and minutes \$20.00.

LOOKOUT MT. FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, Gadsden, Al., Pastor and address, Rev. Barney Chaney, 218 Yale Ave., Gadsden, Al. 35901. Clerk's name and address, Mrs. Loittie Chaney, 218 Yale Ave., Gadsden, Al. 35901. Delegates: Bro. William Estis, statistics: Church membership 40, Members received by statement of faith 3 total members received 3, members dismissed by letter 5, total members dismissed 5. Sunday School enrollment 25, average attendance 18, CTS enrollment 10, average attendance 10, Master's men enrollment 7. Average attendance 6, mid-week service average attendance 10, number of ordained ministers 2, number of ordained deacons 1, financial report: Spent for local causes: Pastor's salary \$700.00. Building and repair \$; 508.00



Literature \$177.00, other \$508.00, total spent for local causes \$1,893.00.  
Spent for outside causes: Foreign missions \$432.00. Orphanage \$100.00.  
Total spent for outside causes \$532.00. Total expenditures \$2,425.00.  
Value of church property \$25,000.00 Amount closed for fees and minutes \$15.00.

PLEASANT GROVE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, Rt. 1, Ashville, Al.  
35953, County Road 22, Shoal Creek Valley, Pastor and address: Rev. Nolan Holland, 1229 Mayflower St., Gadsden, Al. 35901. Clerk and address: Mrs. Roxie Golden, Rt. 2, Box 471-g, Pell City, Al. 35125. Delegates: Sis. Reba Muir, Sis. Rhonda O'Donnell, Sis. Dennie Cox, Alternate. Statistics: Church membership 38, Sunday School enrollment 30, average attendance 25, mid-week service average attendance 8, number of ordained ministers 6, number of ordained deacons 1, financial report: spent for local causes: Pastor's salary \$1,350.00; evangelistic work \$250.00, building and repair \$6,150.00. Literature \$165.00. Orphanage \$61.00, Associational projects \$382.00. Total spent for outside causes \$443.00. Total expenditures \$8,571.00. Value of church property \$25,000.00. Amount enclosed for fees and minutes \$15.00.

FRIENDSHIP FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, 3030 Comer Ave., Pell City, Al. 35125. Pastor and address: Rev. Arthur Renfro, 3028 9th Ave., N., Pell City, Al. 35125. Clerk and address: Frank Simpkins, 600 No. 29 St., Pell City, Al. 35125. Delegates: Howard Endfinger, Martin Patterson, Jermmy Bradley, Buck Rich. Statistics: Membership 150. Members received by profession of faith 4, by letter 6, by statement of faith 7, Total members received 17, Members dismissed by letter 7, deceased, 5, Bro. John Clay, Rev. Alfred Ledlow, Sis. Ruby Ledlow, Sis. Martha Ledlow, Rev. Joe Brown Ledlow. Total members dismissed 12. Sunday School enrollment 115. Average attendance 108, CTS enrollment 60. Average attendance 45, number of ordained ministers 3, number of ordained deacons 8, Financial report: Total received \$34,398.78, Spent for local causes: Pastor's salary \$13,900.00, evangelistic work \$530.00, building and repair \$3,754.13, literature \$502.80, other \$9,088.08, total spent for local causes \$27,775.01, spent for outside causes: Home missions \$322.00, education "Bible School" \$208.81, orphanage \$746.15, superannuation "Family in need" \$1,000.00, associational project "Youth Camp" \$685.00. Total spent for outside causes \$2,962.06. Total expenditures \$30,737.07, value of church property \$150,000.00. Value of parsonage property \$50,000.00. Amount enclosed for fees \$25.00.

#### 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 1972. 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 First Quarterly session after the annual session of association. Passed 1972.
7. That this body adopt a unified program.
8. That each church pay an entrance fee of \$15.00 to each session of this conference (4 Sessions a year) and continue to contribute toward paying for the printing of the minutes. (Changed Nov. Session 1979)
9. That the Ministers and Deacons Conference convene on Friday night instead of Friday evening as heretofore practiced.
10. That the moderator be paid \$10.00 for the Fourth 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 fifteen (15) cents per mile. Changed 1975 Nov. Session.
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 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, and 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. 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 is 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 ministers and deacons conference at any of the ministers and deacons meetings.

7. That this ministers and deacons conference will not recognize a minister or deacon with two (2) living wives or ordain him. I 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.

#### FREE WILL BAPTIST ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. THE BIBLE. The Scripture of the Old and New Testaments were given by inspiration of God, and are infallible rule of faith and practice.

I. Tim. 3:16.

2. GOD. There is one living and true God. Revealed in nature as the Creator, Preserver, and Righteous Governor, of the Universe; and in the Scriptures as Father, Son and Holy Ghost, yet as one God, infinitely wise and good whom all intelligent creatures are supremely to love, adore and obey. I. Cor. 8:6, Matt. 28:19.

3. CHRIST. Christ is God manifest in the flesh: in His divine nature truly God, in His human nature truly man. The mediator between God and man, once crucified, He is now risen and glorified, and is our ever present Savior and Lord. St. John 1:1-12.

4. THE HOLY SPIRIT: The Scriptures assign to the Holy Spirit all the attribute 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 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 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. I John 2:2.

8. THE TERMS OF SALVATION: The conditions of salvation are: (1) Repentance or sincere sorrow for sin and hearty renunciation of it. (2) Faith or the unreserved committal of one's self to Christ as Savior and Lord with purpose to love and obey Him in all things. In the exercise of saving faith the soul is renewed by the Holy Spirit, freed from the dominion of sin and becomes a child of God. (3) Continuance in faith and obedience until death. II Cor. 7:10; Prov. 28:13.

9. ELECTION. God determined from the beginning to save all who should comply with the conditions of salvation. Hence by faith in Christ, men become His elect. I Tim. 2:4.

10. FREEDOM OF THE WILL. The human will is free and self-controlled, having power to yield to the influence of the truth and the spirit 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; 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, is of universal obligation, and is to be ministered to all true believers. Mark 16:15; II Cor. 4:5; St. John 13:14.

14. TITHING. God commanded tithes and offerings in the Old Testament; Jesus Christ endorsed it in the Gospel (Matt. 23:23) and the apostle Paul said, "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him." I Cor. 15:2a.

15. 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.



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

#### ORDER OF BUSINESS (For Church Conference)

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