MINUTES

of the

SEVENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

of the

MIDWAY FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

of Free Will Baptist of Georgia

convened with

ALBANY FREE WILL, BAPTIST CHURCH

ALBANY, GEORGIA

OCTOBER 25, 1974

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O. B. Everson (1974) - (1)	Colquitt, Georgia 31737
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Rev. David Matthews (1974) - (2)	Cedar Springs, Georgia 31733
Oliver Houston (1974) - (2)	Blakely, Georgia 31725
Rev. James L. Roebuck (1974) - (2)	Arlington, Georgia 31713
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BUDGET AND FINANCE

Robert Lisenby (1974) - (2)	Arlington, Georgia 31713
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ORDAINING COUNCIL

Dr. Melvin Worthington (1974) - (1)	Albany, Georgia 31705
Rev. W. F. McDuffie (1974) - (1)	Blakely, Georgia 31725
Rev. Coy Watson (1974) - (2)	Blakely, Georgia 31725
Rev. C. R. Houston (1974) - (2)	Colquitt, Georgia 31737
Rev. J. W. Loyless (1974) - (1)	Blakely, Georgia 31725

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

Gleason Fowler (1974) - (2)	Albany, Georgia 31705
Jake Craft (1974) - (2)	Colquitt, Georgia 31737
Mrs. Eleanor Sheffield (1974) - (2)	Blakely, Georgia 31725

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Mrs. Doris Sheffield (1974) - (2)	Newton, Georgia 31770
Mrs. Wynelle Clower (1974) - (2)	Arlington, Georgia 31713

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Mr. Lewis Sheffield, Jr. (1974) - (1)	Albany, Georgia 31725
Mr. Whit Mercer (1974) - (1)	•
Mr. Martin Murkerson (1974) - (1)	Blakely, Georgia 31725

STATE BOARD OF RETIREMENT AND INSURANCE

Rev. Dennis Irvin	(1974) - (1)	Albany	, Georgia 31725

DISTRICT PROMOTIONAL COORDINATOR

Rev. Vernon Whaley (1974) - (1)

Albany, Georgia 31705

-- CALENDAR OF MEETINGS--

QUARTERLY SESSIONS:	
January 25, 1975	Enterprise Church
April 26, 1975	
July 26, 1975	
ANNUAL SESSIONS:	
October 25, 1975	Cedar Springs Church
WOMAN'S AUXILIARY	
Spring Workshop (Date to be announced)	
Annual Session: October 4, 1975	
President	Shirley Kimbrel
Vice-President	Evera Moye
Recording Secretary	Ernestine Roebuck
Treasurer	Ida Tabb
Field Secretary	Ann Worthington
Mission Action Chairman	Ailene Clower
Mission Prayer Chairman	Ethel Henley
Mission Study Chairman	Gloria Bevan
CTS RALLY:	·
February 1, 1975 (Banquet)	Albany, Georgia
May 2 & 3, 1975 (Retreat)	Kolomoki State Park
August 2, 1975	Blakely Church
November 1, 1975	Cedar Springs Church
Committee CTS Activities:R	
F	Rev. & Mrs. James Roebuck
	Susan Grant, Secretary
MASTERS MEN:	
Annual Meeting: June 21, 1975	
Drogidont	Blakely Church
President	Tim Jordan
Vice President	Marshall Day
Secretary	Bill Lofton

1974 FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION

Minutes of the First Quarterly Session of the Midway Association of Free Will Baptist of Georgia convening with Blakely Church, Blakely, Georgia, January 26, 1974.

Rev. Billy Bevans accompanied by Mrs. Vernon Whaley, pianist, led the congregation in singing, "Praise Him, Praise Him." We were then led in prayer by Rev. Earnest Barnes, visiting from the FWBBC in Nashville, Tennessee.

A warm welcome was given by Rev. Billy Bevans, pastor of Blakely Church. Rev. Melvin Worthington and Rev. Vernon Whaley sang, "I Would Be Like Jesus" after which Rev. Whaley brought an inspiring devotion using Titus 1:1-4 as the scripture text.

The session was called to order by the clerk for the transaction of business. He presented the moderator, Brother W. O. Clower.

MSC that we adopt the program prepared by the host church, giving the moderator the privilege to make changes as necessary.

A partial report of the credentials committee was given. A roll call of all delegates was made. There were 51 present. MSC that delegates be seated.

There were 16 ordained ministers and two licensed ministers present. Those answering roll call were: Rev. Melvin Worthington, Rev. Vernon Whaley, Rev. H. L. Knighton, Rev. James L. Roebuck, Rev. Melvin Moody, Rev. J. D. Norris, Rev. Billy Bevans, Rev. David Matthews, Rev. Dennis Irvin, Rev. S. T. Shutes, Rev. J. W. Loyless, Rev. Gilbert O'String, Rev. Gerald Brown, Rev. W. F. McDuffie, Rev. J. L. Lavender, Rev. Joe Merkerson, Rev. Coy Watson and Rev. Earnest Barnes. Rev. Ralph Baker was absent due to a death in his family.

The following visiting ministers were recognized. Rev. C. B. Dowdney, Rev. Paul Ketterman, Rev. Eugene Jones, Rev. Lewis Williams and Rev. and Mrs. Pelt.

Rev. Melvin Worthington was appointed to work with the Ordaining Council. Rev. Davis Matthews gave a report on the CTS Banquet held at the American Legion Hall in Blakely at 7:00 p.m., February 9, 1974.

The session was recessed for the worship service. We were dismissed by Rev. J. L. Lavender.

The call to worship: Rev. Vernon Whaley led the congregation in singing, "I Love To Tell the Story" and "The Solid Rock." The offertory prayer was given by Rev. C. B. Dowdney. Our special singing was given by Rev. Vernon Whaley. The morning message was given by Rev. Paul Ketterman. He brought a challenging message on "Self-Denial" using Luke 9:23-26.

We were dismissed for the noon hour. A wonderful meal was served by the host church. It was enjoyed by all.

The afternoon session was begun with the congregation singing, "Redeemed" and "There Is A Name I Love To Hear" followed by prayer led by Rev. Lewis Williams.

The afternoon devotion was given by Rev. C. B. Dowdney using the scripture Matthew 16:18.

The following reports were given: Credentials, Missions and Finance. (See Reports). MSC to accept reports.

Reports from the following persons were received as information:

Mrs. O. B. Everson gave a report on the WAC Retreat to be held at Camp Mt. Bethel on April 19 and 20.

Rev. Paul Ketterman brought greetings from the Bible College in Nashville, Tennessee.

Rev. Lewis Williams brought greetings from our State Missionaries.

Rev. C. B. Dowdney brought greetings from our State Executive Department. He also reminded our people that March 3 is clean-up day at Camp Mt. Bethel.

Rev. J. D. Morris gave a report on the Pastor's Retreat at Camp Kolomoki.

There being no further business we were dismissed by Rev. W. F. McDuffie.
Respectfully submitted,
W. O. Clower, Moderator
John A. Grant, Clerk

CREDENTIALS REPORT FIRST SESSION 1974

Letters received from	19 churches
Representation fees received from	
Total	
Number of delegates present	
Number of Sunday Schools reporting	
Enrollment	
Average Attendance	•
Number of C.T.S. reporting	
Enrollment	· ·
Average Attendance	
Number of Woman's Auxiliaries reporting	
Enrollment	
Average Attendance	
Number of Master's Men reporting	
Enrollment	98
Average Attendance	
Number of Prayer Meetings	
Average attendance	499
Respectfully submitted,	
Mrs. Wynelle Clower	
Mrs. Doris B. Shoffiold	

MISSION BOARD REPORT

We, the Mission Board make the following report:

- 1. Recommend that the Midway District send Rev. Danny Keen (Dublin Mission) One hundred (\$100.00) a month for twelve months. Beginning with January thru December 1974.
- 2. Since it was decided in our last Quarterly Meeting that it was not feasible to start a new work in East Albany we were ask to pray for the work in Albany and try to secure a man to go to Albany, Georgia. Our prayers have been answered, a man of God has contacted the Mission Board who is concerned about this work in Albany. This man will graduate from the Free Will Baptist Bible College this spring. Pray that God will continue to lead in this matter.
- 3. We recommend that an honarium be given to Rev. Paul Ketteman in the amount of \$25.00 as a token of appreciation from the Mission Board.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. James Roebuck, Chairman

Rev. David A. Matthews

Bro. J. O. Houston

TREASURERS REPORT 1st SESSION - BLAKELY CHURCH January 26, 1974

1974 Second Quarterly Session

Minutes of the Second Quarterly Session of the Midway District Association of Free Will Baptist of Georgia convening with Oak Grove Church, Colquitt, Georgia, April 27, 1974.

Mr. H. A. Harbin accompanied by Mrs. H. A. Harbin, pianist, led the congregation in singing. We were led in prayer by Bro. Jessie Griffin.

A cordial welcome was given by Bro. Bob A. George. The response was given by Rev. S. T. Shutes.

Devotion was given by Rev. Carlton Houston.

The session was called to order by the clerk for the transaction of business. The moderator, Bro. W. O. Clower was presented.

MSC that we adopt the program prepared by the host church, giving the moderator the privilege to make necessary changes.

A partial report of the Credentials Committee was given. A roll call of all delegates was made. There were 53 delegates responding. MSC that delegates be seated.

Fifteen ordained ministers answered to roll call. Those answering were: Rev. James Roebuck, Rev. Melvin Moody, Rev. J. D. Norris, Rev. Billy Bevans, Rev. David Matthews, Rev. Dennis Irvin, Rev. S. T. Shutes, Rev. Gilbert O'String, Rev. Coy Watson, Rev. E. R. Corbett, Rev. Gerald Brown, Rev. C. R. Houston, Rev. W. F. McFuddie, Rev. J. L. Lavender and Rev. Ralph Baker. Rev. Earnest Barnes, licensed minister, was present.

Reports from the following persons were received as information: Rev. David Matthews gave a report on CTS, Rev. Billy Bevans gave Youth Camp Report and stated that the session would begin June 3 through June 8 and Rev. J. D. Norris gave a report of Ministers Retreat.

Mrs. Eleanor Sheffield and Mrs. Myra White presented our special musci, singing, "He Hideth My Soul."

An inspiring message was given by Rev. James Denton, pastor of Hilltop Free Will Baptist Church in Raleigh, North Carolina.

We were dismissed for the noon hour. A wonderful meal was served by the host church. It was enjoyed by all.

The afternoon session was begun with the congregation singing, "Savior Like A Shepherd Lead Us."

Special music was given by Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Harbin.

Rev. Billy Bevans brought the afternoon devotion using Mark 8:38.

The following reports were given: Credentials, Mission, Ordaining and Finance (See Reports). MSC to accept these reports.

MSC to give a rising vote of thanks to the host church for their fine hospitality for the day.

There being no further business, it was MSC that we adjourn with prayer.

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Mr. W. O. Clower, Moderator Mr. John A. Grant, Clerk

CREDENTIALS REPORT SECOND SESSION 1974

Letters received from	19 Churches
Representation fees received from	19 Churches
TOTAL	\$360.25
Number of Delegates present	
Number of Sunday Schools reporting	
Enrollment	
Average Attendance	
Number of C. T. S. reporting	
Enrollment	
Average Attendance	
Number of Woman's Auxiliaries reporting	
Enrollment	
Average Attendance	•
Number of Master's Men reporting	
Enrollment	
Average Attendance	
Number of Prayer Meetings	
Average Attendance	
Respectfully submitted,	
Wynelle Clower	

MISSION BOARD REPORT

We, the Mission Board of the Midway Association make the following report: First, we thank God that He has given us a man to start a work in Albany, Georgia.

We recommend that this association employ Rev. Earnest Barnes for a period of three months to evaluate the possibility of establishing a Mission Church somewhere in Albany.

We further recommend that this association underwrite his salary for three months. At the end of three months report back to this association as to the progress of the Mission Church in Albany.

We recommend that the Midway Mission Board pay Rev. Barnes as Follows:

Salary \$125.00 per week
Housing \$100.00 per month
Mileage \$.12 per mile

We recommend that this Association give the Mission Board the authority to rent a building if they think it is necessary.

We recommend that the Mission Board pay Rev. Barnes \$50.00 traveling expense from Nashville, Tennessee.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. James Roebuck, Chairman

Rev. David Mathews

Rev. Billy Bevans, proxy

ORDAINING COUNCIL REPORT

We, the Ordaining Council make the following report:

That Rev. Melvin Moody and Rev. Mike Goss be accepted into this association with all the privileges of an ordained minister upon receipt of signed questionaire.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. C. R. Houston, Chairman
Rev. Ralph Baker
Rev. J. D. Norris
Rev. Coy Watson
Rev. Gerald Brown

TREASURERS REPORT SECOND SESSION - OAK GROVE CHURCH April 27, 1974

Brought forward	\$ 14.76
Received from churches today	360.25
Offering today	
Special offerings:	
Rec'd from Mission Board	
Total	607.43
DISBURSEMENTS:	
40 Percent Missions Treasury	\$175.53
Moderator	
Clerk	
Mrs. J. L. Tedder	20.00
Mrs. B. W. Clenney	
Rev. S. T. Shutes	
Rev. H. L. Knighton	
Mrs. H. J. Kelley	
Mrs. W. T. Wiley	
Rev. C. C. White	
Camp (Kolomoki)	
Retained for minutes	75.00
Citizens Bank (Safety deposit box)	
Christian Supply Store (minutes)	
Total Disbursements	
Balance	•
Dalance	• • • • • • • • • • • • •
Brought forward for minutes	\$335,00
Received today	75 AA
Received since last session from:	
Balance	£410.00
Balance	\$410.00
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DISBURSEMENTS:	#005 00
DISBURSEMENTS: Printing of minutes	\$335.00
Total DisbursedBalance	\$335.00
Balance	75.00

Midway Youth Camp Fund brought forward	
Received today	
Total	
DISBURSEMENTS:	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Camp director	\$200.00
Total Disbursed	
Balance	
MISSION TREASURY REPORT	
Balance brought forward	\$1,138.04
Received since last session	
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St. Shutes - \$20.00	
Received today (40 percent)	
Total	
DISBURSEMENTS:	•
General Treasury	\$153.84
Dublin	
Statesboro	
Earnest Barnes	
Total Disbursed	
Balance	754.73
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Certificate with Gold Kist, January 1, 1974	\$13,607.31
Interest, April 1, 1974	
Balance	\$13,858.95

1974 THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION

The Third Quarterly Session of the Midway Association met with the White Plains Church, Blakely, Georgia on July 27, 1974.

Mr. Hoyle White accompanied by Mrs. Myra White, pianist, led the congregational singing. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. D. Norris.

A warm and cordial welcome was given by Mr. Hoyle White. Response was given by Mrs. Eleanor Sheffield.

Devotion was given by Rev. Mike Goss. Rev. Goss used Matt. 7:11 and I Cor. 3:16 for his scripture text.

The session was called to order by the clerk for the transaction of business. Mr. W. O. Clower, moderator, was presented.

MSC to adopt the program prepared by the host church, giving the moderator the privilege to make necessary changes.

A partial report of the credentials committee was given. A roll call of all delegates was made. Forty delegates responded. MSC that delegates be seated.

Twelve ordained ministers answered the roll call. Those answering were: Rev. Melvin Worthington, Rev. H. L. Knighton, Rev. James Roebuck, Rev. Melvin Moody, Rev. J. D. Norris, Rev. Billy Bevans, Rev. David Matthews, Rev. S. T. Shutes, Rev. J. W. Loyless, Rev. W. F. McDuffie, Rev. J. L. Lavender and Rev. Mike Goss. One licensed minister, Rev. Earnest Barnes was present. Rev. C. B. Dowdney and Rev. and Mrs. Lewis Williams were welcomed as visitors. All visitors were welcomed and the business was recessed for the Worship Hour. The worship hour was begun with congregational singing. The morning offering was received. Offertory prayer

was led by Rev. Lewis Williams.

Special music was given by Mr. and Mrs. Hoyle White.

The morning message was given be Dr. Melvin Worthington using Lamentations 3:22 and Hebrews 1:1 for his scripture text.

We were dismissed for the noon hour. Everyone enjoyed a wonderful meal served by the host church.

Afternoon session was opened with congregational singing. Special music was given by George and Jane Pyle.

Afternoon devotion was given by Rev. Earnest Barnes.

The Mission Board and Rev. Earnest Barnes gave a progress report on the "Mission Church" survey in Albany. Rev. David Matthews asked that we especially remember the new work in Albany when we pray.

It was MSC to adopt the Credentials, Ordaining Council, Mission and Finance

Reports.(see Reports).

MSC to give the host church a rising vote of thanks for their generous hospitality today.

There being no further business it was MSC to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted, W. O. Clower, Moderator John A. Grant, Clerk

CREDENTIALS REPORT THIRD SESSION 1974

Letters and reports received from	19 Churches
Representation fees received from	
Total	\$350.50
Number of delegates present	
Number of Sunday Schools reporting	
Enrollment	1,197
Average Attendance	•
Number of C. T. S. reporting	
Enrollment	
Average Attendance	
Number of Woman's Auxiliaries reporting	
Enrollment	
Average Attendance	
Number of Master's Men reporting	
Enrollment	
Average Attendance	
Number of Prayer Meetings	
Average Attendance	
Respectfully submitted,	
Mrs Wynelle Clower	

MISSION BOARD REPORT

We, the Mission Board of the Midway District make the following report: We urge our people to pray and support the new Mission Project in Albany. Mission Board voted to pay \$.10 per mile to all board members for traveling expense.

Rev. Earnest Barnes and Bro. Tim Jordan gave a favorable report concerning the Albany Project. These Reports were given as part of the Mission Board Report.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. James Roebuck, Chairman

Rev. David Matthews

Rev. Billy Bevans, Proxy

Rev. Earnest Barnes, Proxy

Bro. Murray Haire

ORDAINING COUNCIL REPORT

We, the Ordaining Council of the Midway District Association make the following report:

We recommend that our association grant a letter of good standing to Rev. J. L. Lavender as he goes to a new field of service.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. J. D. Norris, Jr.

Rev. H. L. Knighton

Rev. S. T. Shutes

TREASURERS REPORT THIRD SESSION - WHITE PLAINS CHURCH July 27, 1974

Brought forward	\$ 0
Received from churches today	350.00
Offering today	100.00
Special Offering:	
Received since last session	148.00
Albany, 138.00	
Traveler's Rest \$10.00	
Total	598.50
DISBURSEMENTS:	
40 Percent Missions Treasury	239.40
Moderator	15.00
Clerk	15.00
Mrs. J. L. Tedder	20.00
Mrs. B. W. Clenney	20.00
Rev. S. T. Shutes	20.00
Rev. H. L. Knighton Mrs. H. J. Kelley	20.00
Mrs. H. J. Kelley	20.00
Mrs. W. T. Wiley	20.00
Mrs. W. T. Wiley	20.00

Camp (Kolomoki)75.00	
Retained for minutes75.00	
Total Disbursements	
Balance39.10	
Brought forward for minutes75.00	
Received today	
Received since last session from:	
Balance	
DISBURSEMENTS: Balance	
Balance	
Midway Youth Camp Fund brought forward	
Received today	
Total	
10001	
DISBURSEMENTS:	
Camp Director	
Total Disbursed	;
Balance	
mission treasury report	
Balance brought forward754.73	
Received since last session	
Received today (40 percent)	
Transferred from Gold Kist Certificate	
Total\$3,579.92	
DISBURSEMENTS:	
Dublin	
Statesboro100.00	
Midway Mission Board2540.00	
Total Disbursed	
Statesboro .100.00 Midway Mission Board .2540.00 Total Disbursed .2,940.00 Balance .639.92	
Certificate with Gold Kist, April 1, 1974\$13,858.95	
Interest, July 1, 1974 259.14	
Balance\$14,118.09	
Withdrawal	
\$11,607.30	

ANNUAL SESSION 1974

Minutes of the Seventy-Sixth Annual Session of the Midway Association of Free Will Baptist of Georgia, convening with Albany Free Will Baptist Church in Albany, Georgia, October 26, 1974.

The session opened with the congregation singing, "The Lily of the Valley" with Rev. Vernon Whaley leading, accompanied by Mrs. Vernon Whaley, pianist. Prayer was offered by Rev. Billy Bevans.

Dr. Melvin Worthington, pastor of Albany Church gave a warm welcome. Special music was presented by Miss Judy Davis.

The morning devotion was led by Rev. Earnest Barnes. Rev. Barnes gave an inspiring devotion using Hebrews 6:17-20.

The session was called to order for the transaction of business and Brother W. O. Clower, Moderator, presided.

A roll call of delegates was made. Fifty-one delegates responded. MSC that they be seated.

The thirteen(13) ordained ministers answering the roll call were: Dr. Melvin Worthington, Rev. H. L. Knighton, Rev. James L. Roebuck, Rev. Melvin Moody, Rev. J. D. Norris, Rev. Billy Bevans, Rev. David Matthews, Rev. Dennis Irvin, Rev. S. T. Shutes, Rev. J. W. Loyless, Rev. E. R. Corbett, Rev. W. F. McDuffie. Two (2) liscensed ministers present were Rev. Earnest Barnes and Rev. Vernon Whaley. Rev. C. R. Houston was absent due to illness. Rev. Larry Atterberry was absent. He is a student at FWBBC.

The following visitors were recognized: Rev. and Mrs. Dale Bishop, missionary appointees to Japan, Rev. R. H. Clyatt, pastor of Macedonia, Rev. C. F. Harting, pastor of White Plains Church, Rev. Ralph Bell, pastor of Emmanuel, Rev. Tom McCall, pastor of Patmos and Rev. Milton Worthington of Nashville, Tennessee.

Brother J. W. Clower gave a report on the Harvest Day Drive. MSC to accept as information. Rev. Dale Bishop, missionary appointee to Japan gave a report and also requested our District to remember them in our prayers as they make preparations to go to Japan. A report was given by Rev. Billy Bevans on Kolomoki Youth Camp. MSC to accept the report. (See Report)

A partial report was given by Rev. Earnest Barnes on the progress of the Mission project in Albany. MSC to table until the afternoon session.

Rev. J. D. Norris gave a report on the Ministers Retreat. MSC to accept as information.

Intermission

The morning Worship Hour began with the congregation singing. The morning offering was received. Offertory prayer was led by Rev. E. R. Corbett. A special was given by Dr. Melvin Worthington, Rev. Milton Worthington, Rev. Vernon Whaley and Rev. Billy Bevans. Special music was given before the message by Dr. Melvin Worthington and Rev. Milton Worthington.

The morning message was given by Rev. Milton Worthington, pastor of the Donalson Free Will Baptist Church in Nashville, Tennessee. Rev. Worthington used Acts 6:1-4 as scripture text.

We were dismissed in prayer for the noon hour. Everyone enjoyed a delicious meal served by the host church.

The afternoon session opened with congregational singing. Prayer was led by Rev. J. W. Loyless. Special music was given by Rev. Vernon Whaley. Rev. J. D. Norris gave the afternoon devotion using Phil 3:10-11 as scripture text.

Reports were given as follows: Ordaining Council, Credentials, Resolution,

Budget and Finance, C. T. S., Woman's Auxiliary, Mission Board, Obituary, Placement and Nominating. MSC to adopt reports. (See Reports)

The following members were appointed as delegates to the Georgia State Association: Mrs. M. G. Shiver, Mr. and Mrs. Gleason Fowler, Mrs. Nancy Johnson and Mr. J. W. Clower.

MSC that we give a rising vote of thanks to the host church for the delicious meal and wonderful hospitality shown this session today.

There being no further business, it was MSC that we adjourn. We were dismissed by Rev. Ralph Baker.

Respectfully submitted. W. O. Clower, Moderator John A. Grant, Clerk

OBITUARY COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Obituary Committee submit the following report: God saw fit	to call
23 of our members home since our last annual session. They are:	
Albany (4) Mr. G. C. King, Mrs. G. C.	. King,
Mrs. Ruby Maples and Melissa (~ /
Bellview (2) Mr. Charlie Donley and Mr. John	Suggs
Blakely (2) Mrs. Alice Middleton and Mrs. Brink I	Hoover
Cedar Springs (3)Mrs. Evie Jane 1	Evans,
Mr. Sib Pyle and Mr. Bil	
Hammock Springs (2) Mr. Benjamin Jones and Mr. Gordan I	Barber
Macedonia (1)	
New Light (1) Mrs. Ved	a Paul
Patmos (3) Mr. Donald Griffin, Mr. Mose Mc	Daniel
and Mr. Wallace To	ennille
Traveler's Rest (4) Mrs. T. L. Edwards, Robert Eugene l	Butler,
Mr. Billy Davis and Mr. B. B. Ed	
White Plains (1) Mrs. Ida Richa	ardson
Respectfully Submitted,	MA WOUL
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Mrs. Mathel Barnes Mrs. Maude Clower

ORDAINING COUNCIL REPORT

We, the Ordaining Council of the Midway Association make the following recommendations:

- 1. That we grant a letter of good standing for Rev. Gilbert O'String to the Cumberland Association in Tennessee.
- 2. That we accept Rev. R. H. (Bobby) Clyatt into full fellowship with full rights and privileges as an ordained minister.
- 3. That we accept Rev. C. F. Harting into full fellowhip with full rights and privileges as an ordained minister pending a letter from the Union Association, Oak Ridge, Tennessee.
- 4. We approve that Bro. Vernon Whaley and Bro. Ernest Barnes be ordained as ministers of the Free Will Baptist denomination on the dates set by their church and the return of questionnaires.
- 5. That we accept Rev. Ralph L. Bell into full fellowship with full rights and privileges as an ordained minister pending a return of questionnaire.

6. We approve that Rev. Tom McCall be ordained as a minister of the Free Will Baptist denomination pending a letter of good standing from the Cumberland Association, and that the date of ordination be set by the church.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. H. L. Knighton

Rev. Gerald Brown

Rev. J. D. Norris

MISSION BOARD REPORT

On the basis of the report of our missionary, Rev. Earnest Barnes, we recommend the following:

1. That we employ Rev. Barnes for an indefinite period of time. That he carry out his plans as stated beginning with services in his home. Employment will be as follows:

A. FINANCIAL RELATIONSHIP

1. Salary	\$500.00 per month
2. Housing and Utilities	125.00 per month
3. Car Expense	50.00 per month
TOTAL PER MONTH	\$675.00 per month
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4. Miscellaneous:

State Association \$50.00 National Association 150.00

B. WORK RELATIONSHIP

Bro. Barnes will be expected to carry out his work to the best of his ability and seek advise from the Mission Board and other ministers in the Association when the need arises.

2. That the Mission Board in case of purchasing property or mobil chapel meet with the General Board and that they together make a decision to determine if it is feasible to give an option on property until they can bring it back to the Midway District Convention for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. James Roebuck

Rev. David Matthews

Bro. J. O. Houston

Bro. Alvin Day (Honorary Life Member)

FREE WILL BAPTIST MISSION OF MIDWAY ASSOCIATION JULY 27 --- OCTOBER 26

RECEIPTS

Gold Kist\$3	3175.00
Mission Treasury	. 225.00
Blakely F. W. B. Church	.332.00
White Plains	.139.00
Cedar Springs	82.00
Macedonia	80.00
Mr. James Holt	15.00
Patmos	54.00
Arlington	48.90
South Main (Blakely)	
Hammock Springs	
Mrs. Lillie May Hay	., 20.00

Mr. Cliff Jordan
Mrs. Ida Goss
First F. W. B. Church (Albany)50.00
Mr. & Mrs. J. W. Clower (yearly pledge)84.00
Mrs. Nannie Jo Jacobs3.00
Emmanuel F. W. B. Church
Zion F. W. B. Church (Blakely)
Mrs. William Brown
Mrs. Bertha Lou Fincher
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Total Receipts (October 23, 1974)\$4629.33
DISBURSEMENTS
Rev. Ernest Barnes (Salary)\$2250.00
Rev. Ernest Barnes (Housing)300.00
Rev. Ernest Barnes (Mileage)
Rev. Ernest Barnes (National-Wichita)
Rev. Ernest Barnes (Prayer Cards-Albany Printing Co.)64.89
Rev. David Matthews (Mileage)34.00
Arlington Postmaster (Stamps)
Hicks Drug Store (Pad & Envelope - leather)4.06
Calhoun Memorial Hospital (printed matter)
Bostwick Banking Co. (checkbook)
Rev. James Roebuck (Mileage and phone for itenery)
Total Disbursements\$3254.10
Balance on hand as of Oct. 23, 1974\$1375.23
TREASURERS REPORT
ANNUAL SESSION - ALBANY CHURCH
Brought forward
Received from churches
Offering Received
Received from Mission Roard
Other offerings 148.00
Total\$2,413.67
DISBURSEMENTS:
40 Percent Missions Treasury\$874.89
Moderator
Clerk
Mrs. J. L. Tedder
Mrs. B. W. Clenney80.00
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Rev. H. L. Knighton80.00
Mrs. H. J. Kellev80.00
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NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the nominating committee make the following report: OFFICERS

Moderator: William O. Clower Vice Moderator: Rev. Billy Bevan

Clerk: John A. Grant

Assistant Clerk: Mrs. John A. Grant

Treasurer: Lamar Brooks

Assistant Treasurer: Mrs. Lamar Brooks

MISSION BOARD

O. B. Everson
Rev. J. D. Norris
Rev. David Matthews
Oliver Houston
Rev. James L. Roebuck
Alvin Day (Honorary Member-Life)

BUDGET AND FINANCE

Robert Lisenby Wilford Tyler

ORDAINING COUNCIL

Dr. Melvin Worthington

Rev. W. F. McDuffie

Rev. Coy Waton

Rev. C. R. Houston

Rev. J. W. Loyless

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

Gleason Fowler
Jake Craft
Mrs. Eleanor Sheffield

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Mrs. Doris Sheffield

Mrs. Wynelle Clower

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Lewis Sheffield, Jr. Whit Mercer Martin Murkerson

STATE BOARD OF RETIREMENT AND INSURANCE Rev. Dennis Irvin

DISTRICT PROMOTIONAL COORDINATOR

Rev. Vernon Whaley

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORT

- We, the Resolution Committee, present the following recommendations:
 - 1. That the Midway Association while in session ask God's blessings on Rev. and Mrs. C. R. Houston and other sick that we are not aware of.
 - 2. That we wearch our hearts at this time to determine if we are supporting missionary work at home and abroad to the best of our ability.
 - 3. That each church in the Midway Association support the Mission Board and Rev. Earnest Barnes and the new work in Albany, Georgia.
 - 4. That we give a rising vote of thanks to the ladies of the Albany Church for the delicious meal served and the hospitality extended to us today.

Respectfully submitted, Mr. Gleason Fowler

Rev. Dennis Irvin

PLACEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the placement committee make the following report:

QUARTERLY SESSION TO CONVENE AS FOLLOWS:

FIRST - January 25, 1975, Enterprise Church SECOND-April 26, 1975, Macedonia Church

THIRD- July 26, 1975, Bellview Church

ANNUAL SESSION:

October 25, 1975

Cedar Springs Church

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Lofton

J. W. Clower

Digest of Churches of the Midway Association of Free Will Baptist OCTOBER 1973 - SEPTEMBER 1974

Number of churches reporting	20
Number of delegates present	51
Number of Full Time Churches	13
Church Membership	2454
Resident Members	
Non-Resident Members	579
Received by Baptism	
Received by Letter	
Members lost by (letter, death, revision of roll)	
Sunday School Enrollment	
Average Sunday School Attendance	750
Average C. T. S. Attendance	673
Woman's Auxiliary Enrollment	
Average W. A. Attendance	
Master's Men Enrollment	103
Average M. M. Attendance	76
Churches having regular Prayer Meetings	
Average Prayer Meeting Attendance	
Number of V. B. S. held	9
Average attendance of VBS	
Number of Ordained Ministers	
Number of Licensed Ministers	
Number Students attending FWBBC	
Number of other College Students	

FINANCIAL REPORT

Fotal Offering\$298.656.79
DISBURSEMENTS:
DISBURSEMENTS: Pastors' Salaries\$80,237.68
Building and Repairs55,827.57
Debt Retirement31,517.35
All other local expense48,141.81
Total Local Expense\$215,724.41
Cooperative Plan
State Missions
Children's Home
All other
Total State Causes
National Home Missions
National Home Missions
Bible College
Executive Department100.00
All other National Causes54,283.57
Total National Causes
Total Expenditures\$309,909.91
Value of Church Properties\$950.050.00

YOUTH CAMP REPORT

The Midway District Camp Board is happy to report the best season ever, since the beginning of the MIDWAY DISTRICT YOUTH CAMP.

June 3 through 8 was the week of our youth camp, and an all time high of 135 campers registered, along with 13 counselors and workers, for a grand total of 148 persons.

Our guest evangelist was Rev. Milton Worthington, from Nashville, Tennessee. Rev. Worthington challenged our young people with inspiring messages from the word, which resulted in 20 public decisions for the week.

We certainly thank the Lord for the great week of camp, and also we want to take this opportunity to thank our association for the financial help and our churches and parents for allowing your child to be a part of our Youth Camp. We only ask that you continue to support us.

Since we are having a great number of young people to register for camp, it is possible that we may have two sessions of Youth Camp this coming summer. Our first session would be for the primary-junior age, and the second session would be for the teens. This has not been finalized as of yet, but there is a very good possibility that it will be.

Again we say thank you for your support, and we ask that you continue to pray for us and to support us as we endeavor to provide Christian Camping for the Youth of our Association.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Albany Church contributed \$20.00 each month to the Youth Camp Kolomoki.
Brought forward from last year \$ 141.73 Total deposits made 2,617.42 TOTAL ON HAND, June 1, 1974 \$2,759.15
DISBURSEMENTS:
Insurance\$ 94.05
Rental Fee for Camp
Mileage Expense
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Postage
Recreational Equipment84.76
Literature
Office Supplied (paper ink staples etc.)
Office Supplies (paper, ink, staples, etc.) 42.77 Food 837.18
Evangelist
Counselors145.00
Cooks
Snacks and Drinks
Films
First Aid Kit
Bob White's Rental (for cots)
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS\$2,700.24
Balance on Hand, July 31, 1974
Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Billy M. Bevan
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MIDWAY DISTRICT CTS TREASURERS REPORT On Hand October 31, 1973\$300.12 RECEIPTS Due and offerings\$722.20 DISBURSEMENTS: Mrs. Annette Chandler31.39 Mrs. Lamar Scarborough14.19 George Eason (Supplies)10.00 Willis Radio and TV......15.00 Piggly Wiggly (Valentine Banquet)40.61 David Matthews (Supplies)20.00 David Matthews (Travel Expense)10.00 Kolomoki Park......40.00 Rev. David Matthews (Banquet Exp.)......13.00 Tadlock Piano (Tuning)......20.00 National CTS (Awards)74.18 Ga. Dept. of Natural Resources58.88 David Mathews (Supplies Retreat)25.00 Julian Houston (Supplies Retreat)......20.22 Collier Insurance Agency50.00 Total Disbursements857.62 Balance in Treasury164.70

MIDWAY DISTRICT WOMEN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION October 5, 1974

The Midway District Women's Auxiliary Convention met with the Bellview F. W. B. Church, Colquitt, Ga. on October 5, 1974. The meeting opened with congregational singing led by Mrs. Eleanor Sheffield, with Mrs. Beth Whaley as pianist. Opening prayer was led by Mrs. Laverne Mock.

The day began with a tribute to some of the forerunners of the Women's Auxiliary by Mrs. Edith Shiver. She presented Mrs. K. V. Shutes, Mrs. Eva Clenny and Mrs. J. N. Barnes, as women who had been faithful throughout the years in Auxiliary work. Mrs. Shiver closed her tribute to these women by reading a poem written by Mrs. Doris Sheffield which expressed the thoughts of all present.

A very warm welcome was given by Mrs. Eva Clenny of the Bellview Church.

Our devotional was given by Mrs. J. N. Barnes, using our convention theme as her topic and scripture from Genesis and Titus.

Rev. and Mrs. Tom McCall rendered our special music, "Face to Face."

Mrs. Shirley Kimbrell, President, called the business session to order.

The Credentials Committee report was given and the delegates were seated. M.S.C. that this report be adopted. (See Report)

Mrs. Ida Tabb gave a compiled treasurer's report. M.S.C. that these reports be adopted. (See Report).

The Credential, Resolution, and Finance Committies were appointed.

The Nominating Committee was the appointed: Gloria Henly, Christine Cline, Pat Freeman, June Nichol's and Doris Grant.

M.S.C. we accept each one appointed.

Eleanor led the congregation in singing. Rev. E. R. Corbett led our offeratory prayer. Offering of \$85.41 was received.

A message in song, "Give Me A Vision," was rendered by Mrs. Beth Whaley. Shirley introduced our speaker for the morning message, Mrs. Flora Shutes. Mrs. Shutes expounded on the convention theme challenging all present to be teachers of good things as they followed the Will of God.

After the morning message we were dismissed in prayer by Mrs. Nita Tyler for lunch.

After good food and fellowship were enjoyed by everyone, we reconvened at 1:15 p.m. for the afternoon session.

Eleanor led in congregation singing after which Rev. Tom McCall led in prayer. Mrs. Anne Worthington brought our afternoon devotion which was inspiring to all and she gave highlights of the National Women's Auxiliary Convention held in Wichita, Kansas.

Special music was rendered by Mrs. Flora Shutes, "Fill My Cup."

The business session continued with reports. (See Reports).

Secretaries final report was given. M.S.C. to accept this report.

Registration given by Evera Moye. M.S.C. to accept this report.

Resolution's given by Wynelle Clower. M.S.C. to accept this report and adopt it item by item.

Finance was given by Ida Tabb. M.S.C. to adopt this report.

The district officer's gave an oral report.

Delegates appointed to the State Convention November 14, 1974 were:

President - Shirley Kimbrell

Field Secretary - Anne Worthington

- 1. Wynelle Clower
- 2. Myrtle McGlaymor
- 3. Martha Everson
- 4. Eva Clenny
- 5. Mildred Bowen
- 6. Irene Dykes
- 7. Doris Grant
- 8. Mary Griffin
- 9. Mrs. Pearl Wright
- 10. Laverne Mock

The Spring Workshop will meet with Blakely at a time to be set by the Executive Committee.

The Annual Convention will meet with New Enterprise, October 4, 1975.

During the closing congregation song, an offering of \$85.00 was received for Rev. and Mrs. Houston to help aid in the expense of the sickness of Mrs. Houston.

The meeting was adjourned in prayer by Mr. William Clower.

Shirley Kimbrell, President Ernestine Roebuck, Secretary

MIDWAY DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT OF DESIGNATED FUNDS RECEIVED AND DISBURSED

October 1, 1973 --- September 31, 1974 Ida Tabb -- Treasurer

Funds were received from the following auxiliaries:

1. Albany

2. Arlington		•
3. Bellview		•
4. Blakely	•	
5. Cedar Springs		•
6. Emmanuel		•
7. Hammock Springs		
8. Macedonia		•
9. New Enterprise		
10. New Light		
11. Patmos	•	
12. Traveler's Rest		
Co-Laborer Fund		\$199.80
Dot Harvey Loan Fund		
Westfield India Missions		
Larry Powells Fund		
S. Wilkinson Fund		125.00
Children's Home (Ala.)		
J. E. Blanton Fund	,	11.00
State Projects:	,	
Burns - Swainsboro		230.76
Morris Statesboro		230.76
Johnson - Athens		
Keen - Dublin		228.31
State Project Total		948.68
Jerry Banks Fund (Easter Offerings		
African Missions		11.00
Cooperative Plan of Support		33.00
Missionary Provision Closet		88.00
W.M.A.C. Student Loan Fund		27.00
J. B. Rice, Jr. Fund (Thanksgiving)		
National Home Missions	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Alaska Missions		
State Home Missions (Christmas)		
Eddie Payne (Tape Player)		
Calvary's (Food)		
McCoy's Fund		
Dan Merk's Fund		10.00
Jim Combs Fund	•	
Bishop's (Japan)		
Dublin Land		
Ga. Retired Ministers		
W.N.A.C. Emphasis		
Total		¢ 9 0 01 <i>94</i>

GENERAL TREASURY REPORT: Balance brought forward October 6, 1973 \$88.17 Newsletter subscription funds 141.25 Workshop offering 49.72 Auxiliaries paying (no poster at workshop) 2.00 Representation fees received (158 at \$1.25 each) 201.00 Total \$482.14

DISBURSEMENTS:

1. Albany (21)

2. Arlington (9)

3. Bellview (18)

MIDWAY DISTRICT WOMEN'S AUXILIARY COMPILED TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT OCTOBER 1, 1973 -- September 31, 1974

Number of Auxiliaries reporting12

Newsletter expenses to Anne Worthington\$ 30.00

Postage and receipt cards......11.50

Total......\$147.50

Balance in General Treasury October 5, 1974\$334.64

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4. Blakely (15)	
5. Cedar Springs (16)	
6. Emmanuel (12)	
7. Hammock Springs (9)	
8. Macedonia (14)	
9. New Enterprise (10)	
10. New Light (6)	
11. Patmos (14)	
12. Traveler's Rest (14)	
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Reported Disbursements:	
Home Missions	\$1,429.69
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Home Missions	
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Total Disbursements\$4,994.00
No cash gifts (evaluate)
Children's Home\$ 115.00
Missionary Provision Closet
Retired Ministers Others242.00
Others
Total non cash gifts\$480.24
REPORTS
REGISTRATION COMMITTEE:
Albany8
Arlington4
Bellview
Blakely
Cedar Springs
Hammock Springs5
Macedonia9
New Enterprise
New Enterprise4New Light2Patmos4
Patmos
Traveler's Rest
Total Members
Ministers
Total Present
Judy Ethridge
Evera Moye
CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE:
We, the Credentials Committee, submit the following report. According to
Article IV of the Constitution and Article V of the By-Laws, the following
twelve (12) auxiliaries have properly reported.
1. Albany
2. Arlington
3. Bellview
4. Blakely
5. Emmanuel
6. Hammock Springs
7. Cedar Springs
8. Macedonia
9. New Enterprise
10. New Light
11. Patmos
12 Traveler's Post

We therefore recommend that this report be accepted and the delegates

Respectfully submitted,

Mildred Bowen

Gloria Henly

Ernestine Roebuck, Chairman

seated.

RECORDING SECRETARIES COMPILED REPORT:

Twelve (12) Auxiliaries reporting. Enrollment at beginning of year, 154. Present enrollment, 150.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE:

- I. Be it resolved that the Midway District representation fees be raised from \$1.25 to \$1.50 in 1975.
- II. Be it resolved that the Midway District Auxiliary support a Retreat at Camp Mt. Bethel in Spring of 1975.
- III. Be it resolved that pre-Thanksgiving prayer offerings be earmarked for Earnest Barnes acc't. instead of National Home Missions Midway District Missionary.
- IV. Be it resolved that this body give Bellview Auxiliary a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality shown today.
- V. Be it resolved that each member continue to pay \$1.00 for newsletter the coming year.
- VI. Be it resolved that we raise our Dot Harvey Loan Fund offerings monthly and continue to have September for Dot Harvey Emphasis Month.

Respectfully submitted,
Wynelle Clower
Laverne Mock
Edith Shiver
Joan Peterson
Eugenia Attaberry

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: October 5, 1974 Balance in treasury, October 5, 1974	\$334.64
Convention offering today	
Total receipts	402.05
We, your Finance Committee, recommend the following disb	ursements:
State Rep. Fees (158 members at \$1.25)	197.50
Speaker (Mrs. K. V. Shutes)	100.00
Secretary Postage	
Printing of minutes	
Total Disbursements	
Balance	
Respectfully submitted,	
Ida Tabb. Chairman, Treas.	

Ida Tabb, Chairi Mildred Bowen Shelia McCall Merlene English Dianne Clenney

MIDWAY DISTRICT MASTERS MEN CONVENTION

The Midway District Masters Men held their Annual Meeting with Bellview Church, Colquitt, Georgia, June 15, 1974.

There were six chapters represented with approximately 50 men present. This was the largest number we have had at an annual meeting.

It was a good spiritual meeting.

New officers elected for the coming year were as follows:

The above officers were elected for a two year term.

Our next annual meeting will be held at Blakely Church, Blakely, Georgia on Saturday night, June 21, 1975.

We commend the host church for their hospitality and good food.

Respectfully submitted, Bill Lofton, Secretary

CONSTITUTION

of the Midway District Association of Original Free Will Baptists of the State of Georgia

PREAMBLE: We, the Midway District Association of Original Free Will Baptist of the State of Georgia, do ordain this Constitution for the purpose of advancing, promoting and increasing all phases of the cause of Christ.

ARTICLE ONE: NAME

This organization shall be known as the Midway District Association of Original Free Will Baptist of the State of Georgia.

ARTICLE TWO. MEMBERSHIP

This association shall be composed of such Free Will Baptists Churches as shall adopt this compact and agree to this constitution.

ARTICLE THREE: REPRESENTATION

Section 1. The standing delegation of this association shall

- consist of all ordained ministers, ordained deacons and officers of this Association in good standing with the Association.
- Section 2. Voting privileges shall be extended to all standing delegates and to those duly elected delegates representing the churches of this Association in good standing with the Association.
- Section 3. Each church shall be entitled to two (2) delegates for the first fifty (50) members or fractional part thereof and one delegate per each additional twenty-five (25) members.

ARTICLE FOUR: OFFICERS

- Section 1. The general officers of this Association shall be the moderator, vice moderator, clerk, assistant clerk, treasurer and assistant treasurer. These officers shall be elected on even years for the term of two years.
- Section 2. There shall be a General Board composed of the officers of the Association and the chairmen of the various Boards which shall serve as the Association out of session.
- Section 3. The standing Boards of this Association shall be the Missions Board, Ordaining Board, Budget and Finance Board and the General Board.

ARTICLE FIVE: MEETINGS

The meetings of this Association shall be the Saturdays before the fourth Sundays in January, April, July and October.

ARTICLE SIX: AMENDMENTS

This constitution may be amended or altered at any reegular session of the Association by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the delegates present provided that the proposed amendment or alteration is presented in writing during one session, placed on the table and voted on in the next session. Further, it shall be understood that the proposed amendment or alteration be furnished in writing to each church at least thirty (30) days prior to the session during which the vote is to be taken.

BY-LAWS

of the Midway District Association of Original Free Will Baptists of the State of Georgia

ARTICLE ONE: MEMBERSHIP

- Section 1. All churches affiliated directly with this Association shall be required to adopt the Treatise of the Faith and Practice of the Original Free Will Baptists as adopted by the National Association of Original Free Will Baptists. Application for membership must contain a statement to this effect.
- Section 2. Churches desiring to affiliate themselves with this body must make application by letter and representation to this Association while in session.

ARTICLE TWO: REPRESENTATION

Each church shall be requested to pay a minimum fee of twenty-five cents (25c) per member per session.

ARTICLE THREE: FUNCTIONS OF THE OFFICERS

- Section. 1. The duties of the moderator shall be to preside at all meetingss of the Association. He shall be empowered with the authority to appoint any committees not otherwise provided for by the constitution.
- Section 2. The duties of the vice moderator shall be to preside at the request or in the absence of the moderator and assist him in such ways as are necessary and advisable.
- Section 3. The duties of the clerk shall be to keep accurate minutes of the Association, to compile the minutes of the Boards and Auxiliaries, to prepare them and to publish them. It shall further be the duty of the clerk to take care of all neccessary correspondence.
- Section 4. The duties of the assistant cclerk shall be to function at the request of or in the absence of the clerk and to assist him in any way necessary.
- Section 5. The duties of the treasurer shall be to receive all Associational funds and to disburse them as directed by the Association.
- Section 6. The duties of the assistant treasurer shall be to function at the requesst of or in the absence of the treasurer and to assist him in any way necessary.

ARTICLE FOUR: FUNCTION OF THE BOARDS

- Section 1. The Missions Board shall be composed of five (5) members whose terms of office shall be two years and who shall be re-elected or replaced on even years. The function of this Board shall be:
 - a. To supervise any and all missions' programs of this Association and to co-ordinate their efforts with our state and national agencies.

- b. To be vested with the power of trusteeship; to hold and convey titles of any property coming under the jurisdiction of the Missions Board through the Midway Association or as dealing with any or all of the property requiring trusteeship of the Midway Association.
- c. To formulate and promote a live missionary program by the aiding of weak churches, the establishment of new churches and by an earnest effort to keep the spirit of revival ever present within our Association. It shall not be the function of this Board to hold joint ownership of any church..
- Section 2. The Ordaining Board shall be composed of five ministers who are members of our Association in good standing. Board members shall be elected on even years for the term of two years.

Functions of this Board sshall be:

- a. To examine all applicants for ordination to the ministry and all previously ordained ministers seeking membership in our Association.
- b. To ordain or assist in the ordaination of deacons and ministers when requested to do so by the church of the candidate.
- (1) That all ministers wishing to become members of the Midway Association be recommended from the church of which they are members
- (2) That all examinees be called upon to present their credentials for examination and answer satisfactorily such questions as may be asked of them.
- (3) That all applications must be made at least sixty (60) days before an Associational meeting to the chairman of the Ordaining Board.
- (4) That a person who is presented for ordination or to be recognized as ordained must be pastoring, be in a state of retirement due to age or health or have a justifiable cause preventing his pastoring.
- (5) That ministers desiring to be ordained must have been licensed for the period of one year and have pastored for at least six months prior to ordaination. Six months pastoring during the one year tenure of licensing will be accepted as a pre-requisite for ordaination.

Section 3. The Budget and Finance Board shall be composed

of three (3) members, one of whom shall be the Treasurer, and who shall serve as its chairman. These members shall be elected on even years for the period of two (2) years.

It shall be their duty to:

- a. Receive and disburse all Associational monies at the request of the Association.
- b. To receive all pleas for help and suggestions for disbursement.
- c. To recommend to the Association the disbursement of the monies received.
- d. To keep a general oversight of the financial work of the Association and to keep the Association informed at all times of its financial condition.

ARTICLE FIVE: COMMITTEES

- Section 1. The nomination committee shall be composed of three (3) members to be elected at the October session and who shall serve for the period of one year.
- Section 2. All committees not provided for by either the Constitution or its By-Laws may be appointed by the moderator as deemed necessary.

ARTICLE SIX: REPORTING

- Section 1. Each church is requested to mail its report to the clerk fifteen (15) days before each session.
- Section 2. Each auxiliary of the Association shall give a report to the Association which meets in October. It is requested that this report be mailed to the clerk (15) days before the session.

ARTICLE SEVEN: MISCELLANEOUS

- Section 1. Forty percent (40%) of Associational fees and offerings will go for missions.
- Section 2. Each minister who is a member of the Midway Association shall be expected to attend at least one session yearly unless providentially hindered.
- Section 3. The name, date of birth, date of death, age and church affiliation of any member overtaken by death each year shall be included in that year's minutes, and such information is to be given to the clerk by the various clerks of the churches.

- Section 4. At the death of a minister, a page in that year's minutes shall be draped in black in his memory, giving all pertinent information concerning him and his ministry.
- Section 5. The general officers of the Association shall be elected on even years for the term of two (2) years.
- Section 6. No person may be elected to more than one elective office in the Midway Association at the same time and may not succeed himself more than once.
- Section 7. The Constitution and By-Laws with any amendments and alterations shall be printed each year in the minutes.
- Section 8. A quorum shall consist of a majority of any Board or Committee.

ARTICLE EIGHT: AMENDMENTS

These By-Laws may be amended or altered at any regular session of the Association by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the membership present provided that the proposed amendment or alteration is presented in writing during one session, placed on the table and voted on in the next session. Further, it shall be understood that the proposed amendment or alteration be furnished in writing to each church at least thirty (30) days prior to the session during which the vote is to be taken.

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

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CHURCH	Total Offerings Received		Building and Repairs	Debt Retirement	All Other	Total Spent For Local Causes	Cooperative Plan	State Missions	Childrens Home	Super annuation	All Other	Outside Causes	National Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Bible College	Executive Department	Other	Total National Ministries	Total Expenditures	Value of Church Property
ALBANY	7714000		402300	413000	182500	997800	1				489900	489900	509000	225200	85600	10000	5326500	6226300	7714000	24100000
ARLINGTON	1279095	581000	73246		229223	883469	24000				27652	51652		32846	4161			3 7007	972128	2500000
BAINBRIDGE	645407	261600	201515		50701	513816	12000				5000	17000	14400					14400	545216	2500000
BELLVIEW	4499272	910000	464139	1034000	1145861	3554000	251855	123506	20000		4430	399791	4631	252059	129410		15800	401900	4355691	9500000
BLAKELY	2924800	779600	751100	671000	632100	2833800	•				69800	69800	74400	84700	89000		3057	251157	3154757	9500000
CEDAR SPRINGS	2628327	786562	1618664	13522	400718	2819466	109051				20500	129551	· 8408	42873	5000		1000	57281	3006298	5500000
DAMASCUS	500800	63500	353800		69200	486500					7500	7500	2000	2500	1500	-		6000	500000	3000000
DONALSONVILLE	372500	237000			55446	292446					14325	14325	·	<u> </u>					306771	1400000
EMMANUEL	1661412	600059				600059	6000	-	<u> </u>	j		6000							606059	8900000
ENTERPRISE	193792	96410	39438		49229	185077	5500					5500	7000	1800				8800	199377	1400000
HAMMOCK SPRINGS	1470168	545000		650000	194813	1389813	35171	2500	15000		* 	52671		24468	-		_	24468	1466952	7200000
MACEDONIA	1857810	721000	384200		522441	1627641					44273	44273	2749	178500	5000			186249	1858163	8000000
MT. ZION	173490	72000	56976		58165	187141	-				_					-			187141	750000
NEW ENTERPRISE		204000				204000					423855	423855	·						627855	
NEW LIGHT	1150000	640000			419000	1059000	102719		i —		75900	178619		9500			12000	21500	1259119	5000000
OAK CROVE	303700	195000			110472	305472	9600					9600	17700	3500				21200	336272	2500000
PATMOS	1400000	540000	270000	200000	269000	1279000	48000	···				48000	30000	···-	30000	 -	_	60000	1387000	
SOUTH MAIN	583227	244000	19080	170213	65159	498452	4491				23020	27511		24466				24466	550429	2000000
TRAVELERS REST .		240000	829855		204096	1273951					26750	26750	37316	14700				52016	1352717	
WHITE PLAINS	507879	307037	118444		156057	581538	11643				7400	19043	<u> </u>	4465			·	4465	605046	1255000
TOTALS		8023768	-	3151735			620030	126006	35000		1240305	2021341	707604	901577	349671	10000	5428357	7397209 -	30990991	95005000

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CHURCH	MEMBERSHIP	RESIDENT	NON RESIDENT	BAPTISED	RECEIVED BY LETTER & STATEME	MEMBERS LOST	No. LOST TO NON FWB CHURCHES	SS ENROLLMENT	SS AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	CTS ENROLLMENT	CTS AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	WOMANS AUXILLAR ENROLLMENT	WOMANS AUXILIARY AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	MASTERS MEN ENROLLMENT	STER END	PRAYER MEETING AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	VBS AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	No. REVIVALS	DEACONS	No. STUDENTS ATTENDING FWBBC	No. STUDENTS ATTENDING OTHER COLLEGES	AIN	No. LICENSED
ALBANY *	545				8	14			233		122	55	45	20	14						1	2	3
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BAINBRIDGE	73	59	14	4	4	5		36	22							7					2	¹ 2	
BELLVIEW	243	164	. 79	17	13	7	1	176	150	123	96	18	12	16	13.	75	83		9	3	4	. 2	1
BLAKELY	226	178	58	20	15	1		215	156	130	102	25	18	18	12		89				1	1	
CEDAR SPRINGS	110			7	4	2		70	60	68	46	16	10			25					1	1	1
DAMASCUS	25	15	- 10		1			50	40													2	
DONALSONVILLE	21	20	³ 1		2	13	1	25	, 15	24	15					13					1	1	
EMMANUEL	- 146	117	29	6		2	6	50	42	49	38			12	.7	25	56			1		1	1
ENTERPRISE *	52	30	22	1		1		12	10	13	9							1				1	
HAMMOCK SPRINGS	64	60	4	0	3	5		- 80	61	60	47	9	9	7	5	33	49		5 -		1	1	
MACEDONIA	125	100	25	3	11	1		84	70	65	45	16	14	12	10.	40	70			1	·	3	
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NEW ENTERPRISE	78	48	30	1				46	36					11	8	· .	<i>.</i> :						
NEW LIGHT	233	100	133	1	4	2	1	84	47	32	18	10	7			15	24				6		
OAK GROVE	75	35	40					21	15								· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				<u> </u>	<u></u>	
PATMOS *	134	73	61	4	4 .	8	4	56	. 45	34.	24	₁ 14	9		,	15	33	·	·		3		1
SOUTH MAIN	36	30	6				·	35	20	30	15	:	. :	· — - · - ·	,	15						1	
TRAVELERS REST	117	90	27		1	4	·	50	30	36	32	14	10			20					· ·		
WHITE PLAINS	58	48	10	2		1	2	46	28	43	26					12	35		0		1	3	
TOTALS	2454	1230	579	69	71	80	16	1188	1125	750	673	187	141	103	76	395	475	-	14	5	21	22	`.

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	Damascus	Rev. Dennis Irvin 202 Hillside Ave. Albany, Ga. 31702	Mrs. Margaret Daniels Route 1, Box 6 Damascus, Ga. 31741	I. A. Walton Jr. Route 4 Colquitt, Ga. 31737	
	Donalsonville	Rev. J. W. Loyless Route 1, Box 283 Blakely, Ga. 31723	Mrs. Wilford Tyler Route 5, Box 174 Colquitt, Ga. 31737	Charlie Williams Route 1, Box 53 Donalsonville, Ga. 31745	Jerry Bush 308 North Knox Ave. Donalsonville, Ga. 31745
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	Enterprise	Rev. Coy Watson Route 1 Blakely, Ga. 31723	Mrs. R. J. Reynolds Route 1 Blakely, Ga. 31723	Ralph Jenkins Route 1 Blakely, Ga. 31723	Mrs. Zemmie Reed Liberty Street Blakely, Ga. 31723
•	Hammock Springs	Rev. E. R. Corbett Route 3 Donalsonville, Ga. 31745	Janice Jones Route 3, Box 314-A Donalsonville, Ga. 31745	Richard Williams Otasco Store Donalsonville, Ga. 31745	John Taylor Route 3 Donalsonville, Ga. 31745
	Macedonia	Rev. Bobby Clyatt Route 1 Colquitt, Ga. 31737	Glynn Henley Route 3 Colquitt, Ga. 31737	W. T. Henry Box 297 Damascus, Ga. 31741	Mrs. Mildred Bowen Route 1 Colquitt, Ga. 31737
	Mt. Zion	Rev. Coy Watson Route 1 Blakely, Ga. 31723	Mrs. Shelby Deal Route 2, Box 28 Cuthbert, Ga. 31740	Edward Deal Route 2, Box 28 Cuthbert, Ga. 31740	•
	New Enterprise	Rev. C. R. Houston Route 1, Box 174 Colquitt, Ga. 31737	E. B. Ard Brinson, Ga. 31725	Samuel L. Helms Route 1, Box 208-A Brinson, Ga. 31725	
	New Light	Rev. Ralph Lightsey P. O. Box 731 Statesboro, Ga. 30458	Charles R. Drinkwater Route 1 Morgan, Ga. 31766	Bobby Paul Morgan, Ga. 31766	Thad Hawke Morgan Ga. 31766
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	Patmos	Rev. Tom McCall Route 2 Leary, Ga. 31762	Mrs. Herschel Collins Route 1 Newton, Ga. 31770	Jeffrey Sheffield Route 1 Newton, Ga. 31770	Carl Goolsby Route 2 Leary, Ga. 31762
	South Main		Mrs. Jewel Haire Route 1 Albany, Ga. 31706	Charles Love Love Street Blakely, Ga. 31723	Murray Haire Route 1 Albany, Ga. 31706
	Traveler's Rest	Rev. C. R. Houston Route 1, Box 174 Colquitt, Ga. 31737	Woodrow Parker Route 2, Box 40 Newton, Ga. 31770	Clinton Musgrove Newton, Ga. 31770	Larry Ethridge Newton, Ga. 31770
	White Plains	Rev. C. F. Harting P. O. Box 294 Damascus, Ga. 31741	Route 4	Mr. Pete Houston Route 4, Blakely, Ga. 31723	Clifton McCorkle Route 1 Donalsonville, Ga. 31745
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SUPERINTENDENT

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY PRESIDENT	MASTERS MEN PRESIDENT Jerry Gresham	DEACON BOARD CHAIRMAN Gleason Fowler 1602 Gillespie Ave. Albany, Ga. 31705	MEETING DAYS Full Time
Mrs. Leron Clower Route 2 Arlington, Ga. 31713	Leron Clower Route 2 Arlington, Ga. 31713	•	Full Time
		W. S. Tedder 505 Mills St. Bainbridge, Ga. 31717	Full Time
Mrs. Mary Griffin Route 3 Colquitt, Ga. 31737	James R. Clenney Route 3 Colquitt, Ga. 31737	James R. Clenney Route 3 Colquitt, Ga. 31737	Full Time
Mrs. Marlene English Weaver Drive Blakely, Ga. 31723	Henry Peterson Route 2 Blakely, Ga. 31723	Jack Henderson Central Ave. Blakely, Ga. 31723	Full Time
Mrs. Pat Freeman Route 1 Jakin; Ga. 31761	,	J. H. Radney Route 4 Blakely; Ga. 31723	Full Time
		Doug Wright P. O. Box 321 Damascus, Ga. 31741	Third Sunday
		Tom C. Cox Route 5 Colquitt, Ga. 31737	Full Time
Mrs. Imogene Morris 220 Leary Ave. Columbus, Ga. 31907	Hoyt Hodges 5125 Morris Ave. Columbus, Ga. 31904	Alva Brunson 1517 50th St. Columbus, Ga. 31904	Full Time
		Ralph Jenkins Route 1 Blakely, Ga. 31723	
June Nichols Route 2, Box 161 Donalsonville, Ga. 31745	Bobby Nichols Route 2, Box 161 Donalsonville, Ga. 31745	Bobby Nichols Route 2, Box 161 Donalsonville, Ga. 31745	Full Time
Mrs. Ethel Henley Route 4 Colquitt, Ga. 31737	Leron Clower Route 2 Arlington, Ga. 31713	Bill Thornton Route 3 Colquitt, Ga. 31737	Full Time
•		Edward Deal Route 2, Box 28 Cuthbert, Ga. 31740	
Mrs. Wyatt Bracking Route 1, Box 193 Brinson, Ga. 31725		Rudolph Shores Iron City, Ga.	· .
Mrs. Iris Paul Route 1 Morgan, Ga. 31766		W. O. Clower Morgan, Ga. 31766	2nd & 4th Sundays
		H. A. Harbin Route 1 Colquitt, Ga. 31737	
Mrs. C. C. Sheffield Route 1 Newton, Ga. 31770		Steve Bush Route 2 Leary, Ga. 31762	Full Time
		Murry Haire Route 1 Albany, Ga. 31706	Full Time
Mrs. Christine Clive Route 2, Box 30 Newton, Ga. 31770		T. L. Edwards Route 2 Newton, Ga. 31770	
			Full Time