

of the

SEVENTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

of the

LITTLE RIVER ASSOCIATION

OF

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCHES

of the

STATE OF GEORGIA

affiliated with the

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

when convened at the

PINE LEVEL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

WORTH COUNTY

GEORGIA

on

OCTOBER 14, 1978

Minutes of all 1978 Quarterly Meetings Included

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| CHURCH NAME | TOTAL MEMBERS | MEMBERS RECEIVED | PAID PASTOR | VALUE OF PROPERTY | PROPERTY IMPROVEMENT | OUTSIDE GIVING | **TOTAL PAID OUT | MINUTES REQUESTE |
|-----------------|------------------|---------------------|----------------|----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| BEMISS | 15 | | \$1,500 | \$40,000 | | | \$1,500 | 12 |
| COOL SPRINGS | 87 | 3 | 6,500 | 60,000 | \$2,500 | \$1,803 | 13,703 | 25 |
| CORINTH | 99 | 2 | 6,500 | 40,000 | | 1,150 | 12,874 | 10 |
| FOREST HILL | 30 | | 1,215 | 8,000 | | 25 | 1,822 | 15 |
| FRIENDSHIP | 56 | 4 | 3,050 | 15,000 | 1,704 | | 4,754 | 10 |
| HAHIRA, FIRST | 95 | 3 | 4,800 | 80,000 | | 536 | 9,143 | 20 |
| HOMERVILLE | 162 | | 9,100 | 100,000 | | 424 | 21,639 | 15 |
| OZIAS | 92 | 30 | 4,335 | 50,000 | | 618 | 10,180 | 25 |
| PINE LEVEL | 131 | 1 | 4,260 | 50,000 | 8,300 | 84 | 16,832 | 15 |
| SUNNY SIDE | 46 | | 1,575 | 18,000 | 125 | 453 | 3,364 | 10 |
| TIFTON, FIRST | 56 | 8 | 1,885 | 42,000 | | | 4,390 | 6 |
| VALDOSTA, FIRST | 56 | 2 | 595 | 80,000 | 4,471 | 50 | 7,917 | 10 |
| WHITE HALL | 138 | 9 | 7,800 | 70,000 | 938 | 1,111 | 10,941 | 25 |
| ZION HILL | 46 | | 2,025 | 23,000 | | 558 | 4,528 | 10 |

^{**}Debt Retirement and Miscellaneous Local Expenses included but not shown elsewhere!

| Α. | CHUI | RCHES | | | 14 |
|----|----------------|---|---------|---------|---|
| В. | MEMI | BERSHIP: | | | |
| | 1. 2. 3. | Received by Baptism Received by Other Means Total Received (1 & 2) | | | 31 31 62 |
| | 4. | Total Lost to Church Rolls | | | 108 |
| | | Resident Members Nonresident Members Total Membership (5 & 6) | | | 842 267 1,109 |
| c. | VAL | UE OF CHURCH PROPERTY | | | |
| | 1. 2. 3. | Parsonages Other All Church Property (1 & 2) | | | \$159,500 516,500 \$676,000 |
| D. | ORDA | AINED PERSONNEL: | | | |
| | | Ministers Licensees | | | 17 1 |
| | 3. | Deacons | | | 49 |
| E. | SUPI | PORTING MINISTERIES: | UNITS | AVERAGE | ATTENDANCE |
| | 1. 2. | Sunday Schools Church Training Services | 13 5 | | 464 154 |
| | | Woman's Auxiliaries Master's Men Chapters | 5 2 | | 43 14 |
| | 5. 6. | Regular Prayer Services Regular Visitation Programs | 10 5 | | 225 |
| | 7. | Vacation Bible Schools | 1 | | 85 |
| F. | REC | EIPTS (Including Loans) | | | \$142,547 |
| G. | EXP | ENDITURES: | | | |
| | | Pastor's Salaries Property Improvements (included Debt Retirement Other Local Expenditures Total Local Expenditures (1 to | F | | \$55,140 18,038 11,714 31,883 \$116,775 |
| | 6. | Outside Giving | | | \$6,812 |
| | 7. | Total Expenditures | | | \$123,587 |
| | 8. 9. | Percentage of Total Expenditu Percentage of Receipts given | _ | | 1 |

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LITTLE RIVER ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST ANNUAL SESSION

AT THE PINE LEVEL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, OCTOBER 14, 1978

THEME: Harvest Time SCRIPTURE: John 4:35-36

The Morning Service began with Brother L. D. Wynn leading the song service, with sister Myrtice Giddens playing the piano. Brother Tom Hamilton led our Morning devotions. Host pastor, Brother Elzie Franks, gave the welcome. Brother C. M. Chafin, Jr. gave our response.

The Morning Business Session began by Moderator, Brother Tom Hamilton calling the session to order. Sister Myrtice Giddens gave the Credentials Committee's report. The delegates were then seated. The Chair appointed Finance committee: Brother J. W. Franks, Chairman; Brother Audie Williams; Brother Earl Ridley. Brother R. S. Hayes, the only member of the Nomination Committee present, served as Chairman; the Chair appointed Brothers Billy Sumner and Jerry Wishum to serve with him as the Nominating Committee for our 1979 Officers, Board and Committee Members. The Minutes of our previous meeting were approved.

After a recess, the morning worship service began with song led by Brother Wynn and Sister Giddens. Brother R. S. Hayes led in prayer. A \$68.08 offering for the Georgia State Cooperative Fund was received. Brother J. B. Mercer delivered the morning message. Brother Buddy Hartsfield directed us as to how the local church was to serve the noon meal. As many gathered around the altar, Brother Herbert Waid led in a dedicatory prayer, asked the blessing on the noon meal, and gave the benediction.

The Afternoon session began with song and prayer. Brother Herbert Waid led the afternoon devotions. The Afternoon Business Session got underway when the Ordaining Council reported that they were to shortly ordain into the ministery Brother Joseph W. Alday, pastor elect of the Friendship Free Will Baptist Church. The Resolutions Committee proposed that they set guidelines to help expedite the reading of the church reports to the Association. They also recommended that we all give a rising vote of thanks to the Church for the fine way they entertained us. Both of these motions were carried. State Board of Christian Education and Camping Member, Brother Rowan Sirmans, reported concerning the need to support Camp Mt. Bethel with our attendance and offerings.

Brother C. M. Chafin, Jr., a man with many responsibilities, gave several reports which appear elsewhere in this annual report, namely: The Little River Mission Board; our Minister/Deacon Meeting; a resume of the Executive Committee's interview with the Ocilla Church's pastor, Brother Rollie Stankowitz, concerning their withdrawing fellowship from us. Beyond this, he also promoted the Free Will Baptist Children's Home, Eldridge, Alabama.

Brother J. W. Franks, Chairman of the Finance Committee, gave his report, which appears elsewhere, and it was approved.

Brother J. B. Mercer made a motion that the Clerk be instructed to send \$200 from our General Treasury to the Children's Home, Eldridge, Alabama. It was carried. The Clerk, by motion, was made responsible to secure an appropriate Bible to be given to new ministers upon their ordination into the ministry under our auspices. Three things were done concerning our participation in our State meeting in Dublin, Georgia, November 16-18, 1978. Brother Rowan Sirmans, Sisters Geraldine Waid, Nadyne Scott and Jane Sumner were selected as delegates. Sisters Fannie Mizell and Leona McMillan were selected as alternates. The Clerk was instructed to send \$60 to the State Office for our Little River Association representation fee. Clerk was also authorized to give \$25 expense money to each of our delegates as they register at the State meeting. The Nominating Committee presented a complete slate of officers, board and committee members to serve the Little River Association for 1979. All nominees were elected by a unanimous vote. These Officers, Board and Committee members are listed elsewhere in this report.

As the final item of business, the body, as directed by a motion, gave a rising vote of thanks to our Officers, Board and Committee members who served us so well in 1978.

Respectfully submitted,

Herbert Waid, Clerk

LITTLE RIVER ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

SCHEDULE OF CHURCHES HOSTING THE ASSOCIATION

| 1979 | | 1981* |
|---|----------------------|---|
| Zion HillJan. Z HomervilleApril Z CorinthJuly Z FriendshipOct. Z | 14, 1979 28, 1979 | BemissJan. 17, 1981 ValdostaApril 18, 1981 White HallJuly 25, 1981 Cool SpringsOct. 17, 1981 |
| 1980* | | 1982* |
| OziasJan. Prorest HillApril Sunny SideJuly Andrea HahiraOct. | 19, 1980 26, 1980 | TiftonJan. 16, 1982 Pine LevelApril 17, 1982 Zion HillJuly 31, 1982 HomervilleOct. 16, 1982 |

^{*}Unconfirmed

THE MINISTERS AND DEACONS CONFERENCE met with Ozias Church March 18, 1978 for the 38th Session. Opened by singing and prayer by Brother Audie Williams. No old business to deal with. Program on Duties and Qualifications of a Deacon. Lead by Bro. Don Hayes of Corinth. Most of the Deacons had comments to make concerning their work as a Deacon and what being a Deacon had meant to them. After the program we had reports from churches. We heard oral reports from eight churches represented. Roll call of Ministers (8) Deacons (10). Bro. Jerry Wishum asked for next meeting at First Tifton. Voted that unless otherwise announced that the host church will supply the speaker for each meeting. Treasurer's Report: Brought Forward \$17.27 + Offering \$19.00 = \$36.27. Move to adjourn. C. M. Chafin, Jr.

THE MINISTERS AND DEACONS CONFERENCE met with First Tifton September 16, 1978. Called to order by singing, Amazing Grace, for the 39th Session. Comments by Moderator and introduction of speaker, C. M. Chafin. Proverbs 6:16-19 as text. After message--business session called to order. Roll call of churches--8 represented. Each gave oral report. Roll call of Ministers (10) and Deacons (15). Move, Second, Carried to meet with Friendship Church on March 17, 1979. Election of officers for next year. Bro. J. B. Mercer was elected Moderator and C. M. Chafin for clerk 1979. Offering for this meeting \$40.30. Move that we send \$50 to orphan home at Harvest Drive. Treasurer's Report: Brought Forward \$36.27 + Offering \$40.30 = \$76.57 minus \$50.00 to Orphan Home Balance \$26.57. Move, Second, Carried to adjourn. C. M. Chafin, Jr.

As the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE representative I have visited with Ocilla Church since our last meeting to inquire into reasons for their leaving our association. We learned that they just don't want to be

a member of any Association. They said they were not cross at any one and we could not do any thing to get them to come back.

C. M. Chafin, Jr.

LITTLE RIVER MISSION BOARD TREASURER'S REPORT Balance 11/1/78 \$193.95 Balance brought forward \$145.95

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|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Paid Out OctDec60.00 | Paid Out April-June60.00 |
| 133.95 | 85.95 |
| Oct. Deposit +30.00 | April Deposit +47.00 |
| 163.95 | 132.95 |
| Paid Out JanMar60.00 | Paid Out July-September60.00 |
| 103.95 | 72.95 |
| January Deposit +42.00 | July Deposit +52.00 |
| \$145.95 | BALANCE \$124.95 |

In a meeting today your MISSION BOARD has suggested that we continue the support of the Dale Bishops and the Dublin Mission for another year at the amount of \$10 per month per each.

Audie Williams, Ran Kennedy and C. M. Chafin, Jr.

FINANCE REPORT

| BALANCE ON HAND | \$1741.74 | July DATE Octo | 29, 1978 through ber 13, 1978 | |
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| Disbursements | | Receipts | | |
| Moderator Honorarium | 7.50 | Association Support_ | 247.75 | |
| Clerk Honorarium | 10.00 | Association Missions | 30.00 | |
| Ga. State Assoc. of FWB- Coop. Plan | 60.64 | Ga. State Assoc. of FWB - Coop. Plan | 68.08 | |
| Bible Institute | | Bible Institute | | |
| Printing Minutes | 15.65 | V | | |
| Postage (Annual Reports) Supplies | 9,25 | | | |
| Association | 47.00 | | | |
| Missions Program Printing | 5.46 | | | |
| Minister's Cards | 13.00 | | | |
| TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS_ | \$168.50 | TOTAL RECEIPTS | 345.83 | |
| BALANCE after Disbursements \$1573.24 Balance to Date \$1919.07 October 14, 1978 | | | | |
| Finance Committee: | (please sig | (n) | | |
| J. M. Franks Cal Lillians Member Member Member | | | | |
| REVISION OF THE ABOVE Received \$30.00 for their October 1 | ofrom the B | Homerville Church on O ociation support. | ctober 19, 1978 | |
| TOTAL RECE | IPTS will no | ow read | 375.83 | |
| BALANCE TO | DATE will n | now read\$1, | 949.07 | |

Respectfully Submitted: Haber Waid

Herbert Waid, Treasurer

MINUTES OF THE LITTLE RIVER ASSOCIATION
OF GEORGIA FREE WILL EAPTISTS
January 14, 1978, White Hall Free Will Eaptist Church

MORNING SESSION

The song leader for the day was Brother Charles Gill. Opening prayer was by Brother Frank Dean and later prayer by Brother Everett Williams. Horning Devotions was by Brother Tom Hamilton using Gal. 6:9; John 14:16-17 and John 16:7 as his text. Welcome was by Brother C. D. Purvis; response was by Brother Everett Williams.

MORNING EUSINESS SESSION

Called to order by Mederator, Brother Tom Hamilton. Credentials Chairman, Sister Myrtice Giddens, reported. Present and/or reporting were: Churches, 14; Ministers, 13; Deacons, 17; Delogates, 49; all were seated. The Chair appointed Brother James Roebuck to bring the Morning Message and Brother Rollie Stankowitz to bring the Afternoon Devotional due to Brother J. B. Hercer's illness. A Finance Committee for the day was appointed by the Chairman: Brother J. V. Franks; Brother D. E. Rolison; Sister Fannic Mizzell.

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Opening Prayer was by Erother Herbert Waid. After a hymn, Brother C. M. Chafin led in an altar of prayer for our sick. Special music was rendered by the Free Will Travelers from the Host Church. The Morning Message was by Brother James Roebuck who used Gal. 6:9. Host Pastor, Erother C. L. McMillan, gave directions for the noon meal and Brother R. S. Hayes gave our benediction and blessing on the noon meal.

AFTERNOON SESSION
Assistant Moderator, Brother William Summer, presided. Opening prayer was by Brother B. L. Shivar. Afternoon devotional was by Brother Rollie Stankowitz using Romans 12:1-2. With the Moderator presiding, an offering for Georgia State Cooperative Fund was received which amounted to \$54.35. Resolution Committee moved we thank the host church for their excellent hospitality. The motion was carried. The Ordaining Council, which met at the noon hour, reported as follows:

1. We hereby recommend that Adam Scott represent our Association to the State Committee for providing standard guidelines for licensing and ordaining ministers.

2. We hereby recommend that Erother Jorry Wishum be received into our Association pending a letter of recommendation from the Chatachoochee Association.

3. We hereby recommend that we receive Brother Riley Giddens into our Association pending a letter of recommendation from the Eld-Way Association.

4. We hereby recommend to the Association that in compliance with the request of the Ocilla Church, in reference to the ordination of Erother B. L. Stinson, that the request be delayed until a future date.

Ton Emilton, Chairman; Adam Scott, Secretary
All four recommendations were passed by the body as proposed.
Hission Board Chairman, Erother Bonny Larisey, reported, and
Sister Harine Franks, Noman's Auxiliary President, reported.
Report of Finance Committee Chairman, Erother J. V. Franks,
was received. Erother M. M. Franks encouraged all of our
churches to establish Easter's Non Chapters. State Clerk,
Erother James Roebush, reported on the State Meeting. Metion
to cooperate with our State Association to establish guidelines and examinations for examining prespective ministers
was carried. Example tion was by Sister Goraldine Maid.

Respectfully Submitted, Renket Waid Borbert Wald, Clerk

FINANCE REPORT

| PREVIOUS FINANCE REFORT BALANCE CHECK BOOK & BANK BALANCE DIFFERENC TOTAL BALANCE ON HAND | \$2070.22 E + 6.24 October 15, 1977 - \$2076.46 DATE January 13, 1978 |
|---|---|
| Disbursements | Receipts - January 14, 1978 |
| Moderator Honorarium 7.5 | O Association Support 155,75 |
| Clerk Honorarium 10.0 | Association Missions 4200 |
| Ga. State Assoc. of 44.06 FWB- Coop. Plan Check retured-Insufficent fu | FWB - Coop. Plan 54.35 |
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| Printing Minutes 36.0 | 5 |
| Postage 4.9 Printing Checks 7.9 Supplies -500 Envelops 6.1 | |
| Association | |
| State Dues 40.0 | <u> </u> |
| State Delegate Expenses 75.0 | <u> </u> |
| Jan. 1978 Program 7.00 TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \$283.6 | |
| BALANCE after Disbursements \$1792 | .85 Balance to Date 2 / 4 4 ,9 5 |
| Finance Committee: (please : | sign) |
| J.W. Franks DE Chairman | Rolison Jannie Migell Member Member |

Outstanding Bill for the 1976 Annual Minutes. Our previous Clerk has repeatedly asked for a bill but to no avail.

Respectfully Submitted by

Herbert Waid, Clerk-Treasurer

MINUTES OF THE LITTLE RIVER ASSOCIATION OF GEORGIA FREE WILL BAPTISTS April 15, 1978, Cool Springs Free Will Baptist Church

MORNING SESSION

The song leader for the day was Brother Byron Roberts. Opening prayer was by Brother C. B. Dowdney. Morning Devotions was by Brother Jerry Wishum using James 2:14 as his text. Welcome was by Brother Benny Hamilton; response was by Brother Everett Williams.

MORNING BUSINESS SESSION

Called to order by Moderator, Brother Tom Hamilton. Credentials Chairman, Sister Myrtice Giddens, reported. Present and/or reporting were: Churches, 15; Ministers, 11; Deacons, 17; Delegates, 45; all were seated. The Chair recognized our visitors: Brother C. B. Dowdney, Georgia State Promotional Secretary; Brother Robert Crawford, Free Will Baptist Bible College; Brother Bill Foster, National Sunday School Department. A Finance Committee for the day was appointed by the Chairman: Brother C. M. Chafin; Brother R. S. Hayes; Brother Coy Miller. Brother Audi Williams reported for the Board of Trustees that Peace Church is planning to resume services. Our above mentioned visitors were each given the floor to report on their respective ministries. Prayer for these ministries was led by Brother Herbert Waid.

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Opening prayer was by Brother R. S. Hayes. Brother Riley Giddens led in our State Cooperative Offering prayer. Special music was rendered by the Host Church. The Morning Message was by Brother Adam Scott who used James 2:14-20 as his text. After an altar of prayer, Brother C. M. Chafin in the absence of the pastor, gave instructions concerning the noon meal. Benediction and blessing was by Brother Everett Williams.

AFTERNOON SESSION

After congregational singing Brother Rollie Stankowitz led in our opening prayer. Special music was rendered by a quartet from the Host Church. Afternoon Devotional was by Brother L. J. Chambless. The Moderator called the afternoon business session to order. Clerk read the minutes of the previous meeting which were approved and adopted as printed. Finance Committe report was given by the chairman, Brother C. M. Chafin. The Minister/Deacon Fellowship meeting report was given by Brother C. M. Chafin. Little River Mission Board report was also given by Brother Chafin, Treasurer, showing a balance to date of \$145.95. In his Mission Board report Brother Chafin read Dale and Sandra Bishop's latest prayer letter. Brother Audi Williams made a motion that we give \$500.00 from our general treasury to the Dale and Sandra Bishop Account. Motion carried. Brother Adam Scott reporting for the Resolution Committee, recommened that we give a standing vote of thanks to the Host Church for their hospitality. The Georgia State Historical Commission requested that the Little River Association give \$200.00 for the restoration of the grave site of the founder of Georgia Free Will Baptists. A motion to do so was made and carried. Benediction was by Brother Robert Crawford.

Respectfully Submitted,

Herbert Waid, Clerk

FINANCE REPORT

| BALANCE ON HAND | \$2144.95 | January 14, 1978 DATE April 14, 1978 | | |
|---|-------------------|--|--|--|
| Disbursements | | Receipts | | |
| Moderator Honorariu | m_ \$7. 50 | Association Support 26575 | | |
| Clerk Honorarium_ | 10.00 | Association Missions # 100 | | |
| Ga. State Assoc. of FWB- Coop. Plan | 54.35 | Ga. State Assoc. of FWB - Coop. Plan 73 49 | | |
| Bible Institute | | Bible Institute | | |
| Printing Minutes | 10.19 | | | |
| Postage | 4.03 | | | |
| Supplies | | | | |
| Association | 42.00 | | | |
| Missions April Program | 5.46 | | | |
| Printer's error | 4.00 | | | |
| TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS | 137.53 | TOTAL RECEIPTS 381,24 | | |
| BALANCE after Disbursements \$2007.42 Balance to Date 2388.66 | | | | |
| Finance Committee: (please sign) | | | | |
| L. M. Moj-, W. Con Miller B. S. Hayer Chairman Member Member | | | | |
| Chairman | // X1 | ember Member/ | | |
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Respectfully Submitted,

Signed New Y Herbert Waid, Clerk-Treasurer

MINUTES OF THE LITTLE RIVER ASSOCIATION OF GEORGIA FREE WILL BAPTIST July 29, 1978, First Free Will Baptist Church of Tifton

MORNING SESSION

The song leader for the day was Brother L. D. Wynn, of Hahira. Opening prayer was by Brother A. D. Green. Morning Devotions was by Brother Billy Sumner using Matthew 16:24-26. Welcome was by Borther James Hullett; Response was by Brother L. J. Chambless.

MORNING BUSINESS SESSION

Called to order by Moderator, Brother Tom Hamilton. Credentials Chairman, Sister Myrtice Giddens, reported. Present and/or reporting were: Churches, 15; Ministers, 12; Deacons, 14; Delegates, 51; all were seated. The Chair recognized our visitors: Brother Joseph W. Alday, Friendship pastor elect, and Brother Alton Everson, Valdosta pastor elect. A Finance Committee for the day was appointed by the Chair: Brother Buddy Hartsfield; Sister Fannie Mizell; Brother Herman Eason. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed. Brother Benny Lariscy gave a State Mission Board Report as follows:

"We are still supporting the missions in Dalton and Dublin. Brother Wood has resigned in Dalton due to his health. He has been replaced by Brother Earnest Harrison. Brother Wood may return to Dalton after one year depending on his condition and the condition of the church. Brother C. B. Dowdney is still pastoring the mission at Dublin. The State Association has instructed our Board to replace him in Dublin and to move the State Office back to Moultrie. We are in the process of interviewing someone at this present time for Dublin. Our mobile chapel is in Rome, Georgia, where Brother Thomas Coxwell was pastoring. He has moved to Florida. There is some plan in one of the local associations in starting a work in Waynesboro, Georgia. The needs in State missions are great. We appreciate what each person and each church has done for State Missions over the past year. We ask for your continual prayer and support for State Missions."

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Brother Wynn led the song service. Brother J. B. Mercer led in the opening prayer. Georgia State Cooperative Fund offering of \$60.64 was received. Special music was rendered by the Host Church. Morning Message was by Brother Herbert Waid using Matthew 16:24-26 for his text. The Host Pastor, Brother Jerry Wishum gave directions for the Noon Meal. Brother Clarence McMillan led in the prayer of Benediction and Blessing on the Noon Meal.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Opening prayer was by Brother Riley Giddens. The song service was led by Brother Wynn who also sang a solo, "How Great Thou Art". Afternoon Devotions was by Brother Clarence McMillan who again used the text, Matthew 16:24-26. Brother C. M. Chafin gave a Little River Mission Finance Report as follows:

"Balance in April, 1978 - \$145.95; Received in April, 1978 - \$42.00; Total - \$187.95; Paid Out - \$60.00; Balance as of July 29. 1978 - \$127.95."

Brother Rowan Sirmans gave a State Board of Christian Education and Camping Report mainly about Camp Mt. Bethel.

The Finance Committee report was received.

The Resolution Committee report was adopted as follows:

1. Be it resolved that we extend to this Church a rising vote of thanks for the very nice manner they have entertained us today.

2. In as much as many do not know the location of our Little River churches: Be it resolved that when the programs are sent out, directions to the church where the meeting is being held be included.

The Ordaining Council reported as follows:

The Ordaining Council met July 29, 1978 at the Noon hour of the Quarterly Meeting, all members being present.

Brother Green came before the Board and stated that because of health reasons he had not been able to be active in attendance but desired to retain membership in Little River Association. Motion made and seconded that this request be granted.

Motion made and carried that Brother Alton Everson be received into the membership of Little River Association pending a letter from Georgia Union Association.

Motion made and seconded that Brother William S. Lewis, Jr. be granted a letter of good standing to the Union Association as requested by them.

We received a letter of recommendation from the Chattahoochee Association concerning Brother Jerry Wishum. We request he be extended the right hand of fellowship by the Moderator.

Motion made and seconded that Friendship Church be asked to send a letter of recommendation for the ordination of Brother Joseph W. Alday.

The Ocilla Church sent a letter withdrawing fellowship. The Executive Committee is to approach the Ocilla Church to try to determine the point of dissatisfaction and if a reconciliation can be effected.

Brother Riley Giddens reported that he had a copy of the Peace Church's Deed and has consulted a lawyer to determine our relationship as an Association to the property. It seems we do not have any power, however the Little River Mission Board was instructed to contact the Peace Church members to encourage and help them begin services again.

After the motion to adjourn, Brother R. S. Hayes prayed the benediction.

Respectfully submitted.

Herbert Waid. Clerk

April 15, 1978 through July 28, 1978

BALANCE ON HAND \$2388,66

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| Disbursements | | Receipts |
| Moderator Honorarium | 7,50 | Association Support 225.75 |
| Clerk Honorarium | 10.00 | Association Missions 47.00 |
| Ga. State Assoc. of FWB- Coop. Plan | 73.49 | Ga. State Assoc. of FWB - Coop. Plan 60064 |
| Printing 1977 Minutes | 136.87 | Bible Institute |
| Printing Minutes | 11.49 | |
| Postage 100-15¢&10 ca | rds 16.00 | |
| Supplies Stapler | 12.96 | |
| Association | 42.00 | |
| Historical Commission | 200.00 | |
| Dale & Sandra Bishop | 500.00 | |
| TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS_ | \$1010.31 | TOTAL RECEIPTS 333.39 |
| BALANCE after Disbursemen | \$1378.35 | Balance to Date 1,711.74 |

Finance Committee: (please sign)

Buddy Hartsfield Jannie Mizell Kerman C Esson Chairman Member Member Member

REVISION OF THE ABOVE REPORT:

Received \$30.00 from the Homerville Church on August 7, 1978 for their July 29, 1978, Association support.

TOTAL RECEIPTS will now read...... 363.39

BALANCE TO DATE will now read.......\$1,741.74

Respectfully submitted,

Herbert Ward

Herbert Waid. Treasurer