## **MINUTES**

of the

## LIBERTY NO. 2 ASSOCIATION

of the

# ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTIST 1988 - 1989

CONVENED AT

## LIBERTY #2 CAMPGROUND

3 miles north of Pell City, Alabama Just off Highway 231

57TH SESSION

August 18 -19, 1989

# First Quarterly Session of The 57th Annual Session

Moderator: Rev. Larry Morgan Clerk: Bro. Danny Hallman Five Churches Reporting

The First Quarterly Session of the 57th Annual Session of Liberty #2 Association of Freewill Baptist met at Wattsville Church, on November 19, 1988.

Meeting called to order by the clerk. The Moderator Rev. Larry Morgan taking charge. Prayer led by Rev. Paul Davis.

The Moderator Rev. Larry Morgan read scriptures from Hebrews 13:1-8.

Delegates names called, M.S.C. to seat delegates.

#### Committees Appointed:

BUSINESS COMMITTEE:
Rev. Authur Renfro
Dea. Jesse Morgan
Rev. Chester O'Donnell
Dea. J. B. Chambliss
Rev. Paul Davis

DEVOTIONAL COMMITTEE:
Bro. Arlie Mitchell
Sis. Virgie Simpkins
Sis. Mary Ann Smith
Sis. Brenda Morgan

Moderator Rev. Larry Morgan made comment concerning the need of election of an Assistant Moderator due to the departure of Rev. Rickey Patterson and, asked if it would be possible for the Business Committee to take care of this today.

Rev. Johnny Cook dismisses with prayer so the committees could meet.

### **Committee Reports**

Devotional Committee: We the Devotional Committee recommend Rev. Cleo Elders bring the message at our next quarterly session in February 1989 and Rev. Authur Renfro as alternate speaker. M.S.C.

#### **Business Committee:**

1. We the business committee have examined the church letters and find them in order and recommend they be accepted. M.S.C.

 We recommend that the Moderator appoint an Assistant Moderator to fill the unexpired term of Rev. Rickey Patterson whom has moved to another association.

Moderator Rev. Larry Morgan appointed Rev. Authur Renfro as assistant moderator for the remainder of the unexpired term.

Moderator Rev. Larry Morgan asked the clerk to replace the worn attendance banner with a new one.

Bro. Moderator asked for prayer request before coming to the altar.

Rev. Johnny Cook was the speaker reading scripture from Jonah 1:1-2. Title of message: Attitudes toward God's Will.

The February session will be at Talladega church. The moderator read a letter and made comments concerning that of a lottery trying to get started in Alabama and that we need to do all we can to oppose this.

Reading of Minutes M.S.C.

#### Second Quarterly Session February 18, 1989

Moderator: Rev. Larry Morgan Clerk: Bro. Danny Hallman Five Churches Reporting

The second quarterly session of the 57th Annual Session of Liberty No. 2 Association met at Talladega Freewill Baptist Church on February 18, 1989.

Meeting called to order by the clerk.

The Moderator Rev. Larry Morgan took charge reading scriptures from II Timothy 1:12-18.

Prayer led by Rev. Johnny Cook. Names of delegates read. M.S.C. to seat delegates.

## **Appointment of Committees**

DEVOTIONAL COMMITTEE:

**BUSINESS COMMITTEES:** 

Dea. Arlie Mitchell

Rev. Authur Renfro

Sis. Emma Bunn

Rev. Johnny Cook

Sis. Bertha Higginbotham

Rev. Paul Davis

Sis. Pam Hallman

Rev. Chester O'Donnell

Sis. Patsy Jones

Dea. L. D. Jones

Moderator Rev. Larry Morgan asked that we be dismissed

for recess so the committee could meet. Bro. L. D. Jones dismissed with prayer.

## Committee Reports

Devotional committee: We the devotional committee recommend that Rev. Authur Renfro to be the speaker at the May session and Rev. Paul Davis be the alternate. M.S.C.

#### **Business committee:**

1. We the business committee have examined the church letters and find them in order. M.S.C.

2. That the item of business concerning the passing away of Ministers and Deacons passed in 1987 be forwarded to the Association for it's disposal at this time. M.S.C.

Moderator Rev. Larry Morgan ask for prayer request before coming to the altar.

Rev. Cleo Elders was the speaker, reading scripture from St. John 3:16 and Romans 8:1-12.

The May session will be at Ragland Church. M.S.C. to accept minutes as read.

### Third Quarterly Session May 20, 1989

Moderator: Rev. Larry Morgan Clerk: Bro. Danny Hallman Five Cnurches Reporting

The third quarterly session of the 57th Annual Session of Liberty No. 2 Association met at Ragland Freewill Baptist Church on May 20, 1989.

Meeting called to order by the clerk, Bro. Danny Hallman.

The Moderator Rev. Larry Morgan took charge reading scriptures from II Timothy 4:1-4.

Prayer led by Rev. Johnny Cook. Names of delegates called M.S.C. to seat delegates.

## **Appointment of Committees**

DEVOTIONAL COMMITTEE: BUSINESS COMMITTEE:

Rev. Chester O'Donnell

Sis. Erva Varney Sis. Billie Branham

Rev. Johnny Cook Rev. Paul Davis

Dea. Alfred O'Donnell

Sis. Della B. Jones Bro. David Lowery Dea. Billy Higginbotham Dea. Arlie Mitchell Jr.

Moderator Rev. Larry Morgan asked that we be dismissed for recess so the committees could meet.

Bro. Danny Hallman dismissed with prayer.

During recess Bro. J. B. Chambliss led in singing page 221 "I'm Bound for That City" with Sis. Brenda Morgan at the piano. Special singing was by Mandy Morgan and Amy Oliver, "Thank You Lord" and "Consider the Lilies".

## **Committee Reports:**

**Devotional committee:** 

We the Devotional Committed ask that Bro. Danny Hallman to be the speaker at the August session, with Rev. Johnny Cook as the alternate. M.S.C.

**Business committee:** 

We the Business Committee have examined the letters from the churches and find them in order and the finances are correct. M.S.C.

Moderator Rev. Larry Morgan asked for spoken request before coming to the altar. Prayer was led by Bro. Larry Morgan.

Rev. Authur Renfro was the speaker reading from Matthew 28:16-20, and II Timothy 3:13-17. The title of the message was "God's Preacher."

Invitation given: Page 138 "Try Jesus"

The August Session will be at Pleasant Grove Freewill Baptist Church.

M.S.C. to accept minutes as read.

# Fourth Quarterly Session of the 57th Annual Session

Moderator: Rev.Larry Morgan Clerk: Bro. Danny Hallman Five churches reporting

The fourth quarterly session of the 57th Annual Session of Liberty No. 2 Association of Freewill Baptist met at Pleasant Grove F.W.B. Church on Saturday, August 19, 1989.

Meeting called to order by the clerk. The Moderator Rev.

Larry Morgan taking charge. Prayer led by Rev. Paul Davis.

The Moderator Rev. Larry Morgan read scriptures from I Corinthians 10:1-12.

Delegates names called. M.S.C. to seat delegates.

## **Appointment of Committees:**

**Business:** 

Rev. Johnny Cook Rev. Mike Williamson Dea. J. B. Chambliss Dea. L. D. Jones Rev. Authru Renfro

Devotional:

Bro. Teddy Cain Sis. Mozell Brown Sis. Pam Hallman Sis. Nette Wolf

Literature & Sunday School

Bro. Loylton Ledlow Sis. Matt Mitchell Sis. Suzette Cain

Temperance & Resolution:

Bro. Jerome Wyatt Sis. Bertha Simon Sis. Beverly Cook Rev. Paul Davis

**Nominating Committee:** 

Dea. Arlie Mitchell Rev. Chester O'Donnell Dea. L. D. Jones

**Ordaining Council:** 

Dea. Arlie Mitchell 1990 Rev. Authur Renfro 1991 Rev. Larry Morgan 1992 Dea. L. D. Jones 1993 Dea Jerome Wyatt 1994 Deceased:

Sis. Bertha Higginbotham Sis. Faye Wilson Bro. Louie Lee

**Ministeral Standing:** 

Rev. Authur Renfro Rev. Mike Williamson Rev. Paul Davis Rev. Johnny Cook

**Executive Committee:** 

Dea. Hubert Owens 1990 Rev. Authur Renfro 1991 Rev. Johnny Cook 1992

**Education & Family Religion:** 

Sis. Della Jones Sis. Carol Whitten Sis. Aubry Elders

**Organizing Council:** 

Rev. Authur Renfro 1990 Rev. Mike Williamson 1991 Dea. David Wilson 1992 Rev. Danny Hallman 1993 Dea Teddy Cain 1994

Home Mission:

Dea. J. B. Chambliss 1990 Dea Jesse Morgan 1991 Rev. Paul Davis 1992 Rev. Johnny Cook 1993 Rev. Chester O'Donnell 1994

Moderator called a recess of Business so that the committees could meet. Bro. Mike Williamson dismissed with prayer.

### Committee Reports:

**Devotional Committee:** 

We the Devotional committee, recommend Rev. A. D. Lynn to be the speaker at the November session and Rev. Mike Williamson as alternate M.S.C.

Ministerial standing:

We recommend that all ministers that have reported in person or by letter to this body receive a certificate of standing. M.S.C.

Literature & Sunday School:

We the Literature & Sunday School Committee suggest we use the same literature we are now using. Sunday School teachers should stress daily Bible readings, study of the lessons and study of the Bible. We should stress the importance of Sunday School attendance and have classes for each group age. M.S.C.

**Education of Family Religion:** 

We the education and family religion committee recommend that a strong emphasis be put on a christian example at home and in all phases of our lives and that we encourage and try to stimulate a renewed interest in the study of the Bible. Always be ready to take a stand against the teaching of evolution or anything that is contrary to God's word. M.S.C.

Temperance & Resolution:

We the temperance & resolution committee believe the Bible that we should abstain from all alcoholic beverages and evils of worldly pleasures. We shall be dedicated christians and live our lives so others will see the light of Christ in us. We must teach our children while they are young. We should do all we can to oppose those who want to lead our children astray. M.S.C.

#### **Deceased Committee:**

We the deceased committee submit unto you these names that have departed in the part year

Friendship-Howard Endfinger, Woodrow Kincaid, Lovania

Morrow, Huey Lee Owens.

Wattsville - Sis. Vida Dollar Talladega-Eunice Davis

Moderator Rev. Larry Morgan asked that we stand for a moment of silent prayer for those that have passed away.

#### **Business Committee:**

We your business Committee;

(1) Have checked the church reports and find them in order. With five churches reporting. M.S.C.

(2) Recommend that Bro. Danny Hallman to the ordaining council for examination for license to preach the Gospel for one year. M.S.C.

(3) That our churches abide by the ruling on standing for Deacons Article Ten Section Two page Eleven of the

minutes. M.S.C.

(4) We have checked the Treasures Books and find them in order recommend they be accepted. M.S.C.

The Ordaining Council:

We the ordaining Council recommend that Bro. Danny Hallman be licensed by this body to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ for one year. M.S.C.

Rev. Johnny Cook gave a report on Home Mission Fund. M.S.C. to accept report as information.

 Balance August 1988
 2,942.99

 Taken in from August 1988 to August 89
 433.75

 Balance August 19, 1989
 Total
 3,376.74

Rev. Chester O'Donnell gave a report on the Children's Home. M.S.C. to accept report as information. Amount taken

in on August 19, 1989 \$35.62

Trustee to Children's Home at \$.20 per mile Oct. 220 miles, Jan. 220 miles, April 220 miles, July 220 miles, total 880 miles at \$,20 per miles =\$176.00

Report for clerk to State Association Meeting on November 10, 11,12,1988.

Room:						\$63.38
Gas: .						43.25
Food:.						33.82
Tips: .						5.00
TOTAL						\$145.45

Motion on the floor to pay clerk to next state Association Meeting. M.S.C.

Bro. Danny Hallman was the speaker for the August session reading scripture from 1st John 4:7 - 8.

The November session will be at Friendship F.W.B. Church.

M.S.C. to accept minutes as read.

## Ministers and Deacons Conference Friday night, August 18, 1989.

Ministers and Deacons Conference met at Pleasant Grove F.W.B. Church on Friday night, August 18, 1989 at 7 P.M.

We opened with singing number 139 "That Glad Reunion Day". Prayer led by Rev. Chester O'Donnell. Meeting called to order by the clerk, Moderator Rev. Johnny Cook took charge of the Annual session reading scriptures from Psalms 8:1-6.

1. Call for Peace and Fellowship

2. Opportunity for membership (none)

3. Invite Visitors to seat with us.

4. Reading from previous minutes (M.S.C.)

5. Unfinished Business (none)

6. New Business:

Nomination of Officers

Moderator - Rev. Johnny Cook

Asst. Moderator - Rev Mike Williamson

Clerk - Bro. Danny Hallman

Asst. Clerk - Rev. Chester O'Donnell

Rev. Larry Morgan was the speaker reading from the Freewill Baptist Church Covenant and also Ephesians 2:1-10.

Speaker for August 1990 Annual session Rev. A. D. Lynn with Rev. Mike Williamson as the alternate.

Rev. A. D. Lynn dismissed with prayer. M.S.C. to accept minutes as read.

# THE CONSTITUTION OF THE LIBERTY #2 ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

ARTICLE I. NAME - This Association shall be known as The Liberty #2 Association of Free Will Baptists.

ARTICLE II. OFFICERS - The officers of this Association shall be a moderator, and an assistant, a clerk and a treasurer and an assistant. The offices of clerk and treasurer may be combined. This Association shall elect the moderator and assistant at the close of the annual session, and he shall serve two (2) years for both the Quarterly and Annual sessions. This election will come on the odd year. The clerk-treasurer and assistant shall be elected at the close of the annual session and he shall serve two (2) years. The election will come on the even year. They each shall take office on the first Quarterly session.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP - This Association shall be composed of churches in good standing according to the Faith and Practices of the Treatise of the National Association of Free Will Baptists. All ministers and churches wishing to become members of this body must willingly submit to the articles of constitution and all rules of same.

Section I. Churches desiring membership in this Association shall send delegates bearing a petitionary letter. If the church (es) upon examination by the Credentials-Examining Committee are found to be in order and properly organized as specified in the Treatise, they shall by vote of this body be received into full fellowship.

Section 2. ACCEPTANCE OF MINISTERS INTO THE ASSOCIATION. No minister shall hold any office or have the right to vote until one of the following applies:

a. Ministers coming from another association of Free Will Baptists must bring a written recommendation from the association from which he comes in good standing and then be questioned by the Examining Committee. The Examining Committee will then make their recommendation to the body for vote.

b. Ministers coming from an independent church or another denomination must first unite with one of the churches of this Association for not less than one (1) year. Then be examined by the Credentials-Examining Committee according to the Holy Scriptures and the Faith and Practices of the Treatise of the Free Will Baptists. This committee will then make their recommendation for a vote of the delegation.

ARTICLE IV. REPRESENTATION - Each church is expected to be represented at the quarterly and annual associational sessions.

Section I. Each church shall be represented at the quarterly and annual associational sessions by delegation. Each church being entitled to one (1) delegate plus one (1) per every twenty-five (25) members or major fraction there of.

Section 2. Ordained ministers and deacons and licensed ministers are standing delegates. All standing delegates are encouraged to attend at least three (3) sessions a year, including the annual associational session.

Section 3. Each church shall pay an entrance fee of \$25.00 for each session and encouraged to continue to contribute toward the printing of the minutes.

ARTICLE V. MEETINGS - The quarterly meetings of churches shall meet on the Saturday before the 3rd Sunday in November, February, and May. Any business of these meetings are subject to approval of the annual session of The Liberty #2 Association which meets the Saturday befor the 3rd Sunday in August.

Section I. Roberts Rule of Order shall be used as a guide in all business transactions and parlimentary usages.

ARTICLE VI. DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS - The moderator shall be paid \$10.00 for the annial session. The clerk shall be paid \$30.00 each session and .35¢ per mile for business expenses other than coming to quarterly and annual sessions. The treasurer shall pay for the normal expenses incurred, such as: the printing of the minutes and .20¢ per mile shall be paid to the trustee to the trustee to and from The Children's Home. All other disbursements must be by vote and approval of the Association.

ARTICLE VII. COMMITTEES - The moderator shall appoint all temporary committees and appoint a nominating committee to make nominations to fill vacancies on all standing committees and councils. The nominating committee shall consist of three (3) members. Any other nominations may come from the floor of delegates.

Section I. Temporary committees only function during the session appointed. The first five (5) committees shall be composed of three (3) members each, and the remainder as specified. (1) Devotional (2) Temperance - Resolution (3) Literature and Sunday School (4) Education - Family Religion (5) Deceased Committee (6) Ministerial Committee consisting of three (3) ordained men in good standing with the Association (7) Business and Auditing Committee consisting of five (5) men of the Association.

Section 2. Standing committees are; (1) Home Mission Board - There shall be a Home Mission Board consisting fo five (5) members elected to terms; one for five (5) years, one for four (4) years, one for three (3) years, one for two (2) years, and one for one (1) year. The duties are a. To promote mission work in this Association. b. To coordinate the needs of our missionaries (Home and Foreign) to each of our churches in this Association. To plan, organize and supervise mission work (Retreats, Conferences, and etc.) in the Association. They will elect own Sec. - Treas. from the Board.

(2) Organizing Committee - There shall be a Organizing Committee consisting of five (5) ordained men elected to terms of one for five (5) years, one for four (4) years, one for three (3) years, one for two (2) years, and one for one (1) year. The duties are: a. To organize churches within the Association, or to act as an advisory council to advise any organizing church to follow The National Free Will Baptist Treatise, chapter one (1) section three (3), (1980 edition), of practices of F.W.B.

(3) Ordaining & Credentials Committee of the Ministery. There shall be an Ordaining & Credentials Committee consisting of

five (5) ordained men elected to terms of one for five (5) years, one for four (4) years, one for three (3) years, one for two (2) years, and one for one (1) year.

The Duties are: a. To question candidates for licenses and ordination. b. To license and ordain approved candidates. c. To check on any minister who is in question of character or standing. d. To have the authority to request the credential of the individual in question.

(4). Executive Committee - There shall be an Executive Committee consisting of the moderator, the assistant moderator, the clerk of the Association, and two (2) men elected by the Association for terms of one (1) year each. The duties are: a. To act as the Association when the Association is not in session.

ARICLE VIII. REPORTS - Each church is requested to send Quarterly and Annual reports of progress on forms furnished by the Association one week before meetings.

ARTICLE IX. CHURCH ORGANIZATION - There shall be no church organized whithout seven (7) charter members.

#### ARTICLE X. CERTIFICATE OF STANDING.

Section I. Each minister, ordained or licensed shall report in person or by letter to the Annual Session of The Association to receive a certificate of standing.

Section 2. Churches of this Association desiring cerificates of standing for their deacons, must make the request known in the annual report, giving the name of each deacon which is in good standing.

#### ARTICLE XI. ORDINATION OF MINISTERS

Seciton I. Licended ministers must bear licenses for one (1) year, and then be called to a specific work before being eligible for ordination. Licenses must be renewed each year by the request of residing church.

ARICLE XII. THE MINISTER'S & DEACON'S CONFERENCE. Section I. Each minister ordained or licensed of churches of the Association is expected to affiliate with The Minister's & Deacon's Conference.

Section 2. This Association recommends that each deacon join and support The Minister's & Deacon's Conference.

#### ARTICLE XIII. RESTRICITON OF MINISTERS.

Section I. A minister in this Association is not to perform a marriage ceremony if a man or a woman has another living husband or wife.

ARTICLE XIV. AMENDMENTS - This Constitution and these By-Laws shall not be changes or altered except and only by a two-thirds vote of delegates present from member churches of the annual session of the Association.

### BY-LAWS OF MINISTERS AND DEACONS CONFERENCE OF LIBERTY #2 ASSOCIATION

- 1. This Conference shall elect a moderator and assistant moderator each year at the August session and he must have attended at least one (1) conference before being elected. Clerk & assistant alson be elected.
- 2. This Conference shall meet four (4) times a year, Friday night before each session.
- 3. Any minister or deacon, being a member of any church of the Liberty #2 Association will be given opportunity to join this Conference.
- 4. Any minister or deacon not belonging to this Conference will be recognized as a minister or deacon, but will not have a right to vote.
- Each minister and deacon shall pay a \$1.00 fee to the clerk of the Minister's & Deacon's Conference for expenses.
- 6. Every minister is required to fill out an annual ministers report provided by the clerk of the Minister & Deacon's Conference to be turned in to the clerk of The Liberty #2 Association at the annual session.

  RULES OF DECORUM
- When the quarterly and annual sessions convene, they shall be opened and closed by singing and prayer.
- Only one person shall speak at a time, and shall rise to his feet and address the moderator.
- Each person speaking shall not be interrupted in speech until he gets through, (exception, if he breaks order).
- The person speaking shall adhere to the question and shall in no way cast reflections on any person who may have spoken before him.
- 5. No person shall speak more than two (2) times on the same subject without permission of the moderator.
- Members shall address each other by brother or brethen, or sisters.
- 7. No member shall speak longer than ten (10) minutes at any one time without permission of the moderator.

8. No member of this Association shall absent themselves from the meetings without leave of the moderator.

#### GUIDE LINES FOR ORDINATION WITHIN THE LIBERTY #2 ASSOCIATION

- 1. This Association ordains no man that has more than one (1) living wife, nor a man whose wife has more than one (1) living husband.
- 2. This Association ordains no one that doesn't believe fully the Faith and Practice of the Free Will Baptist Treatise.
- 3 This Association ordains no one that doesn't believe in the verbal inspiration of The Word of God.
- 4. This Association ordains no one that doesn't believe and practice tithing to their church.
- 5. This Association ordains no one with a bad character with them that are without.
- 6. This Association will not ordain anyone that is affiliated with The World Council of Churches.
- 7. This Association will not ordain, or license a woman to preach the Gospel or deacon churches.
- 8. This Association will not ordain anyone that does not believe and practice the ordinances of the Gospel: A. Baptism by Immersion B. Communion C. Feet washing.
- 9. This Association will not ordain anyone that doesn't believe a person can apostatize and be lost.
- 10. This Association will not ordain anyone that is affiliated with the charismatic movement.
- 11. Every candidate for ordination must answer question form submitted by The Ordaining-Examining Committee and given back to Committee complete for review thirty (30) days before meeting with the candidate to be questioned for ordination.

#### FREE WILL BAPTIST ARTICLES OF FAITH

- THE BIBLE: The Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by inspiration of God, and are infallible rules of faith anf 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 I: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. Hohn 16:7-8, Acts 2:4, Eph. 4:46.
- 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. Psalms 22:17, 97:2.
- 6. THE SINFULNESS OF MAN: Man was created innocent but by disobedience fell into a state of sin and condemnation, his posterity, therefore, inherit a fallen nature of such tendencies that all who come to years of accountability sin, and become guilty before God. Gen 2:17, 3:19.
- 7. THE WORK OF CHRIST: The Son of God by His incarnation, life, suffering death and resurrection effected for all redemption from sin that is full and free and is the ground of salvation by Faith. I John 2:2.
- 8. THE TERMS OF SALVATION: The conditions of dalvation are: (1) Repentance or sincere sorrow for sin and hearty renunciation of it. (2) Faith or the unreserved commital 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 Gop. (3) Continuation of 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 inChrist, men became 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 and live or to resist them and perish. Joshua 24:17.
- 11. SALVATION FREE: God desires the dalvation 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 perserve in holiess to the end of life, have promise of eternal salvation. St. John 15:15; II Peter 2:20-22.

- 13. GOSPEL, ORDINANCES: Baptism or the immersion of believers in water, and the Lord's Supper are ordinances to be perpetuated under the Gospel; feet washing an ordinance teaching humility, of universal obligation and to be ministers to all true believers. Mark 16:15; II Cor. 4:5; St. John 13:14.
- 14. THE CHRISTIAN SABBATH: The divine law requires that one day in seven be set apart from secular employments and amusements, for rest, worship, holy works and activities, and for personal communion with God. Gen 2:3; Exodus 20:8-11.
- 15. RESURRECTION, JUDGEMENT AND FINAL RETRIB-UTION: 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 appearances to evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world, from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages and to "prove things honest in the sight of all men."

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with 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 ruputation 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 principles sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme: Counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in Society; constantly praying and toiling that the Kingdom of God may come, and His will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

We agree, faithfully, to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of the Scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions and social worship; and by self-denial, faith, and good works endeavor to "grow in grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ." We will not forget the seembling 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.

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

#### ORGANIZATION OF LIBERTY NO. 2 ASSOCIATION

The Liberty No. 2 Association was organized on Friday night before the 4th Sunday in September, 1934.

The Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist Church of Pell City, Al. met with the Pleasant Grove Free Will Baptist Church of Ashville, Al. and organized the Liberty No. 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'Donell, 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 Conf)

- 1. Call To Order
- 2. Call for peace and fellowship
- 3. Opportunity for membership
- 4. Invite visiting brothers and sisters to seat with us.
- 5. Reading of previous minutes.
- 6. Unfinished business
- 7. Appointment of committees
- 8. Acknowledgements
- 9. Committee Reports
- 10. New Business
- 11. Adjournment

The Annual Association meets on Friday night at 7:00 and on Saturday morning at 9:00 before the third Sunday in August each year.

The Quarterly meetings meet on Saturdays before the third sunday in November, February, May of each year at 9:00 am.

Ministers and Deacons meet at 7:00 pm on Fridays at Annual Session and also on Friday of the Quarterly sessions at 7 pm.