

**MINUTES
OF THE
SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION
OF
LIBERTY ASSOCIATION
OF
FREE WILL BAPTISTS
OF
TENNESSEE**

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**When convening with
Rickman Free Will Baptist Church
Rickman, Tennessee**

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PRESBYTERY BOARD MEMBERS

Rev. James Lee	1982
U. L. Smith	1983
Rev. Buddy T. Henry	1984
Rev. A. J. Looper	1985
Rev. Kenny Winningham	1986

FINANCE COMMITTEE

U. L. Smith	Cookeville
Archie Jeter	Cookeville
Dallas Stults	Monterey
Don Winningham	Monterey
Ronnie Lee	Albany
Lanny Bowlin	Albany
Tom Hall	United
Lester Beaty	United
Bill Leatch	Rickman
Willis Wilson	Rickman

YOUTH CAMP BOARD

Rev. A. J. Looper	1982
Gene Stanze	1983
Rev. Buddy T. Henry	1984
Fred Haney	1985

YOUTH CAMP OFFICERS

Rev. Jack Taylor	Director
Rev. James Lee	Asst. Director
Rev. A. J. Looper	Treasurer

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CONVENING WITH THE COOKEVILLE CHURCH Jan. 23, 1981.

Opened by singing "AMERICA" led by Br. Elmer Lollar.

Scripture and Prayer by Bro. Jim Gaw.

Bro. A. J. Looper welcomed everyone.

Bro. Jack Taylor, moderator, gave a few announcements and recognized the member churches and the Rickman Church.

Bro. Wallace Hayes gave a report on the Tennessee work.

The moderator appointed the placement committee.

Shirley Phipps, chairman

Eddie Way

Flower Prichard

Rick Phipps provided the special music. Moderator introduced Bro. Richard Adams, a very inspiring message, scripture Ezekiel 33:8-9.

The offering was \$49.38.

JAN. 24, 1981

The Liberty Association was opened by singing "Praise Him" led by Jimmy Mansell.

Scripture and Prayer by Bro. Kenny Winningham, Eph. 4.

Moderator read the Rules of Decorum.

Clerk read the minutes of the last meeting.

The Moderator opened the business to receive the Rickman Church and their leaders into the Liberty Association. Motion made by Bro. A. J. Looper, sec. by Bro. Tom Apple. The right hand of fellowship was given. Jimmy Mansell led "Amazing Grace".

Church letters were read and accepted, the delegates were seated.

The Moderator recognized our visitor Rev. Richard Adams.

Bro. Harold Bilbery gave the treasurer's report.

Bro. Archie Jeter gave the Finance Committee's report. They recommended to give \$100 to the State Office, and to give Bro. Adams \$50 and 15¢ a mile. MSC.

Moderator discussed the final course that was needed to finish the ETTA Credits. MSC to finish the the course in four weeks if possible.

Bro. A. J. Looper gave a short report on the progress of the Youth Camp.

The Placement Committee recommended to go to Albany Church the next session. MSC.

Bro. Taylor gave information about Sister Riggs, that she cannot continue to be the treasurer of the Youth Camp. He also reported that Bro. Looper offered to take the job. MSC, that Bro. Looper have the job.

After discussion about a Bible Conference. MSC for the Executive Committee to plan a Conference.

MSC to dismiss for the Worship Service. It was started by Jimmy Mansell leading "I Love To Tell The Story".

Offertory prayer led by Bro. Dallas Stults.
The morning offering was received, amount of \$20.25.
Bro. Mike Maglarena provided special music.
Bro. Looper introduced Bro. Adams for the morning message. I Cor. 10:1-12. A very impressive message. We were dismissed.

MAY 28, 1981

The Liberty Association met at the Albany Church.
The meeting was opened by singing "Send the Light".
Bro. James Lee gave the devotional and prayer. He also welcomed the association to the Albany Church.
The special music was provided by Bro. Gary Taylor and his wife.
Bro. A. J. Looper, Asst. Moderator, made the announcement and appointed the placement committee as, Connie Maddux, Betty Wilson, Annetta Winningham.
Offering was received, \$28.11.
The clerk introduced Bro. A. J. Looper to bring the message. His text was Psalms 78:41, Limiting God! A very inspiring message.
We were dismissed in prayer by Fred Johnson.

MAY 30, 1981

Saturday morning session was opened by singing, led by Bro. Harold Pointer.
Bro. Harold Bilbery gave the devotion, Psalm 1.
Church letters were read by the clerk and the delegates were seated.
The moderator read the Rules of Decorum. The clerk read the minutes of the last meeting.
The Moderator recognized those visiting, Bro. Bill VanWinkle, he gave a short greeting. Also Bro. Wallace Hayes gave a State report.
MSC to accept the treasurer's report, given by Bro. Harold Bilbery.
Bro. Jack Taylor gave a report of the Bible Institute. Those present that had completed all the courses were Dallas Stults, Carl Selby, Betty Wilson. Bro. Taylor also gave a Youth Camp report.
The Placement Committee gave recommendation to have the Annual Association meeting at the Rickman Church. MSC.
The finance committee recommended that we give the Promotional Office \$100. Also give the Rickman and Albany Church \$500 each for their building program. MSC.
MSC that the money given to the National Home Missions be given to the missionaries account that is in the red.
The business session was dismissed in prayer by Bro. Bill VanWinkle.
The morning worship service was opened by singing "Stand Up for Jesus" led by Bro. Harold Pointer.
Offering was received, \$35.75. Offertory prayer was led by Bro. Taylor.
Special music was rendered by Paula Bowlin.
Bro. Kenny Winningham brought the message, II Tim. 1.
The service was dismissed.

MSC that there be 250 minutes printed.

The finance committee gave a second report, that we give \$10 above the usual fee to the National Association. MSC.

The Presbytery report was read by the clerk. MSC to accept as the following:

The Presbytery met on Sept. 25, 1981. Bro. Danny Holder came with a letter from the Cookeville Church recommending him to be ordained to preach the gospel. After he was questioned it was agreed by the presbytery to ordain him, Ordination Service be conducted at the Cookeville Church.

The Presbytery met Sat. Sept. 26, 1981 to question Joel Lockner to be licensed. After questioning, the presbytery voted to recommend him to the association to be licensed.

Bro. Lockner gave a testimony.

MSC to give the Rickman Church a vote of thanks.

The morning worship service was started by singing led by Bro. Willis Wilson.

Offering was received, \$30.91.

Bro. James Lee brought the morning message, I Tim. 1:12-26.

Dismissed by prayer.

SEPT. 25, 1981

The Liberty Association met at the Rickman Church, for the annual meeting. The session was opened by song led by Bro. Grover Miller, "When the Roll is Called Up There". The association was welcomed to the Rickman Church by Pastor Kenny Winningham. Prayer led by Bro. James Lee.

Special music was provided by the Miller Family.

Moderator Jack Taylor recognized the visitors, Bro. John Tollet.

Moderator named the nominating committee as, chairman Buddy T. Henry, Shirley Phipps, Kenny Winningham, Larry Pierce.

The Placement Committee, Chairperson Gladys Whitaker, Ronnie Lee, Gladys Haney.

Offering was received, \$38.20.

Moderator introduced the speaker Bro. Trymon Messer. He used Psalms 85.

The service was dismissed by Bro. John Tollet.

SEPT. 26, 1981

Saturday morning session was opened by prayer led by Bro. Jack Taylor. Singing was led by Bro. Wilson. Bro. Tom Apple had the devotion, Acts 2:41.

Clerk read the church letters and delegates were seated.

Moderator read the Rules of Decorum.

Clerk read the minutes of previous session, MSC to approve the minutes.

The clerk read the treasurer report, MSC to approve.

MSC to accept the Youth Camp report given by the treasurer, Bro. A. J. Looper.

The placement committee recommended that the next session be at the Cookeville Church, in Jan. 1982. MSC.

Bro. Dallas Stults gave the finance report, recommending that our finances remain the same as required by the minutes and that \$100 be sent to the State Office.

The nominating committee gave its report.

After the report of the State Home Mission's financial condition, MSC that the Liberty Association recommend to the churches to give one of their offerings in November.

After comments about our past conference, MSC that the executive committee plan a conference and report back to the association in Jan. 1982, for approval.

MSC that the moderator appoint delegates to the State Association, Nov. 9-12.

Bro. Wallace Hayes reported on the state work.

MSC to dismiss for the morning worship service.