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SEVENTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION

of the

LITTLE RIVER ASSOCIATION

of the

ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS CHURCHES

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When Convened at the HOMERVILLE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH HOMERVILLE, GEORGIA

> on OCTOBER 19, 1985

Minutes of all 1985 Quarterly Meetings Included

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STATISTICAL REPORT FROM ANNUAL CHURCH LETTERS

Number of churches	13
Number of churches reporting	13
Number of baptisms	38
Number of parsonages	7
Number of churches with full-time pastor	12
Number of part-time pastors	1
Number of city churches	11
Number of rural churches	2
Number of ordained ministers	16
Number of licensed ministers	1
Number of ordained deacons	34
Combined total membership	977
Total members added	49
Total members lost	50
Total income of all churches	\$224,578.33
Number of churches with budgets	4
Combined value of churches	12
and parsonages	\$750,500.00
Combined Sunday School enrollment	513
Average attendance	359
Combined CTS enrollment	112
Average attendance	51
Combined WNAC enrollment	48
Average attendance	38
Combined Master's Men enrollment	23
Average attendance	21

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OBITUARY COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Obituary Committee, in honor of our dearly departed brothers and sisters, stand in silent prayer and tribute to their memory. We request the names be printed in the minutes of the Little River Association.

	BORN	DIED -	
HAHIRA, FIRST		1	
Mr. Leroy Barfield	Oct. 29, 1911	July 11, 1985	
CORINTH			
Mr. L. E. Wynn	Jan. 3, 1901	Nov. 6. 1984	
Joy Bisbin Morris	April 29, 1961		
Mr. Marvin Luke	July 11, 1927		
ZION HILL		14	
Mrs. Helen Bennett		March 7, 1985	
HOMERVILLE			
Mr. Frank Dean	Dec. 15, 1904	April 9, 1985	
Mr. Carl Smith, Sr.	Dec. 5, 1918		
WHITE HALL			
Mrs. Lucy Moore	April 19, 1901	April 5, 1985	
SUNNYSIDE			
Mrs. June Sirmans	Feb. 4, 1914	Feb. 1, 1985	
FORREST HILL	1	14	
Mrs. Berta Goff	Jan. 12, 1898	May 26, 1985	

Very Respectfully,

Myrtis Giddens, Chairperson Mrs. William Everett, Member Jim Hagin, Member

SCHEDULE OF CHURCHES HOSTING THE ASSOCIATION

Corinth	January 18
Friendship	April 19
Ozias	July 26
Forest Hill	October 18
<u>1987</u> *	

Sunny Side Hahira, First January 17 April 18 Valdosta, First July 25 White Hall October 17

1988*

Cool Springs	January
Tifton, First	April
Pine Level	/ July
Zion Hill	October

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Homerville Corinth Friendship Ozias

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*Unconfirmed

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LITTLE RIVER ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST QUARTERLY SESSION JANUARY 19, 1985 AT TIFTON FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

THEME: "Spiritual Watchman"

'Ezekiel 3:17

MORNING PRELIMINARIES

9:30- 9:45 Congregational Singing and Prayer

9:45-10:00 Morning Devotions: Rev. Barry Hedrick, Hahira Pastor 10:00-10:05 Welcome: Rev. Alton Everson, Tifton Pastor Response: Rev. Bill Barksdale

MORNING BUSINESS MEETING .

10:05-10:45 Call to Order, Rev. Curtis Alligood, Moderator

Report of Credentials Committee, Louise Ivey, Chairperson Seating of Delegates Recognition of Visitors Minutes of Previous Meeting Appointment of Committees: Finance Report of Standing Association

- 1. Boards
- 2. Committees
- 3. Ordaining Council

10:45-11:00 Recess

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MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

11:00-11:55 Song and Prayer Service

Offering for Georgia State Cooperative Program

Morning Message: Rev. Curtis Alligood, Homerville Pastor

Host Pastor directs for the Noon Meal, offers the Benediction and prays the blessing on the meal.

AFTERNOON PRELIMINARIES

1:15- 1:20 Congregational Singing and Prayer 1:20- 1:35 Afternoon Devotions: Brother C. M. Chafin, Jr.

AFTERNOON BUSINESS MEETING

1:35-

Final Report of all Association and State

- 1. Boards
- 2. Committees
- 3. Ordaining Council
- 4. Finance Committee

Old Business

New Business

Announcements, Adjournment and Benediction

NEXT SESSION: APRIL 20, 1985 - PINE LEVEL CHURCH

LITTLE RIVER ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS QUARTERLY MEETING January 19, 1985 AT TIFTON FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, TIFTON, GA

MORNING PRELIMINARIES

The session opened with the singing of number 47, "I Am Thine, O Lord" led by John Cook and Latrelle Barksdale, at the piano. Then number 51 "Take the Name of Jesus With You" inspired everyone present, Praise the Lord!!!

Everett Williams shared the morning prayer, the Asst. Moderator, R. S. Hayes, reported on Barry Hendrick's condition of sickness. Alton Everson called upon Rowan Sirmans for prayer, then proceeded to give the wonderful message on "The Spiritual Watchman" for our morning devotions.

Welcome was offered by Alton Everson and the response was by Roger Spivey. The Assistant Moderator presented the sick report on J. B. Mercer and Riley Giddens.

MORNING BUSINESS

Session called to order by Asst. Moderator, R. S. Hayes. Call went out then for credentials committee chairperson, Louise Ivey, who reported : 12 churches, 8 pastors, 11 deacons, 4 other ministers, 49 church delegates, for a total of 72 voting delegates for the day. It was moved and seconded to receive this partial report, and the delegates were then seated.

Visitor Rev. Walter Brady was recognized. Minutes of previous meeting were read and accepted. Report of standing association:

1.	Ordaining Council	No	report	at	this	time	
	Board of Trustees		report				
3.	Mission Report, Treas.		6	080102	700777	2.2.0.2.	

BALANCE ON HAND	\$419.58
RECEIVED OCT.	65.00
	\$484.58
PAID OUT	180.00
	\$304.58

- 4. Board of Christian Education No report at this time 5. Mission Board (State
- No report at this time 6. Camping
 - No report at this time
- 7. Christian Education:

The Christian Education State Board met in Eastman, GA cr. Jan. 5, 1985. Plans were made for the State Youth Conference to be held May 10 & 11, 1985 at White Oak in Macon. Speaker will be Billy Mayo, Former Rock Star who will talk about the dangers of rock music. Registration is \$3.00.

The State Ministerial Fellowship has a Minister/Wife Retreat scheduled for Feb. 1-2, 1985 Norman Assembly with Dr. Den Riggs as guest speaker. The Annual Minister's Retreat is scheduled for April 30th thru May 3, 1985, Norman Baptist Assembly, Rev. Bob Shockey, Speaker.

The Georgia Bible Institute President, Dr. Irvin Hyman, has resigned, effective Nov. 26, 1984. The external studies are to

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begin Jan. 1985 with the Winter Quarter. Approximately 6 students will be attending. Those interested in the Bible Institute can contact Billy Sharpston for further information. Winter Quarter began Jan. 8 with graduation set for May 29, 1985 at First Free Will Baptist Church, Albany.

> Bill Cooper Little River Board Member

Finance Committee was assigned as follows: Chairman: Earl Ridley Member: Fred Baker Robert Bazemore

John Cook led singing with the beautiful hymn; number 127 "Will Jesus Find Us Watching". Tom Hamilton gave prayer then Moderator dismissed session until 10:45 A.M.

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Morning service opened, praising God with the singing of number 16 "Praise The Lord". Latrelle Barksdale played the music so beautifully and John Cook continued leading the congregation/in singing. Special music by Diane Wishum and Wanda Cooper singing "Lily Of The Valley" was pleasantly received by all in the session.

The Asst. Moderator appointed Everett Williams, C. L. McMillan to fill vacancy on Ordaining Council. Roger Spivey prayed blessing on offering for coop. Amount received in offering was \$150.00. While the collection was being received, the session sang, "I Will Be A Worker".

Walter Brady came before the session to bring the morning message. He is the Pastor of the F.W.B. Church, Cairo, GA.

Host Pastor of the 1st Church Tifton, directed for the noon meal., Benediction and Prayer of Blessing on the noon meal.

AFTERNOON PRELIMINARIES

Singing of "Glory To His Name" opened the afternoon oreliminaries. Asst. Moderator appointed Resolutions Committee as follows:

Chairman: L. D. Wynn Member: James Abel Henry McGovern

Partial report of Little River Assoc. Treas. was offered as information, partial report was received. Next the beautiful song "Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus" lifted all up in the service to the Lord. Prayer by Chester Rineer, our clerk, was heard at this time.

C. M. Chafin, Jr. brought the afternoon devotions. It was a stirring message of duty ordained by God, well spoken, and blessed the hear.

AFTERNOON BUSINESS MEETING

Asst. Moderator called upon Wanda Cooper to speak concerning Wanda Spivey's baby shower, to be held at her home, after the

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quarterly meeting today.

Asst. Moderator called for Board reports:

1. Ordaining Council:

The Ordaining Council met Jan. 19, 1985 at the First Free Will Baptist Church, Tifton, GA, with the following present: Roger Spivey, Tom Hamilton, Everett Williams, proxy for Riley Giddens, Clarence McMillan, proxy for William Barksdale.

The Ordaining Council examined Alton Everson, who has united with the 1st Church of Tifton and desires members in the Little River Assoc.

We your Ordaining Council recommend that he be accepted into this body upon the reception of a letter from either the North Florjda Assoc. or the Union Assoc.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Spivey, Chairman Tom Hamilton, Secretary

2. Resolutions Committee:

We, the Resolutions Committee wish to thank the 1st Tifton Church for their fine hospitality in hosting the Association. Also we wish that we give a rising vote of thanks for the bountiful food we enjoyed. We wish to thank each of the churches who helped prepare the food.

> L. D. Wynn Henry McGovern, Jr. James Abell

Audie Williams spoke on Quarterly conference letters from the churches, who they are to be sent to? Williams also made notice and it was seconded for Clerk to read section of minutes next meeting on seating of delegates who have no letter.

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Meeting was closed in prayer and in a spirit of unity: ANNOUNCEMENTS, ADJOURNMENT, BENEDICTION

NEXT SESSION: Pine Level 20 April 1985

Respectfully submitted, Chutter Chinite Chester A. Rineed, Jr. Clerk/Treasurer

FINANCIAL REPORT 19 January 1985 Tifton, Georgia

	Balance	on	hand	31	December 1985	· • •	\$1,624.02
	CHECKS 163		DATE 9 Jan	85	TO Allied Dupe Co	AMOUNT	-
	164	- 1	6 Jan	85	Programs Jan Meeting 1st Valdosta	\$ 8.00	
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	166	19	Jan	85	Asst. Moderator Chester Rineer	10.00	
	167	1	Feb	85	Clerk Ga State Assoc. \$150.00 COOP		
	168	1	Feb	85	\$124.00 84 Minutes Ga State Assoc.	274.00	х.,
	169		Feb		Childrens Home C. M. Chafin, Jr.	50.30	
	170	8	Feb	85	Little River Missions 1st Valdosta	60.00	1
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LITTLE RIVER ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST QUARTERLY SESSICN April 20th, 1985, at PINE LEVEL, FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

THEME: "The Christian's Road to Happiness"

Ecclesiastes 9:10

MORNING PRELIMINARIES

9:30- 9:45 9:45-10:00	Congregational singing and prayer Morning Devotions: Rev. Everett Williams, Pastor, Forest Hill
10:00-10:05	Welcome: Rev. Bill Barksdale, pastor, Pine Level, F.W.B. Church Response: Rev. Arthur Wyatt, Pastor, Tifton, First
	MORNING BUSINESS MEETING
10:05-10:45	Call to Order: Rev. Curtis Alligood, Moderator
10:45-11:00	Report of Credentials Comm., Louise Ivey, Chairperson Seating of Delegates Recognition of Visitors Minutes of Previous Meeting Appointment of Committees: Finance Report of Standing Association 1. Boards 2. Committees 3. Ordaining Council Recess MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE
	Offering for Georgia State Cooperative Program Morning Message: Rev. Curtis Alligood, Pastor Homerville
*	Host Pastor directs for the Noon Meal, offers the Benediction and prays the blessing on the meal.
	AFTERNOON PRELIMINARIES
1:15- 1:20 1:20- 1:35	Congregational Singing and Prayer Afternoon Devotions: Rev. Jerry Wisham >
	AFTERNOON BUSINESS MEETING
1:35-	Final Report of all Associations and State 1. Boards
	 Committees Ordaining Council Finance Committee report Old Business New Business
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Announcements, Adjournment, and Benediction

NEXT SESSION: July 27, 1985 - at Zion Hill Church

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LITTLE RIVER ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST QUARTERLY SESSION April 20th, 1985 at Pine Level, F.W.B. Church

THEME: "The Christian's Road to Happiness" Ecc Minutes

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MORNING PRELIMINARIES

Session was opened by singing NO. 183 "All I Need" led by Buddy Hartsfield. The opening prayer was given by Roger Spivey.

Morning Devotions by Everett Williams was received, and lifted our session with the presence of The Holy Spirit of Love and Harmony.

The Welcome by Bill Barksdale was a warm welcome. The response by Arthur Wyatt was then presented.

MORNING BUSINESS MEETING

The call to business was given by the Moderator, Curtis Alligood, starting with the report of Credential Committee Asst. Chairperson, C. M. Chafin, Jr. 12 churches reporting, 10 pastors, 7 deacons, 2 other ministers, 30 church delegates, for a total of 49 voting delegates for the day. It was moved and seconded to receive this partial report, and the delegates were then seated. Moderator then called for recognition of all visitors.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and received. The Clerk explained problems with church reporting forms. It was stated that each church make copy of form as well as receive one copy from Clerk. Churches were also asked to submit a map leading to each church and submit them to Association Clerk. The Clerk then read Art 111, Sec. B, Para 3 of the Constitution as requested by session.

The Moderator appointed the following Finance Committee:

Chairman: R. S. Hayes Audie Williams Larry Wyatt

The Mission Board report presented by C. M. Chafin, Jr. as follows:

Balance	\$304.58
Jan Income	60.00
	\$364.58
Paid Out	180.00
Balance	\$184.58

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The State Camp Board report was presented by Roger Spivey as follows:

Meeting Held Feb. 16th, 1985, at Camp Mt. Bethel in conjunction with the Trustee Board.

The meeting was primarily to clarify the duties of the Camp Board, in contrast to The Board of Trustees.

A Committee was apointed) consisting of two members of each board and the following proposals were acted upon and carried in the joint

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session.

1. That the Board of Trustees place in writing that the Board of Camping have the authority to alter, or modify any existing building at the camp. The Board of Trustees give the Camp Board the authority to build any structure that the cost does not exceed Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars.

2. The above proposal be presented to the Executive Board as a proposed constitutional change, adding this to Art. 111, Section 5.

Both Boards agreed to furnish \$500.00 or \$1,000.00 total to the Master's Men Work Day, that will be Sat., May 21, 1985.

The following items were acted upon by the Camp Board:

A. Kim Kelly, Camp caretaker was authorized to sell the horses.

B. Two 10 lb. and One 5 lb. ABC fire extinguishers are to be purchased for the dorms.

C. Two gas water heaters are being installed in the dorms.

The camp session for the Little River Assoc. will be June 16-21 at the cost of \$25.00 for each camper.

Roger Spivey

The State Board of Christian Education report by Bill Cooper was next as follows:

The Annual Ministers Retreat will be held at Norman Assembly April 20th through 2 May 1985.

Mr. Billy Mayo has been secured as the keynote speaker for the State Youth Conference, May 10-11 1985 at White Oaks, Macon, GA. Mr. Mayo exposes the evils of rock music, registration for the Youth Conference is \$3.00 for those 6 years through adults.

Our next meeting will be Sept. 14th, 1985 at 10:00 at the preferred Risk Building, Eastman, GA. If anyone has a business matter to be discussed by the board.

The Ordaining Council met April 20th, 1985 at the Pine Level Church with the following present: Bill Barksdale, Tom Hamilton, Roger Spivey, who opened the meeting with prayer.

We your Ordaining Council in compliance with the request for a letter of recommendation on the behalf of Rev. C. D. Rentz, who has united with the South Ga. Assoc. recommend that such a letter be sent by the Clerk of this Association to the South Georgia Association.

Respectfully submitted William Barksdale Tom Hamilton

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Buddy Hartsfield opened Morning Worship Service with the singing of NR 120, "Victory in Jesus". C. M. Chafin, Jr. led session in

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prayer. Next song NR 167 "Joy Unspeakable" was sung by the session, with Sister Barksdale providing the beautiful music.

Special Music "Jesus is Precious" was sung by Dorothy Bozeman with Latrelle Barksdale again playing the Beautiful piano music.

The Georgia COOP Program collection was received in the amount of \$56.18.

Our Moderator brought the morning message on our theme: "The Christian's Road to Happiness" Ecc. 9:10. The message brought joy to our hearts!! The Invitation to the Altar was presented with singing of NR 81 "Just As I Am".

The host Pastor, Bill Barksdale, directed for the Noon Meal. Offered the Benediction and prayed for the blessing on the meal.

AFTERNOON PRELIMINARIES

The beautiful hymn NR 57 "Amazing Grace" was sung to open the afternoon session. Prayer was offered, which created a mood of special service to Our Lord.

Afternoon devotions by Jerry Wisham was well received. A stirring challenge to us all.

AFTERNOON BUSINESS MEETING

Final report of all Assoc. and State Boards and Committees:

1. Executive Board: No report

·2. State Mission Board:

The State Mission Board met in Riverdale, GA. March 30th, 1985. We met at Bro. Luther Burns' home. A committee was appointed to locate a building for church services. Reported by: Ronny E. Moore

Moderator gave talk on conference to be held at his church for home mission department.

Finance report was presented as shown on separate report. It was approved and accepted as read. Moderator called for old business: there was none. He then called for new business and Bill Barksdale made motion to send \$500.00 to Childrens' Home in Alabama, which was seconded, and approved by the session.

Moderator called for announcements.

Adjournment was then called as motion, was seconded, and approved. Benediction was given and session called down until next meeting to be held 27 JULY 1985 at ZION HILL CHURCH.

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Respectfully Submitted Chester Rineer Rev. Clerk

FINANCIAL REPORT 20 April 1985 PINE LEVEL CHURCH NORMAN PARK, GEORGIA

BALANCE ON HAND 19 April 1985

\$1,607.77

	Recei	pts
Pine	Level	Session
20	April	1985

Association Suppo		\$272.75		
Association Missie	ons .	67.00		
Georgia State Coo	p	82.00		
TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$421.75	\$	421.75
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TOTAL			\$2	,029.52

DISBURSEMENTS

CHECKS AMOUNT 174 4/20/85 Curtis Alligood \$ 7.50 175 4/20/85 Chester Rineer 17.50 10.00 BALANCE ON HAND 19 April 1985 \$2,012.02 176 4/29/85 GA State F.W.B. Coop 82.00 Ala. Childrens Home 500.00 Home Missions 67.00 177 5/22/85 Allied Dupe

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BALANCE ON HAND 26 July 1985

654.00

5.00

\$1,358.02

S. Hayes Chairman

LITTLE RIVER ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST QUARTERLY SESSION July 27, 1985, at Zion Hill, Free Will Baptist Church

THEME: "The Marriage of the Lamb"

Rev. 19:7-10

MORNING PRELIMINARIES

9:30- 9:45 Congregational Singing and Prayer 9:45-10:00 Morning Devotions: Rev. Clarence McMillian, Pastor, Whitehall 10:00-10:05 Welcome: J. C. Arnold Response: Rev. Rowan Sirmans

MORNING BUSINESS MEETING

10:05-10:45 Call to Order, Rev. Curtis Alligood, Moderator

Report of Credentials Committee, Louise Ivey, Chairperson Seating of Delegates Recognition of visitors Minutes of previous meeting Appointment of Committees: Finance Report of Standing Association

- 1. Boards
- 2. Committees
- 3. Ordaining Council

<10:45-11:00 Recess

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

11:00-11:55 Song and prayer service Offering for Georgia State Cooperative Program

Morning Message: Rev. Daniel Eason, Ozias

Host Pastor directs for the Noon Meal, offers the Benediction and prays the blessing on the meal.

AFTERNOON PRELIMINARIES

1:00- 1:05 Congregational singing and prayer 1:05- 1:20 Afternoon Devotions: Rev. Chester Rineer, Valdosta

AFTERNOON BUSINESS MEETING

1:20- Final report of all Associations and State

- 1. Boards
 - 2. Committees
 - 3. Ordaining Council
 - 4. Finance Committee Report

Old Business

New Business

Announcements, Adjournment, Benediction

NEXT SESSION: October 19, 1985 at Homerville Church

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LITTLE RIVER ASSOCIATION OF FREEWILL BAPTIST QUARTERLY SESSION July 27, 1985 at Zion Hill, F.W.B. Church

THEME: "The Marriage of the Lamb"

Rev. 19:7-10

MORNING PRELIMINARIES

The session opened with the singing of #188 "He Lives", led by Tom Hamilton. There followed the session singing so beautifully, #151, "Praise Him, Praise Him".

The morning devotion was presented by Clarence McMillian, Pastor, White Hall Church, on our theme "The Marriage of the Lamb".

Prayer was held after the devotion for Roger Spivey's brother, undergoing surgery in Nashville.

Welcome by J. C. Arnold, Zion Hill Church and response by Rowan Sirmans was received at this time.

MORNING BUSINESS MEETING

Moderator, Rev. Curtis Alligood, called meeting to order with call for report of Credentials Committee by Louise Ivey. 13 churches reporting, 12 pastors, 9 deacons, 7 other ministers, 39 church delegates, total 48 voting delegates for the day.

The moderator appointed R. S. Hayes, Chairman, and members as follows to make up the Finance Committee: Gene Dennis, Isbon Mercer. Mission Board - No Report

> Trustee Board - No Report Camp Board report as follows:

May 31, 1985

The Camp Board met at Camp Mt. Bethel with only five board members present. Due to lack of attendance, discussion of the feasibility of a full-time summer Camp Director was postponed until the Sectember meeting.

There were 38 total that came to work day, "Shame on Us." There were four men representing the Little River Association, 1. Alton Everson; 2. Roger Spivey; 3. Lee Cooper; 4. Dale Spivey.

The board_met with Tim Jordan and discussed the future growth and improvements needed for the Camp on a 2-5-10 year plan. The board met with caretaker, Kim Kelly, and discussed his duties. Another work day at Camp is set for Dec. 7th, 1985.

Our camp session was held June 16-20 with only two churches, Corinth and Zion Hill, being represented, a total of 10 campers. There were two counselors from our association. There were 77 campers, and 8 were saved and 17 rededications.

Roger Spivey .

Christian Education - No Report

Ordaining Council report as follows:

The Ordaining Council met July 27, 1985 at Zion Hill Church, with the following present: Bill Barksdale, Tom Hamilton,

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Riley Giddens, and J. B. Mercer.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Bill Barksdale and prayer was offered by J. B. Mercer.

There being no business demanding the attention of the Ordaining Council, the meeting was adjourned with prayer by Riley Giddens.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Hamilton, Secretary William Barksdale, Chairman

Rev. Herbert Waid presented then a report from National . Convention, held in Nashville, Tenn.

Recess was called.

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

The session singing #211 "I'll Live On" opened the Morning Worhip Service. Rev. Herbert Waid offered prayer. "Will Jesus Find Us Watching" #364 closed this section of Morning Worship Service. Wanda Cooper presented special music with the singing of the beautiful song "Even So Lord Jesus Come".

The offering for the Ga COOP was received in the amount of \$75.15 *after prayer by Bill Barksdale.

The morning message was brought by Daniel Eason, who brought to life the lovely message of our theme.

The session sang #81 "Just As I Am". The host Pastor, Tom Hamilton directed for the Noon Meal, offered the Benediction, and prayed for blessings on the Noon Meal.

AFTERNOON PRELIMINARIES

"Victory in Jesus" #120, opened the afternoon preliminaries. #181 "Blessed Assurance" finished the music session.

Afternoon Devotions with Chester Rineer, Pastor, 1st Valdosta, was then presented.

AFTERNOON BUSINESS MEETING

Finance Committee report read, and accepted. No old business. Under new business, Chester Rineer, our Clerk, proposed an idea of a trophy to be given the church with most attending guarterly conference. Much discussion went on. Then it was made a motion by Audie Williams that the Clerk be authorized to make up and buy a trophy, not to exceed \$25.00. That each church, with the exception of host church, be counted, and the church with the most present from their church takes the trophy and holds it until a meeting where a church with a larger amount of people present has the honor to "Take

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Home The Trophy". It was seconded by Sister Louise Ivey, discussion . and then the vote taken, final vote majority approved. The first count will be at annual meeting Homerville Church 19 October 1985.

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The meeting was closed in prayer.

Announcements, Adjournment, Benediction

NEXT SESSION: Homerville, Georgia 19 October 1985

Respectfully submitted Chester Rineer Clerk

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				LITTLE RIVER ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST ANNUAL SESSION 19 October 1985, at Homerville Free Will Baptist Church				
FINANCIAL REPORT ZION HILL CHURCH				THEME: "I				
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		Receipts Zion Hil 27 July 1985	L	*		10.00-10.0	Response: Roger Spivey	
	iation Support iation Mission	\$247.75		1			MORNING BUSINESS MEETING	
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				489.20			Report of Credentials Committee, Louise Ivey, Chairp Seating of Delegates	erson
TOTAL	ON HAND 27 July	1985		\$1,847.22	*		Recognition of Visitors Minutes of Previous Meeting	
		DISBURSEMENTS					Appointment of Committees: Finance Report of Standing Association	
CHECKS 178 179	DATE 27 July 85 27 July 85	TO Chester Rineer Curtis Alligood	AMOUNT \$10.00 7.50				1. Boards 2. Committees 3. Ordaining Council	
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BALANCE ON	HAND 18 October	1985		\$1,564.35			Host Pastor directs for the Noon Meal, offers the Benediction and prays the blessing on the meal.	
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Announcements, Adjournment, Benediction

NEXT SESSION: Corinth FWB Church 18 January 1986

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LITTLE RIVER ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST ANNUAL SESSION 19 October 1985, at Homerville, GA, F.W.B. Church

THEME: "Loyalty:

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Matthew 25:14-30

MORNING PRELIMINARIES

The Annual Session was opened by Tom Hamilton with the singing of 158, "Praise Him, Praise Him". Riley Giddens led the morning opening prayer.

Morning Message was brought to us by Bill Barksdale with the theme "Loyalty" of Matthew 25:14-30. It was well received by all present!

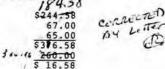
Welcome to the church by Bob Wallace was a warm one, with the response by Roger Spivey accepted in the name of the session.

MORNING BUSINESS MEETING

Moderator Curtis Alligood called meeting to order with a call to Louise Ivey, Credentials Committee Chairperson, who called the roll or churches, the count of pastors and visitors and made the following count for the day's business: 13 churches reporting, 12 pastors, 5 other ministers, 6 deacons, 54 church delegates, for a total of 77 delegates to conduct day's business. Report was presented, voted upon and accepted, and delegates were then seated.

Moderator appointed Finance Committee as follows: Mrs. Everett Williams, Daniel Eason, Mrs. William Barksdale. Obituary Committee appointed as follows: Mrs. Riley Giddens, Chairperson, Mrs. William Everett, Jim Hagin. Moderator appointed to fill Nominating Committee the following: Earl Ridley, Virgil Melton. The Mission Board Report (Treasurer) was read and accepted as stated herein: 184.58

Balance April 1985 Received April Received July Paid Out



Respectfully submitted by: C. M. Chafin, Jr.

Recess was called.

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Morning session opened with singing of #23 "He Keeps Me Singing" led by Wm. Wilson, Jr. Then #33 "My Saviors Love" lifted us to the greatest joy!!!

The moderator called for GA Coop offering and the amount of \$87.91 was received.

The morning message was presented by Tom Hamilton, and it moved the session to greater self examination of themselves in regards to loyalty to church and community. Host Pastor, Curtis Alligood gave direction for Noon Meal, and called for God's Blessings to each who were to partake.

AFTERNOON PRELIMINARIES

R. S. Hayes opened afternoon session with word of prayer and then singing of Hymn #102 "Saved by the Blood" was enjoyed by all. The Afternoon Devitions delivered by Chester Rineer, Loyalty to Association" as theme, was then presented.

AFTERNOON BUSINESS MEETING

Moderator called for financial report which is presented as separate statement. It was presented, voted upon, and accepted. Clerk presented Little River financial statement; it was discussed, voted upon and accepted. Sister Myrtis Giddens came forward and gave obituary report and program. It was a warm and moving service.

> Board of Education Report - None Board of Trustee Report - None State Board (Missions) - None Resolutions Committee gave report as follows:

We the Resolutions Committee wish to acknowledge the Homerville Free Will Baptist Church for their hospitality toward the Little River Association at their Annual Meeting. Therefore be it resolved:

We the Little River Association wish to show our appreciation to the Homerville Free Will Baptist Church for their hospitality and the fine meal they prepared, by giving them a rising vote of thanks.

Wm. B. Hedrick Don Perry Bro. Herndon

The following delegates to the State Convention were elected: Sister Roger Spivey, Louise Ivey, Laverne Alligood, Pay Ogletree.

State Camp Board report by Roger Spivey was presented and accepted as shown in enclosure (1).

Ordaining report was presented and accepted as shown in enclosure (2).

C. M. Chafin, Jr. rose with motion to double pay of Moderator and Clerk/Treasurer as follows: Moderator \$15.00; Clerk/Treasurer \$20.00. It was seconded by Audie Williams, discussed and voted upon with approval. The Constitutional by-laws section 7, page 17, honorariums, will reflect this ammendment change by this body in session.

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Nominating Committee reported as follows: Moderator: Curtis Alligood Assist.: R. S. Hayes Clerk/Treas: Chester Rineer Assist.: Roger Spivey Exec. Comm: Buddy Hartsfield John T. Cook one year 1986

Ordaining Council: W. J. Barksdale Credentials: Louise Ivey Lorine Miller Willie Williams Board of Trustees: Benny Hamilton Mission Board Board of Christian Educ: Daniel Eason Resolutions Committee: W. Barry Hedrick Woodrow Herndon Don Perry Nominating Committee: John T. Cook Virgil Melton Raymond Mercer State Board Ronnie Moore

Missions: Ronn State Board Trustee: C. M.

C. M. Chafin, Jr.

Chester Rineer rose with motion to invest \$1,000 in CD Deposit at the bank. It died for lack of second.

Barry Hedrick rose with motion to send \$1,000 to Laura Belle Barnard Day Fund. It was seconded and approved.

Earl Ridley rose with motion to send \$200 to C. M. Chafin, Jr. Home Missions. It was seconded and approved by vote.

Motion was received and seconded to send \$100 to Childrens Home. It was approved.

A count was conducted to determine the church present with the most people. The results: Sunnyside!!! The trophy was then presented to the Pastor, Rowan Sirmans.

Call was made for any further business, none being received, the Moderator then called for prayer and session was adjourned upon receipt of motion and second.

Respectfully submitted Church Submitted Rev. Chester A. Rineer, Jr. Clerk/Treasurer State Camp Board

Met September 28, 1985 at Camp Mt. Bethel, Eight (8) members present.

Opened by prayer, reading of minutes, no treasurer's report offered for meeting.

The committee studying the State Camp Director made the following proposals:

1. Roger Spivey to serve as State Camp Director

Board pay State Camp Director \$200 per week plus expenses per camp session.

 Board pay Camp Director's expenses for remaining year for camp related activities. All three proposals were carried.

The camp board voted to release the caretaker of his duties effective on or before November 1, 1985.

The board reviewed the requirements and policies for those renting the camp; we voted to place the information for an association to obtain the week they had the previous year, must have their \$50 deposit to the camp treasurer by January 1.

The weeks of camp were reviewed, along with the campers fee! Campers fee will be \$35 this year.

A Master's Men work day is scheduled for Dec. 7, 1985.

Submitted by Roger Spivey

Enclosure (1)

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Motion made, seconded and carried that a letter of recommendation be sent to union association on the behalf of Rev. Alton Everson who has united with that Association and the Clerk send such a letter.

Motion made, "seconded and carried that the request of 1st Tifton" Free W. B. Church relative to the ordination of Brother Terron Stonecipher; that he take the examination given by the Ordaining Council and meet with the Ordaining Council at the next quarterly meeting; pending a favorable outcome of the test and meeting with Council that he be Ordained.

We recommend that Brother Tim Johnson continue in the same relationship as at present and to table the matter relating to the Credentials pending further study and information.

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Respectfully submitted, Rev. Bill Barksdale Tom Hamilton, Sec.

Enclosure (2)

FINANCIAL REPORT HOMERVILLE FWB CHURCH 19 October 1985 Annual Session

Bálance on Hand 18 October 1985

\$1,564.35

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RECEIPTS HOMERVILLE 19 October 1985

Association Support	\$252.50	
Association Missions	55.00	
Georgia State Coop	87.91	
Childrens Home		
	\$395.41	395
Total on Hand 19 October 1985		\$1,959

DISBURSEMENTS

CHECKS	DATE	* TO	AMOUNT
182	19 Oct 85	Curtis Alligood	\$ 7.50
183	19 Oct 85	Chester Rineer	10.00
184	19 Oct 85	Curtis Alligood	7.50
185	19 Oct 85	Chester Rineer	10.00
186	23 Oct 85	Ga. State Assoc.	
		Childrens Home	100.00
		C. M. Chafin	255.00
		Laura Barnard	1,000.00
		COOP	87.91
187	23 Oct 85	Ga. State Assoc.	
		State Rep. Fee	60.00
		National Fee	130.00
188	14 Nov 85	Allied Dupe	
		Programs	
		Maps	10.40
189	3 Jan 85	PM Valdosta	
		Stamps	22.00
-	3 Jan 85	Bank Charges	3.99

DEPOSITS

<u>\$ 120.00</u> \$ 375.46

\$1,704.30

Balance on Hand 18 January 1986

\$ 375.46

\$120.00

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