

**MINUTES**  
**OF THE**  
**Sixty-Third Annual Session of the**  
**MIDWAY ASSOCIATION**  
**OF**  
**THE ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS OF GEORGIA**

Held with the  
Patmos Free Will Baptist Church, Baker County, Georgia  
November 1, 1961; and with the  
Live Oak Free Will Baptist Church, Baker County, Georgia  
November 2, 1961

**OFFICERS**

Rev. Carlton Houston.....Moderator  
Rev. S. T. Shutes.....Clerk

The next session for 61 and 62 will be held with the Blakely Free Will Baptist Church on Friday before the fourth Sunday in January, 1962.

The second session will be held with the Macedonia Free Will Baptist Church in Miller County, near Colquitt, Georgia, on April 20, 1962.

The third session will convene with the Zion Free Will Baptist Church, eight miles south of Blakely, commonly known as the Sowhatchee Community, on July 20, 1962.

The annual will convene with the Travelers' Rest Church on October 31, 1962, and the second day with the Albany Church, November 1, 1962.

All sessions are to begin at 10:00 a. m. except the second day of the annual and that usually begins at 9:30 a. m.

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The next annual session will convene with Travelers' Rest Church, October 31, 1962; program to be arranged by the host church.

The second day of this session will convene with Albany Church, November 1, 1962.

## First Quarterly Session

The first quarterly session of the Midway Association of Free Will Baptists convened with the First Free Will Baptist Church in Albany, Georgia, on January 20, 1961, at 10:00 a. m.

Devotional was conducted by the moderator, using Psalm 1.

Singing was led by Rev. S. T. Shutes; followed with prayer by Bro. Louis Williams of Bainbridge, Georgia.

Church letters were called for with 21 responding with 64 delegates.

The finance committee was appointed as follows: The treasurer or assistant, B. Houston, G. C. King, Jesse Griffin and T. B. Mellette.

Sister Garnett and Mrs. Pearl McDowell were appointed as reading clerks. Letters were read and the delegates seated.

Nine ordained ministers answered the roll call, and one licensed minister.

Mrs. B. W. Clenny and Rev. and Mrs. E. C. Morris were recognized as visitors.

Motion was made to adopt the outlined program with any changes being made as necessary.

Calvary Free Will Baptist Church in Albany, Georgia, was recognized.

During a solo by Bro. Tom Hayes, a special offering was taken amounting to \$49.80.

Recessed for the preaching hour and the noon-day meal.

The message was delivered by Rev. J. B. Lovering, using as a text, "The Salt of the Earth" (Matthew 5:13). It was a real good message.

At the noon hour a wonderful old time country meal was served, even though it was in the city.

Reassembled at 1:30 p. m. with the clerk leading the singing.

The moderator presented the pastor and in turn, the pastor, Rev. Knighton, presented the Rev. Moses, director of the Albany Anchorage. This was a wonderful shower from heaven; God bless you Bro. Moses in your great work.

Special song by Rev. Gerald Garnett, accompanied by his wife.

A recommendation was made by the executive board that Mrs. J. L. Teddar be put on the superannuation roll. Motion made, seconded and carried. B. Houston, S. F. Boud, Alvin Day and Martin Murkerson.

The treasurer's report was given. Motion made, seconded and carried for adoption.

Motion made, seconded and carried to give a rising vote of thanks to the host church.

Motion made for Bro. Ray Turnage to be secured to conduct a league institute in the bounds of the Midway Association. Voted down so the state board of education could operate as per motion in the State Association last November.



Announcements about the National Free Will Baptist League Conference in June; and several good talks for the good of the cause of Christ.

Motion made, seconded and carried to adjourn.

Rev. C. R. Houston, Moderator

Rev. S. T. Shutes, Clerk

## Second Quarterly Session

The second quarterly session of the Midway Association convened with Oak Grove Free Will Baptist Church, five miles west of Colquitt, Georgia, at 10:00 a. m., April 21, 1961.

The devotional was conducted by Rev. W. F. McDuffie, using Acts 1:11; Luke 2:11; and Romans 5:8.

Songs led by Bro. Jesse Griffin, followed with prayer by Rev. Eugene Irvin.

Mrs. G. C. King and Rev. Gerald Garnett were appointed as reading clerks.

The finance committee was appointed as follows: Mrs. Martin Still, Clifton McCorkle, T. L. Edwards, L. W. Wiley, Rev. T. B. Mellette, Rev. John Barnes and Jack Henderson.

Twelve ordained ministers and one licentiate answered to the roll call.

Twenty-one churches answered the roll call with 78 delegates. Motion made, seconded and carried to seat the delegates and receive the letters.

A special offering was received to supplement the budget in the amount of \$40.59.

Motion made, seconded and carried to adjourn the business session until 1:30 p. m.

Rev. Knighton preached a wonderful message on the Word of God, pointing to the completeness in yielding to Christ in our church life (Hebrews 10:22).

Dismissed by the Rev. Ralph Bell for the noon repast. A real good meal was served by the host church.

Reassembled at 1:30 p. m. with singing led by the clerk.

Rev. Ralph Bell expressed his thanks to the body for what they had done for him during his illness, and stated what the doctor had told him on his condition, and that his preaching was over unless God sees fit to touch his body. He asked that everybody pray that God would help him to accept his plight.

Rev. Garnett gave a glowing report of the work at Calvary Church in East Albany.

Bro. Jesse Griffin brought a message in song; followed with a message by Rev. J. B. Lovering. His subject was "The Advantage of Adequate Teaching Courses in Our Churches." A very fine message.

Mrs. Still gave the treasurer's report which was adopted as read.

The mission board gave a report on Pine View Church. Motion made, seconded and carried to accept the report and leave the church as it is until the November session.

Motion made, seconded and carried that we raise the superannuates \$5.00 per quarter. Amendment that this begin with today's meeting.

Motion made, seconded and carried to give a rising vote of thanks to the host church for its hospitality shown us today.

Rev. S. R. Houston, Moderator

Rev. S. T. Shutes, Clerk

## Third Quarterly Session

The third quarterly session of the Midway Association convened with Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist Church, Roena, Georgia, July 21, 1961.

Opened at 10:00 a. m. with singing by the congregation.

Devotions were conducted by Rev. Eugene Irvin, Scripture, Romans 12:1. A very lively devotion.

The moderator officially opened the body for the day's work.

Miss Marie Dunning and Miss Dorothy Moye were appointed as reading clerks.

The finance committee was appointed as follows: W. L. Drinkwater, Louis Williams, J. B. Lovering and the treasurer.

Letters were read and the delegates seated.

There were 10 ministers, 22 churches, and 66 delegates present; also a host of well wishers and visitors were present for the day's work.

A special offering was taken to supplement the budget in the amount of \$58.73.

Rev. Gerald Garnett brought a special message in song.

Recessed for the morning message.

Rev. T. B. Mellette very ably fill the stand and preached the gospel from Psalm 92:4.

The host church gave us another of those real old-fashioned dinners.

Reassembled at 1:30 p. m. with Rev. J. W. Loyless conducting the devotional.

A special message in song was rendered by the host church.

At this time the moderator appointed the executive committee to serve as a budget committee to revise the 1961-62 budget and present it to the annual session.

Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt the report of the presbytery relative to M. R. Moody's being licensed to preach by New Light Church.

The finance committee's report was read and adopted.

The treasurer's report was given and adopted.

Motion made, seconded and carried to give a rising vote of thanks to the host church and community.

Motion made, seconded and carried to adjourn.

Rev. C. R. Houston, Moderator  
Rev. S. T. Shutes, Clerk

The first quarterly session will be held with the Blakely Free Will Baptist Church, January 25, 1962.

The second quarterly session will be held with the Macedonia Free Will Baptist Church, April 20, 1962.

The third quarterly session will be held with the Zion Free Will Baptist Church, July 20, 1962.

The first day of the annual will be held with the Travelers' Rest Church on October 31, 1962.

The second day will convene with the First Free Will Baptist Church of Albany, Georgia, November 1, 1962.

### OFFICERS

Moderator	Rev. C. R. Houston, Colquitt, Ga.
Assistant Moderator	Rev. W. F. McDuffie, Blakely, Ga.
Clerk	Rev. S. T. Shutes, Colquitt, Ga.
Assistant Clerk	Mrs. Effie Shutes, Colquitt, Ga.
Treasurer	Bro. Martin Still, Blakely, Ga.
Assistant Treasurer	Mrs. Martin Still, Blakely, Ga.

### EXECUTIVE BOARD

Bro. S. F. Boyd, Chairman, Colquitt, Ga., B. Houston, Colquitt, Ga., Edd Sanders, Colquitt, Ga., Martin Murkerson, Blakely, Ga., Alvin Day, Blakely, Ga., A. C. Williams, Iron City, Ga., J. W. Clower, Arlington, Ga.

### ORDAINED MINISTERS

Revs. E. C. Williams, T. B. Mellette, C. C. White, C. R. Houston, W. F. McDuffie, Coy Watson, J. W. Loyless, Ralph Bell, Paul Irvin, Eugene Irvin, Dennis Irvin, Gerald E. Garnett, Grady Ethridge Jr., J. B. Lovering, Bronozo Parish, S. T. Shutes and Louis Williams.

### LICENTIATES

Gilbert O'String and Melvin Moody.

### HOME MISSIONS BOARD

The home missions board is composed of the moderator, assistant moderator, clerk, treasurer, president of the Midway District Woman's Auxiliary Convention, the chairman of the Midway Association Executive Board, and the member of the missions board of the State Association from the Midway Association. All officers are elected every two years, the even numbers like 1962, 1964, 1966, 1968, etc. Of course the one from the woman's auxiliary and the one from the state missions board serving on the Midway home missions will be replaced by their successors in office.

## Proceedings of the Annual Session

The sixty-third annual session of the Midway Association of the Original Free Will Baptists of Georgia convened with Patmos Free Will Baptist Church in Baker County, November 1, 1961, and with Live Oak Free Will Baptist Church in Baker County, November 2, 1961.

At 10:00 a. m. the Rev. J. B. Lovering led the congregation in singing.

The moderator officially opened the body for the business of the day. Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt the prepared program for the day with the moderator making the necessary changes.

At this time the digest of the church letters were read by the clerk and motion, second and carried to adopt the report and seat the delegates.

Roll call of delegates was called and corrections made where necessary.

The following committees were appointed: Finance: Rev. Eugene Irvin, chairman, Bill Furgerson, L. W. Wiley, T. L. Edwards, Manuel McDowel, Coy Watson and the treasurer of the association.

Nominations: William Clower, Rudolph Shores, Ralph Jenkins, Earl Tabb and Mrs. Nancy Johnson.

Roll call of ministers: Revs. E. C. Williams, T. B. Mellette, C. C. White, W. F. McDuffie, C. R. Houston, Paul Irvin, Eugene Irvin, Dennis Irvin, Ralph Bell, Coy Watson, J. W. Loyless, Gerald E. Garnett, Grady Ethridge Jr., Bronozo Parish, J. B. Lovering, Lewis Williams and S. T. Shutes.

Licentuates: Gilbert O'String and Melvin Moody.

Visitors were welcomed as follows: Mrs. B. W. Clenny, Rev. C. A. Gilbert and Mrs. Alma McDonald for the Martin Association; Rev. and Mrs. E. C. Morris from the Little River Association; Bro. George Worshum and Rev. Willie Sellers from the Union Association; Rev. and Mrs. J. R. Davidson from the Georgia Union Association; Dr. L. C. Johnson from the Free Will Baptist Bible College; Rev. Malcolm Taylor and Rev. John Edwards from the State Line Association of Florida and Alabama.

Motion made, seconded and carried to recess for the associational message.

Rev. W. F. McDuffie brought the message using as his text Zachariah 2:4, and did a good job; a great message.

Lunch was served by the host church and community. This was a real treat as Patmos Church and community can do.

### AFTERNOON SESSION

Reassembled at 1:30 p. m. with singing led by Bro. H. A. Harbin. Bro. Lovering asked that he be allowed of delegate his responsibility of leading the singing to Bro. Harbin. This was granted.

Dr. L. C. Johnson led the body in the devotions using Psalm 112, and gave a report of the college.

An offering for the budget amounted to \$106.87.

A partial report was given by the nominations committee. It was recom-



mended that Rev. J. B. Lovering's name be placed on nomination for the place vacated by the death of Bro. Barnes on the ordaining council. Motion made, seconded and carried that Bro. Lovering be elected.

At this time the moderator appointed other committees that had been forgotten at the 1960 session: Temperance, Bainbridge Church and pastor; education, Patmos Church and pastor; obituary, New Enterprise Church and pastor; auxiliary, Jakin Church and pastor; Master's men, Calvary Church and pastor.

The Midway Mission Board reported in part. Motion made, seconded and carried that the report be adopted as read. (See report.)

Report of the executive board to the Midway Association on our assignment from the July session; that is, the working out a new budget for the new associational year. We thus make our recommendation. Motion made, seconded and carried that the report be adopted in full. (See report.)

Motion made, seconded and carried that we grant Bro. H. L. Knighton a letter in good standing and that his name be dropped from our ministerial roll.

Motion made, seconded and carried that we recess until 9:30 a. m. Thursday, November 2, 1961, to meet with Live Oak Church. Bro. C. A. Gilbert pronounced the benediction.

### CHURCHES AND DELEGATES

Albany: Mrs. Nancy Johnson, Mrs. Gleason Fowler, Mrs. Jack Wilson and Mr. G. C. King.

Bainbridge: Mr. and Mrs. Willard Tedder.

Blakely: Mr. Alvin Day, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Middleton, Mrs. Hansford Cleveland, Mrs. Willie Clyde Henderson and Mrs. Sol Brunson.

Bethlehem: Bill Furgerson, Mrs. Fred Johnson and Mrs. Lomello Kersey.

Cedar Springs: Mrs. Eleanor Sheffield, Mrs. Agnes Pyle and Mrs. H. O. Perry.

Calvary: Rev. Gerald Garnett.

Damascus: Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Wiley and Mrs. Christine Cheshire.

Donalsonville: Mr. and Mrs. Ben Henderson.

Enterprise: Mr. T. W. Jenkins and Mr. Ralph Jenkins.

Hammock Springs: Mrs. Robert Willaims and Mrs. Eugene Ingram.

Live Oak: Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Sanders and J. M. Ethridge.

Macedonia: Mt. O. B. Everson, Mr. Earl Tabb, Mr. H. L. McKan and Mr. Jake Craft.

Mt. Zion: Leron Clower, C. G. Jordan and Wynella Clower.

Jakin: By letter.

New Enterprise: Mr. C. E. Waddell and Mr. Randolph Shores.

New Light: Mrs. Maude Clower, Leona Ubanks, Mrs. Ivey Drinkwater, Thad Hawke and Abbie Mae Turner.

Oak Grove: Mrs. S. F. Boyd and Mr. H. A. Harbin.



Patmos: Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Griffin, Mrs. Sallie Woodard, Mrs. Grace Starr and M. G. Shiver.

Travelers' Rest: Mr. and Mrs. J. C. West, Mrs. Lizzie Ruth Hughes, Mrs. Claudie Rhodes and Mr. W. T. Irvin.

White Plains: Martin Murkerson, Mr. L. R. Loftin, J. A. Druner and Mr. Clifton McCorkle.

White Pond: Mr. Manuel McDowell, Mr. Rachel McDowell, Mr. Earnest Barnes and Mr. Albert.

Zion: Mrs. Laura Anderson, Mrs. Corean Mosley and Mrs. Edna Mills.

Pine View: Under the watch care of the association.

### THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

The association convened at 9:30 with singing led by Bro. T. B. Mellette. The devotional was conducted by Bro. O. B. Everton, using for a Scripture Genesis 3:17. A very timely message for the occasion.

Motion made, seconded and carried that the body not only extend our apologies to the Patmos Church, but that we most certainly want them to know that we thank them for the splendid entertainment extended to us on the first day of the association, and that a letter be written to them.

Appointment of committees for the year of 1962:

Education: Travelers' Rest Church and pastor.

Obituaries: New Light Church and pastor.

Temperance: First Albany Church and pastor.

Auxiliaries: Blakely Church and pastor.

Master's Men: Macedonia Church and pastor.

The committee on nominations completed its report. Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt the report by the up-lifting of hands.

The reading of the previous day's work was approved by voice vote.

The Master's men reported. Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt report. (See report.) Done by voice vote.

At this time the moderator asked Bro. Morris, promotional secretary of the Georgia State Association, to give his report. This he very ably did. This was very touching as this will probable be his last report as promotional secretary to the State Association. This was an oral report, along with the passing out of certificates that the different churches had earned by being willing workers in the state program. Motion made, seconded and carried that we give Bro. Morris and his wife a vote of thanks for the 14 years of real service; first to the cause of our Lord, then to the Free Will Baptist cause in Georgia.

Motion made, seconded and carried that we set aside 50% of the money sent in by the different churches on their budget, as recommended in this session, to do mission work in the bounds of the Midway Association. Motion made, seconded and carried to table this until the afternoon session.

Visitors from the Union Association were recognized as follows: Mrs. J. B. Rice, Mrs. Mance Casin and son.

The resolution that was to come from the Midway District Sunday School Convention was not brought in in writing, but the clerk of the association stated the resolution and the president of the Sunday School Convention and others who were present at the convention agreed that we had the substance of the resolution. Motion made, seconded and carried that this be tabled until the afternoon session.

Motion made, seconded and carried to recess for the preaching service and the noon repast.

The Rev. S. T. Shutes brought the message taken from Ezekiel 5:5, with the subject, "Our Place in God's Time Clock." The clock hands of prophecy turns regardless of what we do. If we expect to do much, we better stop this fussing and preach the gospel.

The noon meal was just fine. Many thanks to the Live Oak people.

### AFTERNOON SESSION

The devotions were conducted by Bro. Louis Williams, taken from Luke 3:3; 2:52. Bro. Williams is very young in the ministry, but we believe God will do many works through him.

The singing was led by Bro. Mellette.

At this time business was resumed. All was well and in order for the report of the executive committee on churches and ministers. Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt the report.

The report of Christian education was given. Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt the report. (See report.)

The temperance report was given. Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt report. (See report.)

The mission board gave its report. Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt report. (See report.)

Motion made, seconded and carried to give a rising vote of thanks to this church and community for the splendid entertainment during the day.

Motion made, seconded and carried to take from the table the resolution asking the Midway Association to assume the sole responsibility for the operating of the Sunday School Rally each fifth Sunday afternoon. The Sunday School Convention voted to abolish the said Sunday School Convention and leave it to the association to pay the bills of the rally and elect the officers of said rally each year except this year for they had just been elected. Further, that these officers be vested with the power and instructions to run a good rally, and that these officers report to the Midway Association in its annual session each year as to their work and accomplishment. Carried by a standing vote.

Obituary report was given by Bro. Watson. Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt report. (See report.)

The amended motion was passed by a standing vote that the 50 per cent of the budget money sent to the association by the various churches be given to the mission board of the Midway Association to be spent in the bounds of this association.

Motion made, seconded and carried that the finance committee's report be adopted. (See report.) Motion made, seconded and carried to amend this report to read: "That any deficiency in the treasury between now and the January session be paid out of the mission treasury, but to be replaced after the January session."

Motion made, seconded and carried that the body go on record as favoring the election of Bro. Mance Casin to the office of promotional secretary for the Georgia State Free Will Baptist Association. Carried by a rising vote. No opposition.

State delegates appointed as following: G. C. King, Fred Boyd, Mrs. Gleason Fowler, Alvin Day and Mrs. Wynelle Clower.

Corresponding messengers to sister associations are as follows: Martin, C. G. Jordan and Alvin Day; State Line, T. B. Mellette and J. B. Lovering; Union, Eugene Irvin; Chattahoochee, Coy Watson.

Motion made, seconded and carried to adjourn to meet with the Blakely Church on January 26, 1962.

C. R. Houston, Moderator  
S. T. Shutes, Clerk

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Executive Committee of the Midway Association of Original Free Will Baptists of Georgia, do hereby offer this resolution for your consideration and adoption as the 1961-62 budget of the Midway Association.

We, the undersigned, met on October 27, 1961, at Oak Grove Free Will Baptist Church, having been duly appointed in the July session of the Midway Quarterly Association by the moderator of the association to revise and set up this budget in our bounds. So we now prayerfully submit it to you:

Albany First .....	\$ 40.00
Blakely .....	30.00
Bainbridge .....	12.50
Bethlehem .....	15.00
Cedar Springs .....	25.00
Donalsonville .....	10.00
Damascus .....	12.00
Enterprise .....	20.00
Hammock Springs .....	10.00
Live Oak .....	25.00
Macedonia .....	25.00
Mt. Zion .....	20.00
New Enterprise .....	20.00
New Light .....	50.00
Oak Grove .....	25.00
Jakin .....	30.00
Patmos .....	40.00
Travelers' Rest .....	35.00
White Pond .....	25.00
White Plains .....	30.00



Zion .....	25.00
Total .....	\$524.50

No assessment was made for Calvary until they are in their new building.  
They are to bring as they can.

S. F. Boyd, *Chairman*  
J. W. Clower  
A. C. Williams  
Martin Murkerson  
B. Houston  
E. A. Sanders  
Alvin Day

Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt the digest report for the annual sixty-third session of the Midway Association which convened at Patmos Church on November 1, 1961.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL

Number on Roll .....	1,350
Average Attendance .....	931
Number of Officers and Teachers .....	166
Number Departments .....	100
Amount of Offerings .....	\$ 8,557.70
Number of Sunday Schools .....	22

#### LEAGUE

Total Enrollment in All Groups .....	566
Number Average Attendance .....	473
Amount of Offerings .....	\$ 2,670.95
Number of Leagues .....	17

#### WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

Enrollment of All Groups .....	171
Average Attendance .....	119
Number Meetings Held .....	240
Dues Collected .....	\$ 591.97
Amount Special Offerings .....	\$ 1,545.64
Number of Auxiliaries .....	16

#### MASTER'S MEN

Number on Roll .....	49
Meetings Held .....	45
Amount of Funds Raised .....	\$ 180.56
Number of Chapters .....	5
Number of Weekly Prayer Services .....	19

#### CHURCH STATISTICS

Number Members Reported Last Year .....	1,833
Received by Baptist .....	55
Received by Letter .....	85
Received Other Ways .....	13

Dismissed by Letter .....	29
Lost by Revision of Expelled .....	24
Died .....	25
Present List of Members .....	2,101
Revivals Held .....	31
Amount of Church Services Offerings .....	\$21,183.75
Four full-time churches, 17 half-time churches, and one fourth-time church.	

### CONDITION OF CHURCHES

Albany	Good		Full Time
Bainbridge		Fair	2nd and 4th
Blakely		Fair	Full Time
Bethlehem	Good		2nd and 4th
Cedar Springs		Fair	1st and 3rd
Calvary	Good		Full Time
Damascus		Fair	3rd
Donalsonville	Good		2nd and 4th
Enterprise		Fair	2nd and 4th
Hammock Springs		Fair	2nd and 4th
Live Oak	Good		2nd and 4th
Macedonia		Fair	1st and 3rd
Mt. Zion	Good		Full Time
Jakin	Good		1st and 3rd
New Enterprise	Good		2nd and 4th
New Light		Fair	2nd and 4th
Oak Grove		Fair	2nd and 4th
Patmos	Good		2nd and 4th
Travelers' Rest		Fair	2nd and 4th
White Pond		Fair	2nd and 4th
White Plains		Fair	2nd and 4th
Zion		Fair	2nd and 4th
Pineview	Under watch care of association		

### FINANCIAL REPORT

Total Offering All Sources .....	\$42,109.79
Pastor's Received .....	23,132.43
Given to Evangelists .....	2,881.01
Paid for Buildings and Repairs .....	10,911.77
Paid for All Literature .....	2,836.69
Local Incidentals Expenses .....	3,262.04
Raised for Local Charity .....	641.81
Given Through Unified Program .....	2,400.92
Foreign Missions .....	309.71
National Home Missions .....	316.08
State Missions .....	17.50
Christian Education .....	97.72
Superannuation .....	148.27
Children's Home .....	300.61

Youth Camp .....	40.00
Causes Not Listed .....	2,784.20
Total Give for Local Causes .....	2,389.52
Given for World-Wide Ministry .....	43.67
Dues Being Sent Herewith .....	112.50
Total Given for All Purposes .....	41,109.79
Value of Church Property .....	271,586.00
Value of Parsonage Property .....	12,000.00
Number of Ordained Ministers on Roll .....	16
Number of Licensed Ministers .....	3
Deceased Ministers .....	2
Number of Ordained Deacons on Roll .....	88

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### OBITUARY COMMITTEE

We, the obituary committee, of the 1961 Midway Association, wish to submit the following report, and offer sympathy to those suffering the loss: We find from the reports as given in the church letters to the association that the following churches have had a loss: namely, Blakely, 1; Bethlehem, 1; Cedar Springs, 2; Donalsonville, 1; Enterprise, 1; Hammock Springs, 2; Live Oak, 2; Macedonia, 2; Mt. Zion, 2; Jakin, 1; New Light, 2; Oak Grove, 1; Travelers' Rest, 2; White Pond, 3; White Plains, 2; Zion, 1; making a total loss of 26. In this number were two of our beloved ministers, Rev. John Barnes and Rev. J. L. Tedder. We solemnly ask for a moment of silent prayer to the memory of those saints who were so faithful to the cause of Christ and His work and we audibly pray for those of us who still survive.

Respectfully submitted,

New Enterprise Church and Pastor

Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt the report.

### NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

We, your committee on nominations, report as follows: The part of this report that sets the meeting places for the various sessions is printed in the front part of the minutes. We continue the recommendation that each church prepare the program for the day the association meets at their church, and be responsible for the preacher and speakers, and let the moderator or clerk know 30 days in advance to the date of meeting.

We recommend that Bro. Paul Irvin be continued for another term on the state board of Christian education. Also that Bro. W. J. Starr be continued on the board of missions in the state association for another term.

We further recommend that Sister John Barnes' name be placed on the superannuates roll this quarter, and that the love offering be raised to \$30.00 per quarter.

We also recommend that all board members' names be listed in the minutes, and that their tenure of office. Officers and boards names have been



in the minutes for many years. The 1962 session list is on the outside cover.

William Clower  
Mrs. Nancy Johnson  
J. R. Shores  
Ralph Jenkins  
Earl Tabb

Carried by voice vote.

#### MISSION BOARD REPORT

We, the mission board, have transacted the following business in the interest of the Lord's work in our bounds. We sold the timber on the acre of land known as the Pine View school acre, adjoining the Pine View Church, which the said mission board now holds title, and is a duly authorized administrator for the inactive church, known in and throughout our bounds as the Pine View Free Will Baptist Church whose address is Colquitt, Georgia. Having received a check for the amount of \$75 for the timber, and said proceeds are now being placed in the treasury on the Midway Free Will Baptist Mission Board.

We therefore have an oral option for the sale of this acre of land, and it is therefore agreed upon by the said members of this mission board to sell the acre of land, which has a deep well thereon, for the sum of \$150, and the proceeds to be used in our mission's general activities.

We therefore ask the association to release the mission board of any further duties or obligations to the Pine View Church, and the property that is known from its original granters, the Stephens Estate.

Humbly submitted,  
The Present Mission Board

We further offer some resolutions to the Midway Association now in session at Live Oak Free Will Baptist Church.

1. Be it resolved that the Mission Board of the Midway Association give \$500 to the Calvary Free Will Baptist Church in Albany, Georgia, towards the purchasing of a suitable church site, or towards the erection of a church edifice for true worship to the Saviour of the world.

2. Be it further resolved that the Calvary Free Will Baptist Church's trustees make the Midway Association, through its mission board, (who has been vested with the power of trusteeship by the Midway Association in one of its regular session), joint ownership of all property held by the Calvary Church of Albany, Georgia.

3. Be it resolved that after the title of the land to build thereon has been cleared and a joint title also cleared between the Calvary Church's trustees and the mission board, who is serving as trustees to hold and convey titles of any property belonging to the Midway Association, or will belong, and of course the successors to each of these officers, that the mission board give another \$500 to Calvary Church building fund in the year of 1962.

Very humbly submitted,  
Your Home Mission Board

### TEMPERANCE REPORT

We, the Bainbridge Free Will Baptist Church and pastor, do pray you to accept this report. Whereas our Lord admonishes us to conduct ourselves so as to "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven" (Matthew 5:16). We offer further, that both our ministers and members exercise due concern with regards to conversation, conduct, dress, etc., so as not to be considered extremist and thereby hinder their testimony for Christ.

Second, that we read all good material on holy temperance possible, and that we lend our influence and money and time, when and where possible for the curtailment of the wild booze craze that is sweeping this world at this time. And too, that we support sober movements towards the teaching of our young people, and older ones, that it is a sin to drink the stuff.

Bainbridge Church and Pastor

### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Your Christian education committee submits the following report: Education is to teach, train, instruct, inform and enlighten. Christian education is Christlike education and not Christian education. Our example in Christian learning should always be Jesus Christ. In Luke 2:40, 52, we find these words concerning Jesus: "And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled wisdom: and the grace of God was upon him. . . . And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man." We should note that this special training started in the early childhood of Christ. We are commanded as parents to train our children in the way they should go. It should start in the home, at the family altar, and continue through our auxiliaries; such as, Sunday school, Free Will Baptist league, prayer meeting, and other Christian institutions.

We rejoice that we have made much stride in Christian education in the last few years through the various training programs of the denomination. Yet, we cannot be complacent and rest with our past accomplishments, but should be challenged to make greater sacrifices both spiritually and materially to support all programs dedicated to Christian education.

We challenge every Christian to dedicate themselves anew to more prayer, Bible study, a greater concern for the training of the leaders in our churches, to better equip them to teach and train our young people; so they will be prepared to meet the ever-increasing evils that confront us all from every side. Joshua said, "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."

Respectfully submitted,

Patmos Church and Pastor

### MASTER'S MEN COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Master's men committee, wish to submit the following report and suggestion:

There are 22 churches in the Midway Association and only a few have an active Master's men organization. Considering the number of men in each church, we find that our overall participation would be considered poor.

As every Christian man is one of the Master's men, there is a need for all men to strive together in this great cause. We suggest that each man prayerfully consider becoming a member of the Master's men and that each present member of the Master's men exert greater effort in this coming year to expand in all phases of this organization. We further suggest that each man attend the next quarterly Master's men meeting in order that he might attain greater knowledge of the mission and goal of this organization.

Respectfully submitted,  
Calvary Church and Pastor

### QUARTERLY TREASURER'S REPORT

January 20, 1961

#### Receipts

Special Offerings	\$ 49.80
Received from Churches	329.50
Brought Forward	1.44
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Total to Account For	\$380.74

#### Disbursements

Home Missions	\$ 35.93
Rev. E. C. Williams	20.00
Mrs. W. T. Wiley	20.00
Mrs. J. L. Tedder	20.00
Clerk	4.00
Unified Program	50.00
Eldridge, Alabama, Children's Home	25.00
Atlanta Church	50.00
Calvary Church (East Albany)	50.00
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Total Disbursements	324.93

Balance in Treasury	\$ 55.81
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G. C. King  
T. B. Mellette  
B. Houston  
J. F. Griffin  
Martin Still

#### Mission Treasury

Received Today	\$ 35.93
Brought Forward	570.35
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Balance	\$606.28

### QUARTERLY TREASURER'S REPORT

April 21, 1961

#### Receipts

Special Offering	\$ 40.59
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Received from Churches	327.50
Brought Forward	14.89
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Total to Account For	\$382.98

#### *Disbursements*

Home Missions	\$ 36.80
Rev. E. C. Williams	25.00
Mrs. J. L. Tedder	25.00
Mrs. W. T. Wiley	25.00
Clerk	4.00
Calvary Church	50.00
Unified Program	50.00
Children's Home	25.00
Rev. Ralph Bell	50.00
Free Will Baptist Bible College	25.00
Mt. Olive College	25.00
Total Disbursements	325.80
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Balance in Treasury	\$ 57.18
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#### *Mission Treasury*

Received Today	\$ 36.80
Balance Brought Forward	606.28
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Total to Account For	\$643.08
Paid to Calvary Church	100.00
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Balance in Treasury	\$543.08
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### QUARTERLY TREASURER'S REPORT

July, 1961

#### *Receipts*

Special Offering	\$ 58.73
Received from Churches	324.00
Brought Forward	57.18
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Total to Account For	\$439.91
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#### *Disbursements*

Home Missions	\$ 38.27
Rev. E. C. Williams	25.00
Mrs. J. L. Tedder	25.00
Mrs. W. T. Wiley	25.00
Clerk	4.00
Calvary Church	50.00
Unified Program	50.00
Children's Home	25.00
Rev. Ralph Bell	50.00

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Supernuation	Children's Home	Youth Camp	Causes Not Listed	Local Total Causes	World-Wide Ministry	Dues to Association	Total for All Purposes	Value of Church Property	Value of Parsonage	No. Members	Received by Baptism	Received by Letter	Other Ways	Dismissed by Letter	No. Expelled	No. Died	Present Membership	No. Active	Revivals	Church Offerings	S. S. Roll	Average Attendance	No. Officers and Teachers	No. Departments	S. S. Offerings	F.W.B.L. Roll	Average Attendance	F.W.B.L. Offerings	W. A. Roll	Average Attendance	No. Meetings	Dues Collected	Special Offerings	Master's Men Roll	Meetings Held	M. M. Offerings
\$ .50	\$ 5.00	\$	\$1,538.24	\$ 42.14	\$13.71	\$15.00	\$8,842.36	\$125,000	\$12,000	191	14	41		41	8		200	150	2	\$6,366.29	208	150	17	6	\$1,500.00	52	40	\$520.00	15	12	12	\$ 60.00	\$ 15.00	15	12	\$80.00
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	16.86		164.45			20.00		1,500		42				1		2	45	25	2	781.42	35	21	6	4	77.36	42	24	48.00	7	5	15					
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Macedonia	Eugene Irvin Route 4 Colquitt, Ga.	Mrs. Ida Tabb Route 4 Colquitt, Ga.	Curtis Mears Colquitt, Ga.	J. M. Craft Colquitt, Ga.	Mrs. Grace Houston Colquitt, Ga.	Earl Tabb Colquitt, Ga.	Mrs. Martha Everson Colquitt, Ga.	Mrs. Ida Tabb Colquitt, Ga.
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Jakin	Chester Pelt Marianna, Fla.	Wayne Carr Route 1 Donalsonville, Ga.	Dick Ward Jakin, Ga.	Marie Dunning Jakin, Ga.		Iva Sewell Jakin, Ga.	Mrs. H. H. Reeves Jakin, Ga.	Miss Iva Sewell Jakin, Ga.
New Enterprise	Coy Watson Blakely, Ga.	E. B. Ard Brinson, Ga.	Rudolph Shores Iron City, Ga.	Lucille Williams Iron City, Ga.	Wilford Tyler Iron City, Ga.	Lucille Williams Iron City, Ga.	Nita Tyler Colquitt, Ga.	Fay Tyler Colquitt, Ga.
New Light	D. F. Pelt Grand Ridge, Fla.	C. R. Drinkwater Morgan, Ga.	Charles Drinkwater Morgan, Ga.	Mrs. Iris Paul Morgan, Ga.	Thad Hawk Morgan, Ga.	Montz Drinkwater Morgan, Ga.	Ellen Drinkwater Morgan, Ga.	Nannie Lou Drinkwater Morgan, Ga.
Oak Grove	W. F. McDuffie Blakely, Ga.	L. C. Tranwick Colquitt, Ga.	H. A. Harkins Colquitt, Ga.	Jerry Gilbert Colquitt, Ga.			Mrs. Myrtice Mock Colquitt, Ga.	Mrs. Cecil Houston Colquitt, Ga.
Patmos	Paul Irvin Newton, Ga.	Miss Virginia Collins Elmodel, Ga.	Austin Craft Leary, Ga.	M. G. Shiver Elmodel, Ga.	Wanda Travis Leary, Ga.	Jeffrey Sheffield Leary, Ga.	Mrs. J. T. Griffin Leary, Ga.	Mrs. M. B. Shiver Elmodel, Ga.
Travelers' Rest	C. R. Houston Colquitt, Ga.	Claudia Rhodes Newton, Ga.	Herman Irvin	Woodrow Parker Newton, Ga.	Mrs. B. B. Edwards Newton, Ga.	Lucille Musgrove Newton, Ga.	Mrs. B. B. Edwards Newton, Ga.	Mrs. Loune Edwards Newton, Ga.
White Plains	Grady Ethridge Jr. Newton, Ga.	Clifton McCorkle Donalsonville, Ga.	J. A. Bruner	Becky Ragan Donalsonville, Ga.	J. O. Houston Blakely, Ga.	Lawson Murkerson Blakely, Ga.		
White Pond	Chester Pelt Marianna, Fla.	Mrs. Albert Jones Damascus, Ga.	L. W. Cleveland Damascus, Ga.	Mrs. W. E. McDowell Damascus, Ga.	Joe McDowell Damascus, Ga.	Deloris McDonell Damascus, Ga.	Mrs. Ann McDowell Damascus, Ga.	Mrs. Oscar Lewis Blakely, Ga.
Zion	T. B. Mellette Route 4 Blakely, Ga.	Mrs. Martin Still Route 4 Blakely, Ga.	Hursteen Rollins Route 4 Blakely, Ga.	Walston Still Route 5 Blakely, Ga.	David Still Route 5 Blakely, Ga.	Mary Anne Still Route 5 Blakely, Ga.	Mrs. Miriam Rollins Route 5 Blakely, Ga.	Mrs. Margaret English Route 5 Blakely, Ga.
Pine View	Under Watch Care of Association							

MASTER'S MEN PRESIDENT	MASTER'S MEN SECRETARY	No. DEACONS	PRAYER MEETING
Bill Loftin	Jack Wilson 401 Valencia Albany, Ga.	9	Yes
		3	Yes
Marshall Day Blakely, Ga.	S. W. Mercer Route 1 Blakely, Ga.	4	Yes
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		4	Yes
Howard Garnes 2500 Crescent Dr. Albany, Ga.	E. J. Flinch	3	Yes
		2	Yes
		3	Yes
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		2	Yes
		5	Yes
B. Houston Colquitt, Ga.	Earl Tabb Colquitt, Ga.	6	Yes
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		4	Yes
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C. L. Griffin Leary, Ga.	W. J. Star Arlington, Ga.	5	Yes
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		4	Yes
		3	Yes
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Bible College	25.00
Mt. Olive College	25.00
Camp Mt. Bethel	25.00
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Total Disbursements	367.27
Balance in Treasury	\$72.64

## ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT

### Receipts

From Churches	\$346.50
Special Offering Wednesday Morning	71.46
Special Offering Wednesday Afternoon	35.41
Special Offering Thursday	35.27
Brought Forward	72.64
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Total to Account For	\$561.28

### Disbursements

Home Missions	\$ 48.86
Mrs. W. T. Wiley	30.00
Rev. E. C. Williams	30.00
Mrs. J. L. Tedder	30.00
Mrs. John Barnes	30.00
Clerk	15.00
Moderator	15.00
Minutes	255.00
State Association Dues	20.00
Rev. Ralph Bell	40.00
Children's Home	15.00
Youth Camp	15.00
World-Wide Missions	20.00
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Total Disbursements	563.86
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Borrowed from Mission Treasury	\$ (2.58)

## Midway League Convention

The Midway League Convention met at Cedar Springs Free Will Baptist Church on August 19, 1961. We began by singing "At Calvary," after which Rev. Lovering led us in prayer. We then sang another song, "He Is So Precious to Me." This was followed with a very inspiring devotional by Cedar Spring Church. We then had another song, "Send the Light," followed with prayer by Mr. O. B. Everson.

The roll was taken with eleven churches reporting. After a freewill offering and another song, the following committees were appointed:

Digest: Lawson Murkerson, Pat Tolar and Rev. T. B. Mellette, chairman.

*Resolutions:* Rev. Paul Irvin, chairman, Whit Mercer and Thomas Harvey.

*Nominating:* Rev. Lovering, George Pyle, Rev. Griffin and Rev. West.

Rev. Mellette made a motion which was carried that the digest committee take care of the finances for the night only.

The committee then retired at this time, while Jakin Church presented its program.

Next we had a special song by the host church.

A Bible quiz was then conducted with juniors and intermediates participating.

Patmos Church presented a very inspiring program, after which Cedar Spring Church presented another special song.

The minutes of the last convention were read and adopted. The following committees gave their reports.

#### DIGEST COMMITTEE

Churches Reporting	10
Total League Paid	11
Total Enrollment	400
Average Attendance	71%
Average Studied Programs	35%
Average Daily Bible Readings	37%
Total Offering Reported	\$429.12

#### Receipts

Amount Brought Forward	\$ 9.37
Total Dues	22.00
Special Offering	19.90
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Total to Account For	\$ 51.27

#### Disbursements

10% of Offering to National League Board	\$ 4.14
Secretary	2.00
Alabama Children's Home	15.00
Unified Program	15.00
Bible Quiz Winners	3.00
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Total Disbursements	39.14
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Amount Left in Treasury	\$ 12.13

Rev. T. B. Mellette, Chairman  
Lawson Murkerson  
Pat Tolar

#### RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

1. We, the resolutions committee, recommend that young people be given a chance to serve as officers for the league if possible.



2. We recommend that all league members be encouraged to attend the league workshops at Patmos Church the week of August 20.

Rev. Paul Irvin  
Whit Mercer  
Thomas Harvey

Rev. Lovering made a motion that the \$57 left over from the State League Convention be applied to the expense of the study course, and that the \$3 sent by all churches be put on league work. This motion was carried.

A discussion was given on the election of officers, after which the nominating committee gave its report. This report was read and adopted with the exception of the corresponding secretary which was nominated from the floor: President, Lawson Murkerson; vice-president, Vinson Evans; recording secretary, Delores Jordan; corresponding secretary, Becky Mellette; treasurer, Jeffery Sheffield; pianist, Pat Tolar; song leader, Iva Sewell; Bible quiz leader, Mrs. Pauline Bush; field worker, Rev. T. B. Mellette.

George Pyle  
Rev. J. B. Lovering  
Jesse Griffin  
J. C. West

It was moved and seconded that the executive committee be responsible for the program and that the executive committee meet at least 30 minutes earlier before each convention and work out the business details.

An invitation was given by Patmos Church for the next convention, and this was accepted.

The Bible quiz winners were as follows: Juniors—first place, Janice Jordan; second place, David Pyle. Intermediates—first place, Ruth Everson; second place, Sammie Carol Pyle.

The banner was won by Jakin Church.

There being no further business the convention adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bill Lofton, *President*  
Marie Dunning, *Secretary*

# Minutes of the Midway District Woman's Auxiliary Convention

The Midway District Woman's Auxiliary Convention met with Macedonia Church October 5, 1961. The theme for the convention was "Walk Worthy" (Ephesians 4:13). Opening remarks by president; after which the secretary read a letter of greeting and recognition from the W. N. A. C. officers. The printed program was approved.

The day's services began with silent moments of meditation upon convention theme, "Walk Worthy," followed with prayer by host pastor. Mrs. Hoyet Sheffield led in congregational singing. The invocation was given by the president.

Mrs. S. T. Shutes, from the Macedonia Auxiliary, gave a very inspiring devotional using Colossians 1:9, 10. Prayer by Mrs. O. B. Everson. The welcome address was given by Mrs. Grace Houston, and Mrs. Nancy Johnson from Albany Auxiliary gave the response.

The president declared the convention opened for business. The report of credential committee was read and accepted as read. Motion carried to seat the delegates.

The following committees were appointed by the president: Finance—Mrs. Ida Tabb, Mrs. Nancy Johnson, Mrs. R. R. Williams, Mrs. Nita Tyler and Mrs. J. W. Loyless; resolutions—Mrs. Pauline Bush, Mrs. Martha Everson and Mrs. Nannie Lou Drinkwater.

The following were elected by the convention to serve as the nominating committee: Mrs. S. T. Shutes, Mrs. Margie Hudson, Mrs. G. N. Fowler, Mrs. Bush Sheffield and Mrs. Jack Henderson.

Ministers and visitors were recognized and welcomed.

The president appointed the following as delegates to the State Convention: Mrs. G. N. Fowler, Mrs. Pauline Bush, Mrs. S. T. Shutes, Mrs. Leron Clower and Mrs. H. H. Reaves.

Motion carried that state auxiliary secretary see that the delegates from Midway District register.

Motion carried that Mrs. S. T. Shutes be nominated to serve on nominating committee at the State Auxiliary Convention.

Secretary and treasurer reports were read and accepted as read. Motion carried that business be adjourned until afternoon session, and enter into the worship service.

The convention enjoyed special music from the Patmos Auxiliary.

The inspiring morning message was given by Mrs. Edith Shiver, the State Woman's Auxiliary president.

A rededication service was conducted, and most all took part. Mrs. Alma McDonald led the prayer of dedication. Congregational song and worshipful offering; offertory prayer by Brother Irvin.

The convention was dismissed for lunch with prayer by Mrs. Grace Houston.

We began the afternoon session with congregational singing.

Mrs. J. B. Lovering gave the afternoon devotional using 1 Thessalonians 2:12, which was both inspiring and timely.

The convention again declared itself open for business. An amendment to the credential's report was accepted, and Travelers' Rest delegates were seated.

The following reports were received and adopted: Resolution, registration, finance and nomination. (See reports.)

The following invitations were accepted for workshops and convention: December, New Enterprise; March, Albany; June, Cedar Springs; Convention, October, Jakin.

The youth chairman was asked to contact national youth chairman for plans for December workshop. Voted to have the youth workshops at different churches in the association December 4-7, from 2:00 to 4:00 in the afternoon.

Special song by Cedar Springs Auxiliary.

A very impressive installation service was conducted by our former youth chairman, Mrs. Wynelle Clower, using "A Handful of Corn."

A rising vote of thanks was given the host church for the hospitality shown the convention during the day.

Motion carried to adjourn.

Closing hymn, "Are Ye Able, Said the Master."

Benediction by Mrs. Nancy Johnson.

Mrs. S. T. Dunning, *President*  
Iva Sewell, *Recording Secretary*

## RECORDING SECRETARY'S REPORT

(For Convention Year 1960-1961)

This is the annual report of the Free Will Baptist Woman's Auxiliary of the Midway District of Georgia. Mrs. S. T. Dunning is the president, Mrs. Iva Sewell is the secretary, and Mrs. Ida Tabb is the treasurer. There were 11 auxiliaries reporting with \$105 per capita dues sent in. There were 2 number "C" auxiliaries.

### I. Enlistment Department:

1. Enrollment at beginning of convention year, 118; present enrollment, 102.

### II. Youth Department:

1. Number youth organization: G. T. A., 3; Y. P. A., 3.
2. Total membership: G. T. A., 11; Y. P. A., 12.
3. Number mission declamation contests held, 1.
4. Number vacation Bible schools assisted in, 6.

5. Number active church libraries, 1.
6. Number Bible College students assisted, 6.

### III. Study Course Department:

1. Courses Conducted	Attendance
Missions, 7	64
Stewardship, 7	70
Manual, 6	31
Evangelism, 3	30
Prayer, 7	38
2. Number daily Bible readers, 57.	

### IV. Program-Prayer Department:

1. Number special programs held, 10.
2. Number weeks of prayer conducted, 32.
3. Total amount self-denial offering resulting from weeks of prayer, \$83.70.
4. Total number family altars, 42.
5. Total members observing prayer fellowship, 30.
6. World day of prayer, 23.

### V. Personal Service Department:

1. Number making soul-winning efforts, 37.
2. Number active in community missions, 78.
3. Total value of all contributions to Children's Home, \$65.25.

### VI. Publicity Department:

1. Number subscribers to Free Will Baptist papers, 30.
2. Number articles written for publication, 1.
3. Other publicity work done, 2.

### VII. Personal Gifts:

1. Missions, \$55.22.
2. Free Will Baptist Bible College, \$30.00.
3. Children's Home, \$25.56.
4. Superannuation, \$ .50.
5. Others, \$303.52.

Iva Sewell, *Recording Secretary*  
Jakin, Georgia.



# Reports

## CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

We, your credential committee, wish to submit the following report: We have examined the reports and found the following auxiliaries eligible to seat in this convention: Hammock Springs, Macedonia, Mt. Zion, New Enterprise, New Light, Jakin, Zion, Blakely, Albany, Bainbridge, Patmos, Travelers' Rest and White Pond.

Respectively submitted,

Mrs. Davis Pyle

Mrs. T. B. Mellette

Iva Sewell

## RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the resolutions committee, wish to offer the following resolutions:

1. Each local president have these resolutions read and adopted by her local auxiliary.

2. The local auxiliaries notify the district study course chairman of their most needful areas of study so that she may plan the year's workshop programs accordingly.

3. Each local chairman send a quarterly report to her respective district chairman. (This is not to be a personal report but a report of the entire local auxiliary's work in her particular department.)

4. A quarterly bulletin in the form of a letter be sent to all auxiliaries in the district to serve as a piece of information as well as inspiration. This bulletin is to be made up by the field secretary with the co-operation of all district officers. The expenses will be paid by the district convention not to exceed \$15.00 a year.

5. The Midway District secure our national youth chairman, Mrs. Chester Phillips, from North Carolina, to conduct a five-day study course on youth auxiliaries, December 4-8.

6. Since we do not have a W. N. A. C. project, be it resolved that we strengthen our support to the co-labor fund, making our offerings larger and more regularly.

7. We recommend that we have our district declamation contest each year at the June workshop.

8. We give this church a rising vote of thanks for the hospitality extended to us today. Be it further resolved, that we offer the following recommendations to the state resolutions committee: Resolved that we discontinue the state workshop at the present and place the emphasis on district workshops; that the state study course chairman assist the district study course chairman in planning these workshops; and that all the state officers be encouraged to attend at least one workshop in each district this ensuing year.

Respectively submitted,

Mrs. Steve Bush

Mrs. O. B. Everson

Mrs. N. L. Drinkwater

## REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

We, the registration committee, wish to submit the following report:

Number of auxiliaries reporting, 13.  
Number of delegates represented, 44.  
Number of visitors, 20.  
From other associations, 7.  
Ministers, 2.  
State officers, 4.  
District officers, 9.  
Local officers, 24.  
Total number present at convention, 64.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Mary Lou Phillips  
Mrs. Leon Eubanks

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Balance in Treasury, October 6, 1960 .....	\$ 28.29
Dues Received October 13, 1960 .....	10.00
Convention Dues Received .....	127.00
Total .....	<u>\$165.29</u>

### Disbursements

November, 1960, Stamps for Newsletter .....	\$ 3.00
Exchange on Checks and Bank Charges .....	1.50
Receipt Cards .....	4.20
Total .....	<u>8.70</u>

Cash on Hand October 5, 1961 .....	<u>\$156.59</u>
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## FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Balance in Treasury, October 5, 1961 .....	\$156.59
Offering Today .....	21.60
Total .....	<u>\$178.19</u>

### Disbursements

State Dues (40c Per Member) .....	\$ 44.80
Printing of Minutes .....	25.00
Field Secretary Expenses .....	12.00
W. N. A. C. Project (African Missions) .....	20.00
Total .....	<u>101.80</u>

Balance in Treasury .....\$ 76.39

Respectfully submitted,  
 Mrs. Ida Tabb, Treasurer  
 Mrs. Nita Tyler  
 Mrs. R. R. Williams  
 Mrs. Nancy Johnson  
 Mrs. J. W. Loyless

# DESIGNATED FUNDS RECEIVED AND PAID OUT BY THE MIDWAY DISTRICT TREASURER, 1960-1961

Amount of Offering Sent to W. N. A. C. Co-Laborer Fund .....	\$ 150.32
Amount of Easter Offerings for Foreign Missions .....	85.21
Amount of Thanksgiving Offerings for National Home Missions .....	94.41
Amount of Offerings (Christmas) for State Home Missions .....	69.54
Cash Gifts to F. W. B. Children's Home .....	31.75
Cash Gifts to F. W. B. Bible College .....	121.50
Cash Gifts to Aged Ministers (Superannuation) .....	27.85
Dot Harvey Loan Fund .....	78.00
Native Indian Pastor's Salary .....	92.70
Unified Program .....	41.65
Wilkinson's Fund .....	36.00
W. N. A. C. Project (Medical Mission in Africa) .....	193.91
Land in Hawaii .....	11.00
Children's Ward (Africa Medical Missions) .....	42.85
Printing of State Minutes .....	12.00
State Workshop .....	40.00
Youth Fellowship Day .....	30.00
Mt. Olive College .....	6.00
Camp Mt. Bethel .....	12.00
Total .....	\$1,176.69

# TREASURER'S COMPILED REPORT OF LOCAL AUXILIARIES (1960-1961)

Number of Auxiliaries Reporting .....	13
Number of Auxiliary Members Contributing to Missions .....	98
Number of Tithers on Roll at Beginning of Convention Year .....	42
Number of Tithers as Result of Stewardship Study Course .....	2
Number of New Tithers this Convention Year .....	4
Present Number of Tithers .....	47

## Financial Report

Amount of Offering Sent to W. N. A. C. Co-Laborer Fund .....	\$146.00
Amount of Easter Offering for Foreign Missions .....	85.21
Amount of Thanksgiving Offerings for National Home Missions .....	74.41
Amount of Christmas Offerings for State Home Missions .....	59.44
Cash Gifts to F. W. B. Children's Home .....	42.25
Cash Gifts to F. W. B. Bible College .....	121.50

Value of Boxes to Children's Home .....	35.19
Cash Gifts to Aged Ministers (Superannuation) .....	28.35
Dot Harvey Loan Fund .....	76.50
Native Indian Pastor's Salary .....	84.70
Unified Program .....	41.65
Wilkinson's Fund .....	36.00
W. N. A. C. Project (Medical Missions in Africa) .....	126.80
Land in Hawaii .....	11.00
Printing of State Minutes .....	12.00
State Workshop .....	40.00
Youth Fellowship Day .....	30.00
Mt. Olive College .....	6.00
Camp Mt. Bethel .....	12.00
Total Gifts to Missions by Woman's Auxiliary .....	328.44
Total Gifts to Missions by G. T. A.'s .....	42.85
Amount Spent for Auxiliary Literature .....	247.66
Local Church Activities .....	439.98
Others .....	27.57
Total Per Capita Representation Fee Sent to W. N. A. C. Treasurer .....	127.00

### NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We, the nominating committee, wish to submit the following report:

President, Mrs. S. T. Dunning  
Vice-President, Mrs. Jamie Eubanks  
Recording Secretary, Iva Sewell  
Assistant Recording Secretary, Mrs. Davis Pyle  
Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Leron Clower  
Treasurer, Mrs. Ida Tabb  
Field Secretary, Mrs. Edith Shiver  
Youth Chairman, Mrs. Steve Bush  
Study Course, Mrs. Martha Everson  
Stewardship-Prayer, Mrs. Nancy Johnson  
Personal Service, Mrs. J. B. Lovering

### WORKSHOPS

December, New Enterprise; March, Albany; June, Cedar Springs; and October, Jakin.

Respectively submitted,

Mrs. S. T. Shutes  
Mrs. Margie Hudson  
Mrs. Bush Sheffield  
Mrs. G. N. Fowler  
Mrs. Jack Henderson