# NINETY — SECOND QUARTERLY SESSIONS OF THE MARTIN ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST 1978



### MEETING DATES OF MARTIN ASSOCIATION

December 31, 1978 — Sunday School Convention — Mt. Glory January 19, 1979 —— Ministerial Conference ——— Donalsonville January 20, 1979 ——— Martin, First Session ———— New Salem April 13, 1979 — Ministerial Conference — New Home # 2 April 14, 1979 — Martin, Second Session — Thompson April 29, 1979 — C.T.S. Rally — Mt. Gilead July 13, 1979 — Ministerial Conference — Corinth July 14, 1979 — Martin, Third Session — Mothers Home July 29, 1979 ——— Sunday School Convention —— Donalsonville September 30, 1979 — C.T.S. Rally — Corinth October 18, 1979 — Ministerial Conference — Highway October 20, 1979 — Martin, Fourth and Annual Session — Corinth

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# OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS OF MARTIN ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

### **General Officers**

Moderator		
Assistant Moderator Bro. Louie Grimes		
Clerk Rev. Wayne Sheffield		
Assistant Clerk Bro. David Clements		
Executive Committee		
Rev. S. E. Newberry Quincy, Fla.		
Rev. Wayne Sheffield		
Bro. C. A. Powell		
Bro. Emory Richardson Colquitt, Ga.		
Bro. J. R. McNease		
Ordaining Council		
Rev. W. C. Combs Three Years		
Rev. Cecil Mock Two Years		
Rev. Damon Dodd One Year		
Investigating Committee		
Bro. Robert Tully Three Years		
Bro. Edd HillTwo Years		
Bro. Frank Newberry One Year		
Local Mission Board		
Bro. Tyrone Williams Three Years		
Bro. Steve Keaton Two Years		
Bro. Bobby Roberts One Year		
Nominations To State Boards		
Mission Board		
Board of Trustees Bro. Emory Richardson		
Board of Retirement and Insurance Bro. Howard Roberts		
Board of Christian Education and Camping Rev. S. E. Newberry		
Budgeting Board		
P. O. Box 1406, Dublin, Ga. 31021		

### PROGRAMS FOR QUARTERLY MEETINGS 1979

### First Session New Salem, January 20, 1979

•	New Salem, January 20, 1979
Welcome	Sis. Eva Middleton
Response	Bro. Richard McNease
	Sis. Ruby Scott
Message .	
Devotion	Bro. Robert Tully
	Second Session
	Thompson, April 14, 1979
Welcome	Bro. Louie Grimes
Response	Bro. Wayne Scott
Devotion	Bro. Steve Keaton
Message .	
Devotion	Bro. Stanley Kirkland
	Third Session
e e	Mothers Home, July 14, 1979
Welcome	Sis. Martha Williams
Response	Sis. Lucille Lane
Devotion	Bro. Bobby Roberts
Message	Rev. Cecil Mock
Devotion	Sis. Edd Hill
	Fourth Session
J	Corinth, October 20, 1979
Welcome	Bro. James Swanner
Response	Sis. Jewel Barber
Devotion	Bro. Bennie Cumbie
Message	
Devotion	Bro. David Richardson

# MARTIN ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST FIRST QUARTERLY MEETING

January 14, 1978

The first session convened at 10:00 a.m., at New Home Church in Miller County. Song service was led by Bro. Bobby Roberts. Prayer by Bro. Louie Grimes.

Moderator asked all delegates to move to the front of the Church, then the moderator recognized and welcomed all visitors.

The welcome was given by Bro. Horace Lovering, Jr., the response was given by Bro. Herbert Boyd.

Bro. David Clements brought the morning devotional using as his text Duet.38:7-8.

The moderator asked the clerk to give a partial report of the credentials. A move and second was given to the report, move carried.

The moderator then appointed a Credentials Committee consisting of Bro. David Clements, Bro. Jerry McNease, Bro. Herbert Boyd.

The moderator appointed a Resolutions Committee consisting of Rev. W. C. Combs, Bro. Charles Grimes, Rev. W. S. Driggers.

The moderator asked for a nomination to the State Committee on drawing up standards and guidelines for licensing and ordaining ministers, Rev. D. C. Dodd appointed to this committee.

The moderator asked for the reading of the minutes of the last Quarterly Meeting, and a Financial Report, move and second, approved. The moderator called for any committee reports.

Bro. Bobby Roberts gave the local Mission Board Report, move by Bro. Bobby Roberts, second by Bro. Horace Lovering, Jr., to accept report, carried. (See Reports)

Rev. Damon Dodd gave the ordaining council report, move by Rev. Damon Dodd, second by Bro. Bobby Roberts to accept, move carried. (See Reports)

Bro. Moderator asked how many ministers were present, there were 9. How many deacons were present, there were 17.

Bro. C. A. Powell gave the Youth Camp Treasure Report, move by Bro. C. A. Powell, and seconded by Bro. Howard Roberts to accept, report accepted. (See Reports)

There being no other committee reports ready at this time, Bro. Bobby Roberts led the congregation in a song.

Bro. Moderator announced the new Associational Minutes were ready to be picked up.

Rev. Damon Dodd, from the State Mission Board, gave a short run down on State Mission.

The Credentials Committee gave their complete report. A move by Bro. Jerry McNease, seconded by Bro. Horace Lovering, Jr., to accept, move carried. (See Reports)

Bro. Moderator asked the clerk to read the petitionary letter from the Donalsonville Free Will Baptist Church, Midway Association, asking to be accepted into the Fellowship of this Association.

Rev. Damon Dodd made move to accept the Donalsonville Free Will Baptist Church into the Martin Association, pending a letter of recommendation from the Midway Association, seconded by Bro. Howard Roberts, standing vote taken, motion unanamiously carried.

Bro. Moderator asked the clerk to read the minutes from the Joint Meeting of the Executive Committee and Youth Camp Board of Trustees, and give recommendation as follows:

"We recommend to give to each church its equal portion of money received from the sale of the Youth Camp, move by Bro.EddHill, and seconded by Rev. Damon Dodd to accept this recommendation, move carried.

Rev. Jake Scott gave comment on origin of Youth Camp, and that we should not forget this gift from God.

The moderator gave a report on the money from the sale of the Youth Camp. The money was deposited in a Savings Account at Citizens Bank in Colquitt and had accumulated \$245.00 in interest, giving a total from the sale of the Martin Association Youth Camp property \$40,245.00.

Rev. W. S. Driggers moved to give each of the eleven churches \$3600.00 each, and the clerk to send \$100.00 to the Free Will Baptist Childrens Home in Alabama, the remainder to be kept in the Associational Treasure, seconded by Bro. Bobby Roberts, move carried.

Rev. Damon Dodd gave a report on Rev. B. H. Parrish in the Tallahassee Hospital and asked to receive an offering as a gift to Rev. Parrish, move by Rev. Damon Dodd, seconded by Rev. S. E. Newberry move carried.

Total amount of offering received, \$139.44.

After an inspiring song service by New Home Church the morning message was brought by Rev. S. E. Newberry, using as his text Act 20:22-35, afterward we recessed for lunch.

The afternoon session beganwith a song led by Bro. Bobby Roberts, Prayer was offered by Rev. William Smith.

The afternoon devotional was given by Sis. Chastain Burk, using Ex. 20 as text. Bro. Moderator called for any other committee reports.

The Resolutions Committee gave their report. Move by Rev. W. C. Combs, seconded by Rev. Damon Dodd to accept report, move accepted. (See Reports)

Move by Rev. Wayne Sheffield, seconded by Bro. Herbert Boyd to give out of the Associational Treasure \$100.00 to Rev. B. H. Parrish Fund, Churches were also challenged to respond, move carried.

A rising vote of thanks was given to New Home Church for their hospitality. The clerk asked if anybody had any old Associational Minutes, if they might turn them in to the clerk for records.

There being no further business to come before this body, we all stood for a moment of silent prayer for Rev. B. H. Parrish.

Move by Rev. W. S. Driggers, seconded by Rev. Damon Dodd to adjourn, move carried, dismissed with prayer by Rev. Wayne Sheffield

# MARTIN ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING

April 15, 1978

The second session convened with Mt. Gilead, at 10:00 a.m. on April 14, 1978. Bro. Herbert Boyd led the congregation in a song. Bro. Edgar Smith offered prayer.

The moderator gave welcome and recognized visitors.

The welcome was given by Bro. Stanley Kirkland, the response was given by Bro. Paul Boutwell.

Bro. David Richardson gave the morning devotional, using II Cor. Ch. 4 as text.

Bro. Moderator asked for a Credentials Report. Report was given, move and second to receive report and seat delegates, move carried. (See Reports)

The moderator called for a reading of minutes of the last session. Minutes were read by clerk and a Financial Report was given, move second to receive, move carried. (See Reports)

The moderator appointed a Resolutions Committee, consisting of Rev. William Smith, Bro. Author Ogg, Sis. Inell Williams.

The moderator then read a letter from the Midway Association recommending the First Free Will Baptist Church of Donalsonville, Ga. into our fellowship. The moderator extended the right hand of Christian Fellowship to Rev. Cecil Mock, officially welcoming them into our association.

Bro. Moderator asked for any committee reports.

Rev. Damon Dodd gave report on State Guidelines Committee for ordaining ministers and also gave the Ordaining Council Report,

move by Rev. Damon Dodd, and seconded by Bro. C. M. Smith to accept report, move carried. (See Reports)

Move and second, to change Fourth Quarterly Session to Mothers Home Church, because the Colquitt Church would be entertaining the Paul Palmer Association on that day, move carried.

Rev. William Smith gave a partial Resolutions Committee Report, move by Rev. William Smith, seconded by Rev. Damon Dodd to receive, move adopted. (See Reports)

Bro. Bobby Roberts gave local Mission Board Report, move by Bro. Bobby Roberts, seconded by Rev. Damon Dodd to accept, report accepted. (See Reports)

Rev. S. E. Newberry gave a report on State Christian Education and Camping Committee, asking for our prayers and support for Camp Mt. Bethel.

The moderator read letter from the Childrens Home, thanking the Association for the \$100.00 gift.

The moderator asked all pastors to come forward and draw names for Pulpit Exchange Sunday.

The clerk gave the Youth Camp Treasure Report in the absence of Bro. Clifton Powell, move by Rev. S. E. Newberry to send the balance of money in the youth Treasure to the State Board of Christian Education and Camping, to be used at Camp Mt. Bethel, seconded by Bro. Robert Tully, move carried. (See Reports)

The moderator called for a short recess before the morning message.

After an inspiring message brought by Rev. Damon Dodd using St. Luke 5:1-10, we received and offering in the amount of \$33.81.

We were dismissed for lunch by Rev. W. C. Combs.

After lunch Bro. Herbert Boyd led the congregation in a song, Rev. W. S. Driggers led in prayer, Bro. Edd Hill gave the afternoon devotional using as his text St. John 21:14-18.

The Resolutions Committee gave the remainder of their report, a move and second to adopt the resolutions report, move carried. (See Reports)

There being no further business to come before this body, a move to adjourn was in order, move was made by Rev. W. S. Driggers, and properly seconded, all stood for adjournment. Dismissed with prayer.

### MARTIN ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST THIRD QUARTERLY MEETING July 15, 1978

The third session of the Martin Association convened at New Home #2 Free Will Baptist Church at 10:00 a.m., July 15, 1978. Song service was led by Bro. Bobby Roberts, Rev. Jake Scott offered prayer, Bro. Louie Grimes served as moderator in the absence of Rev. Lewis Williams.

The welcome was given by Bro. Bennie Cumbie, the response was given by Bro. Robert Boyd, the morning devotion was given by Bro. David Brock.

A partial report of the Credentials was read, move by clerk, seconded by Rev. Damon Dodd, to receive report and seat delegates, move carried.

The moderator asked the clerk to read the minutes of last session, and give a Financial Report, move by the clerk, seconded by Bro. Bobby Roberts to receive, move carried.

The moderator asked how many preachers were present, there were 9, how many deacons were present, there were 9.

Rev. Damon Dodd gave the Ordaining Council Report, move and second, to receive, move carried. (See Reports)

Move By Rev. Damon Dodd and seconded by Rev. S. E. Newberry, to rescend the former move of the association, (See second Quarterly Proceedings) from Colquitt Free Will Baptist Church to the Mothers Home Free Will Baptist Church, and upon request made, to let the Colquitt Church host the Annual Session, move carried.

Bro. Moderator appointed a Resolutions Committee as follows, Bro. Douglas Smith, Bro. Claude Newsome, Bro. David Brock.

The moderator called for Board Reports.

Bro. Bobby Roberts gave Local Mission Board Report, move by Bro. Bobby Roberts, seconded by Rev. Jim Lugo to accept report, move carried. (See Reports)

The moderator appointed a Nominating and Program Committee, to nominate officers and committee vacancies, and to set place and program for future meetings.

The Nominating Committee: Rev. Cecil Mock, Bro. Glen Tully, Bro. Richard McNease.

The Program Committee: Bro. Bennie Cumbie, Bro. Robert Boyd, Sis. Winnie Preston.

The clerk read a letter of recommendation from the South Georgia Association, recommending Rev. William Smith and Rev. Jim Lugo into our fellowship and service.

The moderator appointed a Credentials Committee as follows, Rev. Cecil Mock, Bro. Glen Tully, Bro. Howard Roberts, move by Rev. Cecil Mock and seconded by Bro. Buddy Bailey to accept, move carried. (See Reports)

Bro. Bobby Roberts led the congregation in a song, the Rev. W. S. Driggers brought the morning message using I Cor. 16:13-14, Watch and Stand.

We were dismissed for lunch by Rev. Jim Lugo.

After a delicious lunch we reconvened, Bro. Bobby Roberts led in song, Bro. Buddy Bailey led in prayer.

The afternoon devotional was given by Rev. Jim Lugo, using the story of David and Goliath.

The Resolutions Committee gave their report, move by Bro. Claude Newsome and seconded by Rev. Damon Dodd to receive, move carried. (See Reports)

Rev. Damon Dodd gave a report on the Bible Institute in Albany.

There being no further business to come before this body, Rev. Damon Dodd moved to adjourn, seconded by Rev. Cecil Mock, dismissed with prayer.

### MARTIN ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST FOURTH QUARTERLY MEETING October 14, 1978

The fourth session of the Martin Association convened at Colquitt Free Will Baptist Church on Saturday morning, October 14, 1978, 9:30 a.m., song service was led by Rev. Damon Dodd, prayer by Rev. W. C. Combs. welcome by Bro. Walter Swearingain, response by Sis. Eva Middleton. Devotional by Bro. Charles Grimes using I Tim. 6:11-12 and Heb. 12:1-4.

Bro. Moderator extended an official welcome to all visitors. A partial Credential Report was read by clerk. Move by clerk and seconded by Rev. W. S. Driggers to accept partial report, move carried.

Bro. Moderator asked all delegates to stand and be recognized, and all be seated on left hand side of church.

Bro. Moderator appointed a Credentials Committee consisting of Bro. David Richardson, Bro. Richard McNease, Sis. Johnny Ogg.

Bro. Moderator appointed a Resolutions Committee consisting of Rev. Damon Dodd, Bro. Charles Jordan, Sis. Edd Hill.

Bro. Moderator asked Bro. Clerk to read minutes of last quarterly meeting, and give a Treasure Report, minutes were read, and Treasure Report was given, move by clerk, seconded by Rev. Cecil Mock. Minutes adopted.

Rev. Jim Lugo gave a good report on Harvest Drive for the Childrens Home in Eldridge, Alabama.

Bro. Moderator asked for a Mission Board Report. Rev. Damon Dodd gave report on the work to be begun in the Metropolitian Atlanta area, specifically, in the Smyra - Marietta vicinity.

Rev. Billy Sharpston gave a report on the South Georgia Bible Institute and the possibility of the Institute moving to the Colquitt Free Will Church.

Bro. Bobby Roberts gave a partial report of Local Mission Board, move by Bro. Bobby Roberts to accept partial report, seconded by Rev. Damon Dodd, move carried.

Rev. W. C. Combs gave a report on the Masters Men Organization.

Rev. Dean Dobbs gave a report on National Home Missions.

Bro. O. B. Everson gave a report on Masters Men.

The Credentials Committee gave their final report, move by Bro. David Richardson, seconded by Bro. James Swanner to accept report, move carried. (See Reports)

There were 13 ministers and 15 deacons present.

Bro. Moderator asked for four volunteers to State Association, Sis. Eva Middleton and Sis. W. C. Combs volunteered.

Sis. Martha Everson gave a report on Ladies Auxiliary State Convention. Bro. Moderator declared a recess before the morning message.

We were led in song by Rev. Damon Dodd, Rev. Billy Sharpston led in prayer. We received an offering of \$85.04 for Childrens Home, Rev. Damon Dodd offered prayer, then we had a special in song by all the ministers present and some of the deacons. Rev. Dean Dobbs then brought the morning message using II Tim. 4:5-8, dismissed for lunch by Rev. William Smith.

We convened after lunch with the Rev. Damon Dodd leading in a song, and Rev. Jim Lugo leading in prayer.

Rev. Wayne Sheffield gave the afternoon devotion.

The Program Committee gave their report, move by Sis. Winnie Preston, seconded by Rev. Damon Dodd to accept, move carried. (See Reports)

Bro. Bobby Roberts gave a complete Missions Board Report, giving the itinerary for Missionary Rev. Larry Nix to be in our Association. Move by Bro. Bobby Roberts and seconded to receive this report, move carried. (See Reports)

A move was made by Rev. Jim Lugo and seconded by Rev. William Smith to send \$10.00 per month to Rev. Larry Nix Fund, move carried.

The Resolutions Committee gave their report. Rev. Damon Dodd moved to receive item by item and dispose of same, second by Rev. William Smith, move carried. (See Reports)

The Ordaining Council gave their report. (See Reports) Move by Rev. W. S. Driggers, second by Rev. William Smith to receive report, move carried.

Bro. Moderator asked for announcements.

The Nominating Committee gave their report, move by Bro. Richard McNease to accept, move carried, with a second. (See Reports)

Move by Rev. Damon Dodd and second by Rev. W. C. Combs to accept the resignation of Rev. S. E. Newberry from the Ordaining Council, move carried.

Bro. Moderator called the new moderator to the front and presented him the chair to close out the session.

Move to adjourn was made by Rev. Lewis Williams and seconded by Sis. Chastain Burk, move carried.

Dismissed by prayer by Rev. Wayne Sheffield.

# MARTIN ASSOCIATION FINANCIAL REPORT FROM

October 15, 1977 to October 15, 1978

TOTAL MONIES RECEIVED
October 1977 Session \$283.23
Thanksgiving Service
Ministerial Conference
Sunday School Convention
Church Training Service
Sale of Martin Youth Camp 40,000.00
Interest from Youth Camp Money
Deposited from First Session (Dues, Minutes) 445.24
Deposited from Second Session
Closed out Account, Youth Camp Treasure
Deposited Third Session (Dues, Mem. Fund) 586.10

\$42,706.78

### TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

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Post Searchlight	\$ 7.30
Donalsonville News	2.50
Early County News	4.00
Miller County Liberal	3.00
Martin Youth Camp	10.00
Rev. Lewis Williams, Moderator	5.00
Bro. David Richardson, Clerk	20.00
Local Missions	4.27
Ga. State FWB Promotional Dept	45.96
Brodnax Memorial Fund	82.41
Rev. Lewis Williams, Moderator	5.00
Rev. Wayne Sheffield, Clerk	5.00
Automat Printers 250 Association Minutes	509.15
New Home #2	3600.00
Hebrew	3600.00
New Salem	3600.00
Mt. Gilead	3600.00
New Home M.C	3600.00
Corinth	3600.00
Highway	3600.00
Mt. Glory	3600.00
Thompson	
Colquitt	3600.00
Mothers Home	3600.00
Rev. B. H. Parrish	239.44
Ga. State Promotional Dept	33.42
Local Mission Board	2.88
Free Will Baptist Childrens Home	100.00
Automat Printers 500 Forms	27.85
Ga. State Assoc. Promotional Dept	31.25
Local Mission Board	2.38
Rev. Lewis Williams, Moderator	5.00
Rev. Wayne Sheffield, Clerk	5.00
State Board, Christian Education and Camping	699.74
Buck Bell, Postmaster (Stamps)	15.05
Rev. John Brodnax, Memorial Fund	412.10
Ga. State Assoc. Promotional Dept	30.90
Rev. Lewis Williams, Moderator	5.00
Rev. Wayne Sheffield, Clerk	
Local Mission Board	<u> 2.60</u>
TOTAL ALL EXPENDITURES	\$41,921.20

Beginning Balance from 1977409.71Total Income of\$42,706.78Grand Total of all Monies\$43,116.49Wrote Checks Totaling41,921.20	
Balance on October 14, 1978 \$ 1,195.29	
CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT  January Session	
Total Churches Reporting11Total Church Membership1048Sunday School Enrollment558C.T.S. Enrollment283Womens Auxiliary Enrollment112Masters Men Enrollment19Prayer Meeting Enrollment261Amount Enclosed for Dues\$176.30	
April Session	•
Total Churches Reporting	
July Session	
Total Churches Reporting	
October Session	
Total Churches Reporting12Total Number of Elected Delegates44Number Ordained Ministers12Number Licensed Ministers7Total Number of Deacons39Total Amount of Dues\$216.75	

### MARTIN YOUTH CAMP REPORT January Session

Balance from October       \$294.81         Deposits       46.00
Total
Balance of January 14, 1978 \$223.05
April Session
Balance from January\$223.05Youth Camp Money460.93Gas Refund15.76
Balance of April 15, 1978
MISSION BOARD REPORTS (LOCAL MISSIONS)  January Report
January - Had Bank Balance of \$148.69
April Report  April - Had Bank Balance of
July Report
July - Had Bank Balance of \$151.58
October Report  October - Had Bank Balance of
ORDAINING COUNCIL REPORTS

### January Session

Rev. William Smith appeared before us desiring membership in the Martin Association, we recommend that he be received into our ministerial fellowship, pending a letter of recommendation and good standing from the South Georgia Association of which he is now a member.

### **April Session**

We met at Mt. Gilead Church April 15, 1978, to interview Rev. Jim Lugo, Pastor of the New Salem FWB church, relative to his doctrine practices as a Free Will Baptist Minister, we are fully satisfied to his qualifications and loyalty and recommend that he be received into the Martin Association pending a letter of recommendation from the South Georgia Association.

### **July Session**

A letter of recommendation requested for Rev. J. M. Goode, from this Association to the South Eastern Association of Free Will Baptist in Alabama.

### October Session

Rev. J. J. Scott came before this Ordaining Council requesting that we receive him into our Martin Association as an Ordained FWB Minister in good standing. He has brought to us a letter of recommendation from the Salem Association of Free Will Baptist of Florida, signed by the moderator and clerk of the Ordaining Council of said Association, we recommend that Rev. J. J. Scott be received into full fellowship as an ordained minister into the Martin Association of Free Will Baptist.

### RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORTS

### January Session

- 1. We resolve that the clerk be authorized to write a letter to Mr. Walter Hays, attorney, expressing our greatful appreciation for his thoughtful generosity and service in the handling of legal matters associated with the sale of the Martin Association Youth Camp property.
- 2. In as much as the annual Statistical Reports of the local churches of the Martin Association are filed with the clerk in October at the Annual Session therefore;

Be it resolved, that the reports from the local churches of the association at its January, April, July Sessions be limited to the name and address of the pastor and clerk; the listing of all elected delegates from the local church, space for designating monies sent

and for what purpose; and ample space for request or remarks. Be it further resolved that the association authorize the clerk of this Martin Association to have a supply of such forms prepared to distribute among the churches for reporting to the January, April, July meeting.

3. Request we stand and have a moment of silent prayer for Rev. B. H. Parrish.

### **April Session**

- 1. Since the practices of exhanging pulpits on Sunday during the year has proved to be beneficial and a blessing to the preachers as well, not only from the stand point of the fellowship it affords, but also for the promotion of a worthy project being sponsored by the association;
- A. We recommend that we set Sunday May 21, 1978, as the time for the pulpit exchange this year, and that the clerk prepare the list of churches for the pastors to draw from here today.
- B. We further recommend that the churches make a special offering during that service toward our goal of \$350.00 for the Rev. John Brodnax Memorial Fund and that the Church Treasure send the offering at once to the Treasurer of Martin Association, Rev. Wayne Sheffield, Rt. #5, Colquitt, Ga. designated "Memorial Fund."
- 2. When printing the church minutes, under doctrinal views, print what is stated in the Treaties of the Faith and Practices of the Original Free Will Baptist.
- 3. That we delete items 20 and 21, and rewrite item 20 to read "These rules of Decorum may be Amended by a two-thirds majority vote of the Martin Association only."
- 4. That the Martin association authorize the clerk to write a letter to The Albany Herald, and all local newspapers, stating our opposition to the brewery being built in Albany.
- 5. That Mt. Gilead be given a rising vote of thanks, and appreciation for their warm welcome, comforts, and hospitality.

### July Session

1. Whereas, the Martin Free Will Baptist Association recognizes the unselfish contribution made by the Reverends Enoch, John, Preston and Farnel Norris to our churches many years ago; Be it resolved that the association take upon itself the responsibility of respectfully restoring and marking their grave sites at Corinth Church Cemetary.

Be it further resolved that the work be paid for with funds supplied by an anonymous donor.

Be it further resolved that this work not be started until the clerk has a check on deposit for this work.

- 2. Be it resolved that all churches be responsible for food for the association.
- 3. Be it resolved that we extend our appreciation and thanks to New Home #2 for their hosting this meeting.

### **October Session**

1. It has been six years since the Martin Association has entertained a session of the Georgia State Association, if we extend an invitation at this coming session in November, it will be in 1981 or 1982 before we can get it.

We recommend that the Martin Association officially invite the state association to meet with us in its 1981 session, and if this invitation is not successful, to continue to extend the invitation year by year until we are successful.

2. We recommend the Martin Association have a Union Thanksgiving Service again this year, to be held at Thompson Church on Wednesday Evening November 22, 1978, at 7:30 p.m., and that the offering be designated for the account of Rev. Larry Nix to help with the new work in the Marietta - Smyra area of Atlanta.

We further recommend that the moderator appoint a committee of three members to arrange the order of service and select the preacher. The church with which we will meet will provide special music for the service.

- 3. Since we no longer own the Youth Camp property, and of course can hold none of our meetings there, we recommend that Article II of the standing rules for the Martin Quarterly meeting be deleted and the next two articles be renumbered 11 and 12 respectively.
- 4. We recommend that we invite Rev. E. L. Corbett to be our guest speaker for our Annual Session in October 1979, and that we give an honorarium of \$50.00 for his services.
- 5. That we observe a moment of silent prayer in memory of the following departed brothers and sisters: Sis. Miram Gilbert, Sis. Anne Roland, Sis. Essie Gay, Rev. W. A. Addison, Bro. Judson Boutwell, Sis. Hattie Gilbert.
- 6. That we extend a rising vote of thanks to the Colquitt Church for their fine christian hospitality in entertaining this session of the Martin Association.

we further recommend that this same courtesy be extended to the retiring officers for their faithful and efficient services rendered.

### STANDING RULES FOR MARTIN QUARTERLY MEETINGS

- 1. Recommend that each church close their books on September one, and mail their Annual and Quarterly Reports to the clerk two weeks before each session.
- 2. The pastoral year will begin on September First.
- 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 for the meeting.
- 4. The Sunday School and Church Training Service, Ministers and Deacons Conference, Ladies Auxiliary and any other Auxiliary give an annual report to the Quarterly Meetings.
- 5. 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 Resolutions Committee.
- 6. Our Standing Resolutions will be printed in the minutes each year.
- 7. Our Quarterly Meeting will be twenty-five cents per capita member at each session, or one dollar at the Annual Conference.
- 8. A Digest Committee of at least three will be elected by the body or appointed by the moderator to examine church letters and make a report of their findings.
- 9. Our Quarterly Meetings 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 business is finished.
- 10. That no person may serve more than one elected office in the Martin Quarterly at the same time.
- 11. Disbursements: (A) Retain in treasury \$50. After each session (B) State Association \$5. Each session (C) Retain for printing minutes \$80. Each session (D) National Association \$2.50 each session (E) Moderator \$5 per session, clerk \$5. Each session per one, two, three sessions and \$20 for fourth session. (F) The remaining funds left will be allocated as follows: (1) State Cooperative Board, 15% (2) Local Mission Board, 10% (3) State Superannuation Board, 75%.
- 12. The moderator and clerk will not serve more than three years in succession.

# PROGRAMS FOR THE MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE OF MARTIN ASSOCIATION OF ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTIST

### Donalsonville First Session, January 19, 1978

Response Devotion	Bro. Steve Keaton Bro. Robert Boyd Bro. Billy Ivey Rev. William Smith	
New Home #2		
	Second Session, April 13, 1979	
Response Devotion	Bro. Paul Boutwell Bro. Robert Tully Bro. Bennie Cumbie Rev. Jim Lugo	

# Corinth Third Session, July 13, 1979

Welcome	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Bro. Bobby Joe Smith
Response	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Bro. Jerry Roland
Devotion		Bro. Albert Johnson
Message		Rev. Wayne Sheffield

### Highway Fourth Session, October 19, 1979

	Sis. Jewel Barber
Response	Bro. David Clements
	Bro. Stanley Kirkland
Message	

# REPORT ON THE MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE OF MARTIN ASSOCIATION OF ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTIST

### Officers

Rev. Damon Dodd		
FINANCIAL REPORT		
Total Offering for 1978       \$138.06         Brought Forward       153.62         TOTAL       \$291.68		
DISBURSEMENTS Printing of Minutes \$75.00 Brodnax Fund 50.00 Rev. Larry Nix Fund 30.00 TOTAL \$155.00		
October 13, 1978 Balance \$136.68		
CHURCH TRAINING SERVICE RALLIES April 29, 1979 Mt. Gilead		
WelcomeBro. Jimmy BellflowerResponseBro. David ClementsDevotionBro. Stanley KirklandProgramColquittSpecial SingingNew Home M.C.		
September 30, 1979 Corinth		
Welcome		

### CTS RALLY REPORT October 30, 1977

The Martin District CTS convened at Mothers Home on October 30, 1977. Bro. Terry McVey called the meeting to order. Song service was led by Bro. Ronnie McNease. Prayer by Bro. Wayne Sheffield. The welcome was given by Bro. Ronnie McNease. Response by Bro. Harvey Cox.

The devotional was given by Bro. Craig Wilkerson from Romans Chapter 10, verse 9.

Moderator called for reading of last minutes. Move by Bro. Lewis Williams and second by Bro. Damon Dodd to adopt.

Secretary gave reading of Program Committee Report.

Moderator called for Digest Committee as follows, Bro. Richard McNease, Bro. Lewis Williams and Bro. Stanley Kirkland.

New Salem gave program with a skit. Mt. Gilead gave program with title "Shoes for God's Children" and a song.

Bro. Lewis Williams gave Digest Committee Report. Move by Bro. Williams and second by Bro. Tyrone Williams to adopt. Move carried.

There were 4 ministers, 7 deacons and 3 CTS Directors present.

Mothers Home was given a rising vote of thanks for hospitality. We were dismissed with prayer by Bro. Louie Grimes.

### DIGEST COMMITTEE REPORT

Number of Churches Reporting	5
Number of Departments	23
Number Enrolled	247
Average Attendance	146
Condition of CTS	Fair
Total Amount of Offering	\$871.70
Amount spent for Literature	\$353.50
Amount spent for Supplies	\$32.00
Amount spent for other causes	\$275.70
Total Expenditures	\$651.20
Total Expenditures	\$25.00
Dues to Rally	

### TREASURE REPORT

Old Balance \$113.30
Deposit for October Dues
Balance \$138.30
Printing of Minutes
New Balance
Printing of Letters \$2.00
New Balance
Sec. & Treas.
Johnnie Ogg

### CTS RALLY REPORT April 30, 1978

The Martin District CTS convention convened at New Home of Miller County April 30, 1978. Bro. Terry McVey called the meeting to order.

Song service was led by Bro. Bobby Roberts, prayer by Bro. Edd Roberts, welcome by Bro. Scott Roberts, response by Bro. Wayne Sheffield. Bro. Horace Lovering gave the devotional from Romans Chapter 12.

Secretary gave reading of last minutes. Bro. Damon Dodd made a move and Bro. Horace Lovering second to adopt the minutes. Move carried.

Moderator called for a Digest Committee as follows: Bro. Pete Davis, Bro. David Richardson, Bro. Howard Roberts.

Moderator appointed a Nominating Committee as follows: Bro. Don Roberts, Bro. Damon Dodd, Bro. Leroy Driggers.

Colquitt and Mothers Home gave their programs with singing.

Moderator turned service over to Bro. Dodd. He introduced Bro. Robert Crawford a representative from the Free Will Baptist Bible College. Bro. Crawford spoke to the congregation about the ministry and the activities there at the Bible College. He also showed different kind of Bulletins to help you in the ministry.

Moderator called for Digest Committee Report. Bro. Pete Davis gave report. Move by Bro. Don Roberts and second by Bro. Bobby Roberts to adopt. Move carried.

There were 6 ministers, 13 deacons and 4 CTS Directors present.

Bro. Wayne Sheffield made a move and second by Bro. Damon Dodd to give fifty dollars to the John Brodnax Memorial Fund.

New Home of Miller County was given a rising vote of thanks for hospitality.

We were dismissed with prayer by Bro. Paul Suggs.

### DIGEST COMMITTEE REPORT

Number of Churches Reporting	
Number of Departments	
Number Enrolled	
Average Attendance	
Condition of CTS Fair	
Total amount of Offering \$984.05	
Amount spent for Literature \$502.82	
Amount spent for Supplies \$41.21	
Amount spent for other causes	
Total Expenditures \$610.08	
Dues to Rally \$35.00	
TREASURY REPORT	
Old Balance \$111.30	
Dues to Rally	
New Balance	
John Brodnax Memorial Fund \$50.00	
Balance \$96.30	
Mailing Supplies \$2.52	
New Balance	
Sec. & Treas.	
Johnnie Ogg	
CTS CONVENTION OFFICER FOR 1978	
General Director Rev. William Smith	
Assistant Director Bro. J. D. Bush	
Secretary-Treas Sis. Johnnie Ogg	
Assistant Secretary-Treas Sis. Gertrude Roberts	
Song Leader Bro. Herbert Boyd	
Pianist Sis. Debra Middleton	
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### SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTIONS

### First Session Mt. GLORY, December 31, 1978

Welcome			Rev. F. W. Sellers
Response			Bro. Leroy Driggers
Devotion			Bro. Albert Johnson
Programs	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Donalsonville	and Mothers Home
Special Sir	nging	New S	alem and Thompson

### Second Session Donalsonville, July 29, 1979

Welcome	Rev. Cecil Mock
Response	Bro. Bobby Roberts
Devotion	Bro. Steve Keaton
Programs	Corinth and Mt. Glory
	. New Home #2 and New Home M.C.

# MARTIN ASSOCIATION SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION July 31, 1977

The Martin Association Sunday School Convention was held at New Home on July 31, 1977. Bro. Bobby Roberts led singing. Rev. Lewis Williams opened with prayer. Bro. J. D. Bush gave the welcome and Bro. Terry McVey gave the response. Bro. Scott Roberts gave the devotion, scripture taken from Acts 10.

Call for church letters. Digest Committee appointed: Bro. David Richardson, Sis. Elise Williams, Bro. Terry McVey. MSC to seat delegates. Minutes and Treasury Report read. MSC to accept. Call for any business - none. Recognized: 9 pastors, 8 superintendents.

Mt. Gilead presented a program.

MSC that the Convention send \$50 for printing the minutes.

Mothers Home rendered special singing.

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Bro. David Richardson gave Digest Committee report as follows:
Churches Reporting
Dues to Convention
Number on Roll
Number Officers

Number Departments 47
Number Teachers
Total Offering
Literature \$857.21
Miscellaneous \$628.09
Average Offering \$179.02
Average Attendance
MSC to adopt report.
Bro. David Richardson gave the report of the Program Committee:
First Session
New Home #2
January 29, 1978
Welcome Bennie Cumbie
Devotion Paul Boutwell
Response
Programs New Salem and New Home #2
Special Singing Corinth and Mt. Glory
Second Session
Hebrew
July 30, 1978
Welcome Fred Ingram
Devotion Emily Johnson
Response J. D. Bush
Programs Hebrew and Thompson
Special Singing
MSC to adopt report.
Colquitt presented a program. Rev. and Mrs. Bass Mitchell from
Colquitt Church rendered special singing. New Home rendered special
singing.
New Home given a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality. Rev.
Damon Dodd dismissed in prayer.
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TREASURY REPORT
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Brought forward \$194.52

Disbursements:	
Printing Minutes	\$50.00
	\$175.52
	Pam Roberts, Secretary - Treasurer

# MARTIN ASSOCIATION SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION January 29, 1978

The Martin Association Sunday School Convention was held at New Home #2 on January 29, 1978. The meeting was opened with congregational singing led by Bro. Paul Boutwell. Rev. Damon Dodd led in prayer. Bro. Bennie Cumbie gave the welcome and Bro. Claude Newsome gave the response. Bro. Paul Boutwell brought the devotion, scripture taken from Psalm 100 and Matthew 1.

Call for church letters. Sis. Annie Lou Wells, Bro. Arthur Ogg and Rev. S. E. Newberry were appointed as the Digest Committee. MSC to seat delegates. Minutes and Treasury Report read. MSC to accept. Recognized: 8 pastors, 8 superintendents, 3 CTS Directors.

Nominating committee appointed as follows: Bros. Stanley Kirkland, Claude Newsome, Scot Driggers. Program Committee appointed as follows: Bro. Jerry McNease, Bro. Paul Boutwell, Sis. Edd Hill.

New Home #2 gave a program.

Digest Committee report given by Rev. S. E. Newberry. MSC to accept report.

Corinth rendered special singing. New Salem presented a program. Mt. Glory rendered special singing. Announcements were made.

MSC to give New Home #2 a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality. Rev. Scot Driggers dismissed in prayer.

### COMPLETED DIGEST COMMITTEE REPORT

Number Churches Reporting	11
Dues to Convention	
Number on Roll	605
Number Departments	59
Number Teachers	59
Number Officers	46
Total Offerings \$2	2495.87
Average Attendance	413

Miscellaneous \$978.70
Average Offering \$334.71
TREASURY REPORT
Brought forward \$175.52
Dues to Convention
Disbursements:
Disbursements: Postage
Balance in Treasury
MARTIN ASSOCIATION SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION July 30, 1978
The Martin Association Sunday School Convention was held at Hebrew on July 30, 1978. The meeting was opened with congregational singing led by Bro. Bobby Roberts. Rev. Cecil Mock led in prayer. Bro. Fred Ingram gave the welcome and Bro. Arthur Ogg gave the response. Sis. Emily Johnson brought the devotion, scripture taken from Luke 12:1-9.  Call for church letters. Digest Committee appointed as follows: Bro. Leroy Driggers, Bro. Scott Roberts, Sis. Carolyn Kirkland. MSC seat delegates. Minutes and Treasury Report read. MSC to accept. Call for new business - none.  Thompson presented a program. Colquitt rendered special singing. Bro. Scott Roberts gave the Digest Committee report:
Dues to Convention
Number on roll
Number Departments
Number of Teachers
Total Offerings
Paid for Literature \$671.28
Total Miscellaneous
Total Attendance
Average Attendance

			FINANCIA	L REPORT			
	Meeting Days	Total Offering	Value of all Church Property	Total Expenditures for Local Causes	Expenditures for Outside Causes	Donations to Childrens Home	Support Co-op Plan
Colquitt	Full	\$39,092.82	\$140,000.00	\$39,556.00	\$490.00	<del></del>	<del>-</del>
Corinth	Full	\$14,751.46	\$55,000.00	\$14,861.19	\$838.00	\$35.00	Yes
Donalsonville	Fuli	<del></del>			_		Yes
Hebrew	_	\$7,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$4,700.00	\$55.00	<u></u>	
Highway	Full		\$20,000.00	\$7,256.00			
Mothers Home	thers Home Full \$12,224.81		\$100,000.00	\$20.200.08	\$815.00	\$127.50	Yes
Mt. Gilead	Gilead Full \$9,742.00		\$30,000.00	\$7,337.00	\$1,471.86	\$250.00	Yes
Mt. Glory	Full		\$25,000.00	\$6,507.04		\$25.00	
New Home M.C.	Full	\$30,000.00		\$26,370.00	\$1,927.00	\$139.25	Yes
New Home No. 2.	Full	\$5,078.76	\$16,000.00	\$6,481.55	\$174.57	<del>-</del>	Yes
New Salem	Full	\$25,104.00	\$125,000.00	\$20,547.00	\$2,113.83	\$1025.00	Yes
Thompson	Full	\$16,107.13	\$90,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$1,562.08	\$600.01	Yes
Total		\$159,100.98		\$160,855.86	\$9,447.34	Martin Association 485.04	

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F	CHURCH STATISTICS															
		Received by Baptism	Rec. by letter Profession	Lost by letter Death, Revision Roll, etc.	Resident Members	Non-resident Members	Total Members	Sunday School Enrollment	Average Attendance	C.T.S. Enrollment	Average Attendance	Woman's Auxiliary Enrollment	Average Attendance	Master's Men Enrollment	Prayer Meeting	Vacation Bible School
	Colquitt	-	1	10	89	-	89	-	41	29	16	32	9	-	12	31
	Corinth	2	5	16	65	77	142	52	39	44	28	18	10	9	30	37
	Donalsonville	4	12	5	32	5	37	50	36	-	-	-	_	-	14	26
	Hebrew	-	-	2	51	-	51	-	-	-	_	8	6	-	-	-
	Highway	1	3	3	10	_	10	15	_	-	-	-	-	-	8	-
٦	Mothers Home	-	-	2	82	14	96	60	48	54	30	15	10	-	22	56
	Mt. Gilead	-	2	2	57	-	57	30	30	30	30	12	10	_	20	-
	Mt. Glory	3	2	-	20	17	37	_	<u>.</u>	-	-	_	-	-	10	-
	New Home M.C.	2	-	-	88	-	88	-	60	_	45	15	10	10	40	-
	New Home No. 2	1	2	2.	45	40	85	43	•	-	-	-	-	•	20	-
	New Salem	-	4	7	98	82	180	78	62	51	32	15	11	-	25	69
	Thompson	1	2	-	60	-	60	50	40	30	25	10	8	8	30	50
	Total	14	33	49	697	235	932	378	356	238	206	110	64	27	231	269

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### CHURCH DIRECTORY

	CHURCH	PASTOR	CLERK	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT	C.T.S. DIRECTOR	MASTER'S MEN PRESIDENT	WOMAN'S AUXILIARY PRESIDENT	
	COLQUITT	Rev. Irvin Hyman Bremond St. Colquitt, Ga.	Sis. Lavon Lovering 201 Bremond St. Colquitt, Ga.	Bro. Robert Tully Route 2 Colquitt, Ga.	Bro. Mike Tully Rt. 2 Colquitt, Ga.		Sis. Benonia Carpenter Wilkin St. Colquitt, Ga.	
	CORINTH	Rev. W. C. Combs Route 1 Donalsonville, Ga.	Sis. Helen Wiggens 308 W. 10th St. Donalsonville, Ga.	Bro. James Swanner Route 5 Colquitt, Ga.	Bro. Herbert Golden Faubus Dr. Donalsonville, Ga.	Bro. Spurgon North Tennille Ave. Donalsonville, Ga.	Sis. Winnie Preston Rt. 5 Colquitt, Ga.	
	DONALSONVILLE	Rev. Cecil Mock P.O. Box 65 Iron City, Ga.	Sis. Shirley Keaton Shinglet Tr. Pk. Donalsonville, Ga.	Bro. Steve Keaton Shingler Tr. Pk. Donalsonville, Ga.				
	HEBREW	Rev. W. S. Driggers 507 Mills St. Bainbridge, Ga.	Sis. Emily Johnson Rt. 2 Box 93H1 Donalsonville, Ga.	Bro. Fred Ingram Rt. 3 Donalsonville, Ga.			Sis. Doretha Stewart Rt. 2 Donalsonville, Ga.	
	HIGHWAY	Rev. J. J. Scott Box 105 Brinson, Ga.	Sis. Jewel Barber Rt. 1 Box 26A Brinson, Ga.	Sis. Mable Scott Brinson, Ga.		-		
	MOTHERS HOME	Rev. William Smith Rt. 2 Colquitt, Ga.	Bro. Terry McVey Rt. 2 Colquitt, Ga.	Bro. Ronnie McNease Rt. 2 Colquitt, Ga.	Bro. David Lane Rt. 5 Colquitt, Ga.		Sis. Claudia Calhoun Rt. 2 Colquitt, Ga.	
	MT. GILEAD	Rev. Lewis Williams P.O. Box 398 Colquitt, Ga.	Bro. Herbert Boyd Rt. 1 Box 148A Brinson, Ga.	Bro. Robert Boyd Rt. 1 Brinson, Ga.	Bro Jimmy Bellflower Rt. 3 Bainbridge Ga.		Sis. Carolyn Kirkland Rt. 1 Brinson, Ga.	
	MT. GLORY	Rev. F. W. Sellers Rt. 1 Box 186 Camilla, Ga.	Bro. Albert Johnson P.O. Box 853 Quincy, Fla.	Bro. Albert Johnson P.O. Box 853 Quincy, Fla.				
-	NEW HOME	Rev. Damon C. Dodd Rt. 5 Colquitt, Ga.	Bro. Scott Roberts Rt. 5 Colquitt, Ga.	Bro. Lamar Amerison Rt. 5 Colquitt, Ga.	Bro. Walter Daniels Rt. 1 Iron City, Ga.	Bro. Howard Roberts Rt. 5 Colquitt, Ga.	Sis. Jewella Lovering Rt. 5 Colquitt, Ga.	
<del></del>	NEW HOME NO. 2	Rev. S. E. Newberry Rt. 5 Box 228 Quincy, Fla.	Bro. Paul Boutwell Rt. 2 Box 61 Climax, Ga.	Bro. Benny Cumbie Rt. 2 Box 61 Climax, Ga.				
	NEW SALEM	Rev. Jim Lugo Rt. 5 Colquitt, Ga.	Bro. Claude Newsome Rt. 5 Colquitt, Ga.	Bro. Jerry Roland Rt. 1 Colquitt, Ga.	Bro. Leroy Driggers Rt. 5 Colquitt, Ga.		Sis. Eva Middleton Rt. 5 Colquitt, Ga.	
	THOMPSON	Rev. Wayne Sheffield Bro. G. Rt. 5 Rt. 3 Colquitt, Ga. Colquit		Bro. Charles Grimes Rt. 3 Colquitt, Ga.	Bro. Johnny Dozier 209 Spring St. Colquitt, Ga.	Bro. Phillip Hines Rt. 3 Colquitt, Ga.	Sis. Johnny Ogg Bellview Rd. Colquitt, Ga.	
	ZIP CODES	Georgia	Bainbridge 31717	Brinson, 31725	Camilla, 31730	Climax, 31734	Colquitt, 31737	
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### **CHURCH COVENANT**

Having given ourselves to God, by faith in Christ, and adopted the Word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this solemn covenant.

We promise, by His grace, to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid all appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusemnets and unholy conformity to the world, from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages, and to "provide things honest in the sight of all men."

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of the Scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship; and by self-denial, faith, and good works endeavor to "grow in grace and the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship, and the observance of the ordinances of the Gospel; nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor, and all its benevolent work.

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness, and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to "keep the unity of the Spirit" in the bonds of peace, to be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and as far as we are able, promote the success of the church and of the Gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principles sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme; counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society, constantly praying and toiling that the kingdom of God may come, and His will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprises, the support of missions, the success of Sunday Schools, and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of the world. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.