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SEVENTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

The Seventy-Second Session of the Little Brown Creek Association convened with Antioch church August 31, 1962 at 10:30 A. M.

The Association was opened by singing, "When We All Get To Heaven", directed by Danny Lambert, Linda Woods pianist. Bro. Oscar Childers then led the congregation in singing, "I'll Be Satisfied," and Bro. Erie Nash led, "When All of God's Singers Get Home". Bro. J. L. Gore after leading the song, "I Would Not Be Denied", led in prayer.

Bro. R. C. McCoy, Moderator, called the association to order, seated all delegates together on left side of church, made roll call of churches. All churches represented and sent letters.

The Moderator appointed Reading clerks, Bro. J. L. Gore and Bro. Junior Jones. The letters were read, accepted and delegates seated.

DELEGATES

1. ANTIOCH: Sisters, Mrs. Oscar Blakney, and Alma Lambert. Brothers Oscar Blakney and Danny Lambert.

2. BURGESS CREEK: Brothers, Jessie Gentle, Charles Hanney and Elton Nichols.

3. NEW LEBANON: Sisters, Madied Richardson, Lowenstein Wright and Ocene Whitehead. Brothers W. W. Pinson and Oscar Strickland.

4. JONES CHAPEL: Sisters, Kate Lambert and Elzie Jones. Brother Guy Jones.

5. MARTIN HILL: Sisters, Aleene Sharp, Audie King and Annie Bee Castleberry. Brother Charles Walden.

6. LITTLE BROWN: Sisters, Lula Strickland, Myrtis Mayo, Beatrice Holley and Mary White.

7. SMITH CHAPEL: Sisters, Sophia Thompson, Mittie Moonery and Annie Stevens. Brother Wilburn Lambert.

8. MT. PISGAH: Sisters, Lizzie Lytal and Mattie Bell Huddleston. Brothers, Gerdest Walker, Parker Nichols and Carl Huddleston.

9. MACEDONIA: Sisters, Letha Nash and Lula Childers. Brothers, Erie Nash and Oscar Childers.

10. OLD PLEASANT HILL: Brother and Sister Milton Arnold.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

1. DEVOTIONAL COMMITTEE: Brothers, Erie Nash, Junior Jones and A. W. Stevens.

2. OBITUARY COMMITTEE: Sisters, Letha Nash, Ocene Whitehead and Madied Richardson.

3. SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE: Sisters, Aleene Sharp, Annie Stevens and Lula Childers.

4. FINANCE COMMITTEE: Brothers, Elton Nichols, Oscar Blakney and Guy Jones.

Moderator welcomed any visitors that might be present from any other associations.

The congregation was led in singing, "Are You Washed in The Blood". by Bro. E. E. Champion, pianist, Bro. Wallace Conway. Bro. Danny Lambert led, "Standing On the Promises".

The Introductory sermon was preached by Bro. Earnest Hopkins at 11:00. Scripture I Corinthians 13:1-13.

After the message the congregation sang "Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus", led by Bro. Danny Lambert.

The Moderator dismissed for the lunch hour and Bro. Junior Jones dismissed in prayer.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Moderator reassembled the Association by the singing of several songs. "I Am Bound For The Promised Land", directed by Danny Lambert, pianist Wallace Conway; "We'll Work Till Jesus Comes," directed by Bro. J. J. Whittemore, pianist Wallace Conway.

Moderator read letter from Old Pleasant Hill requesting that they be admitted into the Association. The motion was made to receive the church into the Association. Motion was approved.

The Moderator stated that the Old Pleasant Hill Church requested that the Association ordain Bro. Milton Arnold as deacon. The motion was made by Bro. J. L. Gore, that the association ordain Bro. Arnold at the close of the Association tomorrow.

The Moderator asked for the report of the Home Mission Board. Bro. Cephus Jones made the following report:

Received for tent seats	\$ 100.00
Brought over from 1961	\$ 15.00
Total Collections	\$ 825.71
Paid out for Radio Program	\$ 728.00
Balance in Treasury	\$ 13.22
Balance in tent seat fund	\$ 100.00

The Association received the report.

The Devotional Committee stated that Bro. R. C. McCoy would bring the devotional Friday night and Bro. Sidney Whitehead preach the message.

Bro. Danny Lambert led, "Be A Light For Jesus", pianist, Lindia Wood. Bro. J. L. Gore led in prayer and brought the afternoon message from Genesis Chapter three. Bro. Gore closed with prayer and Bro. Danny Lambert led, "Rock of Ages", pianist, Lindia Wood.

The motion was made and seconded that we adjourn till 10:00 Saturday morning. Bro. Junior Jones dismissed in prayer.

FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION

Bro. R. C. McCoy brought the devotionaol from John, chapter four. Bro. Sidney Whitehead preached the message from II Peter, chapter three.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Association opened with prayer by Bro. Grady Johnson. Bro. Danny Lambert opened the song service by leading, "You Never Mentioned Him to Me", "When All Of God's Singers Get Home", by Bro. Joe Moss, pianist, Lindia Woods. "An Empty Mansion," was directed by Austin Huddleston, pianist Lindia Woods.

Bro. Grady Johnson brought the morning devotional from Luke, chapter eighteen and nineteen. Bro. Johnson also led in a testimony service, which was a blessing to all.

Bro. Danny Lambert led the song, "Sweet Hour Of Prayer."

Bro. Junior Jones preached the 11:00 message from I Corinthians 15:1-8. Bro. Joe Moss led the invitation song, "I'll Make It My Home," pianist, Wallace Conway.

Bro. McCoy dismissed the Association in prayer for the noon hour.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The opening song was directed by Bro. Danny Lambert, "Amazing Grace", pianist, Carolyn Honeycutt. "Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus," and "Hold to God's Unchanging Hand", was directed by Bro. Danny Lambert, pianist, Lindia Woods.

Moderator declared Association open for business and asked for committee reports.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Committee on Obituaries submit the following report: We find that death has taken nine of our beloved members.

Burgess Creek: Bro. Lonnie Phifer

Little Brown: Sisters Billie Sanderson, Nancy Ann Parie and Mildred Horn.

New Lebanon: Sisters, Ada Belue, Alma Lambert and Brother M. B. Parson.

Jones Chapel: Brother Chalmus Laster.

Martin Hill: Sister Belva Penna.

We count our loss as heaven's gain.

Committee members: Sisters, Ocene Whitehead, Madied Richardson and Letha Nash.

Bro. J. L. Gore led in a prayer in memory of the passing of our beloved sisters and brothers and for their families.

SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the committee on Sunday Schools, are glad to report that we have Sunday Schools in all ten of our churches in the Association. We thank the Lord for an excellent report and pray it will grow and continue in faithful teaching of God's Word.

Committee members: Sisters, Aleene Sharp, Annie Stevens and Lula Childers.

Bro. J. L. Gore made the motion that all churches in their church letter give average attendance report of Sunday School. Motion passed.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORT

We, your committee on resolutions, beg leave to report as follows: We recommend that the constitution and rules of business for the association remain as they are. Committee members: Brothers, O. L. Childers, J. J. Whittemore and E. E. Champion.

DEVOTIONAL COMMITTEE REPORT

We, on the Devotional Committee, are glad to report to the best of our ability the stand filled Friday morning by Bro. Earnest Hopkins, Friday afternoon by Bro. J. L. Gore. The stand was filled Friday night by Bro. R. C. McCoy for the devotional and message by Bro. Sidney Whitehead. Saturday morning devotional by Bro. Grady Johnson and 11:00 message by Bro. Junior Jones.

Committee members: Brothers, Junior Jones and A. W. Stevens.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Finance Committee, beg leave to report that we have on hand \$71.27 for minutes and celrk salary. We have \$39.40 in treasury.

Committee members: Brothers, Guy Jones and Oscar Blakney.

Moderator asked for committees to be dismissed. The reports were received and the committees dismissed.

Bro. J. L. Gore made the motion that we make a change in the resolution made and change Article II section 4 of the constitution to read, "It shall be the duty of each minister who shall organize a church to ordain deacons for the same who have been duly elected by the church body. If the church desires it can request the Association to ordain its deacons." Motion carried.

Moderator asked if the Association still wanted to retain the Home Mission Board. Bro. J. L. Gore made motion to retain the Board. Association voted to retain the Board.

Moderator opened nominations for members of the Home Mission Board. Bro. Earnest Hopkins, minister, two years; Bro. Junior Jones, minister, one year; Bro. Cephus Jones, Layman, one year; Bro. Charles Walden,

Layman, two years; Bro. Willard Wood, Layman, three years. Bro. Junior Jones elected as evangelist for Home Mission Board.

Bro. J. L. Gore made the motion that all ministers and deacons from all churches meet to elect Ordination Council, after close of the Association.

FIFTH SUNDAY MEETINGS

Moderator, Bro. Junior Jones

Assistant Moderator, Bro. R. C. McCoy

Fifth Sunday Meeting places and dates:

1. Old Pleasant Hill, September 30, 1962
2. Jones Chapel, December 30, 1962
3. Martin Hill, March 31, 1963
4. New Lebanon, June 30, 1963

ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

Moderator, Bro. J. L. Gore

Assistant Moderator, Bro. E. E. Champion

Clerk, Bro. Clinton Sharp

Bro. J. L. Gore was elected to help ordain the deacon and give the charge. Read from II Timothy and closed with prayer. Then the Council laid hands on Bro. Milton Arnold and prayer was prayed by Junior Jones.

The Association will go to Old Pleasant Hill on Friday and Saturday before the first Lord's day in September 1963.

The Introductory sermon will be preached by Bro. R. C. McCoy and the assistant will be Bro. J. W. Prince.

Sang song, "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms," directed by Danny Lambert, pianist, Lindia Woods, and gave handshake to new deacon, Bro. Arnold. Sang "Amazing Grace", directed by Danny Lambert, pianist Lindia Wood, and had a Christian handshake. The Association was closed with prayer for more souls to be saved in the coming year.

OFFICERS OF ORDAINING COUNCIL

Moderator, Bro. J. L. Gore

Assistant Moderator, Bro. Junior Jones

Clerk, Bro. Milton Arnold

Member, Willard Wood

Member, R. C. McCoy

LITTLE BROWN CREEK ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Preamble: Be it known that we, the Free Will Baptist church, being in Alcorn, Tishomingo and Prentiss Counties, in Mississippi, do believe in the doctrines of the General Atonement, we have been baptized upon profession of faith in Christ; we are desirous of bringing about, reciprocal union. We propose therefore to maintain the order and rule of our Association according to the following plan:

We believe the churches of Christ are mutually independent, that congregational form of church government should be inviolably preserved, yet we have been convinced of the unity of friendly intercourse and pious council on the principal of union advantages and Christian love, we hold it a duty of the churches to pay respect to these principals with regards to the duty of the Association.

ARTICLE I—NAME

The name of the organization shall be called the Little Brown Creek Association of Free Will Baptists.

ARTICLE II—MEMBERSHIP

Section I—Newly organized Free Will Baptist churches shall petition the Association for membership. Membership shall be granted by a majority vote of the Association.

Section II—The Association shall be composed of members chosen by

the different churches of our union, who on producing letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment shall be entitled to seats in the Association.

ARTICLE III—REPRESENTATION

Section I—There shall not be more than four (4) delegates sent from each church holding membership in the Association.

Section II—All ordained members, both ministers and deacons, shall be standing delegates. Each delegate shall be entitled to cast one vote on all business transactions.

ARTICLE IV—OFFICERS

The officers of this organization shall be a moderator, assistant moderator, clerk, and treasurer. Their duties shall be those usually devolving upon such officers, and they shall serve until their successors are elected.

ARTICLE V—BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Section I—The general officers and one elected member from the body shall compose an executive board to see to such items that may arise during the year. The moderator shall be the chairman of the board.

Section II—The Home Mission Board shall consist of two (2) ministers and three (3) lay members elected from the body. The ministers shall be elected a term of two (2) years. The lay members shall be elected for three (3) years terms. One minister and one lay member shall be elected each year when the Association is in regular session. It shall be the duty of this board to help in the organization of new churches and to promote the work of Free Will Baptists in general. An evangelist shall be elected from the body to serve with this board.

Section III—The following committees shall be appointed at the start of each Association: Committee on Devotion, Committee on Finance, Committee on Obituaries, Committee on Resolutions, and Committee on Sunday Schools. These committees shall serve until dismissed by the Association.

Section IV—Each board and committee shall make a report to the Association while in regular session.

ARTICLE VI—MEETINGS

The time and place of the meeting of this organization be determined at each preceeding regular meeting. On the occasion of no meeting place being provided at the regular preceeding meeting, the matter will fall into the hands of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VII—FINANCES

Each church holding membership in this organization shall be asked to send a free-will offering for the support of the Association. Expenditures of money shall be by the direction of this body.

ARTICLE VIII—REPORTS

Each church holding membership in this organization shall send a written report each regular meeting. This report to include such information as it is indicated by form of letter provided.

ARTICLE IX—QUORUM

Representatives from five (5) churches shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and no business shall be transacted without a quorum.

ARTICLE X—AMENDMENTS

This constitution may be amended at any regular meeting by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the delegates present voting in behalf of the amendment.

ARTICLE XI—THE MINISTRY

Section I—For the purpose of ordaining ministers of the gospel and for trying all ordained members for un-Christian conduct, there shall be a council, which shall convene at a stated time during the Association, and

at any time during the associational year, if called by the moderator or his assistant or any five (5) members of said council who deem it necessary to make such a call. This council shall consist of all ordained membership present, who are in good standing in the Association. They shall elect a moderator and clerk from among themselves who shall hold office until their successors are elected. It shall be the duty of this council to examine all applications for ordination and if found competent to ordain and set them apart for the work of the ministry by the laying on of hands. This council will examine ministers that wish to come into this association from other associations or denominations and will ordain those that are sound in faith and practice according to the Articles of Faith of Free Will Baptists. This council shall have full power to try all ordained members for un-christian conduct, and on testimony their decision shall be final.

Section II—This Association may exclude from its body any minister who teaches heresy, or any church that follows him in said teaching or that may be disloyal to the Faith as held by the Association and expressed in our Articles of Faith.

Section III—This Association having watch-care over all the churches within its bounds, shall withdraw fellowship from any church which calls a minister for a pastor who has been excluded by the Ordaining Council for un-christian conduct or false teaching according to Free Will Baptist Articles of Faith.

Section IV—It shall be the duty of each minister who shall organize a church to ordain deacons for the same who have been duly elected by the church body. It is his duty, also, to ordain deacons where a vacancy occurs within his church or churches. If the church desires it can request the Association to ordain its deacons. It shall be the duty of each pastor to encourage the organization and support of a Sunday School in the church or churches where he is pastor, as well as other organizations that may have proved helpful to the work of the church.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF CHURCHES

1. Antioch — Amount given Pastor \$1,301.66; amount given visiting minister, \$14.00; amount given evangelist, \$150.00; amount give Home Mission, \$120.00; Christmas gift for our pastor, \$85.00; amount of church expenses, \$3,000; amount in treasury, \$173.51; value of church property, \$8,000.

2. Martin Hill — Amount given pastor, \$2,070.00; amount given assistant pastor or visiting ministers, \$40.00; amount given evangelis, \$125.00; amount given charity, \$42.90; for flowers, \$67.90; Bible College, \$163.00; Life Line Radio program, \$156.46; Home Mission, \$168.00; Foreign Missions, \$87.00; repair and improvement, \$626.76; expenses of church, \$466.25; value of church property, \$6,000.00; amount in treasury, \$314.70.

3. New Lebanon — Amount given pastor, \$1,275.00; amount given assistant pastor or visiting minister, none; amount given evangelist, \$150.00; amount charity, \$205.00; flowers, \$44.50; amount in treasury, \$143.50; amount given Home Mission, \$176.44; other expenses, \$376.40; value of church property, \$8,000.

4. Macedonia — Amount given pastor, \$227.90; amount given assistant pastor or visiting ministers, \$157.60; church expenses, \$500.00; Sunday School expenses, \$80.26; amount in treasury, \$61.89; value of church property, \$4,000.00.

5. Little Brown — Amount given pastor, \$326.35; amount given visiting ministers, \$25.80; amount given evangelist, \$90.00; amount given charity, \$58.50; church expenses, \$603.85; Home Mission, \$41.50; Radio broadcast, \$64.00; amount in treasury, \$10.00; amount Sunday School treasury, \$135.16; value of church property, \$10,000.

6. Mt. Pisgah — Amount given pastor, \$860.00; visiting ministers, \$9.75; for Revival, \$57.46; for flowers, \$15.50; spent on building, \$116.50; Literature, \$40.00; in treasury, \$330.00.

7. Smith Chapel — Amount given pastor, \$522.75; amount given assistant pastor or visiting ministers, \$50.00; amount given evangelist, none;

amount given charity, none; amount in treasury, \$109.20; amount in Sunday School treasury, \$15.00; amount for flowers, \$10.00; amount given Home Mission Board, \$22.62; value church property, \$3,000.

8. Jones Chapel — Amount given pastor, \$314.10; amount given visiting ministers, \$50.00; amount given charity, \$20.00; amount for flowers, \$34.75; amount given Home Missions, \$129.54; church expenses, \$22.25; amount in treasury, \$7.01; value of church property, \$4,000.

9. Burgess Creek — Amount given pastor, \$313.23; amount given visiting ministers, \$30.00; amount given charity, \$10.00; church expenses, \$107.81; amount for flowers, \$49.78; amount in treasury, \$55.00; value of church property, \$4,500.

ADDRESSES OF CHURCH CLERKS

1. Antioch — Mrs. Reba Wood, Route 4, Iuka, Miss.
2. Martin Hill — Mrs. William Walden, Route 5, Booneville, Miss.
3. New Lebanon — Mrs. Eunice Searcy, Route 6, Booneville, Miss.
4. Macedonia — Miss Mary Glenn Nash, Route 6, Corinth, Miss.
5. Smith Chapel — Mrs. Annie Stevens, Route 1, Booneville, Miss.
6. Little Brown — Miss Janie Gale Smith, Route 5, Booneville, Miss.
7. Mt. Pisgah — Mrs. E. E. Champion, Marietta, Miss.
8. Burgess Creek — Mrs. Marie Wright, Route 1, Paden, Miss.
9. Jones Chapel — Mrs. Guy Jones, Route 6, Booneville, Miss.
10. Old Pleasant Hill Church — Mrs. Lorene Arnold, Route 4, Iuka, Miss.

ADDRESSES OF MINISTERS

1. Rev. R. C. McCoy, Route 6, Corinth, Miss., Active
2. Rev. J. L. Gore, 113 Smith Drive, Booneville, Miss., Active
3. Rev. Sidney Whitehead, Route 1, Paden, Miss., Active
4. Rev. Junior Jones, Box 83, Booneville, Miss., Active
5. Rev. J. W. Prince, Route 1, Paden, Miss., Active
6. Rev. Grany Johnson, Route 4, Iuka, Miss., Active
7. Rev. Earnest Hopkins, 343 E. Hatchie St., Booneville, Miss., Active
- Rev. D. W. Jones, Route 1, Corinth, Miss., Inactive
- Rev. C. P. Bray, Glen, Miss., Inactive
- Rev. Pitt Reynolds, Route 1, Burnsville, Miss., Inactive

CHURCH LETTER TO THE ASSOCIATION

We, the Free Will Baptist Church of Christ, at send greetings to the ministers and messengers composing the Little Brown Creek Association of Free Will Baptist when convened with Church. We send our beloved brothers, to-wit; to sit with you in your deliberations and help transact any business that may come before your honorable body. The statistics of our church are as follows: Received by experience; by letter; by recommendation; dismissed by letter; Active; Inactive; death; total membership; contribution \$..... We have elected Elder to the pastoral care of church for the ensuing year. Number of Deacons; Number of Ministers; Value of Church Property \$.....; Amount given pastor \$.....; Amount given assistant pastor or visiting ministers \$.....; Amount given evangelist \$.....; Amount given charity \$.....; Amount in Treasury \$.....; We petition for the Association to meet with us by order of the Church in conference. (Date) Clerk's address; Moderator's Address

FORM OF CHURCH LETTER

Members Transfer Letter — We, the Freewill Baptist Church of Christ, at hereby certify that Brother (or Sister) is a member with us in full fellowship and good standing and is hereby dismissed from us.

Petitionary Letter — We, the Free Will Baptist Church of God, at send this petitionary Letter, to the ministers and messengers, composing of the Little Brown Creek Association of Free Will Baptist, when convened with Church, asking admittance into your honorable body. We were organized with members. We send this Petitionary Letter by the hands of our beloved brethren, to-wit: If received to sit with you on your deliberations and to help your honorable body.

The statistics of your church are as follows: Received by experienced; by resolution; discontinued by letter; expelled; died Total membership Contribution We have elected Elder to the pastoral care of our church the ensueing year. Number of Deacons; Number of Ministers; Clerk's Address; Moderator's Address

PROGRAM FOR HOLDING CHURCH CONFERENCE

1. Call the church to order.
2. Reading of minutes of proceeding meeting.
3. Is the church at peace?
4. Inviting visiting brethren.
5. Any unfinished business?
6. Any new business?
7. Reading of minutes.
8. Invitation for members.
9. Motion to adjourn.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. **THE BIBLE**—The scripture of the Old and New Testament were given by inspiration of God, and are our infallable rule of faith and practice.

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 scripture 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.

3. **CHRIST**—Christ is God manifested in flesh; His divine nature truly God, in His human nature truly man. The mediator between God and glorified. He is now risen and glorified, and is our ever present Saviour and Lord.

4. **THE HOLY SPIRIT**—The scripture assign to the Holy Spirit all the attributes of God. He is the Reprover, Comforter, Guide and Sanctifier of men.

5. **THE GOVERNMENT OF GOD**—God exercises a wise and benevolent providance over all beings and all things by maintaining the constitution and law of nature. He also performs special acts of grace not otherwise provided for as the highest welfare of man requires.

6. **THE SINFULNESS OF MAN**—Man was created innocent, but by disobedience 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.

7. **THE WORK OF CHRIST**—The Son of God be His incarnation life sufferings, death and resurrection affected for all a redemption from

sin that is full and free is the ground of salvation by faith.

8. **THE TERMS OF SALVATION**—The conditions of salvation are: 1. Repentance or sincere sorrow of sin and hearty renunciation of it. 2. Faith or the unreserved committal of one's self to Christ as Saviour 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 free from soul dominion of sin and becomes a child of God. 3. Continuance in faith and obedience until death.

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.

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.

11. **SALVATION FREE**—God desires the salvation of all, the Holy Spirit strives with all, and whoever will may come and take of the water freely.

12. **PRESERVANCE**—All believers in Christ, who, through grace preserve in holiness to the end of life have promise of eternal salvation.

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 administered to all believers.

14. **THE CHRISTIAN SABBATH**—The divine law requires that one day in seven be set apart from secular employment and amusement, for rest, worship, holy works and activities, and for personal communications with God.

15. **RESURRECTION, JUDGEMENT AND FINAL RETRIBUTION**—The scripture teaches 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."

CHURCH COVENANT

Having been brought, as we humbly trust by Divine Grace to embrace the Lord Jesus as our Saviour and having obtained justification by faith in His name, as members of the Free Will Baptist Church at agree:

1. To watch over each other in love, and to pray for each other as members of a common faith ever striving to keep the unity of the spirit in the bonds of peace.

2. We will not speak evil of another nor will we persecute or expose the faults of the weak members of our church, but we will endeavor to be governed by Paul's instruction to Timothy: "That we will reprove, rebuke, and exhort each other as members of a common brotherhood."

3. We are commanded to do good unto all men, especially to those who are of the household of faith. But we should remember that our relations to each other are closer and the obligations more binding that we become as a family and assume in a Christian sense the care and responsibility that members of a family should feel for each other.

4. We will attend that stated meeting of our church unless we are providentially hindered or uncontrollable circumstances prevent us. And we will contribute of our means as the Lord has proposed us for the support of our pastor and other necessary expenses of our church. And we will prefer the services of our church to that of any other, and will pray for our pastor while he is preaching the Word to us.

5. We will not injure our influence in the house of our Lord by accepting seats among the ungodly and sinners, but will occupy seats near the pulpit and use the natural powers which the Lord has given us to praise His Holy Name. We will sing with those who sing and pray with those who pray.

6. We will not be guilty of the sin of Sabbath breaking by making

Sunday visits to our neighbors which is double sin against the law of God, for in doing so, we fail to attend the house of the Lord and hinder others who might wish to do so. Let us remember the laws of Moses which condemns Sabbath breaking and the words of the inspired Apostle which says, "Forsake not the assembling of yourself together as the manner of some is."

7. We will not neglect secret and public prayer, and those of who are heads of families will strive to dedicate our household to the Christian religion as the only hope of happiness after death. We will adopt the Covenant of Joshua, the servant of the Lord, and say: "But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."

GOVERNMENT AND RULES OF THIS ASSOCIATION

This association shall be opened by singing and prayer. Only one person may speak at a time. All addresses by the members shall be made to the moderator, and the person thus speaking shall confine himself to the subject in debate. No speaker should cast any personal reflection toward any member of this body who has spoken previously.

No person should speak more than three times on any one subject without the permission of a majority of the association.

The speaker should not be interrupted during his speech by anyone except the moderator unless he violates the rules of order.

No delegate should absent himself without permission from the moderator.

No member should speak longer than fifteen (15) minutes at any time without permission from the moderator.

Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the association except when withdrawn by consent.

This association shall furnish each church with minutes of their proceedings, in proportion to the membership of the church.

All questions coming before this association shall be determined by majority vote, except exclusion of churches which shall require two-thirds (2/3) majority.

The minutes of this association shall be read before the body just before the close of the association, corrected if need be, and signed by the moderator and clerk.

The body shall have no conceived power to word it over God heritage, or infringe on any of the internal privileges or rights of the churches in our union, but shall be considered an advisory council in all things pertaining to the internal concern of the churches.

The association is to give the best advice it can on all matters of difficulty. If the union should be broken between any of the churches, the association shall inquire into the cause of the break and use its endeavors to remove the difficulty. If the break cannot be removed to withdraw from the church which they look upon as unsound in principals, and disorderly conduct of practice, until they be reclaimed.

To take up no case of any kind in the union without the consent of the majority of the churches, and then only to give advise.

CHURCHES		NAMES OF DELEGATES		Deacons	Ordained Ministers	Day of Meeting	Received by Recommendation	Received by Letter	Received by Baptism	Expelled	Dismissed by Letter	Deceased	Active Membership	Inactive Membership	Total Membership	Contributions
ANTIOCH	Sis. Alma Lambert, Bro. Donny Lambert, Bro. and Sis. Oscar Blakeney	5	2	4	0	0	2	0	4	0	75	139	214	\$ 4.27		
MARTIN HILL	Sis. Aleene Sharp, Sis. Audie King, Bro. Castleberry, Bro. Charles Walden	5	1	4	0	0	0	0	19	1	100	152	252	10.00		
NEW LEBANON	Bro. W. W. Penson, Bro. Oscar Strickland, Sis. Madrid Richardson, Sis. Lowenstein Wright	5	2	0	0	0	6	0	0	3			243	10.00		
MT. PISGAH	Bro. Gerdest Walker, Parker Nichols, Bro. Carl Huddleston, Sis. Lizzie Lytal, Sis. Mattie Bell Huddleston	3	0	4	0	2	3	0	0	0	75	34	109	6.00		
LITTLE BROWN	Sis. Myrtis Mayo, Sis. Lula Strickland, Sis. Beatrice Holley, Sis. Mary White	5	1	2	0	2	2	0	0	3	94	6.00		
SMITH CHAPEL	Sis. Sophia Thompson, Sis. Mattie Mooney, Sis. Annie Stevens, Bro. Wilburn Lambert	3	1	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	30	14	44	10.00		
MACEDONIA	Bro. and Sis. Erie Nash, Bro. Oscar Childers, Sis. Lula Childers	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	29	52	8.50		
JONES CHAPEL	Sis. Kate Lambert, Sis. Elzie Jones, Bro. Guy Jones	2	0	2	0	1	2	0	0	1	48	10.00		
BURGESS CREEK	Bro. Jessie Gentle, Bro. Charles Hanney, Bro. Elton Nichols	3	1	2	1	0	2	0	0	1	24	12	36	3.00		
OLD PLEASANT HILL	Bro. Milton Arnold	2	1	2	0	0	8	0	0	0	17	3.50		
TOTALS		36	11	24	1	6	26	0	23	9	237	380	1109	\$71.27		
IN TREASURY													\$39.40			
TOTAL													\$110.67			

