

MINUTES

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

FORTY-SEVENTH SESSION

AUGUST 15, 16, 1980

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FORTY-EIGHTH SESSION

FRIDAY NIGHT AND SATURDAY

Before the Third Sunday in August, 1981

LIBERTY #2 CAMP GROUND
Hwy. 231 North, Pell City, Ala.

MINISTERS AND DEACONS CONFERENCE

Moderator: Rev. Paul Davis, 19 N. 30th St.,
Pell City, Ala. 35125

Assist. Moderator: Rev. Robert Sanders,
Talladega, Ala.

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

Assist. Clerk: Deacon Frank Simpkins
600 N. 29th St., Pell City, Ala. 35125

BOARDS:

EXECUTIVE: Rev. Barney Chaney 1981
Bro. Hardy Rich 1982
Rev. Robert Sanders 1983

HOME MISSIONS: Bro. Martin Patterson, 611 28th St., N.
Pell City, Ala. 35125 1981
Rev. Paul Davis, 19 N. 30th St.
Pell City, Ala. 35125 1982
Rev. Cleo Elders, P.O. Box 85,
Talladega, Ala. 35169 1983
Rev. Arthur Renfro, 3028 9th Ave. N.
Pell City, Ala. 35125 1984
Rev. Chester O'Donnell
Rt. 1, Box 204, Ashville, Ala. 35953
1985 Treasurer

ORGAINIZING COUNCIL:

Deacon Frank Simpkins, 600 N. 29th St.
Pell City, Ala. 35125 1985
Deacon Arlie Mitchel, Jr.
Pell City, Ala. 35125 1984
Rev. Tim Holland, Gadsden, Ala. 1983
Rev. Robert Sanders, Talladega, Ala. 1982
Rev. Paul Davis, 19 N. 30th St.
Pell City, Ala. 35125 1981

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION: Beginning at 2:00 P.M.

Saturday before the 4th Sunday in April at
at the camp ground.

President: Rev. Bobby Golden, Rt. 2,
Box 471-g, Pell City, Al. 35125

Sect.-Treasurer: Mrs. Roxie Golden
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FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION NOVEMBER 17, 1979 - CHURCHES REPORTING. Moderator: Deacon Calvin Barber; Clerk: Rev. Chester O'Donnell.

The first quarterly session of the 47th Annual Session of Liberty No. 2 Association of Free Will Baptist met at the Ragland First Free Will Baptist Church on Saturday, November 17, 1979.

House called to order by clerk: Rev. Chester O'Donnell, Moderator, Deacon Calvin Barber took charge reading I John chapter 4. Prayer by Rev. Renfro.

Clerk gave report of churches reporting, and made move to receive same and seat delegates, second and carried. Report: I have received letters from 6 churches, Talladega, Friendship, Wattsville, Ragland, Pleasant Grove, Lookout Mt., and find them in order with fees.

Opportunity for membership. Invite visiting brothers and sisters to seat with us.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED:

Devotional: Bro. J. R. Wiggins, Bro. David Wilson, Sis. Della Jones.

Business: Bro. Hubert Owens, Rev. Paul Davis, Rev. Robert Sanders, Bro. Arthur Ritch, Rev. Herman O'Donnell.

Short Recess.

A special song by Bro. and Sis. Teddie Cain.

Ragland's Youth Program.

Trustee report to children's home. Oral. Offering to children's home. Prayer by Rev. Robert Sanders, offering \$37.31.

Report of Business Committee: We the business committee recommend that each church receive an offering for the starving children in Cambodia. Moved, seconded and carried that the item of business be taken up by each church and carried out or sent to association clerk.

Morning message by Rev. Tim Holland, "God Is Concerned About You." John 3:16 - 17 Isa.

Dismissed for lunch by Bro. J. B. Chambles.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Opened with singing. Prayer by Rev. Nolan Holland. A rising vote of thanks to the ladies for fixing and bringing the good food we enjoyed at the lunch hour. Scripture Heb. 11:1-5 read by Moderator.

Report of devotional committee, read and received by move and seconded.

We, the Devotional Committee, recommend Rev. Arthur Renfro as the 11 o'clock speaker, with Rev. Herman O'Donnell as alternate, Feb. Afternoon speaker, Rev. Cleo Elders, Alternate, Rev. Mark Edge.

Business Committee: Item 2. moved, seconded and carried. Item 2. We recommend the entrance fee be raised from \$10.00 to \$15.00 and be placed in the Association ruling to replace Rule #8.

Talladega asked for the Feb. Session. Moved, seconded and carried to meet with them.

Afternoon message by Rev. Robert Sanders, Scripture Acts 8:25.

Dismissed by Rev. Paul Davis.

SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION, FEBRUARY 16, 1980 - 6 CHURCHES REPORTING Moderator, Deacon Calvin Barber; Clerk, Rev. Chester O'Donnell

The second quarterly session of the 47th Annual Session of Liberty #2 Association of Free Will Baptist met with the Talladega Free Will Baptist Church, February 16, 1980. The house called to order by clerk, and the Moderator, Deacon Calvin Barber was introduced; he took charge reading I John 4; prayer by Rev. Cleo Elders.

The clerk gave report of churches that had reported. I have received letters from 6 churches, Pleasant Grove, Ragland, Friendship, Wattsville, Lookout Mt., Talladega and find them in order with fees, names of delegates were read, the clerk made a move to receive the letters and seat delegates, seconded and carried.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

Devotional: Bro. J. B. Chambles, Sis. Mozell Willingham, and Bro. L.D. Jones

Business: Bro. J.R. Wiggins, Rev. Paul Davis, Rev. Tim Holland.

Short Recess: Assembled back at 10:05 with singing led by Rev. Nolan Holland.

Report of devotional committee, We the devotional committee recommend for the 11:00 o'clock message in May, Rev. Arthur Renfro. Alternate, Rev. Paul Davis. Afternoon, Rev. Tim Holland, Alternate, Rev. Nolan Holland.

Talladega received the attendance banner.

Offering for the children's home. Prayer by Rev. Nolan Holland. Offering \$35.59.

Report of Business Committee: We, your Business Committee recommend the following items: Item 1. Program to go by.

1. 9:00 A.M. Call to order and appoint committees and seat delegates. 2. 9:30 A.M. Youth Program. 3. 10:30 A.M. Committees reports and business. 4. 11:00 A.M. Worship and ordination service. 5. 12:00 Noon, Adjournment. Moved, seconded and carried to adopt this item.

Item 2. That the attendance banner be awarded on percentage basis of membership attendance. Moved, seconded to receive. Lost.

Rev. Arthur Renfro made a move that as he was the morning speaker for the May term and we would have no evening session that the afternoon speaker be moved up to the 11:00 o'clock hour. MSC.

Wattsville asked for the May session. Moved, seconded and carried to accept their invitation.

11:00 o'clock message. Rev. Arthur Renfro. Scripture, Ezra 8:21-32; Matt. 28:18-19, Romans 10:14; Prayer by speaker, (Moving from bondage to freedom) Dismissed for lunch by Rev. Nolan K. Holland

AFTERNOON SESSION

A rising vote of thanks was given the ladies of the host church for the good dinner. Scripture I Psalms. Prayer by Rev. Robert Sanders. Message by Rev. Cleo Elders. Prayer by speaker. Scripture Luke 16:19-31; Matt. 25. 1-13. Reading of minutes: moved, seconded to adopt as read.

Dismissed by Rev. Herman O'Donnell.

THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION, MAY 17, 1980 - 6 CHURCHES REPORTING

Moderator: Deacon Calvin Barber; Clerk, Rev. Chester O'Donnell

The Third Quarterly Session of the 47th Annual Session of the Liberty #2 Association of Free Will Baptist met with the Wattsville Free Will Baptist Church on May 17, 1980.

House called to order by Moderator, Deacon Calvin Barber, prayer by Rev. Paul Davis. Moved, seconded and carried to seat delegates.

APPOINTING OF COMMITTEES

Devotional: Bro. G. W. Haynes, Bro. Frank Simpkins, Bro. Jr. Mitchel.

Business: Rev. Robert Sanders, Rev. Paul Davis, Rev. Nolan Holland.

Ordaining Council: Deacon Arlie Mitchel, Jr., Rev. Robert Sanders, Rev.

J. T. Windsor, Rev. Herman O'Donnell, Deacon Max Mayo.

At this time we had some good singing and scripture reading Romans 9:1-8.

Program by Wattsville Young People.

Report of Devotional Committee, read and received by proper move and second.

We, the Devotional Committee recommend Rev. F. C. Barber for the 11:00 o'clock message in August, Rev. J. T. Windsor his alternate.

Report of Business Committee. We, the Business Committee recommend the following items.

Item 1. We have examined the letters and find them in order with money.

Item 2. The next session of our association meet with the Lookout Mt. Church, Gadsden, Ala. at their request.

Item 3. Bro. David Wilson, Bro. Jessie Morgan and Bro. Phillip Hampton from Wattsville Church be called in question by ordaining council and if found worthy ordain them for deacons for Wattsville Church.

Item 4. We recommend Rev. Floyd Barber be given a letter of recommendation from this association. Clerk write recommendation when needed. Moved, seconded and carried to receive and take item by item. All items were passed.

Offering to children's home \$38.45. Prayer by Rev. Arthur Renfro.

Attendance Banner: Wattsville Church

Report of Ordaining Council. MSC to receive.

We, the Ordaining Council have examined Bro. David Wilson and Bro. Jessie Morgan and find them worthy to be ordained. The council ordained them by prayer and laying on of hands. Prayer led by Rev. J. T. Windsor.

* 11:00 o'clock message by Rev. Tim Holland. Scripture, Romans 12:1, 2; Deut. 29:29; John 3:16; Rom. 3:23; 6:23; Matt. 23:13; Luke 13:3; Rom. 14:12; Mark 3:36; I John, Gal. Moved by Rev. Arthur Renfro and seconded by Frank Simpkins to take Rev. Floyd C. Barber into full fellowship of this association. Carried.

Minutes read. Moved, seconded and carried to adopt minutes as read.

Dismissed by Rev. Floyd C. Barber.

FOURTH QUARTERLY SESSION - 47th ANNUAL SESSION OF LIBERTY #2, ASSOCIATION OF FREEWILL BAPTIST, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 16, 1980

6 CHURCHES REPORTING - Moderator: Deacon Calvin Barber; Clerk: Rev. Chester O'Donnell

Friday night, August 15, Clerk called the house to order. In the absence of the Moderator, he asked Rev. Herman O'Donnell to act as moderator till we could elect an assistant moderator. Rev. Robert Sanders was nominated and elected as assistant moderator.

SATURDAY MORNING, AUG. 16

Opened with singing. Rev. Paul Davis was asked to take charge till Rev. Sanders arrived. Scripture 142 Psalms. Prayer by Bro. A.C. Jones. Delegates names read: MSC to seat delegates.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED

1. DEVOTIONAL

Sis. Elders
Sis. Morgan
Sis. Brown

3. DECEASED

Sis. Martha Patterson
Sis. Vicky Gunter
Sis. Palmer

5. LITERATURE AND SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sis. Edna Estes
Sis. Dennie Cox
Bro. Roger Gunter

7. TEMPERANCE AND RESOLUTION

Bro. Jessie Morgan
Bro. Sherrill Ransey
Rev. Clyde Bishop

9. ORGANIZING COUNCIL

Rev. Paul Davis 1981
Rev. Robert Sanders 1982
Rev. Tim Holland 1983
Bro. Arlie Mitchel 1984
Deacon Frank Simpkins 1985

11. MINISTERIAL STANDING

Deacon L. D. Jones
Bro. Martin Patterson
Deacon Alfred O'Donnell

2. BUSINESS AND AUDITING

Rev. Clay Engle, Chm.
Bro. Frank Simpkins
Bro. Palmer
Bro. Bobby Golden
Bro. J. B. Chamblis

4. EXECUTIVE

Rev. Barney Chaney 1981
Bro. Hardy Rich 1982
Rev. Robert Sanders 1983

6. EDUCATION AND FAMILY RELIGION

Rev. Cleo Elders
Bro. Howard Endfinger
Rev. Tim Holland

8. HOME MISSIONS

Bro. Martin Patterson 1981
Rev. Paul Davis 1982
Rev. Cleo Elders 1983
Rev. Arthur Renfro 1984
Rev. Chester O'Donnell 1985

10. ORDAINING COUNCIL

Deacon Arlie Mitchel, Jr.
Rev. Robert Sanders
Rev. Cleo Elders
Rev. H. A. O'Donnell
Rev. Barney Chaney

Offering for the children's home \$38.60.

Partial report of Business Committee: MSC to accept. Item I, We recommend Bro. Ricky Patterson be called in question and if found worthy he be ordained to preach the gospel.

Ordaining Council report: We have examined Bro. Ricky Patterson and find Him sound in the Bible. We recommend he be ordained, MSC. The Council pro-

ceeded with charge, prayer, and laying on of hands. Charge given by Rev. Robert Sanders: 1. Tim. 3. Prayer led by Rev. Robert Sanders. He was given the right hand of fellowship.

Item 2. of Business Committee: We have checked the Association treasurer, and Home Mission treasurer books and find them in order. MSC.

Item 3. We find the church letters in order; three churches did not give Sunday School. MSC.

Item 4. That we move back to the camp ground, and do any work that is needed to be ready.

Item 4. Put aside to take up another item. Motion made to rescind the previous item of business: concerning meeting at camp ground. MSC. Motion to amend the motion that we put air condition and fan in building before we go back. MSL. Lost. Motion made by Rev. Arthur Renfro and seconded by Rev. Robert Sanders that Item 4 of business committee be tabled indefinitely. MSC.

Item 5. We recommend that each deacon be required to join Minister and Deacon Conference, and each one when he comes 65 years of age be given a life time certificate of standing. MSC.

Item. 6. That the clerk be paid \$30.00 a session, 4 sessions a year and 35¢ mile, amended to read the clerk's expenses be paid to State Association. MSC. to receive item as amended.

Item 7. That the entrance fee be raised from \$15.00 to \$20.00 for Nov., Feb. and May Sessions, and \$25.00 for the August Session. MSC.

Deceased Committee: We the Deceased Committee are sorry to report 1 member as deceased since we last met. Deacon J. B. Tims from Watts ville. N MSC. accept this report.

Executive: No report.

Devotional Committee report: We recommend Rev. Bobby Golden for the 1:00 o'clock message today. Rev. Floyd Barber the morning message in Nov. Rev. Tim Holland, Alt. MSC.

LITERATURE AND SUNDAY SCHOOL: Lost their report. We are glad that all churches have a Sunday School. Clerk.

EDUCATION AND FAMILY RELIGION: We believe that education and family religion begin at home. Parents are responsible for raising their children, and not the public schools. Discipline, respect for others, family worship begins at home. We stress the importance of reading God's word together in the family, realizing that the family unit will not survive without the Word of God. MSC to adopt.

TEMPERANCE AND RESOLUTION: We the Temperance and Resolution committee recommend that we practice temperance in the home, church, school, work and all our daily activity as the Bible teaches. Practicing Family devotion, Family altar in the home. We resolve that greater effort be made in the home and church to teach sound doctrine according to that laid down in the Bible to back your church and community. MSC to adopt.

HOME MISSIONS: Oral. We have had no work going this year. Pray with us that God will lay on some of our hearts to start a new work. See treasurer report.

ORGANIZING COUNCIL: Nothing to report.

MINISTERIAL STANDING: We, your Ministerial Standing Committee recommend that all ministers and deacons that are in good standing be given certificates of standing for one year, and that our preachers that are not pastors be invited more to preach at the different churches. MSC to accept report.

Delegates appointed to State Association: Bro. William Estes, Bro. Roger Gunter, Bro. Hardy Rich, Bro. David Bunt, Bro. Sherril Ramsey, Sis. Reba Mulr.

Friendship Free Will Baptist Church as for November session. Moved, seconded and carried to meet with them.

Moved, seconded and carried to retain Rev. Chester O'Donnell as clerk for the next 2 years. Deacon Frank Simpkins was nominated for assistant clerk. Moved seconded and carried to close on him, and he was elected.

Friendship Church won the attendance banner.

CLERK-TREASURER REPORT:

| Received | Spent |
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| Friendship ----- \$ 65.00 | Moderator ----- \$ 10.00 |
| Lookout Mt. ----- 55.00 | Clerk ----- 60.00 |
| Pleasant Grove ----- 55.00 | Trustee to Children's Home --- 132.00 |
| Ragland ----- 65.00 | Children's Home ----- 142.36 |
| Talladega ----- 55.00 | Paper, Stamps, mileage ----- 24.20 |
| Watts ville ----- 60.00 | Minutes ----- 168.00 |
| Visitors ----- 1.00 | State Asso. Entrance fee ----- 30.00 |
| Ministers ----- 20.00 | State Asso. Food Fund ----- 25.00 |
| Deacons ----- 17.00 | Cambodia Relief Food Fund ----- 200.00 |
| Children's Home Offer. 142.36 | Camp ground ----- 10.00 |
| Talladega 100.00 | Attendance banner ----- 8.10 |
| Cambodia Relief Fund | Total spent ----- \$ 809.66 |
| Ragland 100.00 | Total received and forwarded \$ 1,094.27 |
| Total Received ----- \$ 735.36 | Balance in treasury Aug. 1 ----- \$ 284.61 |
| Forwarded from 78, 79- 358.91 | |
| Total ----- \$ 1,094.27 | |

HOME MISSION

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| Received: Ragland ----- \$ 45.00 | |
| Talladega ----- 70.00 | |
| Watts ville ----- 60.00 | Forwarded from 78, 79 \$ 747.18 |
| Pleasant Grove | Total received 253.00 |
| by C --- 78.00 | In Treasury Aug. 1, 1980 \$1,000.18 |
| Total received \$ 253.00 | |

ASSOCIATION PROPERTY:

1. Folding Table. 2. Smith-Corona Typewriter. 3. Desk File Cabinet. 4. Tape Recorder. 5. Communion Set. 6. 12 Washpans, 12 towels. Moved, seconded and carried to receive these reports.

Morning message, by Rev. Bobby Golden, Prayer by speaker, scripture Acts 3:1-8. Dismissed by Rev. Arthur Renfro.

The ladies of the church served sandwiches and they were enjoyed by all that stayed to eat them. Thank you good ladies.

FRIDAY NIGHT, AUG. 15, 1980

The Ministers and Deacon Conference met with the Lookout Mt. Free Will Baptist Church, Friday night, Aug. 15, 1980.

House called to order by clerk: The Assistant Mod., Rev. Clay Engle took charge in the absence of the Moderator. Scripture Psalms 23. Altar prayer led by Rev. Paul Davis. Roll call of ministers and deacons.

Moved, seconded and carried to go into election of officers for the coming year. Moderator: Rev. Paul Davis was nominated. Moved, seconded and carried to close on him and he was elected; Assistant Mod. Rev. Robert Sanders and Rev. Barney Chaney were nominated. MSC to close on these two, and Rev. Robert Sanders was elected. Clerk: Rev. Chester O'Donnell nominated. MSC to close on him and he was elected. Assistant clerk; Deacon Frank Simpkins nominated. MSC to close on him and he was elected. Speaker for August 1981, Rev. Bobby Golden, with Alternate Rev. Tim Holland, these two were elected. Moved, seconded and carried to leave conference open till after service Saturday. In the absence of Rev. J. T. Windsor, the alternate speaker, Rev. Clay Engle brought the message. Scripture Psalm 11:3 "The Church" Matt. 16:15-19 Eph. 5:23-25. Motion made and and carried that the November session met at the camp ground.

Dismissed by Rev. Cleo Elders.

ROLL CALL

1. Barber, James, Talladega, Ala.
2. Bishop, Clyde, Rt. 1, Ashville, Ala. 35953, Ph. 594-4198 (LTC)
3. Chaney, Barney, 218 Yale Ave., Gadsden, Ala. 35901
4. Davis, Paul, 19th N. 30th St., Pell City, Ala. 35125 (LTC)
5. Elders, Cleo (LTC) P.O. Box 85, Talladega, Ala. 35169
6. Engle, Clay Box 178a, Rt. 1, Harpersville, Ala. Ph. 672-7736 Vincent
7. Golden, Bobby, Rt. 2, Box 471-g, Pell City, Ala. 35125, Ph. 338-2713
8. Holland, Tim, 2049 Mayfield St., Gadsden, Ala. 35901
9. O'Donnell, Chester, Rt. 1, Box 204, Ashville, Ala. 35953, Ph. 594-4248
10. O'Donnell, H. A., (LTC) Rt. 1, Box 204, Ashville, Ala. 35953, Ph. 594-4248
11. Renfro, Arthur, 3028 9th Ave., N., Pell City, Ala. 35125
12. Sanders, Robert, Mt. Olive Circle, Talladega, Ala.
13. Simpkins, Olie D., Pell City, Ala. 35125
14. Windsor, J. T., 504 29th St., N., Pell City, Ala. 35125

DEACONS

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| 1. Alfred O'Donnell, Pleasant Grove | 2. Calvil Barber, Friendship |
| 3. L. D. Jones, Talladega | 4. Frank Simpkins, Friendship |
| 5. A. C. Jones, Talladega | 6. W. G. Haynes, Friendship |
| 7. Daniel Jones, Talladega | 8. Arlie Mitchel, Jr., Friendship |
| 9. Bobby Dollar, Watts ville | 10. A. L. Foster, Friendship |
| 11. Max Mayo, Watts ville | 12. J. B. Chamlis, Ragland |
| 13. Bobby Kay, Ragland | 14. J. U. Smith (sick) Lookout Mt. |

These ministers and deacons did not answer in person or by letter

1. Mark Edge, (LTC) P.O. Box 82, Ragland, Ala. 35131. Ph. 476-3663
2. Clarence O'Donnell (LTC) Rt. 2, Box 576a, Pell City, Ala. 35125

Ph. 338-3793

3. Leroy Smith (LTC) Pell City, Ala. 35125
 4. Allen Higginbotham (LTC) 1108 Leighton Ave., Anniston, Ala. 36201. Ph. 237-9723
 5. G. H. Latta, Rt. 5, Box 16, Leeds, Ala. 35094
 6. Nolan Holland, 1229 Mayflower St., Gadsden, Ala. 35901. PH. 547-4063
- Deacons:

1. J. R. Wiggins
 2. Teddie Cain
 3. Jerome Wyatt
 4. Ronald Parker
- #### CHURCH LETTERS

PLEASANT GROVE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH Rt. 1, Ashville Ala. 35953
County Road 22 E., Pastor and address: Rev. Nolan K. Holland, 1229 Mayflower St., Gadsden, Ala. 35901. Clerk and address, Mrs. Nettie R. Wolfe, Rt. 1, Ashville, Ala. 35953. List of delegates: Miss Dennie Cox, Miss Reba Muir, Mrs. Cheryl Cox Wolfe. Church membership 33; Sunday School enrollment 35; average attendance 25. Number of ordained ministers 6, number of ordained deacons 1. FINANCIAL REPORT: Spent for Local Causes: Pastor's salary \$1,500; evangelistic work \$125.00; building and repair \$5,890.00; Literature \$240; other \$663.47. Total spent for local causes \$8,928.47. Spent for outside causes: Orphanage \$125.00; associational projects \$55.00; state and national projects \$35.00. Other \$458.30. Total spent for outside causes \$673.30. Total expenditures \$9,601.77. Value of church property \$25,000.00. Amount enclosed for fee and minutes \$20.00.

RAGLAND FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH Ragland, Ala. 35131. Pastor and address, Rev. Tim Holland, 2049 Mayfield Dr., Gadsden, Ala. 35901. Clerk and address, Mrs. Bertha Higginbotham, P.O. Box 316, Ragland, Ala. 35131. List of delegates: David Bunt, Bertha Higginbotham. Statistics: Total membership, 62; members received by letter 2, total members received, 2. Sunday School enrollment, 30; average attendance, 25; mid-week service average attendance 12; number of ordained ministers, 3; number of ordained deacons, 3. FINANCIAL REPORT: Spent for local causes: Pastor's salary, \$2,880.00; evangelistic work, \$295.00; building and repair, \$11.68; other, \$2,838.17. Total spent for local causes \$6,024.85. Spent for outside causes Home Missions \$20.00; orphanage \$240.00; superannuation \$405.00. Associational projects \$65.00; others \$719.41. Total spent for outside causes \$1,440.41. Total expenditures \$7,474.26. Value of church property, \$23,000.00. Amount enclosed for fees and minutes \$25.00.

WATTSVILLE FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, WATTSVILLE, ALA.

Hwy 231, S. Pastor and address: Rev. J. T. Windsor, 504 29th St., N. Pell City, Ala. 35125. Clerk and address, Mr. Herman Dollar, 2001 3rd Ave. S., Pell City, Ala. 35125. List of delegates: Bro. Curtis Jones, Bro. David Palmer, Sis. Cleo Palmer, Bro. Sherrill Ramsey, Bro. Herman Dollar. STATISTICS: Total membership 119. Members received by profession of faith 5; by letter 1; by statement of faith, 8; total members received 14. Members dismissed, Deceased 1; total members dismissed 1. Mid-week average attendance 40. Number of ordained ministers 3. Number of ordained deacons 4. FINANCIAL REPORT, Spent for local causes: Pastor's salary \$1,950.00. Evangelistic work \$182.04; building and repair \$4,176.09; other \$1,236.86; interest \$665.00; Total spent for local causes \$8,220.99, spent for outside causes: Home Missions \$60.00; associational projects \$660.00. Total spent for outside causes \$720.00. Total expenditures \$8,929.99 value of

church property \$150,000.00. Amount enclosed for fees and minutes \$25.00
FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH OF TALLADEGA, Talladega, Ala. Pastor name and address, Rev. Bobby Golden, Rt. 2, Box 471-g, Pell City, Al. 35125, Ph. 338-2713. Clerk name and address: Mrs. Eunice Davis, Rt. 1, Box 249, Talladega, Ala. 35160. List of delegates: Sis. Audrey Elders, Bro. Roger Gunter, Sis. Vicky Gunter, Bro. Don Hood, Alternate. **STATISTICS:** Total membership 91, members received by profession of faith 10, by statement of faith 13, total members received 23, members dismissed, deceased 1; total members dismissed 1. Sunday School enrollment 65, average attendance 54, mid-week service average attendance 35-40, number of ordained ministers 4, number of ordained deacons 4. **FINANCIAL REPORT:** Spent for local causes: Pastor's salary \$2,817.00, evangelistic work \$367.00; building and repair \$3,290.90; literature \$796.88; other \$2,193.08; total spent for local causes \$9,271.07. Spent for outside causes: Foreign Missions \$120.00; Home Missions \$474.54; orphanage \$745.00, associational projects \$678.64; state and national project \$622.00; other \$100.00; total spent for outside causes \$2,740.08; total expenditures \$12,011.15. Value of church property \$30,000.00. Amount enclosed for fees and minutes \$25.00.

FRIENDSHIP FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH: 3030 Comer Ave., Pell City, Ala. 35125; pastor and address: Rev. Arthur Renfro, 3028 9th Ave., N., Pell City, Ala. 35125; clerk and address: Frank Simpkins, 600 N. 29th St., Pell City, Ala. 35125. List of delegates: Bro. Martin Patterson, Sis. Martha Patterson, Bro. Hubert Owens, Bro. Howard Endfinger, Bro. Hardy Rich, Bro. Robert Burnham. **STATISTICS** Total membership 130, members received: by letter 3 by statement of faith 3; total members received 6, members dismissed by letter 2, total members dismissed 2, Sunday School enrollment 110; average attendance 91; CTS Bible study 40; mid-week service average attendance 50, number of ordained ministers 5; number of licensed ministers 1; number of ordained deacons 7. **FINANCIAL REPORT:** Spent for local causes: Pastor's salary \$14,575.00; evangelistic work \$900.00; building and repair \$6,091.11; literature \$999.33; other \$1,082.79; other \$346.87. Total spent for local causes \$29,995.10. Spent for outside causes: Home Missions \$75.00; Education 259.93; orphanage \$450.00; associational projects (youth camp) \$715.00; Total spent for outside causes \$1,499.93; total expenditures \$31,495.03; value of church property \$300,000.00. Value of parsonage property \$100,000.00 Amount enclosed for fees and minutes \$25.00.

Friendship Free Will Baptist Church request that Bro. Ricky Patterson be called before the ordaining council and if found worthy, he be ordained to preach the Gospel.

LOOKOUT MT. FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, South Belmont Circle, Rt. 3, Gadsden, Ala., Pastor and address, Rev. Barney Chaney, 218 Yale Ave., Gadsden, Ala. 35901; clerk and address: Mrs. Loettie Chaney, 218 Yale Ave., Gadsden, Ala. 35901. **STATISTICS:** Church membership: Resident 25, non-resident 10, total membership

35, members received by statement of faith 1; total members received 1; members dismissed by letter 2, excluded 1; total members dismissed 3. Sunday School enrollment 30; average attendance 18, CTS enrollment 12; average attendance 9 mid-week service average attendance 8, number of ordained ministers 1, number of ordained deacons 1. **FINANCIAL REPORT:** Spent for local causes: Pastor's salary \$1,400.00; evangelistic work \$122.50; building and repair \$908.23; literature \$155.30; other \$534.15; total spent for local causes \$3,120.18, spent for outside causes orphanage \$150.00, other \$90.00, total spent for outside causes \$240.00. Total expenditures \$3,360.18, value of church property \$25,000.00 Amount enclosed for fees and minutes \$20.00, camp ground \$10.00.

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 1st 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 \$20.00 for the November, February and May session, and \$25.00 for the August Session, of this association. (4 sessions a year) and continue to contribute toward paying for the printing of the minutes, (Changed August Session 1980)
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 \$30.00 each session (4 sessions a year) for his services, and he be paid (35) thirty-five cents per mile for his expenses other than coming to assoc

ciation and quarterly meetings. Changed August 1980. The trustee of the children's home be paid fifteen (15) cents per mile. Changed November session 1975.

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, and every church containing fifty (50) members be entitled to two (2) delegates and one (1) additional delegate for every twenty-five (25) members of 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.

16. We recommend that each deacon be required to join minister and deacon conference, and each one when he come 65 years of age be given a life time certificate of standing. Adopted August 1980.

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 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, 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.

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.

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 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 prosperity, 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. 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) Continuance in faith and obedience until death.

II Cor. 7:10; Pro. 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. 1 Tim. 2:4.

10. FREEDMON 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 Pet. 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 endorsed it in the Gospel (Matt. 23:23) and the Apostle Paul said, "Upon the first day of the week let everyone 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.

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 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