EIGHTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

of the

MARTIN FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

convened with

MARTIN YOUTH CAMP OCTOBER 16, 1971

OFFICERS

Brother	Bobby	Roberts, Moderator	Colquitt,	Georgia
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Brother (C.A. Powell		.Colquitt,	Georgia
Brother 1	Emory Richardsor	1	.Colquitt,	Georgia
	Herbert Boyd	·	_	_
	J.R. McNease			

The next session will convene with Martin Youth Camp on October 14, 1972.

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Brother C.M. Smith
PROMOTIONAL BOARD
Sister Robert Preston
SUPERANNUATION BOARD
Sister Talmadge Worsley(3 years)

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Brother Horace Lovering	Georgia Georgia

(YOUTH CAMP BOARD CONTINUED)

Brother Bobby Roberts	Georgia			
YOUTH CAMP BOARD OF TRUSTEES				
Brother Bobby Richardson	Georgia Georgia Georgia Georgia			
CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE				
Brother Ned Bryan	Georgia			
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Sister Carolyn Hornsby				
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TRUSTEE BOARD Reverend W.S. DriggersBainbridge, Georgia				
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Brother	Bobby Roberts	Colquitt,	Georgia
Brother	Richard McNease	Colquitt,	Georgia
Brother	C.P. Powell	Colquitt,	Georgia
Brother	P.A. Hines	Colquitt,	Georgia
Brother	Willie Lane	Iron City,	Georgia
Brother	W.R. Barber	Colquitt,	Georgia

STATE PROMOTIONAL SECRETARY-TREASURER

Reverend A.C. Truluck, P.O. Box 591 Moultrie, Ga. 31768

1971 FOURTH QUARTERLY SESSION

The Fourth Quarterly Session of the Free Will Baptist Association convened at the Martin Youth Camp Saturday morning October 16, 1971.

Bro. W. E. Lane opened the session with prayer. Bro. Clint Ard led the song service. Devotional was by Bro. Roberts, Welcome by Don Roberts, and the response was by Bro. Talmadge Worsley.

The roll call for ministers was made, nine Ordained and two Licensed, two visiting ministers, along with nine deacons were present.

Roll call for the eighty-fifth session was given. The Credential Committee made a partial report. M.S.C. to accept this report and seat the delegates. M.S.C. for moderator to appoint Disbursement Committee: Bro. W. E. Lare, Bro. Frank Newberry, Bro. Fred Kelley.

Nominating Committee: Bro. Fred Ingram, Bro. C.M. Smith, Bro. David Clements.

Program Committee: Bro. Edd Roberts, Bro. W.D. Brock, Bro. Edgar Smith.

Resolution Committee: Rev. Talmadge Worsley, Rev. W.S. Driggers, Rev. James Rathel.

- M.S.C. to table Constitution Study Report until after lunch.
- M.S.C. to adopt Youth Camp Directors Report.
- M.S.C. to accept Superannuation Boards Report.
- M.S.C. to accept Promotional Boards Report.
- M.S.C. to accept Camp Boards Report.

- M.S.C. to accept Nominating Committee Report.
- M.S.C. to table motion to fill vacancy on Ordaining Council until afternoon.
- M.S.C. to grant Rev. J.J. Scott a letter in good standing to Florida Salem Association.

The 11:00 a.m. message was delivered by Rev. Larry Williams and Bro. Wayne Sheffield dismissed the session with prayer for lunch.

The afternoon session was opened with prayer by Rev. Talmadge Worsley. Devotional message was by Bro. Wayne Sheffield.

- M.S.C. to add Rev. L.D. Scott name to Superannuation list.
- M.S.C. to accept Resolutions Committee Report. (See Report).
- M.S.C. to accept Credentials Committee Report.
- M.S.C. to accept Mission Board Report.
- M.S.C. to reluctantly but by their request leave Spring field FWB Church from our roll.
- M.S.C. to accept Disbursement Committee Report.
- M.S.C. to elect Rev. W.S. Driggers to Ordaining Council in place of Rev. L.D. Scott who resigned.
- M.S.C. to accept Nominating Committee Report on Executive Committee.
- M.S.C. to take Constitution Study Report off table and act item by item.
- All items passed. (See Report).
- M.S.C. to keep Program Committee to take charge of program for association on 2 and 4 session.
- M.S.C. to have programs in within 30 days to be put in minutes. (See Programs).
- M.S.C. for churches to have session 1 and 3 session no response for 1 session so it will be at youth camp and 3 session Mt. Gilead.
- M.S.C. to accept minutes of last session as read.

Delegates to State Association Wayne Sheffield and David Clements.

Bro. Leonard Pirtle gave a report from State Office and Association voted yes on book store.

M.S.C. to have minutes printed at State Office.

M.S.C. to adjourn and Rev. W.S. Driggers dismissed with prayer.

DISBURSEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

We your Disbursement Committee recommend the following: Received from churches...\$199.00 Youth Camp..\$40.00

Respectfully Submitted: Frank Newberry, W.E. Lane, Robert Boyd.

YOUTH CAMP TREASURERS REPORT

Balance brought	forward	from 1970	session:	\$1,060.73
Receipts: 1971.	• • • • • • • • •		• • • • • • • • • •	. 1,189.70
TOTAL	• • • • • • • •		• • • • • • • • • • •	.\$2,250.43

W. R. Barber, Treasurer

MARTIN YOUTH CAMP DIRECTORS REPORT

Campers	. 		• • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • •	138
Confessed	Christ		• • • • • • • • •	•••••	14
Dedicated	Lives		• • • • • • • • •		3
Deposited	in Treasury	after	expenditure	s	127.03

My sincere appreciation to each of you who made possible a successful year.

Director: Bobby Roberts.

Assistant Directors: Horace Lovering, Jr. Bobby

Richardson, Earl T. Cooper

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORT

We the Resolutions Committee made the following report:

- Be it resolved that an invitation be extended from this body to the State Association to meet here in 1972.
- 2. Be it resolved that New Home Church #1 be given a rising vote of thanks for them hosting the message.
- 3. Be it resolved that we give a rising vote of thanks to out going officers of this association year.
- 4. Be it resolved that we pledge ourselves a new to each other and to our newly elected officers with our prayers and cooperation.
- 5. Be it resolved that we stand for a moment of silent prayer in memory of:

Louise Preston	Bro. James Ogg
Ellen Sadler	Rev. Drew Floyd
Ida Roberts	Bro. T.B. Sadler
Annie Roberts	Bro. Monroe Meadows
Clyde Davis	Bro. N. Williams
	Ellen Sadler Ida Roberts Annie Roberts

and other members of the Martin Free Will Baptist.

MINISTERS AND DEACONS CONVENTION REPORT

Financial Report:

Assets:	
Balance brought forward\$26.5	2
Offering - 11/27/70	
Offering - 1/16/71	
Offering - 4/16/71	Ř
Offering - 7/16/71	5
Offering $-7/10/71$	0
Offering - 10/15/71	<u> </u>
TOTAL\$90.2	2
Disbursements:	
Repair on Bath Rooms of Youth Camp\$40.4	9
Printing of Minutes	0
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS\$55.4	9
BALANCE IN TREASURY - 11/16/71\$34.7	3
Officers For THE COMING YEAR	
Reverend Lewis Williams	r

Reverend W.S. Driggers	
Programs For 1972 M	1EETINGS
FIRST SESSION JANUARY 15, 1972 - CORINTH Welcome - Bro. Dallas Wadell Response - Sis. Lucille Lane Devotional - Sis. Jack Burke Message - Rev. James Rathel Afternoon Devotional - Sis. Rob	
SECOND SESSION APRIL 15, 1972 - Y HEBREW Welcome - Bro. Fred Ingram Response - Sis. Leroy Johnson Devotional - Bro. Edd Hill Message - Rev. George Griffin Afternoon Devotional - Sis. Free	
THIRD SESSION JULY 15, 1972 - MT. MT. GILEAU Welcome - Sis. Vicky Smith Response - Sis. Kathy Ingram Devotional - Bro. Stan Kirkland Message - Rev. W.S. Driggers Afternoon Devotional - Sis. Man	<u>D</u>
ANNUAL SESSION OCTOBER 14, 1972 - MOTHERS HON Welcome - Sis. Rachel Bailey Response - Bro. Terry McVey Devotional - Sis. Carolyn Horns Message - Rev. Talmadge Worsley Afternoon Devotional - Bro. Rich	ME sby y
CHILDRENS HOME HARVEST	DRIVE REPORT
Church	Commodities
New Salem\$190.0New Salem Auxiliary25.0New Home number 1213.8Hebrew10.3Hebrew Sunday School10.3Mt. Glory20.0Mothers HomeA.5	00

2.00

 Mothers Home Bible Circle
 45.00
 25.00

 Mt. Gilead
 100.00
 2.00

 Thompson
 115.00
 233.58

(CHILDRENS HOME HARVEST DRIVE REPORT CONTINUED)
Martin Association\$ 10.00 Newberry & Williams Farm 20.00 Martin F.W.B. Mission Board. 25.00
TOTALS\$854.68
Superannuation Board Report
Balance in Treasury at the beginning of this associational year: \$9.16
Money Received: 11/24/71
Disbursed: 12/11/70
Balance in Treasury\$ 47.12
We recommend Rev. C.A. Gilbert and Mrs. Jack Horne be added to list of recipients.
Annie Lou Wells, Marsha Worsley, Edgar Smith
PROMOTIONAL BOARD REPORT
Financial Report:
Balance brought forward
Disbursements: Camp Board\$ 60.00 Superannuation Board60.00 TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS\$120.00

TOTAL BALANCE IN TREASURY.....\$ 55.74

Promotional Board Members: Sis. Robert Preston, Iron City, Ga. Sis. Tyrone Williams, Colquitt, Ga. Bro. Willie Lane, Iron City, Ga.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION REPORT

The first session of the Martin Free Will Baptist Sunday School Convention convened with Colquitt Church on November 29, 1970.

Bro. Bobby Roberts called the meeting to order. Bro. Glenn Tully gave the devotional. The welcome given by Bro. Abbie Calhoun. Response was given by Bro. Horace Lovering.

The Digest Committee was appointed as follows: Bro. J.R. McNease, Bro. Willie Lane and Bro. Driggers.

New Home #1 presented special music with New Salem presenting the program.

The Digest Committee gave the following report:

Ordained Ministers	4	S.S. Superintendent 5
Licensed Ministers	1	S.S. Teachers 14
No. S.S. School report	ing 6	Paid Literature \$445.07
Number on roll	352	Miscellaneous \$1,263.81
Number Departments	27	Average Attendance 46
Number Teachers	27	Total Offering \$1,824.54
Number Officers	17	

M.S.C. to accept Digest Committee Report. Moved and seconded to seat delegates. Moved and seconded to accept reading of minutes.

M.S.C. to give Colquitt Church a rising vote of thanks.

M.S.C. to adjourn.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Balance brought forward	\$112.35
Dues to Convention	50.00
BALANCE IN TREASURY	\$162.35

Respectfully Submitted: Ned Bryan, Sec.-Treas.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION REPORT

The second session of the Martin Free Will Baptist Sunday School Convention convened at Corinth, May 30, 1971.

Bro. Larry Williams opened with prayer. Bro. Tal-madge Worsley gave the devotional. The welcome was given by Sis. Christine Burke and the response by Bro. Pete Davis.

The Digest Committee was appointed as follows: Bro. Richardson, Bro. Willie Lane and Bro. C.M. Smith.

Special programs were presented by Colquitt and Mothers Home Church.

The Digest Committee gave the following report:

Ordained Ministers 3	S.S. Superintendent 2
Licensed Ministers 1	S.S. Teachers 9
No. S.S. School reporting 6	S.S. Officers 5
Number on roll 381	Average Offering \$58.69
Number of Departments 27	Average Attendance 48
Number of Teachers 32	Amount with letters \$35.00
	Total Offering \$1,363.22
Paid Literature \$467.32	

M.S.C. to accept reading of last minutes.

Program Committee gave the following report: First session - Mothers Home Church on January 30, 1972.

DevotionB		
WelcomeSis.	Rache1	Bailey
ResponseBro.		

BUSINESS

Special Singing	New	Sale	em.	& Hi-Way
ProgramsNew				_

Second Session at Hi-Way on April 30, 1972.

Devotion	Śis.	Inez	Dukes
WelcomeSis.			
Response	Bro. H	erbert	t Boyd

BUSINESS

Special Singing	Co1	rinth &	Co	olquitt
Programs				

- M.S.C. to accept Program Committee Report.
- M.S.C. to give rising vote of thanks to Corinth Church.
- M.S.C. to adjourn meeting.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Balance brought forward Dues to Convention BALANCE IN TREASURER \$162.35 35.00 \$197.35

Respectfully Submitted: Ned Bryan, Sec.-Treas.

DIGEST COMMITTEE REPORT

STATISTICS (General)

Number of Churches	13	Church Membership	770
Members Received	39	Number of Parsonages	2
Ordained Ministers	17	Licensed Ministers	2
Ordained Deacons	31		•

STATISTICS (Auxiliaries)

Number of Sunday Schools 12	Number of Woman's Aux. 4
Number of S.S. Enrollment 591	W.A. Enrollment 85
No. Church Training Service 7	Number V.B.S. 1
C.T.S. Enrollment 309	Number Prayer Meetings 9

STATISTICS (Financial)

Local Causes:		
Pastors Salary	\$ 23	,107.70
Evangelistic		,082.55
Building & Repair	25	480.92
Literature		
Miscellaneous		•
TOTAL LOCAL CAUSES		
	•	

Value	Church Property	.\$123,660.00
Value	Parsonages	.\$ 23,700.00

1971 THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION

The Third Quarterly Session of the Martin Free Will Baptist Association convened at the Martin Youth Camp Saturday morning, July 17, 1971.

Bro. W.S. Driggers opened the session with prayer. Bro. Clint Ard led the song service. Words of welcome was given by Bro. Herbert Boyd and the response was by

Bro. Willie Lane. Bro. Talmadge Worsley gave the devotional using Psalms 27.

The roll call for ministers was made with nine present and nine deacons present.

The Credential Committee made a partial report. M.S.C. to seat regular delegates. M.S.C. to seat Sis. Geneva Roland with regular delegates. Moderator appointed the Disbursement Committee: Bro. Clint Ard, Bro. Jake Scott, Bro. Edgar Smith.

- M.S.C. to adopt minutes of second session. Bro. Herbert Boyd gave a report on the Constitution Study Committee.
- M.S.C. that Constitution Committee send a report to churches for their study for changes to be brought at next session.

Bro. Bobby Roberts gave a report on 1 session of youth camp: 1 adult, 9 children made a decision for Christ.

Bro. Richard McNease read Government and Ordinances to the body.

Bro. A. C. Truluck brought the morning message and Bro. Lewis William dismissed for lunch with prayer.

The evening session was opened with a song led by Bro. Clint Ard and prayer by Bro. Jake Scott. The Devotional was given by Bro. C.M. Smith.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORT

We the Resolutions Committee make the following report:

- 1. To take Mission Offering for Bro. Morris. (\$49.06) offering.
- 2. To thank Bro. Truluck for his work.
- To give a rising vote of thanks to Mt. Gilead for their fine hospitality.
- M.S.C. to accept Disbursement Committee Report: (See Report).

Nominating Committee appointed as follows: Bro. W.E. Lane, Bro. Edd Hill and Bro. Talmadge Worsley.

M.S.C. to place Sis. Jack Horne name on Superannuation List.

Bro. Truluck gave a report on how money was spent in State and passed out literature on matter.

A minute of silent prayer in memory of Rev. Drew Floyd and other old Saints.

M.S.C. to adjourn.

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

Sunday School 12 Churches reporting	<pre>C.T.S. 5 Churches reporting</pre>
Woman's Auxiliary	Master's Men
4 Churches reporting	4 Churches reporting
Prayer Meeting	8 Churches reporting
13 Churches enclosed for minutes	\$190.25
12 Churches enclosed for Martin You	uth Camp \$ 60.00

DISBURSEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

We your Disbursement Committee recommend the following: Received from churches: \$190.25 Youth Camp: \$60.00

Disbursements:

Clerk\$	8.75
Moderator	3.75
State Association Dues	5.00
National Association Dues	2.50
Minutes	89.00
Martin Youth Camp	81.25
TOTAL DUSBURSEMENTS\$	

1971 SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION

The Second Quarterly Session of the Martin Free Will Baptist Association convened at the Martin Youth Camp Saturday morning, April 17, 1971.

Bro. Wayne Sheffield led the session with a song. Prayer was led by Rev. Talmadge Worsley. Words of welcome was given by Mrs. Pat Calhoun and Bro Herbert Boyd gave the response. Special music was given by Bro. Bobby Roberts.

The roll call for Ordained Ministers was made and five were present: Rev. Lewis Williams, W.S. Driggers, L.D. Scott, Kelley C. Harrell, C. A. Gilbert. One licensed minister present, Talmadge Worsley.

Invited corresponding delegates from other bodies of our order and two ministers from Union Association

to sit in our fellowship as honorary members.

The Credential Committee gave a partial report. M.S.C. to adopt this report. Moderator appointed Rev. Driggers, Rev. Gilbert and Bro. Wayne Sheffield on Disbursement Committee.

Minutes from last association meeting were read and adopted. Bro. Boyd said Bro. Thompson of Church of God would like to use the Martin Association Youth Camp for two weeks. Move was made by Rev. Lewis Williams to grant this request as long as it did not conflict with our session. The motion was carried.

M.S.C. that a Youth Committee be appointed to take charge of the Youth Revival. M.S.C. that Sunday School and C.T.S. president and moderator of association serve on committee to assist this Youth Committee.

The 11:00 a.m. message was brought by Rev. Lewis Williams. His scripture was taken from Phillipians 4:19 After the message, Bro. Talmadge Worsley gave a talk on "The Need of Teachers in our Churches". Bro. Boyd dismissed the session for lunch.

The afternoon session was opened with a song. Devotional was given by Bro. Richard McNease. Rev. Pirtle and Bro. Alton Boyd gave a talk from the State Office.

- M.S.C. to adopt Disbursement Committee Report.
- M.S.C. to read and accept Credential Committee Report.
 - M.S.C. to accept Resolutions Committee Report.
- Mrs. Lewis Williams was elected to go and represent the Martin Association at the National Association.
- M.S.C. to adjourn. Bro. Smith dismissed with prayer.

Bobby Roberts, Moderator Bobby Richardson, Clerk

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

Total	Church	Membership	59
Sunday	y School	eportingAv. Att	08 54

6 Churches reportingAv. Att
Woman's AuxiliaryEnrollment89 4 Churches reportingAv. Att52
Master's Men 1 Church reporting
Prayer Meeting 8 Churches reporting
10 Churches enclosed for minutes\$161.00 10 Churches enclosed for Martin Y.C\$50.00
DISBURSEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

We your Disbursement Committee recommend the following: Received from Churches: \$161.00

Disbursements:

Clerk			 	.\$ 8.75
Moderator			 	. 3.75
State Association Dues			 	. 5.00
National Association D	ues		 	. 2.50
Minutes			 	. 89.00
State Cooperative	10%		 	. 5.20
Local Superannuation	60%.	• • • •	 	. 31.20
Martin Youth Camp				
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS			 	\$161.00

Committee: Rev. W.S. Driggers, Rev. C.A. Gilbert, Wayne Sheffield, Bobby Richardson.

1971 FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION

The First Quarterly Session of the Martin Free Will Baptist Association convened at the Martin Youth Camp Saturday morning January 16, 1971.

Rev. Donald Franks led in prayer. Bro. Clint Ard opened the session with a song. Rev. Kelley Harrell gave the devotional using Psalms 23 as scripture. Sis. Eva Middleton gave the welcome and Bro. Edd Hill made the response.

The roll call for ordained ministers was made and nine were present, one licensed and two visiting ministers. The standing delegates were seated. Invited corresponding delegates from other bodies of our order and ministers from other denominations to seat and be entitled to the fellowship of honorary members.

The Credential Committee made a report. M.S.C. to accept this report. (See Report). M.S.C. to seat the regular delegates. The moderator appointed the Disbursement Committee: Bro. Edd Hill, Bro. C. M. Smith, Bro. Edd Roberts, Bro. Bobby Richardson.

Minutes from last association meeting were read and adopted. Rev. J. Lewis Williams spoke to the association on the work of the State Mission Board. Pastors or other members gave a report on condition and progress of their church.

The 11:00 a.m. message was brought by Rev Talmadge Worsley using St. John 1:43 for his scripture, his text was "Follow Me". Bro. Lewis Williams dismissed the service with prayer.

The afternoon session was opened with a song. Bro. Talmadge Cooper brought the afternoon devotional using Acts 19:1-5 as scripture.

Rev. A.C. Truluck, State Promotional Secretary and Treasurer, spoke to the association on the need for revival. He also passed out state Minutes along with state calendars. Bro. Truluck gave a report from the State Office.

Resolution Committee gave their report. M.S.C. to accept their report. (See Report). M.S.C. to give New Salem Church a rising vote of thanks for hosting the session.

The moderator appointed Rev. Larry Williams, Bro. Louie Grimes, Bro. Herbert Boyd on a Constitution Study Committee.

The Disbursement Committee reported. (See Report). M.S.C. to accept the report. Sis. Tyrone Williams gave a report on the Promotion Board activities. Bro. Phillip Hines gave a report on the Camp Board Trustee, (plans for roof repair) activities.

M.S.C. to adjourn. Bro. Frank Newberry dismissed with prayer.

Bobby Roberts, Moderator Bobby Richardson, Clerk

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

Tota1	Church	Membership	• • • • • •	• • •	• • •	• • • •	 • •	839
Sunday	School	L	nrollmen	t			 	615
12 Chu	irches i	reportingA	lv. Att	• • •	• • •		 • •	422

C.T.S
Woman's AuxiliaryEnrollment
Master's Men 1 Church reporting
Prayer Meeting 8 Churches reporting
14 Churches enclosed for minutes\$209.00 11 Churches enclosed for Martin Y.C\$55.00
Committee: Don Roberts, Ned Bryan, P.A. Hines, Bobby Richardson.
Disbursement Committee Report
We your Disbursement Committee recommend the following:
Cash on Hand
Disbursements: Per Quarter For Year Clerk
Bobby Richardson.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORT

We the Resolution Committee offer the following resolutions:

- 1. Be it resolved that the moderator appoint or call for the election of a committee to study and make recommendations for changes in the constitution.
- 2. Be it resolved that we give the host church, New Salem a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality.

STANDING RULES OF MARTIN QUARTERLY MEETINGS

- 1. Recommend that each church close their books on September 1, and mail their annual and quarterly reports to the clerk 2 weeks before each session.
- 2. The pastoral year will begin September 1.
- 3. Each church that entertains Quarterly Meetings will prepare a program for that day and be responsible for preacher and speakers and let the moderator and clerk know in advance of the meeting.
- 4. The Sunday School and C.T.S., Ministers and Deacon's Conference, Ladies Auxiliary, and any other auxiliary give an annual report to the Quarterly Meetings.
 - 5. The Obituaries of each church will give name, date of birth and date of death of members in an annual report to the Quarterly Meetings. This information will be given to the Resolution Committee.
 - 6. Our standing resolutions will be printed in the minutes each year.
 - 7. The Quarterly Meeting fee will be 25¢ per capita member, at each session, or \$1.00 at the annual session.
 - 8. A Digest Committee of at least three will be elect ed by the body or appointed by the moderator to examine church letters and make a report of their findings.
 - 9. Our Quarterly Meeting will be Saturday before the Third Sunday in January, April, July and October at 10:00 a.m. The Annual Session will be held in October beginning at 9:30 a.m. and continuing until all pusiness is finished.
- 10. That no person may serve in more than one elected office in the Martin Quarterly at the same time.
- 11. That the second and the Annual Session of the Quarterly Meeting will be held at the Youth Camp with all churches acting as hosts. The first and third session will be held in the local churches by request with this church acting as host.

DISBURSEMENTS

12. (a)Retain in treasury: \$50 after each session (b)
State Association: \$5 each session (c)Retain for

Association: \$2.50 each session (d)National lessociation: \$2.50 each session (e) Moderator \$5 per session, Clerk \$5 per one, two, three session and \$20 for fourth session.

The remaining funds left will be allocated as follows:

- (a) State Cooperative Board: 10% (b)Local Superannuation Board: 60% (c) Local Promotion Board: 15% (d)Local Mission Board: 15%
- 13. Superannuation Board: 25% of funds will be allocated to the State Superannuation Board and the remaining funds to the retired ministers of the Martin Quarterly Meeting or their widows which to be eligible have to be recommended by the local church and approved by the Quarterly Meeting.
- 14. The moderator and clerk will not serve more than three years in succession.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE DISTRICT SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

PREAMBLE

In order to encourage and inspire our Sunday Schools of the Martin Association of Free Will Baptist, in a more definite plan of work and to co-ordinate our efforts for a more successful program of teaching God's Word, we set forth the following Constitution and By-Laws:

ARTICLE I

NAME: This Convention shall be known as the Sunday School Convention of the Martin Association of Free Will Baptist.

ARTICLE II

OBJECT: The object of the Convention shall be to promote Sunday School work in general among our churches and to sponsor Sunday School institutes in various localities to be determined by the Convention when in session for the purpose of training such Christian workers and leaders as superintendents, teachers, secretaries, class officers, etc. This Convention shall cooperate with the Sunday School program sponsored by the Sunday School Department of the National Association of Free Will Baptist.

ARTICLE III

MEMBERSHIP:

Section 1: The membership of this Convention shall be the Sunday Schools of the churches that are members in good standing with the Martin Association of Free Will Baptist. A mission Sunday School shall hold membership as long as it has the endorsement of a church which represents in said Convention.

Section 2: The representation fee for each session shall be the minimum of \$1.00 per delegate. The said fee shall be used to defray the expenses of the Convention, promote Sunday School Workers Institutes and to contribute to our denominational enterprises. The fee is to accompany a letter containing the condition of the Sunday School, average attendance, number of classes, number of departments, number on roll, number of teachers and officers and any other information that the Convention deems pertinent to the growth and efficiency of the local Sunday School.

Section 3: Each Sunday School with 100 members or less shall be entitled to 5 delegates, and one delegate for every 25 additional members or fraction thereof of the Sunday School. All delegates are to be elected from the laity.

Section 4: All pastors of the churches of the local Association and superintendents shall be considered members at large with voting power and are not to be sent as delegates.

ARTICLE IV

OFFICERS:

The officers of this Convention shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Director of Publicity and Director of Organization.

TENURE: All officers shall be elected at the close of the last session of the Convention each year.

ARTICLE V

AMENDMENTS:

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any regular session.

BY-LAWS

DUTIES OF GENERAL OFFICERS:

Section 1. President: The President shall preside over all meetings of the Convention, appoint temporary committees and perform the other duties usually devolving upon said officer.

Section 2. Vice-President: The Vice-President shall preside over meetings in the absence or at the request of the President and assist the President in the general supervision of the Convention.

Section 3. Secretary: The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Convention and if the Treasurer is absent shall record all finances that come as funds into the Convention.

Section 4. Treasurer: The Treasurer shall make a record of all finances that come as funds into the Convention — offerings, gifts, etc. He shall be authorized to pay the current expenses of the Convention. He shall make an itemized report of all transactions to the Convention when in session. All records shall be the property of the Convention and are subject to being audited at each session. He shall give such surety as this Convention deems wise. The Convention shall bear the cost of the same.

Section 5. Director of Organization: The Director of Organization shall organize or assist in the organization of new Sunday Schools, the reorganization of existing Sunday Schools that have lapsed into a state of inefficiency. This service being rendered at the request of the local Sunday School. He shall serve as chairman of the Convention Program Committee because of his knowledge of the needs of the local Sunday Schools of the local

association. The Convention shall pay him a reasonable amount per mile for services rendered.

Section 6. Director of Publicity: The Director of Publicity shall see to it that each Sunday School receives the printed program as prepared by the Program Committee. He shall prepare and submit a written report to all meetings of the Convention to all denominational publications and the local papers where space is given free-gratis for such items.

Section 7. Amendments: These By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any regular session.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE YOUTH CAMP

ARTICLE I

The Youth Camp shall be known as the "Martin Freewill Baptist Youth Camp" and all business transactions shall be done under the authority of the Martin Freewill Baptist Association.

ARTICLE II - BOARDS and OFFICERS

Section 1. There shall be a Board of Trustees consisting of five members for an indefinite period. The Board shall consist of the three members now serving under the authority of the Ministers' and Deacons Conference of the Martin Freewill Baptist Association, and two new members who shall be elected by the Association in regular session. In the event of emergencies, such as resignation or death, members of this Board may be appointed by the Executive Committee of the Association.

- A. Duties of the Trustees: The duties of the Trustees shall be:
 - (1) to hold all titles to the property, and handle legal matters.
 - (2) to raise funds for the indebtedness of the camp building.
 - (3) to raise funds for the necessary accessories of the camp site.
 - (4) to keep in touch with the Executive Committee of the Associtation and keep them informed concerning the needs of the camp.

Section II. Members of the Camp Board must be from the layety of the Association elected in same manner as the Board of Trustees on a rotating basis and consisting of five members.

- A. Duties of the Camp Board: The duties of the Camp Board shall be:
 - (1) to hold a business meeting at least twice yearly.
 - (2) to promote the camp at all times.
 - (3) to make arrangements for food and its preparation while the camp is in session.

Section III. The Camp Director shall be appointed by the Executive Committee of the Association for a term of one year. The said Director appointed shall have the authority to appoint his assistant.

A. Duties of the Camp Director shall be as follows:

- (1) to secure teachers, literature and accessories for teaching.
- (2) be responsible for the camp at all times while in session.
- (3) responsible for all recreation activities held at the camp.
- (4) responsible for all registration and schedules to be held at the camp.
- (5) the camp dates for camp sessions must be made by the Camp Board and the Camp Director and not to conflict with the State Camp.
- (6) responsible for speakers at each service.

Section IV. The Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected in the same manner as the above mentioned Camp Board members and shall also be an ex-officio member of each board, having no voting power except in the event of a tie vote. He or she shall be elected annually.

A. Duties of the Secretary and Treasurer shall be:

- (1) to record the activities of transactions of each Board meeting, of the various Boards.
- (2) receive all money and record and report all receipts and expenditures.
- (3) be in charge of all publicity activities.

Section V. Camp Fee. There shall be a Camp Fee, the minimum being \$4.00 and the maximum being \$7.00.

Section VI. Board Chairman. Each Board must elect their Board Chairman from their own body. Each Chairman must give a weeks notice of meetings to his members and the Secretary and Treasurer.

Section VII. Changes in Constitution. The above By-Laws and regulations may be changed only by a two-thirds majority of the Association in regular session.

Respectfully submitted,
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CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS CHURCH TRAINING SERVICE RALLY Martin District Association Of Free Will Baptist

CONSTITUTION

Preamble:

The purpose of this Rally shall be to promote the Church Training Service Program (CTS) in the Martin Association; to unify, to devise and execute measures for the extension of the Kingdom of God in cooperation with the various local CTS Programs of this District, so therefore, we accept this Constitution to help strengthen our total Church Training program.

ARTICLE I

NAME: The name of this organization shall be known as the Martin District CTS Rally of the original Free Will Baptist of the State of Georgia.

ARTICLE II

MEMBERSHIP: The membership shall be composed of all persons who are active members in the Church Training Service of a church which is a member of the Martin Association. Each member shall have voting privileges and may participate fully in all activities provided by the Rally. Ordained ministers affiliated with the Martin Association shall be standing members.

ARTICLE III

OFFICERS: The officers of this Rally shall consist of a General Director, an Assistant General Director, a Secretary-Treasurer, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, Song Director, Pianist, Sword Drill Leader, Bible Tic Tac Toe Leader, Bible Bowl Leader, Declamation Leader, and other officers which may be needed to carry on the work of the Rally.

ARTICLE IV

MEETING: The Rally shall meet semi-annually at such a time and place as may be decided upon by the Nominating Committee.

ARTICLE V

COMMITTEES: All committees needed to carry on the work of the Rally shall be appointed by the General Director.

ARTICLE VI

REPORTS: This Rally shall be under direct supervision of the Martin District Association and shall give a written report annually to the Association of all funds received and disbursed, and functions of the Rally during the year. The report should include objectives and any future plans being considered by the Rally.

ARTICLE VII

FINANCES: This Rally shall be supported by each local CTS representing with a gift of \$5.00 competitive activities entry fee; Bible Bowl and Bible Tic Tac Toe \$1.00 each; Sword Drill and Declamation \$1.00 each, and special offerings which might be received during the Rallies.

ARTICLE VIII

AMENDMENT: This constitution may be amended at any regular meeting by a two-thirds majority of members present.

BY-LAWS

Section 1. Officers

All officers shall be elected by the Rally.

Section 2. General Director

It shall be the duty of the General Director to preside at all meetings and perform such duties delegated to him by the District Association and this Rally. He shall also submit annual written reports to the District Association.

Section 3. Assistant General Director

It shall be the duty of the Assistant General Director to serve in full capacity of the General Director when he is absent. He shall also serve in those capacities assigned to him by this Rally.

Section 4. Secretary-Treasurer

The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep an accurate record of all transactions of the Rally and preserve the same, keep all valuable documents and surrender same to his successor in office. All funds shall be held and disbursed by the Treasurer at the approval of the Rally.

Section 5. Assistant Secretary-Treasurer

It shall be the duty of the Assistant Secretary-Treasurer to serve in the full capacity of the Secretary-Treasurer when he is absent.

Section 6. Song Leader

It shall be the duty of the Song Leader to be present, and on time, at all meetings and assist in arranging music for the Rally.

Section 7. Pianist

It shall be the duty of the Pianist to be present at all meetings, and on time. Also assist in arranging music for the Rally.

Section 8. Sword Drill, Bible Bowl and Bible Tic Tac Toe Leaders It shall be the duty of these leaders to serve as coordinating agencies between the various districts in promoting and stimulating interest in the Sword Drill, Bible Bowl and Bible Tic Tac Toe Contests. Also be responsible for conducting these contests at the proper time set up by the Rally. It shall also be the duty of these leaders to be careful and make sure they go directly by the rules set up by the State and National since they have the power to disqualify a contestant for this purpose.

Section 9. Declamation Leader

It shall be the duty of the Declamation Leader to serve as a coordinating agency between the various districts in promoting and stimulating interest in the Declamation speeches. Also be responsible for conducting the Declamation Contest at the proper time set up by the Rally. It shall also be the duty of this leader to be careful and make sure he goes directly by the rules set up by the State and National since they have the power to disqualify a contestant for this purpose.

Section 10. Committees

Committees may be appointed as deemed wise by the Rally and will serve at the discretion of the Rally.

Section 11. Executive Committee

All general officers shall be members of the Executive Committee. It shall be the duty of this committee to keep the business to a minimum so that the Rally can be geared toward promoting the Church Training program and should be a time of inspiration, instruction and other special features pertaining to the CTS work. The Executive Committee shall also serve as the Program Committee and meet prior to the Rallies to plan an inspiring and interesting program.

Section 12. Amendment

These By-Laws may be amended at any regular meeting by a two-thirds majority of members present.

CONSTITUTION ON MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE

Seeing the need of greater love, fellowship and understanding among our Ministers, also the unifying of our visions and working for greater cooperation, we do hereby ordain and establish this constitution.

- 1. Name: This shall be known as the "Ministerial Conference of Martin Association of Original Free Will Baptist."
- 2. We adopt the Treatise of faith and practice of the National Association of Free Will Baptist as our standard to look to and pray for the day when we may be more united.
- 3. The officers of the Ministers' Conference shall consist of a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk and Assistant Clerk and other officers as may be deemed necessary.
- 4. The officers shall be elected on nomination by acclamation at each annual session.
- 5. This Conference shall be composed of all ordained and licensed Ministers and Deacons in good standing of the Martin Association.
- 6. The Clerk shall be paid \$5.00 per annum for preserving and editing the minutes of the Conference.
- 7. The Ministers Conference is not a court to try nor to air out the faults of the Ministers and Deacons. If they are in good standing with the Martin Association, they are in good standing with the Ministers Conference. This is to be a meeting of fellowship, inspiration and brotherly love.
- 8. Any other ministers and deacons who are in good standing with the Free Will Baptist Church will be accepted as honorary members when visiting with the Conference.
- 9. This Constitution may be ammended or altered at any meeting by two-thirds majority voting.

DOCTRINAL VIEWS

- 1. We believe that the Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired and is a treasure of Heavenly instruction that has a God for its author, salvation for its end and truth without mixture of error for its matter; that it reveals the principles by which God will judge us, and therefore, it shall remain with us to the end of time, the true center of Christian union and the supreme standard to which all human conduct and opinion should conform.
- 2. That there is but one true God, whose name is Jehovah the maker and ruler of Heaven and earth, inexpressively glorious in holiness, worthy of all possible honor, confidence and love, revealed in the personal distinction of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, equal in every divine perfection, and executing distinct but harmonious offices in the great work of redemption.
- 3. That man was created in a state of holiness under the laws of his Maker, but by voluntary transgression fell from that holy and happy state, in consequence of which men are sinners, not by constraint, but by choice, being by nature utterly void of that holiness required by the law of God, wholly given to the gratification of the world, of Satan and their sinful passions and therefore under just condemnation to eternal ruin, without defence or excuse.
- 4. That the salvation of sinners is wholly of grace through the mediation of the Son of God, who took upon him our nature; yet without sin honored the law by His personal obedience, and made atonement for sin by His death; being risen from the dead, He is now enthroned in Heaven and uniting in His Wonderful person the tender sympathies with divine perfection, in every way qualified to be a suitable compassionate and all sufficient Savior.
- 5. That the great gospel blessings which Christ of His fullness bestows on such as believe on Him is justification; that justification consists in the pardon of sin and promise of eternal life upon principles of righteousness; that it is bestowed, not in consideration of anything which we have done, but solely through His own righteousness and atonement, and that it brings us into a state of most blessed peace and favor with God.
- 6. That the blessings of salvation are made free to all by the Gospel; that it is the immediate duty of all to receive them by a

cordial and obedient faith, and that nothing prevents the salvation of the greatest sinner on earth but his own voluntary refusal to submit to the Lord Jesus Christ which results will subject him to aggravated condemnation.

- 7. That in order to be saved we must be regenerated or born again. That regeneration consists of giving a holy disposition to the mind, and is effected in a manner above our comprehension by the power of the Holy Spirit producing a voluntary obedience to the Gospel; and that its proper evidence is found in the holy fruits which we bring forth to God.
- 8. That election is the gracious purpose of God, according to which He regenerates, sanctifies and saves sinners. That being pertectly consistent with the free agency of man, it comprehends all means with the end, that it is a most glorious display of God's goodness, being iminitely wise, holy, unchangeable; that it utterly excludes boasting and promotes humility, prayer, praise, trust in God, and active imitation of His free mercy; that it encourages the use of means in the highest degree; that it is the foundation of Christian assurance, and that to ascertain it with regard to ourselves, demands and deserves our utmost diligence.
- 9. That the preserving attachment of true believers to Christ the grand mark which distinguishes them from superficial professors; that a special providence watches over their welfare and that they are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.
- 10. That the law of God is the eternal, unchangeable rule of His government; that it is holy, just and good, that the inability which the Scriptures ascribe to fallen man to fulfill the precepts arise entirely from their love of sin to deliver them from which and to restore them through a mediator to unfeigned obedience to the Holy law is one design of the Gospel and the means of grace connected with the establishment of the visible church.
- 11. That the first day of the week is the Lord's day or Christian Sabbath; that it should be kept sacred to religious purposes by abstaining from all secular labor and recreation by the direct observance of all means of grace, both public and private, and prepare for the rest which remains for the people of God.
- 12. That civil government is of divine appointment for the interest of order of human society; that the magistrates are to be prayed for conscientiously; honored and obeyed in all things not contrary to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the Lord of conscience and Prince of the kings of the earth.

- 13. That there is a radical and essential difference between the righteous and wicked, and that such only are justified by faith in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and is sanctified by the spirit of God as are truly righteous in His esteem while all such as continue in impenitence and unbelief are, in His sight, wicked and under the curse and this distinction holds good among men, both in and after death.
- 14. That the end of this world is approaching when Christ will descend from the Heaven and raise the dead from their graves to final retribution, that solemn separation will then take place, the righteous being adjudged to everlasting happiness and the wicked to endless punishment and his judgment will forever fix the final state of men in Heaven or Hell on principles of righteousness.—John 5:25; Matt. 25:31; 41:46.

ASSOCIATIONAL DECORUM

- 1. The Association shall be called to order by the moderator elected last session.
 - 2. This Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
- 3. The moderator and clerk shall officiate until their successors are elected.
- 4. It shall be the duty of the moderator to call the meeting to order, to see that order is preserved, receive and submit all questions to the body. He shall have the privilege of speaking but must call upon some other brother to preside in his place while speaking. He shall not have the right to vote unless the body is equally divided, when he may cast the deciding vote.
- 5. The members present shall be enrolled and their names called as often as necessary.
- 6. The majority of the members present shall rule in cases, except upon admission of new churches, which shall require a unanimous vote.
- 7. No member shall absent himself from the house without leave from the moderator, and no member shall leave the association without the consent of the body.
- 8. All business shall be brought before the body by a move and second and shall be disposed of according to good usage.
- 9. No person shall be allowed to speak more than three times on the same subject nor more than fifteen minutes each time without permission from the body.
- 10. No person shall be disturbed while speaking unless he departs from the subject and it will be necessary to call him to order.

- 11. Only one person shall be allowed to speak at a time and he must rise to his feet and address the moderator and must not use abusive language or personal reflection on anyone without being subject to a call to order by the moderator.
- 12. It shall be the duty of the clerk to keep a minute of the proceedings and read the same when called upon, to be corrected at the discretion of the body, and shall prepare the minutes for publication, unless the association shall appoint someone for that purpose. He shall keep all books and papers belonging to the association and read the same when ordered to do so, and shall have such compensation for his services as the association may prescribe.
- 13. It shall be the duty of the corresponding secretary to carry on correspondence by writing to persons belonging to other associations of like faith in anyway that would be likely to create interest in this association for its promotion and well being.
- 14. It shall be the duty of the treasurer to keep all money committed to him by the association, and to keep an account of receipts and expenditures, make a report at every association if called upon, pay out money when ordered to do so by the association, and shall receive such compensation as the association may prescribe.
- 15. The Ordaining Council of the Martin Association shall receive each request for the purpose of ordaining ministers and deacons and shall be impartial and unbiased.
- 16. Licensed ministers must have a waiting period of one year before being ordained. Licensed ministers coming from sister associations must bring a letter of recommendation from their associations, be called to one or more churches, and have a waiting period of one year before being ordained by the Ordaining Council of the Martin Association.
- 17. Each candidate must be questioned by the council as to his beliefs of the fundamentals of doctrine of Free Will Baptist, including doctrine, faith and practices.
- 18. Any ordained minister coming from sister associations must bring a letter of recommendation from his association, as well as satisfy the Ordaining Council in reference to item 3 above, before being received into the fellowship of the Martin Association.
- 19. Ministers leaving our association to serve in the bounds of sister associations be given a letter of recommendation, providing they are in good standing with our association.

- 20. Churches making application to the Ordaining Council for members to be ordained to preach, do so at least 3 months in advance, in order to give the Ordaining Council time to question the candidate in doctrine and character.
- 21. These by-laws, in order to be amended, must be done by a two-thirds majority vote of the Martin Association only.
- 22. These rules of decorum may be amended at the discretion of the association.

CHURCH DECORUM

- 1. The church may choose a pastor annually at the last regular conference in association year; or if they prefer it may choose a pastor for an indefinite length of time to continue from year to year, as long as they deem it proper to keep up the connection.
- 2. When it becomes necessary, a pastor may be chosen at another time; but if the choice be made at a special conference, the time must be appointed at a monthly meeting of the church.
- 3 The pastor shall be the moderator of the church, but when he is absent or does not sit as moderator, being present, some suitable brother shall be appointed to sit in his place.
- 4. There shall be two or more deacons in the church whose duty it shall be to superintend the collection and disbursement of the contributions made by the church for the pastor, etc., and to distribute the bread and wine in the administration of the Lord's supper.
 - 5. The deacons shall take notice of such members as refuse or neglect to partake of the Lord's supper and endeavor to ascertain the cause, that the same may be laid before the church in conference if necessary.
 - 6. Some suitable member shall be appointed clerk and it shall be his duty to do all the recording and other writing pertaining to the business of the church and to preserve a file of the minutes of the association.
 - 7. When a new clerk is appointed all the books, etc belonging to the clerk shall be immediately delivered to him by his predecessor.
- 8. When a church deems it necessary, a committee of not less than three male members well acquainted with business, shall be appointed, whose duty it shall be to give advice to brethren who apply to them relative to cases of dealings and etc.
- 9. The church shall hold two days meetings monthly, embracing Saturday and the Lord's day following the first of which shall be the regular time of conference.

- 10. It shall be the duty of every member, male or female, to attend each conference meeting if they can, for on that day the pastor is expected to instruct the church in special manner by giving plain and pointed lessons on doctrine, discipline and the rule of holy living.
- 11. Any male member, who shall fail to attend three sucessive conferences, and any member whatever who may be generally remiss in attending the meetings of the church according to the covenant (Article 10), shall be cited to appear in conference and answer for his neglect, but the church may exempt members from this rule if necessary.
- 12.) Conference, after prayer or divine service shall be opened as follows: (1) Inviting visiting brethren to seat. (2) Opening the door of the church for the reception of members. (3) Calling for the reading of the minutes of the last conference. (4) Calling for absentees. (5) For acknowledgements. (6) For references or deferred business. (7) For new matters of dealings, which are to come before the body. (8) For miscellanous business.
- 13. Visiting brethren, as help called in from sister churches, shall be allowed to speak and make motions and seconds, but not allowed to vote.
- 14. Any orderly member of the Baptist Church may be received into the church without letter, when it is made apparent that his Christian character is unimpeachable, and that he has applied for a letter and could not obtain it because he desired to join this or some sister church. All other members must join by letter or baptism.
- 15. No member shall be received without the unanimous consent of the members present, but unreasonable objections shall not be valid and unless withdrawn the member who makes them shall be liable to be taken under dealings by the church.
- 16. When the moderator calls for absentees, the clerk shall inform the church what members have been absent from three successive conferences, and the moderator shall appoint some brother or brethren to cite each of them to the next conference.
 - 17. No member shall be expelled unless he has been cited verbally or in writing to attend his trial; provided his residence be known to the church. If a minister be guilty of unchristian conduct, he may be dealt with just as any other member, by his church, and must be reported to the Ordaining Council and they may silence him for a period of time or indefinitely, as they see fit.
 - 18. When a witness, not a member of the church, is introduced, he shall not be examined till the question has been put to the church: "Will you hear the testimony of this witness?"
 - 19. The evidence in every case of dealing and acknowledgment shall be minuted in the church book.

- 20. Members dismissed from the church by letter who becomes disorderly or continue to hold their letters without a good reason, shall be cited to the conference to answer for their conduct.
- 21. Expelled members may be restored to fellowship on their petition if their walk since expulsion has convinced the church that they have sincerely repented of their former evil conduct.
- 22. A vote shall not be taken upon any question without a move and a second, and in all important questions the vote shall be taken by rising to the feet.
- 23. No motion shall be made while a move and second is before the conference.
- 24. It shall be considered disorderly for any member to absent himself from conference when an important question is to be decided; but a member, upon his request, may be exempted from voting on either side in peculiar cases.
- 25. No member shall leave the house during conference without a sufficient cause, nor engage in conversation or whispering without being subject to be called to order by the moderator.
- 26. All dicussions in conference must be conducted with calmness and good feeling; those who speak must rise to their feet and address the moderator, and keep to the point in debate.
- 27. No one shall speak more than three times on the same motion without permission from the moderator, nor shall the remarks of any one be unreasonably long.
- 28. When the moderator speaks in debate he must nominate some brethren moderator in his stead.
- 29. No one shall be interrupted while speaking unless it is necessary to call him to order.
- 30. It shall be the rule of the church to attend to the administration of the Lord's supper and foot washing at least four times a year, and the expenses are to be paid by the church.
- 31. Members not in good standing shall not commune, but the administration shall not be deferred on account of any ordinary matter of dealing.
- 32. Public fasting, humiliation and prayer shall be observed on proper occasions.
- 33. It shall be the duty of the pastor to take up collections quarterly for the support of the home mission work.
- 34. It shall be the duty of each church to appoint a committee to revise the church book once a year.

35. This decorum may be altered or amended by the vote of two-thirds of the members present at any two successive monthly conferences.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

- 1. THE SCRIPTURE. The Scripture of the old and the New Testaments were given by the inspiration of God, and are binding on all as or only rule of faith and practice. There is only one living and true God. infinite in all of His attributes; the Creator, Preserver and Governor of the Universe, revealed to us in the Scriptures as Father, Son and Spirit.
- 2. CHRIST. He is God manifest in the flesh, being in His divine nature true, God, in His human nature true man, united in the person of Messiah as the mediator for the redemption of the world.
- 3. THE HOLY SPIRIT. He possesses all personal divine attributes belonging to the Reformer, Comforter and Sanctifier of men.
- 4. DIVINE PURPOSE AND PROVIDENCE. The purposes of God are eternal and immutable, and His Wise and Holy Providence is over all things to secure His only glory and the highest welfare of all creatures.
- 5. ORIGINAL STATE AND FALL OF MAN. Man was created upright, but by disobedience fell into a state of sin and condemnation. All his posterity inherits his fallen nature, which is cherished by indulgence so all who come to years of moral accountibility, sin and come short of the glory of God.
- 6. THE ATONEMENT. Christ in His great compassion offered Himself as a sacrifice in our stead, and those by His life, suffering and death, made an atonement which is full and free to all, and opens the only way to salvation.
- 7. GRACE. No one can by his own work merit, obtain salvation which is wholly of the grace of God, and through which all spiritual blessings are bestowed upon us.
- 8. CONDITION OF SALVATION. These are repentances implying Godly sorrow for open concessions and other renunciations of sin, faith or the unreserved committal of the mind and heart to receive, obey and trust in Christ, regeneration by the Holy Spirit, whereby the soul is freed from the dominion of sin and brought into the glorious liberty of the children of God.
- 9. ELECTION. God has not fixed the future state of man by any unconditional decree, but determined from the beginning to save all who could comply with the conditions of salvation.

- 10: PERSERVANCE. None will be finally saved but those who, through grace, preserve in holiness.
- 11. SALVATION FREE. God desires the salvation of all, the Gospel invites all, the Holy Spirit strives with all, and whosoever will, may come and take of the water of life freely.
- 12. THE FREEDOM OF THE WILL. The human will is not controlled by any fatal necessity or external force, but is free and self-determined, having power to yield to gracious influences or resist them and perish.
- 13. GOSPEL ORDINANCES. Baptism or the immersion of believers in water, and the Lord's supper are ordinances to be perpetuated under the Gospel or universal obligation and to be administered to all true believers.
- 14 THE SABBATH. The Christian Sabbath is a divine institution binding on all, and should be observed by abstaining from all secular business, amusements and consecrated to the worship of God and to spiritual improvement.
- 15. THE RESURRECTION. Final judgment and final retribution— Christ will make His second appearance at the end of the world, when the dead will be raised, the judgment will set, the righteous will be received to eternal blessedness, and the wicked banished to endless suffering.

GOVERNMENT AND ORDINANCES

- 1. We believe that the Gospel church, or a church of Christ is a congregation of Christians constituted and governed according to the rules laid down in the New Testament.
- 2. That these rules require churches to preserve the form of government and ordinances of the first Christian churches, and to be composed of baptized believers in Christ.
- 3. That the visible church is the aggregate or whole number of Gospel churches, and that the invisible church is composed of the redeemed now in Heaven; and of such Christians now on earth as are not attached to the visible; according to the Gospel rules.
- 4. That the establishment of a central or Catholic government over the visible church or any part thereof is a device of earthly ambition repugant to the word of God and subsersive to the churches and dangerous to the liberties of men.

- 5. That the Gospel churches are the only eclesiastical bodies or tribunals authorized by the Scripture; that each church has the unrestricted right to administer its own government without supervision or interference, being under Christ essentially independent and absolute and that if this right is surrendered to a superintending jurisdiction by delegation or otherwise the assembly ceases to be a gospel church.
- 6. That churches may nevertheless, meet by delegates, form an association and declare the terms upon which they will keep up a friendly correspondence but that the rights and authority of the churches being inalienable are in no wise compromised by or hindered by entering into an association, therefore associations have no shadow of authority over churches or individuals, their only powers being to transact business which does not pertain to churches in their eclesiastical capacity, or to promote mutual intercourse and concentration of voluntary effort, and to give that advice to churches which might with equal authority be given by an individual.
- 7. That the authority of churches are designated for the perpetuation of the true religion of the Gospel and for the preservation of a pure and orderly body of Christians on earth, that is fully sufficient for the purpose intended, but it does not extend to the person's property or consciences of men in any case whatever.
- 8. That the only requisites to church membership are faith in Christ and obedience to the Gospel, that faith in Christ necessarily exists in connection with the belief in the fundamental truths of Christianity, and to prescribe any other requisites of church membership is an assumption on the part of the church and a departure from the plan of the Gospel.
- 9. That the officers of the church are elders and deacons; that elders are also called bishops or pastors; that all elders are equal in rank; though they may perform different functions since some may be bishops or pastors of a particular church, while others may be simply elders, having no pastoral charge.
- 10. That the authority of a minister of the Gospel extends to teaching, exhortation and rebuke, but no turther, that he can not perform any act which belongs to the authority of the church, such as the reception of members into the church compact, of the expulsion of offenders, that as member of the church he is no more than any other member, and if he is guilty of transgression he is to be brought to trial before his brethren and convicted or acquitted in the same manner as if he were a private person; yet we think it prudent and proper to call

in advisory help, especially if the minister is to be tried upon a charge of heresy.

- 11. That Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water in the name of the Father, Son, and of the Holy Ghost.
- 12. That the Lord's upper is an ordinance to be observed in the church till the Lord comes.
- 13. The elders and deacons must be set apart to their office by ordination, by the imposition of the hands of the presbytery and prayer, without which they are not authorized to administer the ordinances pertaining to their respective offices.

ASSOCIATIONAL CONSTITUTION

- 1. A church proper in its lowest sense is a body of Christians united and congregated together for the purpose of worshiping God and promoting His cause, and in which the Gospel is regularly preached; the ordinances duly administered and the principles of holiness encouraged and practiced. Each church or body thus formed is a separate part thereof and independent in itself; possessing the right to direct its own affairs in its own way, subject only in certain difficult cases to arbitrate by sister churches. Such churches may, however, unite in associational capacity for purposes of more thorough organization, efficient work and for general and mutual good of all without surrendering any of their individual rights. Therefore, the churches here inafter mentioned resolve themselves into a body eclesiastic to be known as the Martin Association of Free Will Baptist which shall meet annually at such time and place as may be agreed upon by the body at its annual meeting.
- 2. The association, when assembled, shall be composed of all ministers of the association, both ordained and licentiates, and the delegates or messengers chosen by the several churches from time to time for that purpose.
- 3. The number of delegates to be determined by the membership of the respective churches. To simplify this we will state that any church is entitled to two delegates, it matters not how few members it may have. That after it has attained fifty members it shall then be entitled to one more delegate to every twenty-five members or fractional part thereof, until it has reached one hundred; then for every fifty, or fractional part thereoof and go on increasing in its ratio to any number.

- 4. The officers of the Association shall consist of a moderator, clerk and treasurer to be chosen annually for the next year and to be elected by ballot or anyway the Association deems proper.
- 5. It shall be the duty of the moderator to preside over the body during the session for which he is elected, call the session to order, enforce the rules of the decorum, decide all questions of discipline, and in case of a tie, to cast the deciding vote.
- 6. It shall be the duty of the clerk to keep an accurate record of the business transactions of the association, superintend the printing of the minutes and draw on the treasurer for the funds to discharge the expense of the same: He shall hold office until his successor is elected and installed, and shall receive such compensation for his services as the association may deem proper to allow.
- 7. There shall be an executive committee of discreet brethren appointed annually by the moderator, or elected by the body who shall properly be the association in recess, and whose duty may be more fully defined from time to time by the association. The treasurer shall be one of the number.
- 8. When the association is assembled a majority of all the members enrolled shall be required to form a quorum for the transaction of business.
- 9. All debates shall be conducted in a Christian like and brotherly spirit. All shall be allowed the privelege of speaking on any question which is submitted to the consideration of the body.
- 10. Every speaker shall rise to his feet, address the moderator, and keep to the question in debate, and shall avoid all unpleasant reflections and personalities.
- 11. No brother shall be allowed to consume more than fifteen minutes in one speech, or speak more than twice on the same subject except by permission of the moderator or body.
- 12. All questions shall be submitted by move and second the first motion taking precedence in point of order. Every motion seconded must be acted upon, unless withdrawn by the mover.
- 13. The business shall be taken up in order according to the subjoined plan, unless it becomes necessary to suspend the regular rules for a time for purposes which appear proper.

14 The moderator shall, at each session, invite corresponding delegates from other bodies of our own order, and also ministers from other denominations to seats, when thus seated shall be entitled to the friendship of honorary members.

ASSOCIATIONAL COVENANT

Having been, we trust, brought together to organize an association; by divine grace to embrace our Lord Jesus Christ, to give ourselves up whelly to Him, with all humility and brotherly love; to watch over each other for good, and stir up each other to love and good work, and not forsaking the frequest assembling of ourselves together with our neighbors to worship God according to His revealed will, as occasion may require; to warn, rebuke and admonish each other according to the rules of the Gospel, that the knowledge may be thereby promoted to the We will uphold the public worship of God and the ordinances of His house, and hold constant communion with each other therein; and we will cheerfully contribute of our property for the maintenance of a faithful minister of the Gospel among us and for the extension of the blessed Redeemer's kingdom among us universally. We will not omit family and close religion at home nor allow ourselves in the too common neglect of the great and important duty of religiously training our children for the service of God and the enjoyment of heaven. We will also sympathize with each other in seasons of temptation and afflication and be ready to distribute to the necessities of the saints. We will especially pray for and with each other for the churches universally, for the promised effusion of the Holy Spirit, for the prosperity of Zion, and the ingathering of the elect and may the God of Peace, who brought again from the dead, our Lord Jesus Christ, that great Shepherd of the Sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make us perfect in every good work to do His will, that we may not only enjoy a name and place in the church on earth but finally with His glorious church of the first born of Heaven in ascribing blessings, honor, might, majesty to Him who sitteth on the throne and the Lamb forever.

CHURCHES	Active Members	Inactive Members	Total Members	Received By Letter	Received By Baptism	Statement of Faith	Dismissed By Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Sunday School Enrollment	Average	C.T.S. Enrollment	Average Attendance	Woman's Auxiliary	Average Attendance	Prayer Meeting	Number of Deacons
COLQUITT			68				1		1	43	27			26	14	yes	4
CORINTH	23	47	70				1		1	37	20	30	18				
HEBREW			62	2	1					40	20			19	12		
HIGHWAY			16				8		. 1	29	25	25	20				3
MOTHERS HOME	78	5	83	5		3	2	1		78	64	54	36	14	7	yes	4
MT. GLORY	27		27		3				1	28	26	15	15			yes	2
MT. GILEAD	57		57		4					48	40	35	30			yes.	3
NEW HOME no. 1	105		105	3	2		2	38		105	65	105	45			yes	7
NEW HOME no. 2	70	-	127	1	2	4	5		5	40	30					yes	3
NEW SALEM			115		2				3	85	72	45	35	26	13	yes	5
PILGRIMS HOME	16		16														
PROCTOR CHAPEL	23	1	24	3	1				3	23	10					yes	
THOMPSON	51		51	1		_	(************************************		2	35	25		·			yes	
TOTALS	450	53	821	15	17	7	19	39	17	596	424	309	199	85	46		31

FINANCIAL REPORT

CHURCHES .	Paid Pastor	Total Offering	Paid Evangelist	Revivals Held	Cooperative Plan	Building and Repairs	Literature	Total Expenditures	Value Of Church	Value Of Parsonage	Meeting Days	Minutes	Martin Youth Camp
COLQUITT	2,400.00	6,726.78	175.00		····	450.90	220.78	3,812.72	8,000		Ful1	17.50	
CORINTH	1,218.19	3,253.41	143.15	1	197.85	187.16	116.77	2,889.11	10,000		Fu11	17.50	5.00
HEBREW	785.61		100.00				78.86	1,766.00	6,365		Ful1	20.50	
HI GHWAY	420.00			1		533.72	186.84	1,258.94	4,295			8.00	5.00
MOTHERS HOME	2,239.56	6,274.31	104.10	3	356.47	135.60	679.21	4,638.00	6,000		Ful1	18.25	5.00
MT. GLORY	636.93	1,012.32	237.90	1			•	1,012.32	5,000		Full	6.75	5.00
MT. GILEAD	1,860.00	4,755.91	230.00	2	96.00	1,426.48	146.08	4,748.99	10,000		Ful1	14.25	5.00
NEW HOME no. 1	4,905.00	12,971.62	435.00	4	436.95	15,402.36	340.60	22,756.00	11,000	11,700	Ful1	26.25	5.00
NEW HOME no. 2	1,004.71	2,486.84	75.00		20.00	201.76	150.00	2,422.34	10,000		Fu11	18.50	
NEW SALEM	4,050.00	15,702.52	197.40	2	561.82	6,685.58	424.14	12,845.95	21,000	12,000	Ful1	28.75	5.00
PILGRIMS HOME	565.00	1,180.30				690.00		1,528.73	15,000		184	4.00	
PROCTOR CHAPEL	1,003.50	1,206.00	100.00	2			50.00	1,178.50	10,000		Ful1	6.00	
THOMPSON	2,019.20		285.00	_2		301.28	35.00	3,398.35	7,000		264	12.75	5.00
TOTALS	23,107.70	55,570.01	2082.55	18	1696.09	26,014.84	2428.28	64,255.95	123,660	23,700		199.00	40.00

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