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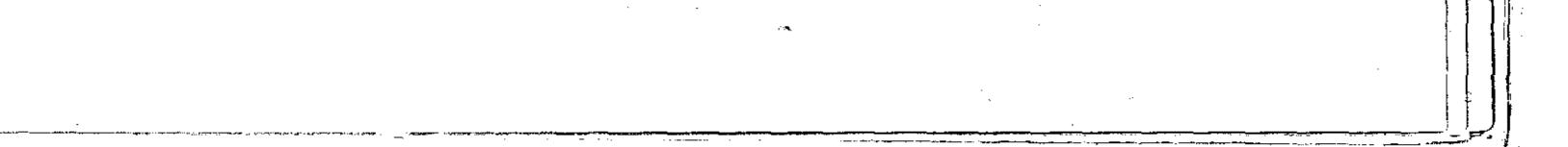
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FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

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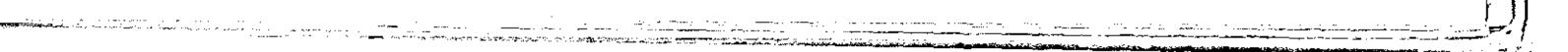
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FREE WILL BAPTISTS



OFFICERS OF ASSOCIATION 1980

MODERATOR	Rev. Terry Booker		
ASSISTANT MODER	ATOR Rev. Jack Jones		
CLERK	Mrs. Diane Akers		
ADDRESS: Route 5, PHONE: 728-728			
ASSISTANT CLERK	Mrs. Debra Short		
A	DDRESS OF PASTORS		
Rev. Glen Jones	Antioch		Phone
	Rt. 6, Corinth, MS.	38834	462-5889
Rev. Lenarse Stricklen		;:	· · · · · · · · ·
	Rt. 1, Booneville, MS.	38829	
Rev. Malcolm Garrett	Community		901
	Rt. 2, Box 177, Michie, Tenn.	38857	239-9776
Rev. Luther Gibson	First Church of Booneville	• .	
	145 N. Lake St., Booneville, MS.	38829	
Rev. Dallas Jack Jones	First Church of Iuka		•
	Rt. 3, Box 77A1, Iuka, MS.	38852	423-9316

Rt. 1, Rienzi, MS.		462-7128
Little Brown	38859	728-9284
	38852	423-3779
	`38829	728-9816
Mt. Pisgah Savannah, Tenn.	38872	901 925-4374
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New Lebanon Smith Chapel Helen Shackelford Rt. 5, Booneville, MS. 38829 Rt. 7, Booneville, MS. Esta Lee Gann 38829 Rt. 2, Tishomingo, MS. 38873 Vaughanda Hall Jewel Reeves Rt. 1, Booneville, MS. 38829

MINUTES OF THE NINETIETH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE LITTLE BROWN CREEK ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION:

The ninetieth annual session of the Little Brown Creek Association of Free Will Baptist met in the Burgress Creek Free Will Baptist Church, Tishomingo, Miss., on Friday night and Saturday morning September fifth and sixth in the year of Nineteen Hundred-Eighty.

Rev. Jack Jones served as song leader with Mrs. Debra Short pianist. The congregation was led in the singing of "Take a Moment and Live", "I'd Rather Be an Old Time Christian", and "Footprints of Jesus".

The Association was called into official session by the moderator , Rev. 2010 Malcolm Garrett. Rev. Garrett opened with thoughts from Romans 12:5, "Belfervent in things of the Lord and have brotherly love", as a guideline for our asso-ciational meeting.

Rev. Terry Booker, assistant moderator, announced the committee on committees.



Rev. Jack Jones was introduced to render a special in song, " Please Search the Book Again".

Rev. Johnny Sexton was introduced to bring the evening message. The title of his message was " Are You There?" taken from 1 Kings 17: 9 - 10, explaining how Elijah would not have been in God's will had he not been at the place he was in this passage. Other passages given in relation to persons being in God's will were Psalms 32:8, 37:3, Genesis 35:1, Acts 13:36, Matt.28:16, 1 Kings 17:3,7. Rev. Sexton ended his sermon with the question "Are you in God's will?" After the invitation an altar pray was led by Rev. Terry Booker.

After the appointment of committees the association was convened until Saturday morning with pray by Bro. Tommy Wright.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION:

The Saturday morning session was opened by music director Rev. Glenn Jones leading the congregation in " He Keeps Me Singing". Rev. Travis Smith led the opening prayer.

After a welcome by the moderator, Bro. Charles Walden and a panel of three, Bro. Bill Wallace, Bro. Danny Lovelace, and Bro. Jimmy Slack, gave an inspiring question and answer discussion on "Developing Saints In The Church", using 1 Timothy 2: 1-4 as their text.

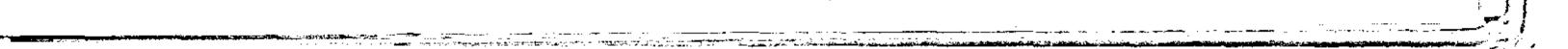
The clerk read a compiled report of church letters. A motion carried to accept the letters.

After the morning recess the congregation was led in the singing of "An Old Account Was Settled", and "At Calvary".

Mrs. Angle Barnett was introduced to sing "Amazing Grace".

Rev. Jack Jones of Iuka was introduced to bring the morning message using the theme " Developing Saints In The Home". He used as his text Proverbs 23: 12-26. The main points of training he discussed were having evidence that Christ is the head of the home. Other thoughts included love, reading the Bible, prayer, discipline, and peace in the home. Children should see a Christian example in the home as in verse 26...let thine eyes observe thy ways. Rev. Jones concluded his message with the phrase " Training makes a world of difference in the home.

After announcements, the dismissal prayer for lunch was led by Rev. D. W. Jones, Jr.



SATURDAY EVENING SESSION:

Rev. Jack Jones opened the Saturday afternoon session with the singing of "I'm Free Again", "In the Sweet Forever" and "I Never Shall Forget the Day". Rev. Luther Gibson brought a devotional thought on "Developing Saints Outside the Church". He read Isiah 54: 1-4. Rev. Gibson pointed out the saints as being the church. The best was to develop a saint of God is to introduce Jesus to those who need Him or simply "missions".

After all business was concluded, Rev. Russell Clouse dismissed the association with prayer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE 1980 ASSOCIATION

Terry Booker explained about the next semester of the Little Brown Creek Bible Institue.

Visiting pastors Rev. Russell Clouse and Rev. Burlon Jones were recognized by the moderator.

Rev. Johnny Sexton was accepted by vote into the association. Rev. Travis Smith was recommended for ordination, the time being set by himself.

New Lebanon will host the District Ladies Auxiliary meeting September 30, 1980.

First Free Will Baptist Church of Amory will host this years State Association. Delegates to the state association are:

- 1. Leonard Casabella
- 2. Terry Lambert
- 3. Margaret South
- 4. Tom Davis
 - 5. Harold Wigginton

THE MID-YEAR MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE FIRST CHURCH OF JUKA IN FEBRUARY.

A rising stand of thanks and appreciation was given to Burgress Creek for hosting the association.

A special offering was taken up for the Mississippi messenger.

It was proposed that a committee be elected to investigate the possibility of getting a group insurance for the pastors of the Little Brown Creek Association.



SEQUENCE IN WHICH THE ASSOCIATION WILL MEET AT THE VARIOUS CHURCHES:

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1981	Smith Chapel		1987	Firs
1982	Mt. Pisgah		1988	Mar
1983	Macedonia	· · ·	1989	Con
1984	Antioch	· · · ·	1990	New
1985	Little Brown	· · · · ·	1991	Firs
1986	Jones Chapel	•	1992	Burg
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Hollis Southerland Charles Walden Billy Tigrett

SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE EE

Harold Wigginton Ruby Blankey Angie Barnett

COMMITTEES

C.T.S. COMMITTEE

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Travis Smith

John Nunley

Sherron Barron

Tom Davis

First Church Booneville Martin Hill Community Church Corinth New Lebanon First Church Iuka Burgress Creek

OBITURARY COMMITTEE

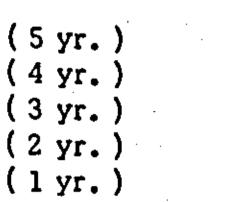
Jerry Hooper Virginia Lambert Margaret Maness

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

J. T. Prince Curtiss Briley Lenarse Stricklen

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE AND CTS COMMITTEE

Terry Booker(5 yr.Luther Gibson(4 yr.Charles Walden(3 yr.Eddie Davis(2 yr.Danny Short(1 yr.



Jerry Lambert Tommy Wright

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

Freda Barron Peggy Hendrix Margie Cole

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

- Luther Gibson Ewell Wright
- Eddie Davis

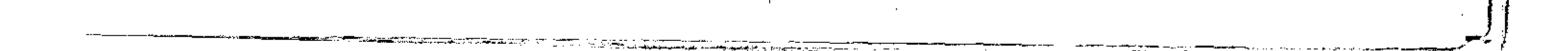
COMMITTEE RETREAT COMMITTEE

Tommy Wright

- Glenn Cummings Billy Tigrett

INSURANCE COMMITTEE

J. T. Prince Glenn Jones Jack Jones



COMMITTEE REPORTS

SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

We, the Sunday School Committee are pleased to report that all churches in the Little Brown Creek Association have an active Sunday School. We are also happy to report an increase in average Sunday School attendance over last year.

We, the Sunday School Committee would like to encourage every church in our association to participate in our Little Brown Creek Bible Institue, teacher training program.

C. T. S. COMMITTEE:

We, the CTS Committee regret to report that the number of churches having an active CTS has dropped from 9 to 8. Total enrollment dropped from 343 to 328. Average attendance dropped from 291 to 246.

We believe that CTS is an excellent training program for our young people and we would like to see our CTS program expand. Therefore, we make the following recommendations:

- 1) Recommend that each church in the Little Brown Creek Association have a church training service.
- 2) Recommend that churches having CTS programs show the benefits of the program to the other churches.
- 3) Recommend that each teacher in Sunday School encourage their Sunday School students to return for CTS services. We believe the best place to build a CTS is on Sunday morning.
- 4) Recommend each teacher attend teaching classes at the Bible Institute.
- 5) Recommend a committee that would be available to help churches set up CTS or help churches with CTS to improve their program.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE:

We, the Obituary Committee, regretfully submit the following deaths within our Little Brown Creek Association since our last as sociational meeting:

BURGRESS CREEK Mrs. Lonie Johnson Sis. Mattie Bell Strickland

ANTIOCH Bro. James Lambert

MARTIN HILL Bro. Edward Thompson Bro. Hollis Gann Mrs. Beatha Hare

MT. PISGAH Bro. Gerdest Walker Sis. Beatrice Mann



FIRST CHURCH BOONEVILLE Mrs. Ralph Williams

JONES CHAPEL Bro. Archie Jackson

MACEDONIA Bro. Lenord Vanderford

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY :

We, the Woman's Auxiliary Committee, find that there are 6 churches with auxiliaries with 120 members. We would encourage the other churches to organize an auxiliary. If help is needed in organizing an auxiliary please contact Mrs. Elizabeth Gibson, president or Rachel Livingston, field worker. The Woman's Auxiliary has the following financial statement to report:

	Total cash offerings	\$3,309.00
ſ	Cash	523.00
· · · · ·	Cash offerings of	\$3,832.00

NEW LABANON Mrs. Pearl McAnally Mrs. Inez Bryant Mrs. Ruby Hester

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

The Nominating Committee submits the following slate of officers:

Moderator	Rev. Terry Booker			
Assistant Moderator	Rev. Jack Jones			
Clerk	Mrs. Diane Akers	:	i .	• •
Assistant Clerk	Mrs. Debra Short			ı

S. S. Teacher Training Committee

Terry Booker Glenn Jones Harold Wigginton

Home Missions Board replacements

Rev. Johnny Sexton Sis. Debra Short Rev. Curtis Briley

HOME MISSIONS BOARD:

For the associational year 1980-1981 the Home Missions Board is as follows:

Laymen	Bro. Harold Wigginton	(3 yrs.)
<pre></pre>	Bro. Joe Gann	(2 yrs.)
And the second	Sis. Debra Short	(lyr.)
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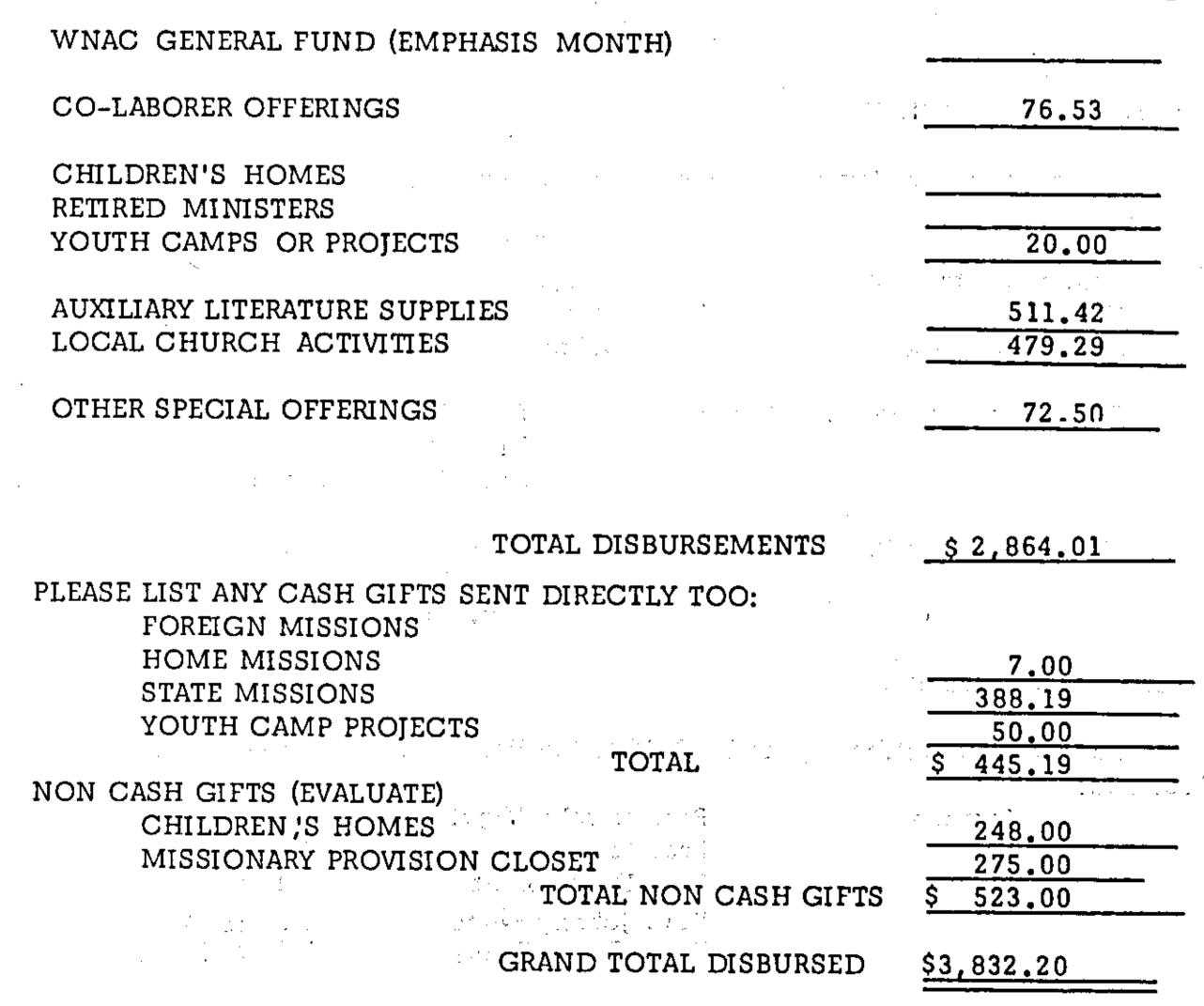


LITTLE BROWN CREEK DISTRICT WOMAN, S AUXILIARY TREASURER,'S ANNUAL REPORT

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	IVE MEMBERS ON ROLL FEES ENCLOSED		120 \$150.00
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FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Beginning September 1, 1979 and ending August 30, 1980

Balance brought forward Offering and Church fees	\$173.02 396.08
Total income	569.10
Church letters and Mins. Cards	4.65
Envelopes	1.46
 Copies of Programs 	28.00
Moderator	15.00
Clerk	25,00
Assistant Clerk	10.00
Paper and Printing	25.00
State Association	30.00
Downs Printing	291.06
Balance in Treasury	138.93

ANTIOCH

Glen Cummings Angie Cummings Ruby Blankey Eddie Davis

BURGRESS CREEK

John Nunley Retha Nunley Eddy Barnett Angle Barnett

MACEDONIA

Paul Maness Margaret Maness Duane Pannell Ruby Whittemore

MARTIN HILL

Peggy Sexton Willa Mae Walden Harold Wigginton Ruth Wigginton Alt. Kim Jones

FIRST CHURCH BOONEVILLE

Billy Tigrett James Downs Tom Davis

FIRST CHURCH IUKA

Alvin Lambert Leonard Casabella Jerry Lambert Joey Smith Alt. Virginia Jones Marie Smith

COMMUNITY CHURCH

Johnny Johnson Bill Wallace Tommy Wright

JONES CHAPEL

Nita Jones Charles Jones Jerry Hooper Katherine Smit⁺ MT. PISGAH

Freda Barron Esta Lee Gann Doyle Mann Ruby Southerland

NEW LEBANON

Travis Hendrix Peggy Hendris Margaret South Joe Hendrix Alt. Steve Hendrix

SMITH CHAPEL

Margie Cole Annettee Huddleston Phil Huddleston Rhonda Carpenter

LITTLE BROWN

Virginia Lambert Mouvaline Moss Jerry Moore Jane Moore



Churches	Value of Church Property	Value of Parsonage	Pastor's Salary	Remodeling; Etc.	Paid Debt of Retirement	Other Local Expenditures	Amount Borrowed	Total Income	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	F.W.B.B.C.	Children's Home	Other National Ministries	State Ministries	Association Fees
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CHURCHES				· · ·			-		1						
ANTIOCH	150,000	-	5450	16,187	11,185	4,921	17,000	38,983	-	500	– .	70	-	-	25
BURGRESS CREEK	20,000	-	4880	908	-	1,362		10,668	125	200	· <u>-</u> .	1800	271		25
First Church-BOONEVILLE	140,000	30,000	9250	863	20,038	11,524	0	40,607	480	0	240	15	0	737	25
First Church-IUKA	100,000	-	3725	17,109	3,800	14,631	-	40,469	-	470	-	-	-	-	25
COMMUNITY CHURCH	60,000	-	2950	4,552	3,134	3,505	0	13,301	396	250	0	290	0	290	25
JONES CHAPEL	80,000	-	4000	6,138	2,586	2,148		16,874	-	-		125	-	· -	25
LITTLE BROWN	92,000	47,000	6930	125	4,693	7,008	0	21,980	70	185	120	187	0	410	25
MACEDONIA	35,000	_	5250	7,400		-	6,000	8,702	0	150	° 0	0	100	:	25
MARTIN HILL	185,000	35,000	9530	1,178	4,024	8,629	0	29,718	368	1276	368	-	368	· · _	25
MT. PISGAH	50,000		7075	900	0	4,987	0	13,708	-	1723	- . *	-		-	25
NEW LEBANON	110,000	35,000	9100	488	10,300	1,263	0	27,074	/0	485	0	0	- 0	0	25
SMITH CHAPEL	-	-	3800	-	3,800	1,262	-	6,912	150	-	_	-	-	-	25
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Other College Student F. W.B.B.C. Students Licensed Ministers	Antioch	Burgress Creek	First Church Boonevi	First Church Iuka		Jones Chapel	Little Brown	Macedonia	Martin Hill	Mt. Pisgah	New Lebanon	Smith Chapel	TOTAL	
Church Membership	110	41	H 187	128	28	-	71	50	293	128	141	79	1256	
Resident Church Membership Non-Resident	186	20	37	6	-	-	30		103	28	157	-	569	
Iotal Membership	296	61	224	134	28	75	101	52	396	156	298	79	1900	
No. of Baptisms	. 8	2	10	45	2	2	5	2	7	9	6	4	102	
Received by Letter	6	- 3	7	40	7	5	4	0	14	2	16	1	105	
Lost by Letter	16	4	8	4	3	1	3	2	6	2	10	2	58	
Lost to non F.W.B.	· 0	1	7	0	-	1	2	0	3	2	0	0	16	
Deceased	1	3	1	-	_	1	0	1	3	2	3	-	15	
Sunday School Enroll	77	50	99	75	45	-	90	60	190	60	145	55	945	
Average Attendance	77	40	87	70	36	50	67	45	127	52	111	55	817	
C.T.S. Enrolled	0	0	93	20	30	20	50	25	65	25	0	-	328	
Average Attendance	0	0	85	18	-	20	35	20	48	20	0	-	246	
Bible School	89	70	109	-	—	-	101	, 	154	_	103	45	701	
Mid-Week Services	35	0	85	45		20	33	-	48	30	35	25	356	
Ladies Auxiliary En.	* • - •	0	15	23	-	-			10	23	24	13	108	
Average Attendance	-	0	.10	12	-	_	-	-	. 6	12	12	9	61	
Ordained Ministers	2	1	1	1	1	-	0	-	2	1	4	1	14	
Licensed Ministers	0	- -	0	0	0	1	0	• • • •	0	[°] 0	4	1	6	
F.W.B.B.C. Students	0	0	0	0	0	0.4	- II	0	0			_ `	0	
Other College Student	0	3	6	1	0	1	4	-	12	3	5	-	35	

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RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORT

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- 1. Be it resolved that any minister of this Association who is guilty of any act or acts of misconduct which is liable to destroy said minister's influence or impair the influence of the Free Will Baptist faith and order, shall be deemed guilty of a disciplinary offense and after discipline has been used if he has not shown penitence he shall be excommunicated from the Association. 1927
- 2. Be it resolved that the clerk enroll ministers and delegates comprising each association and that he (the clerk) call the roll each session.
 - Be it resolved that the church clerks inquire of members being received by letter, and that the clerk write for a letter of recommendation from the church they are leaving. The purpose of this procedure is to keep our church records straight. It is also recommended that they not be received into full fellowship until their letter or recommendation be received. 1956
- 4. Be it resolved that it become a standard practice for the introductory speaker for the association to be left to the moderator and the assistant moderator. 1966
- 5. Be it resolved that the Little Brown Creek Association endorse and support, with

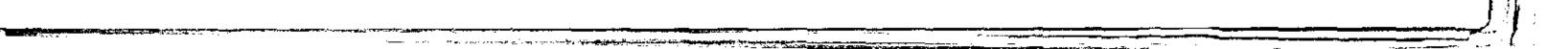
prayers and attendance, the Christian Youth Rally for the training and encouragement of our youth. 1966

- 6. Be it resolved that the Little Brown Creek reactivate the Home Mission Board with a total of 5 members (2 ministers and 3 laymen) to be elected from the floor to serve annual terms and to be re-elected or replaced each year. Further, ' be it resolved that this board be charged with the training of laborers from our Association, and to receive voluntary support for worthwhile projects from member churches. 1966
- 7. Be it resolved that the Little Brown Creek Association prepare and present to each ordained and accepted minister an annual ministerial certificate denoting good standins, to be presented during the Association of each year. 1966
- 8. Be it resolved that it be written into the Constitution that the assistant moderator be moderator for the following year as has been previously voted on by the Association. 1966
- 9. Be it resolved that a free will offering be taken on Friday and Saturday morning of each association in order to support the general fund. 1967
- 10. Be it resolved that there be a form drafted and included in the church letters for each church to certify ministers who are members of that church and have proven to be sound in the faith and in good standing before the Association grants the annual ministers certification card. 1968



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- 11. Be it resolved that a church that fails to report at two consecutive associations be automatically removed from the rolls of this Association. 1968
- 12. Be it resolved that the Association require that all new ministers pastoring churches in this Association come before the examining committee of the Ordination Council to have their credentials certified. The moderator of the Ordination Council, the clerk and three elected members of the Ordination Council will serve as the examination committee. 1968
- 13. Be it resolved that Minister Certification be examined by the Ordination Council and recommendations be made to the Association accordingly. 1969
- 14. Be it resolved that we have two sessions in our Associational Meetings which would be Friday night and all Saturday. 1970
- 15. Be it resolved that we print in the minutes the churches and their pastors with addresses and phone numbers of pastors. 1970
- 16. Be it resolved that we have a C. T. S. Committee to report at future meetings of the Association. 1971
- 17. Be it resolved that a Nominating Committee be appointed in the beginning of the
 - association to nominate all officers and members of standing boards and committees for each association. 1971
- 18. Be it resolved that our Association use the standard Association report form that has been prepared by the National Association of Free Will Baptist. 1971
- 19. Be it resolved that Scripture for Doctrinal Statements be included in the minutes. 1971
- 20. Be it resolved that all Committees and Boards be recorded in the minutes each year. 1971
- 21. Be it resolved that the Association have a Sunday School Teacher Training Course, and that a committee of three be appointed (two ministers and one layman) to be responsible. 1972
- 22. Be it resolved that a program committee be responsible for a printed schedule of the 1973 program. 1972
- 23. Be it resolved that the Sunday School Teacher Training Committee be continued each year with a committee elected and composed of three members, two ministers and one layman. 1973 really of the set of the
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- 24. Be it resolved that each church plan a Sunday School Workshop or study course to be conducted on the local level, thus striving to enroll each teacher, a ssistant teacher, Superintendent. Assistant Superintendent, and all officers of the Sunday School. Furthermore, the Pastor and Sunday School Superintendent will assume responsibility of making plans for this Workshop. 1973
- 25. Be it resolved that the associational clerk be paid \$25.00 and the assistant clerk be paid \$10.00 a year. 1974
- 26. Be it resolved that a visiting speaker be given \$50.00 plus ten cents per mile, round trip. 1975
 - 27. Be it resolved that the host church be responsible for special music before the Friday evening and Saturday morning services. 1976
 - 28. Be it resolved that we ask each local church prepare their financial and statical letter and return to the clerk Monday following the last Sunday in August, in order that the clerk may have her work prepared for the association.
 - 29. Be it resolved that churches holding membership in this faith an
 - 29. Be it resolved that churches holding membership in this association examine Revival Ministers, that they be sound in the faith and practice of Free Will Baptist Doctrine. 1977
 - 30. Be it resolved that we require Ministers holding membership in this association, who fail to report to this annual meeting for two (2) consecutive years, either by his presence or a letter, be examined by the "Credentials Committee", as to their eligibility of credentials. 1977
 - 31. Be it resolved that this Association adopt a mid-year service to be held in the month of February for the purpose of bring our member churches together for a

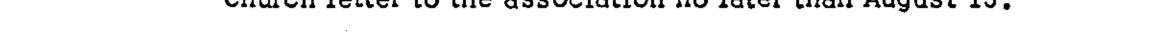
time of associational fellowship and worship service. Churches will volunteer on a rotating basis to host such meeting and will be responsible for program and selection of a minister from our association to bring the message. 1978

- 32. Be it resolved we recommend that so long as the Little Brown Creek Association Bible Institute functions that the Sunday School Training Committee work in cooperation with the Bible Institute.
- 33. Be it resolved that we recommend this association ask the State Association to consider the probability of changing the letter form used by the churches to report to the Association.
 NEW RESOLUTIONS:
- 34. Be it resolved that we, the Little Brown Creek Association, go on record as opposing: 1) The Equal Rights Amendment
 - 2) Abortion on demand

3) The Supreme Court ruling on Bible Reading & prayer in our public schools

and that letters be sent to our Congressman and Senators of this business.

- 35. Be it resolved that the Sunday School training committee be dismissed and a Board of Christian Education be elected to determine policy and oversee the functions of the Little Brown Creek Bible Institute. This board would be made up of 5 members to be elected in alternate 5 year periods.
- 36. Be it resolved that a Layman's Retreat be planned with all Pastors and laymen invited to a Friday night and Saturday morning retreat for preaching, praying, teaching and fellowship; and that a committee of three men be appointed to work out details.
- 37. Be it resolved that the Home Missions Board of the Little Brown Creek Association begin preparations for establishing a new Free Will Baptist work in the Belmont-Golden area.
- 38. Be it resolved that the Little Brown Creek Association year end on August 1 instead of September 1 with all church clerks having your church letter to the association no later than August 15.



GOVERNMENT AND RULES OF THE 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. The speaker should not cast a 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.

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.

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

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

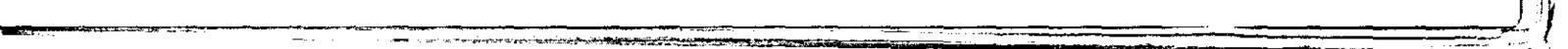
The minutes of the association shall be read before the body just prior to the close of the association, corrected if need be, and signed by the moderator and clerk.

The body shall have no conceived power to word it over God's 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 the association is to withdraw from the church, which they look upon as unsound in principles, and disorderly conduct of practice, until they be reclaimed.

The association is not to take a case of any kind, within the union, without the consent of the majority of the churches, and then only to give advice.

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PETITIONARY LETTER

We, the Free Will Baptist Church of God, at _____ send this petitionary letter to the ministers and messengers, composing the Little Brown Creek Association of Free Will Baptist, when convened with _____ Church, asking admittance to 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 in your deliberations and to help your honorable body. The statistics of our church are as follows: Received by experience ____; by resolution ____; discontinued by letter ____; expelled ____; died ____. Total membership _____. Contributions \$ _____. We have elected Elder ______ to the pastoral care of our church for the ensueing year. Number of deacons ____; Number of ministers _____ Clerks name and address _____ Moderator's name _____ and address

GOVERNMENT & CONSTITUTION OF LITTLE BROWN CREEK ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

Be it known that we, the Free Will Baptist Church, being in Alcorn, Tishomingo, and Prentiss Counties, in Miscissippi, 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 forms of government should be invariably preserved, yet, we are being 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. The name of the organization shall be called The Little Brown Creek Association of Free Will Baptist.

ARTICLE II. - Membership

Section 1. Newly organized Free Will Baptist churches petition the Association for membership, which shall be granted by a majority vote of the Association.

Section 2. 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.

ARTICLE III. - Representatives

Section 1. Each church should have not more than four delegates.

Section 2. All ordained members of the Association shall be standing delegates. Each delegate shall be entitled to cast one vote on all business transactions.

ARTICLE IV - Officers

Section 1. The officers of this organization shall be a moderator, assistant moderator, clerk, and treasurer.

Section 2. Their duties shall be those usually involving such officers, and they shall serve until their successors are elected except the assistant moderator. The assistant moderator shall become the moderator for the following year.

ARTICLE V - Boards and Committees

Section 1. The general officers and one elected member from the body will 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 2. The Home Mission Board shall consist of two (2) ministers and three (3) lay members elected from the body. The ministers shall be elected for terms of one (1) and two (2) years. The lay members shall be elected for terms of one (1), two (2), and three (3) years. 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 3. The following committees shall be appointed at the start of each association: Devotional, Finance, Obituary, Resolution, and Sunday School. These committees shall serve until dismissed by the Association.



Section 4. Each board and committee shall make a report to the association before the close of the association.

Section 5. Temporary committees may be appointed by the moderator if the body sees need of such committees. ARTICLE VI - Meetings The time and place of moderation for the second place.

ARTICLE VI - Meetings. The time and place of meeting of this organization shall be determined at each preceding regular meeting. On the occasion of no meeting place being provided at the regular preceding 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, if possible, as much as fifteen (\$15.00) to each meeting. Expenditures of money to be by the direction of this body.

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

ARTICLE IX - Quorum. Representatives from five (5) churches shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE X - The Minister

Section 1. For the purpose of ordaining ministers of the gospel and for trying all ordained members for unChristian conduct, there shall be a council, which shall convene at a stated time during the association, and at a 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 members present who are in good standing. 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 ministery by the laying on of hands. This council will examine ministers who wish to come into this association from other associations or denominations and will ordain those who are sound in faith and practice according to 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, th^ir decisions shall be final.

Section 2. This association may exclude from its body any minister who teaches heresey, or any church who follows him in said teaching, or who is disloyal to the Faith as held by the association and expressed in our Articles of Faith.

Section 3. 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 teachings according to Free Will Baptist Articles of Faith.

Section 4. It shall be the duty of each member who shall organize a church to obtain deacons for the same who have been duly elected by the church body. It is his duty, also, to obtain deacons where a vacancy occurs within his church or churches. 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 with other organizations which may have proved helpful to the work of the church.

DOCTRINE

THE BIBLE. The Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by inspiration of God, and our infallible rule of faith and practice. (II Peter 1:18-21; II Timothy 3:16,17.)

GOD. There is one living and true God, revealed in nature as the Creator, Preserver, and Righteous Governor of the universe; and in 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. (Deut. 6:4; I Cor. 8:4; Jer. 10:10; John 4:24; Eph. 4:6) 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 Saviour and Lord. (I Tim. 3:16; John 1:1,2; Matt 1:23; Rom. 3:25, 26; Matt. 26:28; Matt. 28:5,6)

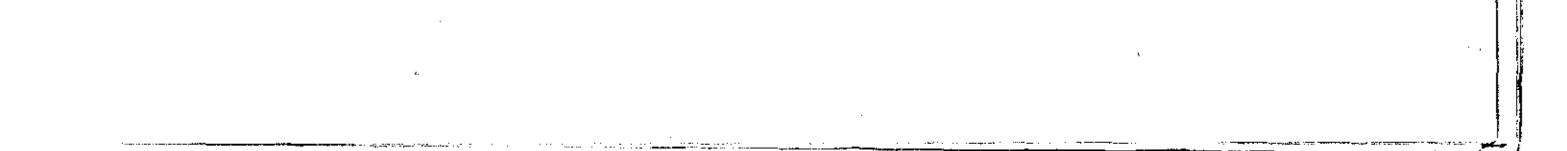
THE HOLY SPIRIT. The Scriptures assign to the Holy Spirit all the attributes of God. (I John 16:13; John 16:8; II Peter 1:21)

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, not otherwise provided for as the high west welfare of men requires. (Acts 17:28; Matt. 10:30; Job 14:5; Isa. 9:6)

THE SINFULNESS OF MAN. Man was created innocent, but by disobedience fell into a state of condemnation. His posterity, therefore. inherit a fallen nature of such tendencies that all who come to year of accountability, sin and become guilty before God. (John 3:3; Rom 3:23; Isa. 64:6)

THE WORK OF CHRIST. The Son of God by His incarnation, life, suffer ings, death, and resurrection, effected for all redemption from sin that is full and free, and is the ground of salvation by faith. (Heb. 2:9; Rom. 5:18; Rom. 8:1; Rom. 4:25.)

THE TERMS OF SALVATION. The conditions of salvation are: (a) Repentance or sincere sorrow for sin and hearty renunciation of it. (b) 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, freed from the dominion of sin, and becomes a child of God. (c) Continuance in faith



and obedience until death. (Acts 17:20; Luke 13:3; Acts 16:31; Eph. 2:8,9; Rev. 2:10)

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. (Rom. 8:28-30; Rom. 10:9,10; I Peter 1:2)

FREEDOM OF 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. (Rev. 22:17; II Chro. 7:14; Rev. 3:20.)

SALVATION FREE. God desires the salvation of all, the Holy Spirit strives with all, and whosoever will may come and take of the water of life freely. (Mark 16:15; Isa. 55:1; Gal. 2:20)

PERSERVANCE. All believers in Christ, who through grace perserve in holiness to the end of life, have promise of eternal salvation. (II Peter 1:10; Heb. 6:4-6; Rev. 2:10)

GOSPEL ORDINANCES. Baptism, or the immersion of believers in water, and Lord's Supper, are ordinances to be perpetuated under the Gospel. Feet Washing, an ordinance, teaching humility of universal obligation, and to be ministered to all true believers. (Matt. 28:19,20; Col. 2:12; Rom. 6:4; I Cor. 11:23-29; John 13:4-14)

TITHING. God commanded tithes and offerings in the Old Testament; Jesus Christ endorsed it in the Gospel (Matthew 23:23), and the Apostle Paul said, "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him." (I Cor. 16:2; Gen. 14:20; Mal. 3:8-10)

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; Ex. 20:8-11; Luke 24:1-6)

RESURRECTION, JUDGEMENT, 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." (I Cor. 15:1-58; Acts 17:31; Heb. 9:27; II Cor. 5:10; Matt. 25:46)

CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God, by faith in Jesus 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 study of the Scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions, and social workship, and by self-denial, faith, and good works endeavor to grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour 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 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 labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprises, the support of missions, the success of Sun-

day 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.



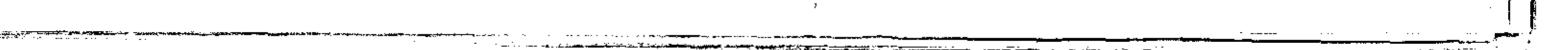
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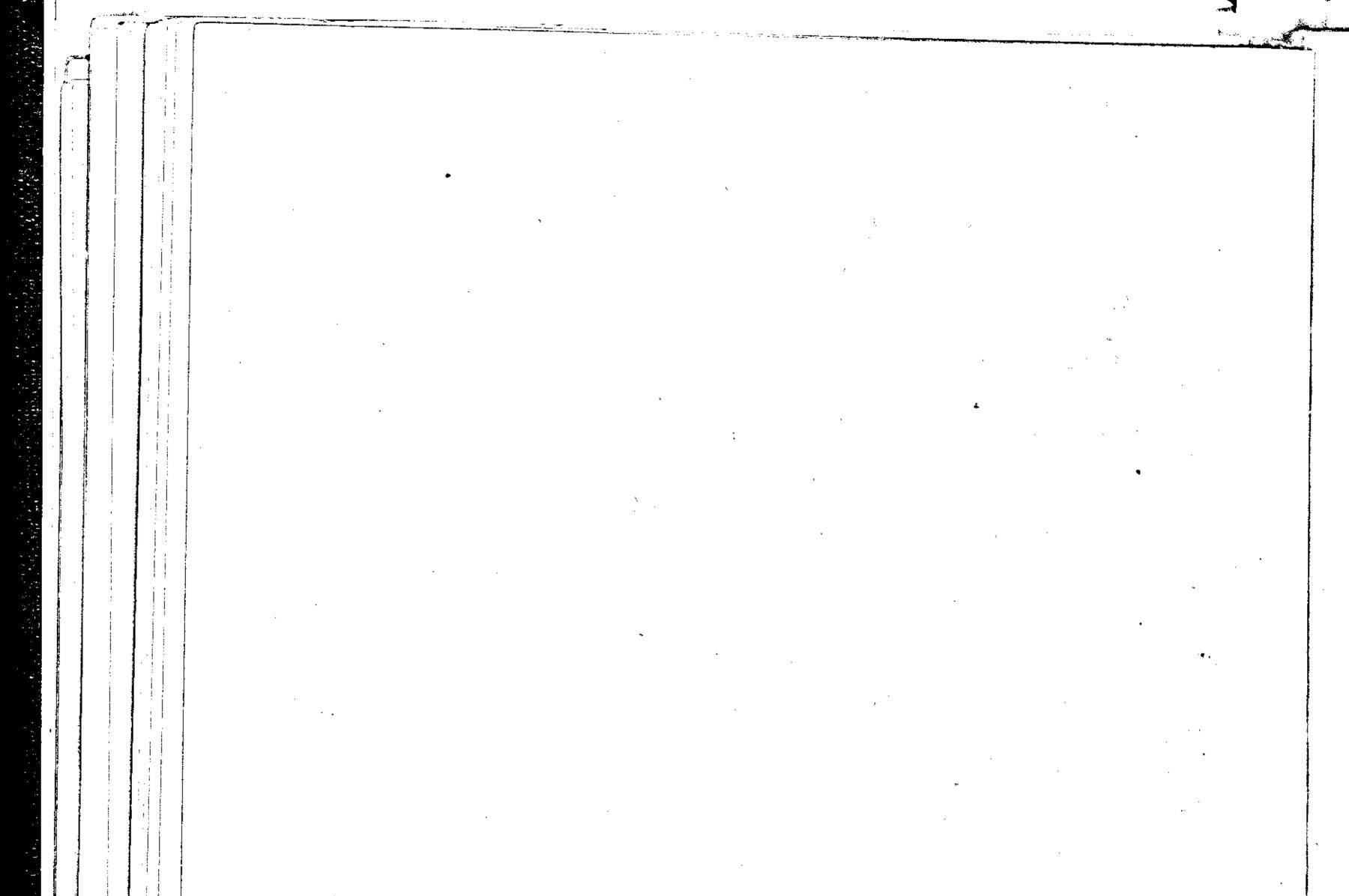
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